



Sightseeing In Holy Land

Miss Annie May Woodside is shown here with E. J. Prevatte, right, as they walked in the Garden at Gordon's Calvary during their December visit to the Holy Land.



Emerge From The Pool

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Prevatte are shown as they emerge from the famous Pool of Siloam during their recent visit to the Holy Land. They had other experiences which were not quite this peaceful (see story).

Students Vie For College Financial Aid

Alumnae committees appointed for every county in North Carolina are this month interviewing the 278 nominees for the Katharine Smith Reynolds Scholarships at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

Serving on the Committee Brunswick county are Miss Cheryl Blackburn, chairman, Mrs. Barbara Smith and Mrs. Carol Roycroft.

Nominees from the county, each an outstanding member of her high school graduating class, are Betty Louise Bogie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bogie and a student at Bolivia High School.

Ester Earlene Hardy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Hardy, and a student at Shallotte High School.

Deanna Lynn Lewis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lewis, and a student at Leland High School.

Rebecca Jean Long, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Otha Long, and a student at Waccamaw High

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Theft Ring Is Broken Here

Chief of Police Aubrey Hickman of Long Beach and Chief of Police Ed Leonard of Yaupon Beach put the heat on a pair of young men engaged in breaking into a filling station Friday night, and the result was the arrest of the men charged with this crime and the implication of several others in a series of burglaries that have taken place recently in this area.

Chief Hickman received a call about midnight Friday that thieves were attempting to break into Tommy's Esso at Yaupon Beach. When he found where the trouble was, he called Chief Leonard. Apparently the thieves still were inside the station, but when they heard the officer they broke out the other side of the building.

In their haste, they left their automobile and one of the intruders lost his shoe. The two lawmen spent the next few hours trying to locate their suspects, but to no avail.

Saturday morning Chief Hickman went to the home of Ennis Weeks on the Beach Road, where one of the suspects was reported to be staying. As he arrived, someone ran off into the woods. He called the Brunswick County Sheriff's Department with the request that blood hounds be brought in to help with the search. This was done, and late that afternoon the dogs took the officers to two men on Highway 211 about one mile west of the blueberry farm.

They were Willie Caison and Randy Williams, who admitted to officers that they had broken into the service station. They also admitted that they had burglarized Louise Fine Foods in Southport and Williams said he had helped snatch a vending machine at Boiling Spring Lakes.

They implicated George Thomas in the restaurant break-in and Joe Griffin in the Boiling Spring Lakes theft.

All four have been placed under arrest. Investigation continues, and there is a chance that other arrests involving other thefts may follow.

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Prospective Purchasers?

The latest rumor about Bald Head Island is that a group of businessmen, including Arthur Smith, famous television personality, may purchase this property from Frank Sherrill. During the past weekend Smith visited the island for a personal inspection. He is shown here in the left foreground, shaking hands with Reece Swan, island caretaker. In the background at the left is Ed Spainhour and in the center is Fred Foster, owner of Monument Record Co. (Photo by Spencer).

Little Change In Feed-Grain Farm Program

Secretary of Agriculture Clifford M. Hardin has announced a 1970 feed grain program similar in most respects to that in effect for 1969. However, in 1970 there will be no advance voluntary diversion payments under the feed grain program.

Minimum qualifying diversion for program participation in 1970, at 20 percent of a farm's base acreage, is unchanged. The maximum total possible diversion for the three feed grains—corn, grain sorghum and barley—continues at 50 percent of a participating farm's base acreage.

As in 1969, producers of corn, sorghum or barley can qualify for participation in the program by diverting to conserving uses 20 percent of their farm's base acreage. Except for small farms no diversion payment will be made on this first 20 percent reduction.

Payment rates for additional diversion are based on 40 percent of the total county price support (loan plus support payment) times the farm's projected yield of the crops involved. The 40 percent payment rate compares with 45 percent in 1969.

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Board Urged To Settle On Site

A group of Brunswick County citizens, principally from the Southport School District, met with the Board of Education Monday night to urge that a site for the Southern Area School be selected as soon as possible in order that construction of a new building to house a consolidated high school to serve the Southport-Bolivia area might begin.

E. B. Tomlinson, Jr., served as spokesman for the group and declared "we did not come here to cause a hang-up over a choice of location. That decision is up

to you. Make it, and we will back you up."

Superintendent Ralph King and Chairman Norman Bellamy explained that a total of 14 separate sites have been inspected and investigated in an effort to locate a suitable site which also will be centrally-located. Arthur J. Doshier and Homer Holden also told of efforts that have been made to obtain a building site which will be usable and acceptable to the majority of the school patrons.

There were many expressions from the crowd, but the overwhelming sentiment was agreement that any site will be acceptable if it is made quickly. There was a preference for a location on Highway 211 at Beaver Dam, but most of those people present said they would be satisfied with a location on Highway 87 at Clear Pond if that site is found to be suitable and if it can be obtained quickly, and at a fair price.

Chairman Bellamy told the

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Editor Of State Magazine Dies

William P. Sharpe, editor of The State Magazine and long a well-known figure in press circles of North Carolina, died Tuesday in Raleigh.

He and his family were well-known in Brunswick, where they have a summer home at Yaupon Beach. In fact, he and Mrs. Sharpe remained at the beach last fall until early November before returning to Raleigh to spend the winter.

In addition to his work with The State Magazine, Sharpe formerly was in the public relation department of Carolina Power and Light Co. Prior to that time he had organized and had served as the first director of the Advertising Division of the Department of Conservation and Development.

He spent his boyhood in Winston-Salem and began his newspaper career on the Winston-Salem Journal. Later he founded a weekly of his own, called Thursday.

One of his most lasting contributions to the literary record of this state was his "New Geography of North Carolina," a four-volume work that includes little-known information about every one of the counties.

He is survived by his wife and four daughters.

Funeral services will be conducted tomorrow (Thursday) at 11 o'clock, Brown-Wynn Funeral Home in Raleigh.

Brief Bits Of NEWS

Bomb Fright For Southport Couple

BAPTIST MEETING
An organizational meeting of the Baptist Brotherhood of the Oak Island Baptist Church will be held Tuesday at 7 o'clock, according to announcement this week by John Vereen, president. This will be a dinner meeting.

ANNUAL MEETING
The Winnabow Volunteer Fire Department of Winnabow will hold its annual business meeting and election of officers at the Fire Department at 8 p.m. January 10. All citizens of the Winnabow Fire District are urged to attend.

HOME IS BURNED
The home of Mr. and Mrs. Lindsey Lewis on the Boones Neck Road near Holden Beach was completely destroyed by fire Saturday afternoon. The only things saved were a few pieces of furniture from the front room and the clothes they were wearing. The loss was partially covered by insurance.

MOTHER DIES
Mrs. Herman Sellers was notified Monday that her mother, Mrs. Henry Muller, had died that morning in a fire which destroyed her home in Marshall, Mo. Mr. and Mrs. Sellers left immediately for Marshall. Details of the tragedy were incomplete. Mrs. Sellers' father died during the past year.

DEMOCRATS TO MEET
Clinton Bellamy, chairman of the Brunswick County Democratic Executive Committee, has called a meeting of this body Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock at Lorraine Restaurant at Long Beach. Purpose of this meeting will be to nominate two members to serve on the Brunswick County Board of Elections.

A delightful holiday trip to the Holy Land for three Southport citizens was not without danger for two of them, who were eye-witnesses to a grenade killing on the streets of Jerusalem.

The vacationers were Miss Annie May Woodside and Mr. and Mrs. E.J. Prevatte, who left Christmas day for a 10-day visit to Germany, Italy and the Holy Land. Except for the one incident of violence, all agreed this trip was one of a lifetime.

On New Year's Day, Mr. and Mrs. Prevatte used a few minutes of free time to walk through the streets of Jerusalem alone. Mrs. Prevatte said she didn't see anything familiar and asked her husband to head back to their group. They did, and when they had walked less than 100-feet a

hand grenade exploded on the corner where they had been standing. Two Arabs were killed and others were injured.

"We were kept inside the shops for about an hour," Mrs. Prevatte said, "before police would let us back on the streets. It was reported that this attack was aimed at disrupting business and discouraging tourists—and it really did!"

The over-all impression of their trip was one of pleasure. While in the Holy Land they visited Nazareth, Capernaum, the Dead Sea, Bethlehem,

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Making Plans For Meeting

The Lower Cape Fear Christian Laymen's Association officers for the year 1970 are: President, C.B. Caroon; vice-president, Ephraim Swain; secretary-treasurer, W.L. Aldridge. Members of the Board of Directors are E.C. Blake, Theodore Burney, W. Frank Cox, A.C. Caviness, Donald Dixon, James M. Harper, Jr., C.T. Harvell, Conley Koontz, George W. Parker, Dr. J.L. Sampson, E.B. Tomlinson, Jr., and Ray Walton.

Regular dinner meetings are planned at which outstanding clergymen and laymen will be invited to speak. The first such meeting is scheduled for Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. in the Community Building. Reservations for dinner are being accepted through Saturday.

The Laymen's Association is the official sponsor for the Christian Youth Center now being established in the Cranmer House.

Time And Tide

It was January 3, 1940, and a portion of the gory past was spread over the front page that week. The story of Stede Bonnet's capture in Southport harbor (in 1718) was recounted in an excerpt from a state publication. The New Year's dance had been "cracking good," according to a news account. The entertaining orchestra had featured Lawrence Willing and John Boyd Finch on saxophone, and Robert Willing on "a string instrument that is a cross between a ukulele and a guitar." It was noted that several homes in the community had observed the incoming New Year in traditional fashion, serving "Hopping John"—boiled peas and hog jowl—for the first dinner.

Glenn Martin, airplane builder, had been through Southport on his 100-ft. yacht and had not expressed interest in locating a plant in Brunswick; college students, reported home two weeks before, were reported back in school again; husbands of three of the twelve members of the Thursday Afternoon Bridge Club were named Rudolph; and a poem concerning the local postmaster, run in Just Among the Fishermen, concluded, "...may his tribute increase. Let's hope the century passes by before his tall tales cease."

It was January 3, 1945, and Joel Moore, Jr., had entered the Merchant Marine Academy at King's Point. Miss Ellie Ford Hinson had entertained young folks of Trinity Methodist Church at the

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Schools May Get Fall-Out Shelter Plan

The possibility that the new Brunswick County schools will house fall-out shelters was discussed by school and Civil Defense officials during the regular meeting of the Brunswick County Board of Commissioners Monday.

Superintendent of Schools Ralph King and his assistant, Robert Elkins, conferred with county Civil Defense Director Colonel Francis Moffitt. The commissioners requested that Supt. King explore the possibility of having the three proposed new county schools built so they would meet the requirements for fall-out shelters.

Supt. King said his office would investigate the possibility and would include it in the plans if it could be done reasonably and at low cost.

The county attorney was directed to draw a deed from the county to Mrs. Pearl Leonard for the W. C. Leonard heirs estate property in Shallotte Township which had been foreclosed on last year for taxes. This property is to be sold for the amount of \$172.07.

It was brought to the attention of the board that G. T. Reid had recently resigned as a member of the Board of Trustees at Doshier Memorial Hospital, making it necessary to appoint a replacement. V. A. Creech, Jr., nominated Tom B. Rabon to fill this unexpired term and commissioner A. C. Holden nominated Mrs. A. P. Henry, Jr., for this same position.

Upon a roll call vote Rabon received the majority vote and was declared elected to fill the unexpired term of Reid.

Colonel Moffitt, County Electrical Inspector, came before the board, and the board was reminded that his appointment had expired. The Chairman of the board was directed to execute the proper form qualifying Moffitt as inspector for this year.

Several persons came before the board to discuss tax matters and they were all referred to the tax department for corrections,

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Lennon Will Visit County

Congressman Alton Lennon will visit in the seventh district during the congressional recess, and will be in each of the district counties for conferences with his constituency.

"The late adjournment of the first session of the 91st Congress has limited the amount of time I have for my annual visits in our Congressional district," Congressman Lennon remarked.

"I hope that I may assist individuals in matters relating to the federal government while I am in their area," the congressman also stated. Congressman Lennon will be at the courthouse in Southport on Thursday, January 15, from 9 a.m. to p.m.

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, January 8	
8:15 AM	1:52 AM
8:27 PM	2:40 PM
Friday, January 9	
9:03 AM	2:46 AM
9:21 PM	3:28 PM
Saturday, January 10	
9:57 AM	3:40 AM
10:15 PM	4:16 PM
Sunday, January 11	
10:45 AM	4:28 AM
11:09 PM	5:04 PM
Monday, January 12	
11:33 AM	5:28 AM
	5:58 PM
Tuesday, January 13	
0:03 AM	6:22 AM
12:27 PM	6:46 PM
Wednesday, January 14	
1:03 AM	7:22 AM
1:21 PM	7:40 PM