



**Preliminary Essay Winners**

The above students were winners in their respective High Schools in the Essay Contest "How The Atom Benefits Mankind", sponsored by Carolina Power & Light Co. and attended the awards dinner Tuesday night at the Lorraine Restaurant at Long Beach. Front row, left to right, they are Becky Long, Waccamaw; Susan Usher, Shallotte; Wanda Williams, Lincoln; Delores Johnson, Bolivia; Marilyn Gore, BCHS; Siegfried Sanders, Leland. Back row, Pat Keziah, Shallotte; Charles Smith, Southport; Roger Gause, Union; David Gore, Union; Steve Stallings, Shallotte.

## Shallotte Boy Essay Winner For Brunswick

Pat Keziah, Shallotte High School junior and son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Keziah, Tuesday night was named Brunswick County winner in the essay contest "How The Atom Benefits Mankind". The contest was sponsored by Carolina Power and Light Co. and provision has been made for the student winner and his science teacher to make an all-expense trip to the Youth Conference on the Atom, to be held in Chicago in October.

The award was made at a dinner held at Lorraine Restaurant at Long Beach with officials of Carolina Power and Light Company in attendance. Also present was Dr. L. Wang Lau, member of the faculty of the science department at Wilmington College, who served as judge for this contest.

In fact, one of the most impressive features of the meeting was an oral examination conducted by Dr. Lau among the three finalists.

In addition to Keziah, these were Steve Stallings, first runner-up, Shallotte, and Siegfried Sanders, Leland, second runner-up. Everyone present was impressed with the poise these boys exhibited under close questioning of their papers and with the depth of their answers.

Other local winners were Becky Long, Waccamaw; Susan Usher, Shallotte; Wanda Williams, Lincoln; Delores Johnson, Bolivia; Marilyn Gore, BCHS; Charles Smith, (Continued On Page Four)



**Win Chicago Trip**

Pat Keziah, left, and Tom Lowe, right, are shown congratulating each other Tuesday night after announcement had been made that Pat, a student at Shallotte High School, had been declared winner in the Essay Contest sponsored by Carolina Power and Light Co. Lowe is his science teacher. Both will attend the Youth Conference on the Atom in Chicago next fall.

## Williams Resigns As Superintendent

George F. Williams, for three and one-half years superintendent of schools for Brunswick County, resigned Tuesday night in order to accept a similar position in Orange county. Last week he was reelected to the position from which he resigned.

Following is the text of his letter of resignation, which was accepted with regrets by board members:

"It is with deep regret that I submit my resignation as Superintendent of the Brunswick County Schools. I ask that my resignation be effective June 30, 1969.

"I wish to take this opportunity to express my thanks and sincere appreciation to members of the board who in the past three and one-half years through their cooperation and effort have endeavored to provide the best educational opportunities for the children of Brunswick county with the available resources. The accomplishments which have been attained during this time are the direct result of the work of many dedicated people. The development of the potential of all students has been and should continue to be the real function of the public schools.

"My family and I regret to leave behind our friends and others who have made our stay (Continued On Page Four)

## Southport Club State Winner

The Junior Women's Club of Southport found that work can be rewarding this week when they were honored at the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs Convention held in Asheville.

The hostess project the club initiated at Brunswick Town Historical Site last year won two honors in the Cultural Heritage division of the Convention Department. It was the first place winner in the Junior Division and first runner-up in the competition with the entire 375 Women's Clubs throughout the state.

The Junior Club was named first runner-up in the Junior Division for the Civil Defense and Savings Bonds Division of the Public Affairs Department and second runner-up in the over-all federation for the Library Services division of the Education Department.

Attending the convention from Southport as delegates were Mrs. C. Richard Conrad, president, and Mrs. Joseph H. Young, immediate past-president, of the Southport Juniors and Mrs. James M. Harper, Jr., immediate past president of Southport Women's Club.

## Hospital To Benefit From Pier Fishing

Due to the generosity of the new owners of Long Beach Fishing Pier Doshier Memorial Hospital in Southport will enjoy a 5-day benefit May 19-23.

Details have not been completed, but plans as outlined by William T. Watkins of Falls Church, Va., president of the corporation which now owns the pier, will have all proceeds from daily sales of admission tickets to the pier going to the local hospital. Plans are being discussed to use volunteer help in pushing pier ticket sales here in Southport and in other towns throughout the county.

Following is a copy of a letter from Watkins pertaining to the coming benefit:

"It is my feeling that we should contribute to the betterment of our community when we have the opportunity. With this in mind, I have decided that we should sponsor "Doshier Memorial Hospital Days."

"This will be a five day period, May 19 through May 23. During these five days all receipts from the sale of daily tickets for the privilege of fishing from the Long Beach Fishing Pier will be contributed to Doshier Memorial Hospital.

"During these few days, as an added incentive, we will offer each day a season's ticket as a prize for the largest fish caught from the pier. We will also present a grand prize to the person catching the largest fish during the five day period.

"Please do everything possible to insure that this is a successful campaign, so that we can turn over a substantial check to the Doshier Memorial Hospital."

## School Board Holds Meeting

The Brunswick County Board of Education held a called meeting on April 29.

On a motion by Homer Holden, seconded by Delmas Babson, the Board approved A.C. Caviness for Headstart Director for the 1969 summer program.

The board approved the proposed plan for Driver Training and Safety Education for the 1969-70 school year.

The board approved the employment of the following personnel: Supervisors—Paul Brummett and Ruth T. White; Guidance Counselors—Irene Hankins and Kay Barnes; office staff—Douglas B. Deitz, secretary, Annie L. Myers, bookkeeper, Priscilla Gaskill, bookkeeper, JoAnn McDowell, clerk.

On a motion by Arthur J. Doshier, seconded by Joe Gainey, the board approved the employment of the following E.S.E.A. personnel: Frances Stone, director; Patricia C. Milligan, bookkeeper; Sarah JoAnn McDowell, secretary; Muriel D. Lennon, reading coordinator; Phlander R. Hankins, Jr., audiovisual director; Edna M. Gause, library supervisor; Daniel Simmons, Jr., audiovisual technician; Marie S. Brown, nurse; Esther Garrett Robinson, nurse; Sharon Kaye Bradsher, speech therapist; Grover N. Burney, assistant technician and custodian.

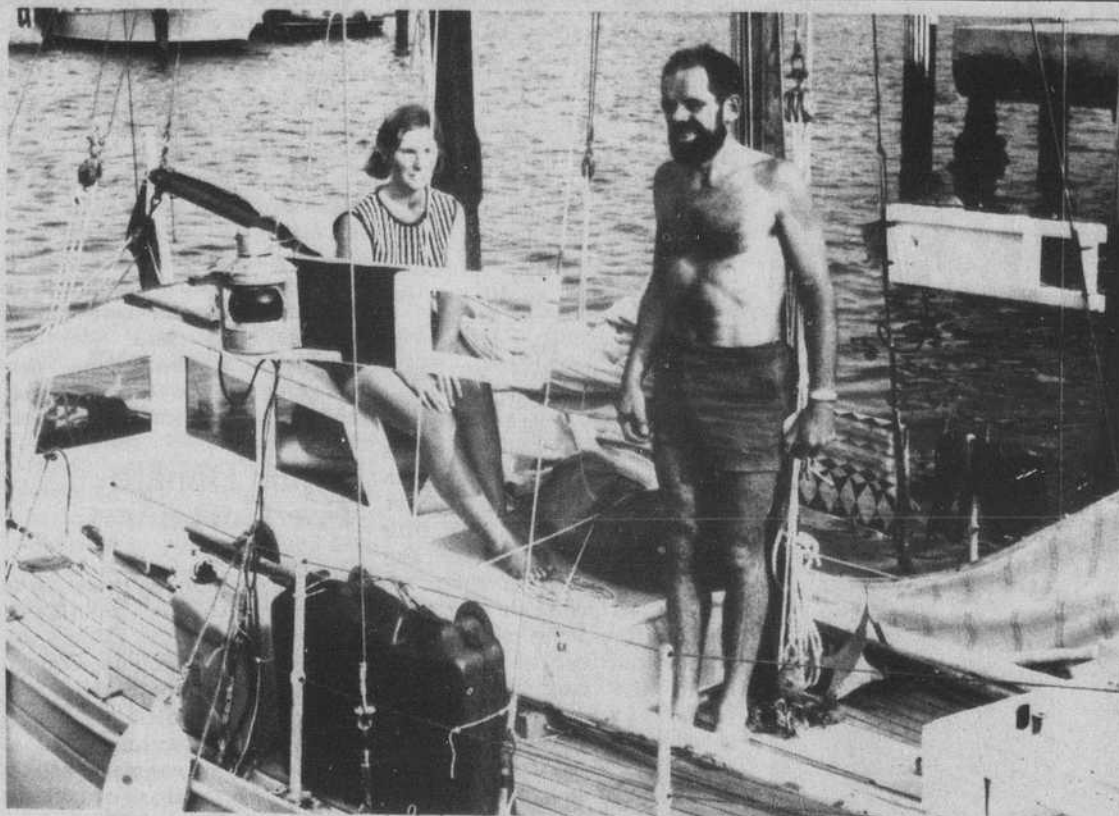
Board Attorney Kirby Sullivan appeared before the board and discussed allegations against the Brunswick County Board of Education by the Department of (Continued On Page Four)

## Time And Tide

Back in 1939 Bald Head Island continued to be good copy. There were two items of particular interest in the May 3 issue of The Pilot. One reported that the island had proved to be an interesting botanical laboratory for the Marietta College students during the previous week. The second was an announcement that owner Frank Sherrill probably would put some saddle horses over on the island as an aid to transportation. Make it three stories: Two professors from N.C. State College, Dr. B. Wells and Dr. Ira Shunk, had visited Bald Head.

There was a report that the Smith Meal Plant was planning the construction of a big, new menhaden plant in this area. But of more practical interest on the fishing front was the report that chimney shallows had literally taken possession of the Ben Gray Shrimp house on the waterfront. There had been a hail storm during the first week in May; Billy Newton was described by the Not Exactly writer as a "hard-hitting backstop" of the local town baseball team; and it had required an entire column of sidelights to fully cover the flower show of the week before.

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**Cross Ocean In Sailboat**

John and Carol Mills arrived at the Southport Boat Harbor Tuesday morning after a trans-Atlantic voyage aboard their 26-foot motor sailer. They left England in August. (Photo by Spencer)

## Couple Sails Small Sailboat Across Ocean

A customer walked into the Harbor Grocery in Southport Tuesday afternoon and told Jerry Giles "I've been in the United States less than one hour."

The customer turned out to be John Mills, who with his wife, Carol, had just completed the last leg of their trans-Atlantic voyage from North Wales, a journey which began last August when they sailed from England.

There were some remarkable facts about this trip. For one, the sailing vessel in which they made their ocean crossing is only 26-feet in length. For another, they relied almost completely upon their sails for power, actually using only 15-gallons of fuel in their auxiliary motor. Capt. Mills said that he was blessed with fair winds during most of his trip. He said he relied exclusively upon celestial navigation and that on only three days were the skies so overcast he could not use his sextant.

Capt. Mills said that his course carried him to the Canary Islands, to the Barbadoes and to St. Thomas. He and his wife plan to spend two or three days in Southport, their first port in the United States, and then will set sail for Canada. He said that they may delay their return trip across the ocean until after the hurricane season this fall.

## Lineman Has Narrow Escape

Lawrence Skipper had a miraculous escape from death by electrocution last Wednesday in Southport and much of the credit for his rescue goes to two of his fellow workmen, Eddie Hodges and Tommy Long.

According to reports of the accident, Skipper came into contact with a high voltage line and was pulled free of this contact when Hodges threw a line around Skipper's leg, tossed the end of the rope to Long, who was on another pole and who then pulled his buddy off the live wire.

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## Elections Held For Town Boards



Rev. Roy Q. Gregg

## Father Is Guest Minister

Oak Island Baptist Church at Long Beach will be participating in revival services beginning May 18 and extending through May 23.

The guest minister will be the Rev. Roy Q. Gregg, pastor of Memorial Baptist Church in Kannapolis. The Rev. Homer McKeithan, pastor of Bethel Baptist Church, will be guest music director for this meeting.

The guest preacher is the father of the Rev. Ralph H. Gregg, pastor of the host church. This revival is a part of the Crusade of the Americas and the public is invited to participate. Services will be held each evening, beginning at 7:30 o'clock.

## 3-Year-Old Is Traffic Victim

A three-year-old Hallsboro girl, Catherine Elizabeth Cook, died after being hit by a car at Ocean Isle Beach, about 3 p.m., Sunday.

The child, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John V. Cook of Hallsboro, reportedly ran into the path of an auto driven by Wanda Gore of Shallotte as she traveled along NC 1114 at Ocean Isle. Miss Gore said she was driving about 30 mph at the time the child darted into her vehicle's path.

Shallotte Volunteer Rescue Squad members were called to the scene and they carried the child to Ocean View Memorial Hospital in Myrtle Beach, S.C., where she was pronounced dead on arrival.

Final rites for the victim will be held Tuesday at 3 p.m. at Hallsboro Baptist Church by the Rev. Leonard Gerald, with burial in Lake Waccamaw Cemetery. Survivors include the parents, Mr. and Mrs. John V. Cook of Hallsboro; four brothers, Stephen, Richard, Carlton and John Allen Cook, all of the home; the paternal grandparents, (Continued On Page Four)

## Visitation At All-Time High At Brunswick

The largest April visitation in the eleven year history of the site was recorded at Brunswick Town State Historic Site, according to Wm. G. Faulk, Jr., historic site manager.

A total of 16,882 persons visited Brunswick Town during the thirty day period.

Another record also was set in the number of school groups visiting during the same period, a total of forty six, representing twenty different counties.

Faulk explains, "As more teachers, especially those teaching North Carolina history, are becoming aware of the educational value of the audio-visual programs, displays and exhibits in the museum and the excavated foundations on the grounds, our number of groups visiting each year is increasing. In addition to conversations with teachers, we have a standard form that teachers are requested to complete, and from their comments we are able to determine if we are meeting student needs to interpretation of the site. It is our desire to maintain an educational presentation that is both interesting and entertaining as well."

## Judge Refuses To Allow Bond

A youthful Brunswick County murder suspect failed Tuesday in an effort to get release from jail on bond.

A writ of habeas corpus enabled evidence to be heard by Judge E. Maurice Braswell on the nature of charges against Albert Lee Soles, age 14, 269 and was elected to the Board of Aldermen, along with incumbent Pierce Horne, who polled 226 votes. Unsuccessful in his bid for reelection was the Rev. N. H. Daniels, who previously had been appointed to fill the unexpired term of Dr. Norman Hornstein. Also in this precinct J. K. Porterfield had 203 votes and George Parker had 88.

The habeas corpus hearing took place in the Columbus County Superior courtroom in Whiteville where Judge Braswell was conducting a criminal session.

Judge Braswell decreed that the evidence could cause a jury to conclude that Soles' offense was murder in the first degree, a capital offense. Jurors, and not he, should decide if the shooting was the result of malice and a foresight and legally premeditated, the judge said.

Counsel for Soles was Attorney Mason H. Anderson of Shallotte. Scene of the shotgun death on the night of March 21 was Johnny Callihan's Store at Phoenix, witnesses said.

Judge Braswell heard evidence that Soles left the scene of the shooting and was two miles away when he was arrested.

While denying Soles' petition for release from jail on bond, the judge ordered that Soles be present for grand jury action in Brunswick Superior court on Monday.

## Tide Table

Following is the tide table for Southport during the week. These hours are approximately correct and were furnished The State Port Pilot through the courtesy of the Cape Fear Pilots' Association.

Thursday, May 8	
12:57 AM	7:28 AM
1:27 PM	7:40 PM
Friday, May 9	
1:57 AM	8:28 AM
2:27 PM	8:46 PM
Saturday, May 10	
2:57 AM	9:22 AM
3:33 PM	9:52 PM
Sunday, May 11	
3:57 AM	10:16 AM
4:27 PM	10:52 PM
Monday, May 12	
14:45 AM	11:04 AM
15:21 PM	11:40 PM
Tuesday, May 13	
16:39 AM	11:52 AM
6:03 PM	
Wednesday, May 14	
6:27 AM	0:28 AM
16:45 PM	12:34 PM

## School "Bomb" Not Dangerous

Chief of Police Walton Willis said yesterday that laboratory tests conducted by the SBI have determined that the device discovered two weeks ago in the building of Southport Baptist Church was harmless and that its use constituted a bomb hoax.

Investigation continues in an effort to determine how the home made device came to be in the furnace room of the church and who was responsible for its being there.

That same day the remains of a fire were discovered in the basement of the home of Judge and Mrs. James C. Bowman in Deepwater Heights. SBI investigators, together with a representative from the office of the State Fire Marshal, determined that this was the work of juveniles in the community and no criminal indictments have been made.