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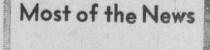
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All The Time

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Fire Destroys House

Fire of undetermined origin destroyed the big two-story house on the Finch farm, located on N. C. Highway 87 near Southport, last Wednesday night. The house has been abandoned as a residence, so the cause

of the fire remains a mystery. This picture was taken at the height of the blaze, and a few minutes later the structure had been reduced to a pile of hot coals.

Baptists Here Plan Revival

Southport Baptist Church will conduct a series of revival services next week, October 25-30. The services of worship will be held at 7:30 nightly, Sunday through Friday.

The pastor, Rev. John C. Dean, will be preaching, and he will be joined in the pulpit each evening by a minister from one of the

Coastal Corridor Highway Would Benefit This County

an estimated 500 persons here Monday he is convinced that a Southport.

importance to the economic to a governmental partne

Governor Robert W. Scott told Bank & Trust Co.; and Mr. and Congress." Mrs. James M. Harper, Jr., of

These present for the conference unanimuously proposed coastal corridor Gov. Scott reviewed avenues adopted a resolution noting the highway linking Norfolk, Va., to of financing the highway, noting urgency of the coastal corridor Savannah, Ga., "is of critical that the states were committed highway in terms of economic development and "strongly recomending the earliest highway construction. "The construction" of the highway. The resolution also petitions the governors of North Carolina, (Continued On Page Two)

seventies.

Education Board Okays Consolidated School Bids

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Members of the Brunswick available capital the board af-County Board of Education voted firmed subject to final con-Monday night to award contracts firmation of analysis of cost for the construction of three construction and available consolidated high schools in Brunswick county, this to be done as soon as all phases of the contracts have been approved by the State Board of Education. The following firms will be in courts and meanable firms and meanable firm the state board of Education. The following firms will be in courts, and movable furniture

awarded contracts: furnishings. General Construction: J.W. Superintendent Ralph King,

General Construction: J.W. Cook, Northern School, \$752,872; A.G. Carter, Western & Southern Schools, \$1,548,716; Electrical Contract: Watson Electric, \$446,216; Plumbing Contract: Sneeden, Inc., \$341,957; Heating and Air Conditioning: Henry Baker Heating Company, \$412,185; Kitchen Equipment: Jacobi Supply, \$93,383.58. Bids for certain phases of grading and filling will be ac-cepted within the next two weeks.

cepted within the next two weeks. After further deliberation concerning cost construction and

WMU Planning **Study Meeting**

Woman's Missionary Union of the Brunswick Baptist Association will open its fall and winter schedule this month by launching its plans for "Shaping the Seventies", which includes new grouping-grading; new periodicals and age-level manuals; more individual choice for participation in the various age-level organizations; and new terminology, all recently adopted by the Southern Baptist Con-vention for the decade of the

In order that the changes may be better understood and officers and leaders trained for the new work, Mrs. Susan Carson. Associational WMU Director, has announced that the WMU Manual

principal payment on monies will be made available during the derived from school bonds next fiscal year to assist in next fiscal year to assist in (\$200,000 less interest). completing Plan I of building To defer contract covering

kitchen equipment (\$93,383.58) (Continued On Page Four)

presented the request, and asked

the commissioners to contact Dr.

Thomas Linton, Fisheries

Dr. Linton has promised to

investigate the situation and

promised relief if it were justified

McKeithan presented a report on

the collections by his department

that showed an increase each

year since McKeithan was

named tax collector four years

McKeithan addressed a letter

"It is with great pleasure that I

Homer

commissioner.

by the shrimp count.

"Gentlemen:

Tax collector

County Will Provide Extra School Construction Money

construction. Commissioner W.D. Ward moved that the Board of Education be given a letter of

intent that the county would provide the other \$107,000 in next year's budget, to be furnished within the ability of the tax structure to support it, and upon availability of funds. The motion was unanimously

adopted. In other business Monday, the commissioners heard a request from Lockwoods Folly residents

to the board that read: that the ban on shrimping in the southern area of Lockwoods Folly Inlet be lifted. J.W.

submit to you my collection report for the levy year of 1969. "I would also like to include a report of collections for the four years I have been tax collector, in comparison with the four years collection prior to my appointment as collector. A breaklown will be shown on attached sheet.

"Since becoming tax collector on October 3, 1966, I have been able to show an increase in percentage collected each year. despite the steadily growing levy each year. "At the time of my appointment the collection percentage was only 85.43 percent. I am happy to report that as of September 30,

Republicans Hear

and the manuals for Baptist

Payment of school bond principal will be deferred by the Brunswick County Board of ditional \$200,000 for the school

Commissioners to provide approximately \$200,000 of the extra money required for consolidated school construction. The board was informed that

about \$307,000 extra is needed to meet the bid totals so that contracts could be let for construction of schools to serve the western, southern and northern

areas of the county. The board, after hearing the report of School Supt. Ralph King, Architect Jack Croft and Associate Architect Ronald Bibble, agreed that the schedule of payments of the school building bonds would be set up to defer the payment of principal Robinson and Jerry Moore

local churches who will read the scripture and lead in prayer.

Visiting pastors will be the Rev. Tom Taylor, St. Phillips Episcopal Church; the Rev. Paul Scott, Trinity United Methodist Church; the Rev. Samuel Levenberger, Southport Presbyterian Church; the Rev. Bill Deitz, Lebanon Baptist Church; and the Rev. Macon Wood, Bethel Baptist Church. Special music will be offered by

the church choir and soloists during the week. The church extends a cordial welcome to the community

development of our coastal plains and coastal area.' A similar response was heard

from spokesman representing South Carolina Gov. Robert E. McNair, and Georgia Governor Lestor Maddok during the East Coast Highway Conference in Convention Center.

represented at this meeting by Commissioner V.A. Creech, Jr.; Mrs. A.P. Henry, Jr., secretary of Southeastern Economic Development Commission; vice-president of Waccamaw administration and to the

challenge at all levels of concern during the next few months must be on the decision-making process in Washington," he said. "The success or failure of a coastal corridor rests to a large extent on the continued interest and support of people such as Brunswick county was

you at their gathering." He called on the audience, representing business and civic interests from Maryland and Georgia, to a "commitment to follow up on this program and Beaman Hewett, mayor of to effectively represent our Shallotte; Lester Lowe, needs to the national

Women, Baptist Young Women. Acteens, Girls in Action and Mission Friends leaders will be taught by members of the WMU Executive Council on Thursday, Continued on Page Two

Board has under consideration a

project which would involve the construction of groynes at

Holden Beach in Brunswick

County and at Atlantic Beach (Continued On Page Four)

Partial Answer To Erosion Woes

Representative R.C. Soles, Commission, who in turn is who has been working with working with representatives of Mayor John Holden to find the Highway Department." some solution to the serious Previously Representative erosion problem at Holden Soles had written the following Beach, was advised this week letter to Governor Scott that Governor Bob Scott has regarding this project: approved the recommendation "I am sure that you have been of the Seashore Advisory Board aware for sometime now of the severe erosion problem along the for the construction of groynes at two points along this section North Carolina Coast and

of the North Carolina coast. In notifying Representative Soles of this action, a spokesman for Governor Scott said "I do not anticipate any delay in this project as it already has been discussed today with Archie Hathcock, the executive director of the Seashore Advisory

Time And Tide

There was a sports note on the front page of our edition for October 16, 1935; Frank Niernsee, a Southport boy, had won the fall tennis tournament at High Point College for the second year in a row. He was a varsity basketball player under Coach Virgil Yow. A front page photo showed workmen atop the steeple of Southport Baptist Church, repairing damaged caused by a recent bolt of lightning.

Friendship Baptist Church in Waccamaw township was to be host later that week at the annual meeting of the Brunswick Baptist Association; Belk's in Wilmington (it was Belk-Williams back in those days) had men's suits advertised for \$18.94-and they were all wool; but on the editorial page the editor had a piece about "The High Cost of Living."

It was the fall of 1940, October 15, to be exact, and R. Gregg Cherry was coming here for a political speech in the courthouse. Col. Earl I. Brown had been named District Engineer for the Wilmington District, U.S. Army Engineers. The late Senator J.W. Bailey had been a visitor in Southport aboard the engineer's yacht, Kittyhawk.

A service station man had lifted the hood of a car owned by a Shallotte citizen and had discovered a bird nest on top of the engine-"Guess This Motor Hummed Like A Bird," quoth the headline; and the congregation of Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church were hosts to the Brunswick Baptist Association of that year.

A headline on the front page of The Pilot for October 17, 1945, (Continued On Page Four)

Republican party, told an audience of several hundred at A Varnumtown rally Friday night that one party rule has resulted in the highest, most oppressive tax package ever foisted off on the people of the state.

State Chairman

The minority caucus leader in the General Assembly told gathered Brunswick voters that the new tax legislation has given the state a \$118 million surplus in the last fiscal year. He called on voters to repudiate the representatives who favored the new taxes.

Holshouser said that voters could fight against excessive taxes by sending Republicans to Raleigh, since the N.C. Republican party favors the repeal of the new soft drink and tobacco taxes and one-half of the 2 cent additional tax on gasoline. Between a fish fry and entertainment consisting of country particularly in the Holden Beach section of Brunswick County. and western music, voters also Presently, the Seashore Advisory heard from Thomas Harrelson

presentative James E. and J.W. Suggs, both Republican Holshouser, chairman of the N.C. candidates for the General Assembly. Both Harrelson and Suggs voiced opposition to the socalled "Democrat Tax Package" which, they stated, puts a severe dollar drain on local economies. Republican candidates for the Brunswick County Board of Commissioners outlined the G.O.P platform of progress for the county. The Republican platform includes support for the Board of Education in its efforts to implement the three consolidated high school program, institution of a county manager form of government, improvement in hospital facilities and quick action to halt beach

and inlet erosion in Brunswick

Harold Willetts, incumbent

Republican sheriff seeking re-

election, took note of im-

provements within the sheriff's

department. He cited the new

county-wide radio com-

munications system, the addition

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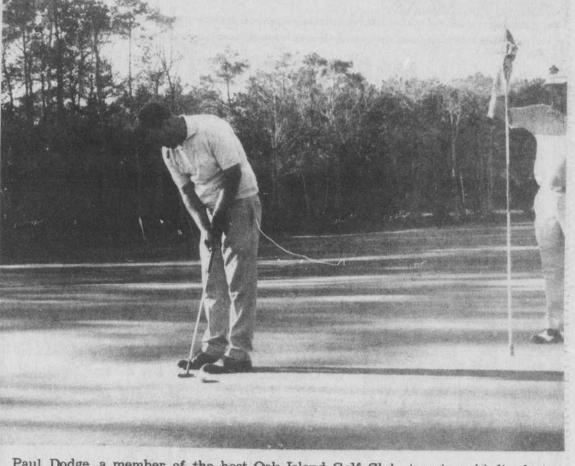
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Postponed

The Democrat Rally and fish fry planned for Saturday night at Shallotte has been postponed until Thursday night of next week, according to Democrat Party Chairman Grover A. Gore. The outing will be held in the Lions Club Park across from the Shallotte High School starting at 5:30 o'clock. Chairman Gore says that all Democrats are urged to attend.

He said that the postponement was brought about through a conflict with the Daughters of Eastern Star, who previously had made plans to use these facilities this Saturday night.



Paul Dodge, a member of the host Oak Island Golf Club, taps in a birdie during the weekend Oak Island Men's Invitational tournament. Dodge collected the birdie on the par 5, 14th hole at the oceanside course after hitting his approach shot within a foot of the hole. (photo by Ed Harper)

Women weren't left out of the action Sunday afternoon at the horse show sponsored by the Southport Jaycees Hundreds of people watched the show at the Bonnett's predicted that one postwar development at Long Beach would be Creek arena next to the Cape Fear River. (photo by Ed Harper)