



Change Of Command

Colonel Cary A. Kennedy, Jr. (c) former commander, MOT, Sunny Point, passes terminal's colors to Colonel Robert D. Reid (r), new commander, while Master Sergeant Loran B. Wray, terminal Sergeant Major, looks on. This event took place Friday during a change of command Ceremony at Sunny Point.

New Officer Takes Command Over Terminal

Col. Robert D. Reid assumed command of the Military Ocean Terminal, Sunny Point, on Saturday following a change of command ceremony during which Colonel Cary A. Kennedy, Jr., the former commander, presented the Terminal's colors to Col. Reid.

The new commanding officer was drafted into the military service at Ypsilanti, Michigan, in 1941 and after attending Officer Candidate School in 1942 received a reserve commission in the United States Army. In 1946 he was integrated into the regular Army.

During his military career he has served in varied transportation and logistical assignments. He served two tours of duty as a member of the General Staff at the Pentagon. In 1967 he commanded the Army Port at Cam Ranh Bay, Viet Nam, and just prior to his assignment to Sunny Point was stationed in Hqs, United States Army Pacific in Hawaii where he supervised the Army's transportation activities throughout the Pacific area.

His civilian and military education consists of having attended the Cleary Business Colleg (Mich.), Quartermaster School, Command and General Staff College, Military Assistance Institute, and he holds a degree in business management from the University of Omaha (Neb).

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Quiet And Peaceful Place

This is Bald Head Island as seen from the Cape Fear River side. The historic lighthouse stands as a lonely sentinel, while marching over the dunes in the foreground are telephone lines which once permitted

communication with the mainland. This photograph is from the files of the late Art Newton. It might as well have been taken last week.

Still Up In The Air

Scott Recommends Conservation

Governor Robert Scott passed on to the North Carolina General Assembly the decision of whether the state should buy Bald Head Island. The Board of Conservation and Development supported this decision Saturday at their meeting in Kinston by a

vote of 23-2. The announcement by Scott came a few hours after Charles Fraser, who seeks to develop the island, disclosed he has an option to purchase the uninhabited island near Southport.

"I recommend that the acquisition of Smith Island be submitted to the next session of the General Assembly, which will convene some sixteen months from now," the Governor said, "so our representatives can determine whether or not the state should own this property."

Fraser's plans for commercial development of the island have aroused conservationists in the state who have urged the governor to bring about state ownership of the property, also known as Smith Island.

"It is my belief," Scott said, "that Smith Island should be conserved. Also I feel that the state should obtain title to the entire island in order that the state can determine the island's future role, whether it be full development, controlled partial development, or no development at all."

But the fact is, he said, that "the state does not have the money to purchase the island from its present owner . . ."

Scott said the \$5.5 million price being asked for the island by owner Frank Sherrill of Charlotte "precedes any likelihood of seriously searching for state funds until the next session of the General Assembly."

In the intervening months before the 1971 legislature convenes, Scott suggested that the Research Triangle Institute conduct a comprehensive, impartial study for the use of Bald Head

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Rifles Recovered

This case of rifles which lay on the ocean floor for over 100 years was intended for use by the Confederate forces during the Civil War. They were recently recovered from the blockade runner MODERN GREECE by scuba divers. - Brunswick Town Photo

Mrs. Hewett Is New President

Mrs. Freeman E. Hewett of Shallotte has been named president of the Brunswick Heart Unit and succeeds Mrs. Shelby Rourke of Shallotte.

Mrs. Hewett is the secretary of the Brunswick County Farm Bureau, church musician at Shallotte First Baptist, leader of the Busy Bees 4-H Club, elector and advisor of the Busy Bees Ladies Club, secretary and treasurer of Brunswick County Democratic Women, a member of the Brunswick County Agriculture Workers Committee, a free-lance reporter for the Brunswick Beacon State Port Pilot and Star-News Papers, member of the Policy Advisory Board of the Brunswick County Headstart Program, and mother of 6 children who are all in school now from the third grade to a senior at Shallotte High School.

As the local organization of the North Carolina and American Heart Associations, the Brunswick Heart Unit provides public information on heart disease, informs local doctors, nurses and other health workers of advances in the treatment of heart disease, and operates community-wide programs to prevent heart disease or assist victims and their families.

The Brunswick Heart Unit also leads the annual Heart Fund drive to support local programs and those of the state and national organizations. Mrs. Hewett reports that plans for the 1970 campaign, to be conducted

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S. BUNN FRINK

Frink Files As Candidate

S. Bunn Frink, veteran Brunswick county attorney, has jumped the gun on other political candidates in next year's primary election by filing for the democratic nomination for State Senator representing the 15th Senatorial District.

Brunswick, Columbus and Bladen comprise this district which now is represented by Sankey Robinson, Whiteville attorney.

The decision of Frink to enter this race promises a hotly contested race for the senate nomination, for Odell Williamson, Shallotte business man, has been openly campaigning for the same office for several months.

Frink formerly lived at Southport but now makes his home at Sunset Beach. He maintains a law office both at

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Powell Bill Pays Money To Cities

State street allocations totaling more than \$11-million will go to North Carolina cities and towns that qualify under provisions of the Powell Bill, D. McLaughlin Faircloth announced this week.

Included were payments to eight municipalities in Brunswick County totalling \$121,756.30. The largest payment went to Long Beach, \$45,746.66. Next was Boiling Spring Lakes, \$40,550.74. Others were Southport, \$14,671.12; Shallotte, \$5,198.15; Yaupon Beach, \$5,140.95; Ocean Isle Beach, \$4,958.81; Sunset Beach, \$4,368.67; and Bolivia, \$1,121.20.

Faircloth said that 427 cities and towns will receive proportional cash allotments amounting to \$11,224,494. Checks will be mailed from Raleigh this month so they can reach the municipalities by October 1.

The Powell Bill funds, provided by one-half cent of the regular gasoline tax, are returned

annually to cities and towns, based on both population and non-state street mileage. This year's total is almost \$1-million more than last year, when \$10.4 million was returned to the municipalities.

The N.C. General Statutes provide that a State Street Aid allocation be paid to eligible and qualifying municipalities in North Carolina from the State Highway Fund, annually as of July 1. The total allocation is a

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Board Agrees To Sell Land

Members of the Board of County Commissioners in session here Monday sold 11.7 acres of the Old County Home property to F. Herbert Swain for \$13,466.50.

The motion to sell was made by A.C. Holden, was seconded by W.D. Ward and was given an affirmative vote by Paul Dennis and Chairman George Rourke. V.A. Creech abstained.

Mrs. A.P. Henry, Brunswick County representative on the Southeastern Development Commission and secretary-treasurer of that body, appeared before the commissioners with David W. Alexander, the new executive director, and Joseph W. Grimsley, assistant field director for the Coastal Plains Regional Commission. Several long range projects in prospect for this area were discussed.

The board considered petitions for the Willie Johnson Road, the fork off West Ash Road and the fork off Rural Road 1351 and forwarded them to the State Highway Commission.

The board discussed several tax matters with Tax Supervisor Ira Butler.

The following items were disposed of at the first meeting of the board in September:

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CP&L Issues Statement On Friday Protest

North Carolina labor union members and their sympathizers marched 5,000 strong Friday in Raleigh protesting the contract which Carolina Power and Light Company let recently with an out-of-state firm which maintains maintains as open shop.

Labor leaders claimed the Raleigh demonstration, which featured a parade down Fayetteville Street, as only the first round in a fight against what they term "a conspiracy of manufacturers and politicians" to break up organized labor in the South.

Following is the text of a statement made by Carolina Power & Light Company in connection with the protest by labor groups of the awarding of construction contracts to Brown and Root:

"Carolina Power & Light Company has awarded to Brown & Root of Houston, Texas, contracts for the construction of generating facilities for plants at Asheville, Roxboro, Lumberton, Wilmington and in Brunswick County. It is estimated that upon completion these plants will represent an investment of nearly half a billion dollars.

"These contracts were awarded in keeping with long-established Company policy for building power plants. That policy is to use engineering construction firms of proven ability which in our judgment can meet our construction requirements and schedule the most economically. This policy is in the interest of our customers and the area we serve.

"Although headquartered out of state, our general contractors always have employed qualified

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Divers Recover Interesting Items



DRUMMOND R. THOM

Recently in the Southport-Fort Fisher area several exploration and recovery underwater dives were made on two of the Civil War Blockade Runner by some members of the North Carolina Skin Diving Council working in conjunction with the State Department of Archives and History.

The Modern Greece was sunk early in the Civil War while attempting to run the blockade of the port of Wilmington near Fort Fisher on June 27, 1862. The Ella ran aground on a shoal while trying to enter the bar of the Cape Fear River just off Baldhead Island on December 3, 1964, near the end of the war. The historical shipwreck dives were made under the coordination and supervision of the Department of Archives and the council coordinator. The jurisdiction of shipwrecks in the coastal waters of N.C. has been placed under the administration of the State Department of Archives and History.

Diving was facilitated from a 38-foot boat, Novie, belonging to Dr. Charles V. Perry of Durham, the council coordinator. Bill Epperson, also is president of the N.C. Skin Diving Council.

Some interesting items were recovered from the 100-year-old wrecks and included a brass padlock from the Ella as well as a keg of horseshoe nails to which had corroded a cluster of brass straight pins in excellent condition, a large froe, or drawknife, and from the Modern Greece a case of rifles which may be determined to be Enfields when they are cleaned

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Time And Tide

It was September 13, 1939, and Southport, overwhelmed by the recent visit of a wing of Naval patrol aircraft, was planning a gala Navy Day celebration. International happenings of the past two weeks had made any such plans rather shaky. Other rather tenuous plans that week had it that Southport would field, or count, not one, but two basketball teams in the winter. The object here was to present the fans with doubleheaders whenever possible. R.I. Mintz had resigned his post as Register of Deed and Harry Mintz had been named his successor? the county commissioners had asked the state to pave the River Road and incorporate the Long Beach road into the system; and, to support this plea, it was learned that Long Beach was to be a year-round resort.

Colleges were soon to open, and the annual roll-call of those attending had taken place. Among those mentioned were Claude McCall, Temple; John Hall, Elon; and Dan Walker, UNC. Local schools had also begun operation, and the word was that all were over-crowded; Charlene Newton had celebrated her third birthday; and fishermen along the Brunswick coastline were waiting out the mullets.

It was September 13, 1944 and Josiah T. Gibson, until recently the director of the local USO Club, was moving to Virginia to assume similar duties there. Several Supply boys, heedless of the danger, had cornered and killed a 400-pound bear with a .22 rifle; members of the congregation of St. James in Southport were raising

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Parker Given Important Role

Ernest E. Parker, Southport attorney now serving his second term as a member of the Board of Conservation and Development, has been appointed by Chairman Gil Horton as chairman of the important Committee on Commercial and Sports Fishing.

The Board of Conservation and Development operates within the framework of six committees, and the one dealing with the two divisions of fishing interest is considered to be of key importance.

Other committee chairmen include:

Dr. Joseph Gill of Elizabeth City, forestry; John M. Watlington of Winston-Salem, mineral resources and geodetic surveys; Dr. Mott P. Blair of Siler City, commerce and industry; Charles W. Bradshaw of Raleigh, Travel and promotion; and Thomas H. Hampton of Durham, state parks.

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 Pilot's Association.

Thursday, September 18	
1:39 AM	7:10 AM
1:00 PM	8:16 PM
Friday, September 19	
1:51 AM	8:16 AM
2:51 PM	9:25 PM
Saturday, September 20	
3:03 AM	9:34 AM
4:03 PM	10:40 PM
Sunday, September 21	
4:21 AM	10:46 AM
5:09 PM	11:40 PM
Monday, September 22	
5:27 AM	11:52 AM
6:09 PM	12:34 PM
Tuesday, September 23	
6:27 AM	12:52 AM
7:03 PM	1:00 PM
Wednesday, September 24	
7:21 AM	1:22 AM
7:51 PM	1:40 PM