



Honored At Jaycee Banquet

Robert Howard, center, received double honors at the annual Jaycee banquet Friday evening when he not only was installed as the new president of the organization but was named Man of the Year. William Powell, left, was speaker for the banquet and Cheryl Johnson, right, 4th of July Festival Queen, was a guest of honor. (Photo by Spencer)

Joint Meetings For Installation Of New Officers

The Southport Jaycees and Jaycettes held a joint awards banquet and installation of officers Friday evening at the Lorraine Restaurant. Out-going Jaycee President Bob Stanley welcomed the members, wives, and special guests. Mr. Harold Aldridge then gave the invocation.

After the dinner Dempsey Hewett introduced the speaker, W. A. Powell, a local attorney and past president of the Southport Jaycees, who spoke on the relationship of the Jaycee Creed and the Constitution's Bill Of Rights. He pointed out how in this day of youthful questioning the young men of the Jaycees base their actions on fundamental constitutional rights.

Special guest, Miss 4th of July, Cheryl Johnson, was introduced by President Stanley and she thanked the Jaycees and Jaycettes for their interest and aid in making this past year an unusual and happy experience. She was then presented a small gift by the Jaycees for having represented Southport for the past year.

Powell installed the new Jaycee and Jaycette officers for 1970-71. They were, Jaycees-President, Robert Howard; 1st vice-president, Dempsey Hewett; 2nd vice-president, Irving Smith; secretary, Jim Kenney; treasurer, Ben Blake; directors, Lee Aldridge and Charles Trotter; state director, Bob Stanley; Jaybird,

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Friends Of Library Officers

These are the officers of the newly-organized Friends of the Library for which an organizational meeting was held Sunday afternoon. On the left is Mrs. A. P. Henry, Jr., of Winnabow, president; Mrs. Catherine Skipper of Leland, treasurer; and Mrs. Viola Thomas of Leland, secretary. Mrs. Christine Andrews of Shallotte, vice-president, was not available for this picture. (Photo by Spencer)

State Officials Give Warning About Island

Potential investors in the development of Bald Head Island have been warned by the Governor and the director of the State Department of Conservation and Development that North Carolina controls the access to the tropical island near Southport.

Both Gov. Bob Scott and C&D Director Roy Sowers, Jr., made statements Friday that "not only could the state prevent the construction of a bridge to the island, but also could prevent the construction of ferry slips."

The warnings from the Scott administration are the strongest yet in the state's attempt to block the Carolina Cape Fear Corporation from carrying out its plan to develop the island.

The High Point-based corporation announced last week that it plans to purchase the island from owner Frank Sherrill of Charlotte, who reportedly is asking \$5.5 million for the 12,000 acre tract that includes approximately 9,000 acres of marshland the state claims as its own.

The Scott administration has sided with the conservationists, opposing commercial development of Bald Head Island. The advocates of state ownership do not know what the state should do with the island if the state owned it, but they clearly assert that the development of the island would destroy marine life in the Cape Fear River area of Brunswick County and some claim the development would affect the

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Congressman Inspects Erosion

Congressman Alton Lennon visited Brunswick County Monday, and one stop on his tour was at Yaupon Beach, where erosion has taken a heavy toll along the oceanfront. Clarence Murphy, second from the left, is shown pointing to the former location of a cottage which was moved from a foundation now awash with ocean tides. Pictured here, left to right, are Johnny Vereen, Murphy, Gb Barbee, Congressman Lennon, Douglas Jones, a Brunswick County man who is his administrative assistant, Frank Aman and Jack Allen. (Photo by Spencer)

Bomber Plane Helps Control Tuesday Fire

A forest fire that started northeast of Shallotte and "headed for the Green Swamp" was brought under control before it reached the timberlands, but only with the help of the B-17 bomber based in Wilmington and three smaller, "Snow" bombers from Kinston. George Blake, in charge of operations for the North Carolina Forestry Service fire-fighters, said the Shallotte blaze burned approximately 65 acres of woodland about one mile north of US Highway 17. He said the Service used the

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Congressman Hears Erosion Problems

Congressman Alton Lennon visited several places in Brunswick county Monday, and among them was Yaupon Beach, where he met with a group of citizens who are concerned with the effects of erosion.

This was not their first conference with the congressman, and he undertook to bring them up to date on progress that has been made in obtaining relief for their plight. He made it clear that he admired the initiative taken by the citizens of Yaupon Beach and Long Beach in attempting to provide local matching funds for federal and state appropriations

which will be necessary to get the job done.

"Beach erosion is a problem affecting the nation's entire coastline," said Congressman Lennon. "Some areas are more severely eroded than others and the N.C. coastline has been averaging a loss of about 7 feet per year over the last 30 years. Yaupon, Holden and Sunset beaches have sustained severe erosion in the last few years from the damaging forces of wind-driven water on the rampage.

"In 1966," he continued, "I

New Pastor At Bethel Baptist

Rev. Macon M. Wood is the new pastor at Bethel Baptist Church, Southport.

Rev. Wood is married to the former Elisa Godfrey of El Paso, Texas. They have three children: Gregory, David and Phyllis Ann. He is a graduate of Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute, and Southeastern Theological Seminary.

Rev. Wood and family comes to Bethel Baptist Church from Hampstead, where he served as pastor for three years.



REV. M. M. WOOD

Shrine Meeting Held Wednesday At Long Beach

Brunswick County Nobles and their ladies met at John Bray's beach cottage Wednesday and ham biscuits, followed by a spaghetti dinner, were enjoyed by all.

Shrindom is growing in Brunswick County with four Temples represented at the regular monthly meeting: Sudan, New Bern; Oasis, Charlotte; Acca, Virginia; and Ababia, Houston, Texas.

Nobles present were Johnny Vereen, Herb Nichols, Earl Brooks, Archie Dixon, H. R. McCorkle, D. K. Chastain, J. P. Padgett, John Bray, Don Willeits, each accompanied by his wife, Woodrow Harvell and his guest, Nell Harvell, and Nobles Jim Hood and Noris Long.

President Johnny Vereen opened the meeting for business and minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The motion was reread, as required in the bylaws, to increase club dues to \$12 annually, and will be voted on at the next meeting.

A letter of appreciation from Mrs. Uhrhammer was read by secretary Herb Nichols, for the candy Easter eggs sent the crippled children in the hospital. Noble John Bray introduced two welcomed visitors, Noble Vernon Doughty from Yaupon Beach and Noble Red Orton from Houston, Texas, each accompanied by his wife. Each was extended an invitation to join the club.

Two main topics of discussion were the building of a club building and the Spring Fishing Rodeo. Noble Archie Dixon submitted a report from the building committee stating, that the complete drawings of a

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To Governors School

Wanda Darlene Moore, left, a junior at Brunswick County-Southport High School, and Martha Ellen Smith, right, a student at Shallotte High School, have been selected to attend the Governor's School of North Carolina this summer.

Two Students Are Accepted

Wanda Darlene Moore and Martha Ellen Smith were among the four hundred honor students selected to attend the Governor's School of North Carolina for five weeks this summer.

Wanda is a junior at the Brunswick County-Southport High School and will study French this summer. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Warnette and lists as her hobbies reading and watching television.

Martha is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Joe Smith of Shallotte. She will study English in the area of creative writing, Martha's hobbies are writing, painting, sculpture and playing the piano and organ. She has entered several art and writing contests.

Other students nominated to the Governor's School from Brunswick county were Leslie Zachery, Southport; Ronald Walton, Ash; John Sheffield, Shallotte; Seigried Sanders, Leland; and Billy World Gilbert, Bolivia.

Mark Sweitzen and J.W. Ingold of the Brunswick County-Southport High School were nominated in the area of the performing arts. Mark is a guitarist and J.W. an artist.

Elect Officers Of Library Group

Mrs. Henry Is Re-elected

Mrs. A.P. Henry, Jr. of Winnabow was re-elected secretary-treasurer of the Southeastern Economic Development Commission (SEDC) at a meeting held Thursday in Elizabethtown.

The Commission assigned priorities to health and transportation as part of an 18-part general work program for the ten-county organization of which Brunswick is a member.

"We want to take comprehensive health planning as our number one project," said SEDC Executive Director David Alexander shortly after members of the commission adopted the work projects.

A second work program in the health development area included promotion of controls to end or prevent water and air pollution. The third workable health program is promotion of solid-waste disposal programs.

The five programs under the transportation development area included four-laning of US 401 from Fayetteville to S.C.; US 74 from the piedmont to Wilmington; NC 24 from Fayetteville to Jacksonville; US 17 from Washington to S.C.; and completion of the New Hope Dam.

During the business session of the meeting, Mason Hicks of Fayetteville was re-elected vice-chairman by acclamation.

Thad Cherry of Fayetteville was re-elected chairman of the advisors to the commission. An off-the-floor nomination placed Leo Mercer, Chadbourn mayor and postmaster, a challenging candidate for commission secretary-treasurer. Mercer narrowly lost in the election to the incumbent and re-elected secretary-treasurer.

Time And Tide

The date was April 10, 1940, and the season was spring. Bald Head Island held a strange attraction for college students, and slated for a weekend visit was the Explorers Club of Duke University. Mrs. L. C. Ferguson, wife of a Southport physician, was heading the cancer fund campaign in Brunswick county. With a primary election coming up there was a crisis here in Southport caused by the disappearance of one of the registration books. To correct this situation, members of the board of elections had ordered a new registration here.

The following Monday was set as the deadline for school children of Brunswick county to enter the Forestry Essay Contest. B. L. Nesmith, Jr., of Tabor City had an interesting article in the Tarheel Banker regarding the Indian legend of how Lake Waccamaw received its name—and we clipped it for use on our front page. An eclipse of the sun had been visible from this area at 5 o'clock the previous Sunday afternoon; promoters of Southport sport fishing were trying to get the President of the United States to come here for one of his famous fishing expeditions; and Secretary of State Thad Eure had accepted an invitation to be commencement speaker at Southport High School.

There was a lot of war news on the front page of The Pilot for April 11, 1945. Lt. J. H. Garrett had written his mother, Mrs. Sallie Garrett, a graphic account of the activities aboard his ship during the invasion of Luzon in the Philippines. The tank company of which U. G. White of Shallotte was a member had been commended for the part it had played in action in Germany. A third item reported that Sgt. W. W. Bradsher had met up with his brother, Sgt. Bernard Bradsher, on the streets of an unnamed German city. Both boys were from Shallotte.

A Lions Club had been organized in Southport, with E. M.

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Sencland Community Action

Hit Or Miss?

A series by Ed Harper, staff writer

"An organizer worked in a community three weeks before she found a family that earlier reports had overlooked. The people lived in a pack-house under unhealthy, uncomfortable conditions; they were 'outcasts' from a community that itself was in poverty."

A frequent criticism of Sencland Community Action, Inc., is that too many poor people remain either unserved by or unaware of the services that the agency supposedly provides for the people of Columbus, Bladen and Brunswick counties. Because the activity is not obvious, the critics surmise, there is none.

This is a misconception, according to Robert C. Clark, who is project director of the Community Organization

program. "It is true that we are not serving as many people in as many areas as we were before," he said, "but the service we are providing is more effective."

The Office of Economic Opportunity (OEO), the federal agency that supports the community action program, has instructed Sencland to decentralize its operation to better reach the poor people, but at the same time concentrate on specific "target areas" to

improve the quality of its programs. To fulfill the requirements Sencland reduced the number of its neighborhood centers to six and employed 36 workers, each of whom is assigned a community in which he or she is supposed to develop efficient organization.

There are five community organization specialists and one senior community organizer assigned to each of the centers in the three-county area. Although \$217,000 of Sencland's \$509,000 budget is allocated for the Community Organization program, the pay for the 36

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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, April 16,	
3:51 A.M.	10:22 A.M.
4:21 P.M.	10:40 P.M.
Friday, April 17,	
4:39 A.M.	11:10 A.M.
5:09 P.M.	11:34 P.M.
Saturday, April 18,	
5:21 A.M.	11:52 A.M.
5:57 P.M.	
Sunday, April 19,	
6:03 A.M.	0:16 A.M.
6:33 P.M.	12:28 P.M.
Monday, April 20,	
6:45 A.M.	1:04 A.M.
7:15 P.M.	1:04 P.M.
Tuesday, April 21,	
7:21 A.M.	1:46 A.M.
7:51 P.M.	1:46 P.M.
Wednesday, April 22,	
8:03 A.M.	2:28 A.M.
8:33 P.M.	2:22 P.M.