



Fire And Rescue Training Course

Phil Riley of Raleigh, an instructor for the Fire and Rescue Training Division of the Department of Insurance, is conducting a training course here this week for members of the Southport Volunteer Fire Department. He is shown standing in the background.

Others, seated left to right, are Chief Ormond Leggett, Walter Aldridge, Al Martin, Bill Crowe, Johnson Cumbee, Bill Faulk, John Henry Johnson, Jerry Sherrod, Harold Aldridge, Robert Johnson and G. E. Hubbard. (Photo by Spencer)

Congress Of R & H Is Held In Washington

The 57th Annual Convention of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress convened in Washington last Tuesday for a four day discussion of water and air resources and related problems.

In a special North Carolina Delegation dinner on Tuesday evening, attended by North Carolina Senators Sam Ervin and B. Everett Jordan and several congressmen including Alton Lennon and Henderson, guest speaker Carl L. Klein, U.S. Assistant Secretary of the Department of Interior, paid tribute to the State of North Carolina. He remarked that in 1951 when almost all of the states were not even contemplating the need for conservation of natural waters, North Carolina had already completed an extensive study and initiated a program probably twenty years ahead of its time. The Department of Interior has in its offices copies of North Carolina Water and Air Resources studies that are used almost daily as guide lines in devising programs throughout the nation, he said.

Assistant Secretary Klein reported further that the federal government is moving rapidly to provide necessary funds and research to curb and correct pollution of waters and air. Industries and municipalities are now being encouraged to return waters to their natural state with less impurities than when originally taken from the source of supply.

Congressman Lennon appeared before the Projects Committee of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress on Wednesday morning and presented a statement requesting improvements of the Cape Fear River to Fayetteville.

Other projects involving North Carolina are being studied. (Continued On Page Four)



Install New Officers

These are the newly installed officers of Live Oak Chapter, Order of Eastern Star: Front row, Left to Right, Margaret Hood, Chaplain; Linda Smith, Electa; Nan Kennedy, W. M.; Preston Bryant, W. P.; Elsie Jenkins, organist. Second row, Left to Right, Gwendolyn Dixon, Esther; Betty Smith, Adah; Marjorie Livingston, secretary; Connie Young, Conductress; Irene Bryant, treasurer; Lena Fisher, Ruth; Evelyn Gilbert, Martha; Pearl Aldridge, Warder; Margaret Hickman, Sentinel; Clifton White, A.P. Third row, Left to Right, Edythe Smith, Past Matron; Susan Spencer, A. M.; Roberta Doshier, A. C.; Judy White, Marshall. (Photo by Spencer)

Art Festival Again Will Be Staged Here

The Junior Woman's Club of Southport is making preparations for its annual Fourth of July Arts Festival to be held July 2-4. For the past ten years, the club has taken part in an old fashioned Fourth of July celebration.

The Red, White and Blue will be hailed in many ways by the 20,000 visitors expected in Southport to participate in the gala events and by approximately 200 artists who have their hopes on one of the sixteen red, white and blue ribbons will be offered to artists, both professional and amateur, in four divisions: Oils, water colors, graphics and crafts.

From the ribbon winners in these categories the purchase awards will be made. These will be added to the city's municipal art collection now hanging in the Southport-Brunswick County Library. Along with the general show, a junior show is open to artists 18 years of age or under.

Here, one set of red, white and blue ribbons will be given along with one silver award. Entry fees for the divisions will be General, \$3.00; and Junior, \$1.00. This fee allows a maximum of two works to be submitted in each category. All work must be ready to hang.

Over 200 artists and 50 college art departments will be contacted by mail. A follow-up letter is to be directed in May. Anyone desiring information or knowing someone who may be interested, may contact the Arts Festival Chairmen, Mrs. R. M. Wiggs, or Mrs. H. D. Sell, Southport.



Hawaiians Returning

Mark and Diane Yasuhara and Randy Hongo, the Hawaiian trio which made such a hit while on a visit here several months ago, will return this weekend to participate in the Easter Sunrise service on the waterfront Sunday morning. They will appear in public concert Monday evening at Brunswick County-Southport High School auditorium.

Election Officials For May Primary

Members of the Brunswick County Board of Elections have announced the appointment of precinct officials to serve during the Primary Election on May 2. Following is the list for the 18 precincts in this county:

HOODS CREEK—Registrar, G.W. Lennon; D. judge, Mrs. Mable D. Williams; R. judge, Mrs. Mary B. Corbett; D. clerk, Mrs. Eloise Brown; R. clerk, Mrs. Viola Skipper.

LELAND—Registrar, Mrs. Gracie Beasley; D. judge, Frank Sullivan; R. judge, Jack Abbott; D. clerk, Mrs. Louise Willis; R. clerk, Floyd Wilkinson.

TOWN CREEK—Registrar, Mrs. Elizabeth Goodman; D. judge, William D. Lanier; R. judge, Charles Taylor; D. clerk, Mrs. Lois Rabon; R. clerk, Mrs. Elizabeth Mercer.

BOLIVIA—Registrar, Mrs. (Continued On Page Three)

Young Marine Struck By Car Tuesday Night

A hitchhiker standing "in the middle of the road" was struck and killed Monday night by an automobile operated by a Bolivia woman.

According to a report submitted by Highway Patrol Trooper Larry Canipe, Charles A. Aldridge, a 20-year old Camp Lejeune Marine, was apparently returning to the Jacksonville base when struck by the car driven by Ruth J. Sliker of the Bolivia Motor Lodge.

Canipe reported that the mishap occurred approximately one-third of a mile north of Bolivia on US 17.

Brunswick County Coroner Lowell Bennett reported that Aldridge was drunk. "Medical authorities performed a chemical analysis of the victim's blood to determine the alcohol content," the coroner said, "and Aldridge was definitely intoxicated." Bennett said no charges are planned.

Trooper Canipe stated that the Marine was struck approximately 8:15 p.m. He died three hours later at New Hanover Memorial Hospital in Wilmington.

Ruth Sliker told the investigating trooper that she saw the pedestrian "only a split second" before impact and that Aldridge was standing in the middle of the highway.

Popular Trio Returning Here

Mark and Diane Yasuhara and Randy Hongo will present a concert of sacred and secular music in the gymnasium of the Brunswick County-Southport High School Monday night at 8 o'clock.

The Hawaiians are professional entertainers from Honolulu, touring the mainland United States independently sharing their unique message of "Aloha".

Mark, a 1967 Music Education graduate from the University of Hawaii, was the Hawaii regional winner of both the Metropolitan Opera Auditions in New York in 1967 and the San Francisco Opera Auditions in 1969. He has starred in several operatic productions in Honolulu and has received lucrative offers for employment from some of the leading night clubs in Hawaii.

His wife, Diane, is an accomplished soprano.

Randy Hongo, a 1969 graduate in English from the University of Hawaii, was the featured pianist at the Hilton Hawaiian Village, Hawaii's largest hotel.

This group not only presents an enjoyable musical program, but also witness to the meaning of Christ in their lives. The public is cordially invited to attend this concert sponsored by the Lower Cape Fear Laymen's Association. (Continued On Page Two)

Sunrise Service Set For Beach

The annual Easter Sunrise Service held jointly by Oak Island Baptist Church and Ocean View United Methodist will be held at 6 o'clock Sunday at the foot of Mercer Street.

Rev. Johnnie Huggins, pastor of Ocean View will lead the worship service. Rev. Ralph Clegg, pastor of Oak Island Baptist Church will preach the sunrise message. Choirs from both churches under the direction of Mrs. Millie Alexander will sing for the service. People of all faiths are invited to attend.

This will be the third year the two beach churches have held the joint service. In the past two years it has been well attended. This year a bigger congregation is expected.

Following the sunrise service, visitors are invited to attend regular Church Services. Ocean View United Methodist Church will hold worship services at 8:30 and eleven o'clock. Church school will begin at 9:45. Oak Island Baptist Church will have an 11 o'clock worship service, with Sunday school at 10 o'clock.



REV. SIDNEY HUGGINS

Methodists To Hold Revival

Trinity United Methodist Church, Southport, will begin special evangelistic services Easter Sunday, to extend through Friday with Rev. Sidney Huggins from Buie's Creek as guest minister. The nightly 7:30 services will provide a nursery for pre-school children. Mrs. Dallas Pigott and Mrs. James M. Harper, Jr. will be in charge of the special music. On Thursday Evening, following the regular service, there will be a meeting for teen-agers only. No parents or adults will be allowed.

The Rev. Mr. Huggins is an approved evangelist of the Methodist Church and is a graduate of Rockingham High School, University of North Carolina and the Duke Divinity School. At the seminary he (Continued On Page Three)

Record Number Of Candidates File

Eight candidates filed for the Democratic nomination for sheriff and two for Republicans as a record number of political aspirants entered the Primary Election to be held on May 2 in search of their party's nomination for various offices to be settled in the general election next fall.

For the first time in recent years Republicans will be active in the primary.

There is a total of 11 candidates for the Board of Education where action on May 2 becomes final. Three vacancies on the board must be filled, and this time the race is not on a district basis. All three incumbents seek reelection.

In the race for State Senate S. Bunn Frink and Odell Williamson seek the nomination for the 15th District and have opposition from Claud Spivey from Columbus county. No Republican filed for this office.

For the House of Representatives William J. (Continued On Page Three)

New Officers Installed By Eastern Star

At a special meeting held on March 23 officers for Live Oak Chapter No. 179, Order of the Eastern Star, were duly installed for the coming year. The color scheme was green and white as officers assumed their stations with Edythe Smith, W.M., and Preston Bryant, W.P., presiding during the opening ceremony.

Marjorie Livingston served as installing officer and her assistants were Olive Stanland, Marshall; Edythe Smith, chaplain; and Amaretta Prevatte, organist.

Regularly installed for the year 1970-71 were Nan Kennedy, W.M.; Preston Bryant, W.P.; Susan Spencer, A.M.; Clifton White, A.P.; Irene Bryant, treasurer; Connie Young, conductress; Roberta Doshier, A.C.; Elsie Jenkins, organist; Betty Smith, Adah; Lena Fisher, Ruth; Gwendolyn Dixon, Esther; Evelyn Gilbert, Martha; Linda Smith, Electa; Pearl Aldridge, Warder; and Margaret Hickman, Sentinel.

The newly installed Worthy Matron was presented a white Bible inscribed with her name in gold on the cover and topped with a bouquet of red roses. The roses were a courtesy of the chapter and the Bible a gift from Marjorie Livingston.

On assuming her station, the newly installed Worthy Matron with proper thanks and appreciation, pledged her best efforts in behalf of the chapter for the coming year and asked the cooperation of all officers and members. She announced (Continued On Page Three)

Sencland Community Action

"The family planning service has to be a continuing program. Take away the birth controls the service provides and many of the women who want no more children would become pregnant immediately."

When his mother had her most recent child, the young boy's chances of being well-educated, healthy, suitably-clothed and of growing up in a comfortable environment were reduced by one-seventh.

The boy is one of seven children who share the limited resources the parents are able to provide. The mother and father are poor and relatively uneducated, but they learned that the situation does not HAVE to become worse.

Last fall, when the signs of her pregnancy were clear, the mother enrolled in the family planning program sponsored by Sencland Community Action, Inc. She considered the program once before that, but the father insisted she have nothing to do

Hit Or Miss?

A series by Ed Harper, staff writer

with something neither of them understood.

Several months later the mother consulted a program nurse and asked that she talk to the husband. He listened, and realized that the mother HAD understood—that birth control is an effective way to achieve family stability and alleviate poverty.

The mother participated in the family planning programs last fall and learned about the prenatal and postnatal care of her children. Now she takes birth control pills provided by the program, assured that any subsequent children will be planned.

THE "BEST PROGRAM" Mrs. Sylvia Kirby of Supply, a registered nurse who worked

with the family planning program for approximately two years, said the program is one of the best offered by Sencland Community Action, Inc. She explained that it enables people to help themselves, the goal of the agency.

The only nurse now involved in the program, Mrs. Annie Vance of Brunswick, agreed that the program is important, and added that people have been interested in the services it provides.

"The majority of the people affected by the service realize it is the key to their overall condition," she said. "Poor people with large families can benefit from the family planning program."

A problem is informing people who do not have a good basic education. "We have to explain (Continued On Page Two)

Time And Tide

On the front page of The Pilot for March 20, 1940, there was an attractive picture of a handsome youngster, winner of the recent Baby Contest of Bolivia. And the winner was Arliss Willetts. Another front page photo showed members of the Southport Bar standing with bowed heads at a ceremony at St. Phillips honoring Justice Alfred Moore. Of the man appearing, two later were elevated to judicial status. They were State Supreme Court Judge Clifton Moore and Judge R. I. Mintz.

Three Southport boys had left for Raleigh to join the Navy. They were Law Swan, Bryant Potter and Samuel W. Holden. One headline proclaimed "Spring Is Here—And The College Girls Are Coming". Mayor John D. Erickson had proclaimed "Clean-Up Week"; a line in Not Exactly News said that "Master Mickey Rooney will come to town in a new movie next week"; and the absence of fishing and shrimping activity in these parts had moved the seagulls to come ashore in search of sustenance.

Five years later, in our issue of March 21, 1945, a front page story told of some of the preparations being made for the coming shrimping season. Several surplus Navy and Coast Guard vessels had been acquired by local operators to be pressed into this service. A commentary on the weather was contained in the information that Orton Plantation flowers were blooming three weeks early.

The Southern Ballet, featuring Helen and Ken Rene, with billed (Continued On Page Four)

Lennon Talks About River

The following statement by Congressman Alton Lennon was made before the Projects Committee of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress, at the Mayflower Hotel in Washington, D.C., on March 18:

The principal inland river waterway in North Carolina is the Cape Fear River, extending from the ocean at Southport, and the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway, to Fayetteville, which is a center of transportation, manufacturing, and military activities. The existing waterway is a channel 8 feet deep from the vicinity of Wilmington, provided by three sets of locks and dams completed in 1915, 1917, and 1935 respectively. Work is now being completed to deepen the lower 30 miles of the river to 12 feet, which is the depth of the Intracoastal Waterway, and to straighten out sharp bends in the river.

New industries along this lower 30 miles of the river made it necessary to deepen and improve it so that modern barges moving on the Intracoastal Waterway could use it without transshipment and to improve the efficiency of barging to the deep water port at Wilmington. In spite of the fact that the rest of the river upstream has been limited in its capacity, and the public terminal at Fayetteville has become inoperative, the river has carried (Continued On Page Three)

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.

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| Thursday, March 26, | |
| 9:39 A.M. | 4:10 A.M. |
| 10:09 P.M. | 4:04 P.M. |
| Friday, March 27, | |
| 10:21 A.M. | 4:52 A.M. |
| 10:57 P.M. | 4:46 P.M. |
| Saturday, March 28, | |
| 11:28 A.M. | 5:46 A.M. |
| | 5:40 P.M. |
| Sunday, March 29, | |
| 0:00 A.M. | 6:40 A.M. |
| 12:15 P.M. | 6:40 P.M. |
| Monday, March 30, | |
| 1:03 A.M. | 7:46 A.M. |
| 1:27 P.M. | 7:52 P.M. |
| Tuesday, March 31, | |
| 2:15 A.M. | 8:58 A.M. |
| 2:39 P.M. | 9:04 P.M. |
| Wednesday, April 1, | |
| 3:40 A.M. | 9:58 A.M. |
| 3:51 P.M. | 10:16 P.M. |