

## State's Second Deep Water Port To Be Opened At Wilmington Today

By Wade Lucas  
WILMINGTON — The second of two State-developed and operated deep water ports to be opened in North Carolina this year will be formally dedicated here Thursday, September 18.

Governor W. Kerr Scott, Senator Clyde R. Hoey, Democratic Governor-nominee William B. Umstead and Vice Admiral E. L. Cochrane, USN (Ret.), chairman, Federal Maritime Administration, are to make addresses during the ceremonies marking the modernization of a port that has figured long in the history of the State as well as that of the Southern Confederacy. Other State and national figures are also expected for the dedication.

Dedication of the Port of Wilmington comes a little more than a month after the formal opening of the Port of Morehead City, almost 100 miles north of here.

Both ports are equipped to handle types of ocean shipping, and represent a State investment of \$7,500,000, authorized by the Legislature of 1949 without a dissenting vote.

Tar Heel industrialists and farmers will benefit from cheaper transportation rates on such widely used North Carolina products as textiles, tobacco, furniture, fertilizer, canned goods, cotton, grain, and other commodities. Imports of such commodities as gasoline, asphalt, and other liquid and dry cargoes have been on the

increase since the completion of the two new ports this summer. Some 20,000 tons of calcium ammonium nitrate from South America were handled by the Port of Wilmington during the past summer and resulted in a savings of from \$4 to \$6 per ton for North Carolina farmers by reason of not having to be shipped overland, according to Colonel George W. Gillette, executive director of the North Carolina Ports Authority.

Although local groups have long operated ports here and at Morehead City, it was not until 1924 that a serious effort was made on a State-wide basis to develop ports terminals. Governor Cameron Morrison of Charlotte led an unsuccessful movement in 1924 at a special election to get approval for an \$8,500,000 ports bond issue.

Successive governors endorsed proposals for ports improvements and modernization, but the proposal did not begin to take concrete form until Governor R. Gregg Cherry of Gastonia in 1947 led a movement in the State General Assembly for a State Ports Authority and for funds needed to make a survey with regard to what was needed to modernize North Carolina ports. Recommendations of the survey committee were endorsed by Governor Scott and a \$7,500,000 bond issue was authorized by the 1949 Legislature.

Colonel Gillette, a retired offi-

## Southern Rail Gets Advertising Award

Southern Railway System has received the 1952 award of the Deep South District of the Advertising Federation of America as "the southern advertiser making the greatest contribution to southern advertising."

President Harry A. DeButts accepted the award on behalf of the Southern at the annual convention of the Deep South District in Birmingham, Ala., on September 13. It was the first award of its kind ever presented by the Deep South District of AFA.

The accompanying citation says the award was made "to Southern Railway System, whose consistently effective advertising program... has brought great distinction to its company and noteworthy attention to the South."

Chief of the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers and a native North Carolinian, has served as executive director of the Ports Authority since 1947. J. D. Holt, formerly with the Bay Way Ports Terminals at Elizabeth, N. J., is manager of the port at Morehead City.

A. G. Myers, Gastonia industrialist, is chairman of the State Ports Authority. Other members are: W. Avery Thompson of Hall-shoro, vice-chairman, Terry Sanford of Fayetteville, secretary-treasurer, J. Harry White of Winston-Salem, David Q. Holton of Edenton, W. J. Bason of North Wilkesboro, Dr. James McIntosh Hedrick of Winston-Salem, and E. G. Anderson of Robersonville.

## Spindle Center Fair Cycle Race September 27

The American Motorcycle Association has released a partial list of the motorcycle racers to compete at the Spindle Center Fair on Saturday afternoon, September 27th.

Over fifty outstanding riders will be on hand for the sixteen event program, and among these are Billy Huber, well-known champion from Reading, Penn., Dick Klamfth, of Grovesport, Ohio, three times winner of the international race at Daytona Beach, Florida, Alex Swing, of Spencer, N. C., holder of two world's records, the five and three mile distances, Buck Brigrance, of Charlotte, former eight mile national champion, and the famous Jimmy Chann, well-known champion from Bridgeton, N. J.

This will be one of the outstanding races for motorcycles during the current season, and a number of British and European makes will be on hand to test their racing ability against the American Harleys and Indians.

Instructions have been issued to all riders that absolutely no brakes can be used, on either wheel, for the scheduled events. Seven of the races will be started in inverted order, with the fastest riders starting in the rear. A special race is also scheduled for the two fastest riders of the day. Timing will be done by electric eye, and all results will be official, becoming part of the vast records at AMA headquarters, in Columbus, Ohio. The time trials will start at 1:00 P. M., with racing scheduled at 2:00 P. M.

Over fifty riders are expected to time for the races, and competition in the time trials will be thrilling to watch, since only the thirty-six fastest riders will be allowed to participate in the racing program. Racing will be started in all events from a standing start.

For the benefit of all motor sports fans, the time and place again is Saturday afternoon, Sept. 27th, at the new Spindle Center Fair, time trials at one, and racing at two.

## Gardner-Webb Opens School Year

BOILING SPRINGS. — Gardner-Webb College officially opened its 46th school year here Monday morning when Rev. T. L. Cashwell of Gastonia, N. C., addressed the student body at the morning chapel program on the subject, "Paul's Conception of Life."

Reverend Cashwell, pastor of the First Baptist church, Gastonia, urged the students at Gardner-Webb to seek divine guidance in each decision and to make their lives Christ-like as the Apostle Paul did.

The program was opened with the song, "Another Year Is Dawning," led by Mrs. R. A. Dyer, followed by the Invocation offered by Rev. John Suttle. Dr. P. L. Elliott, president of

## Negro News

By Mrs. Cannie Gordon  
105 Carpenter Street  
Kings Mountain, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. John L. Burge and children of Greensboro were drop-in guests of Mrs. Daisy Smith Saturday.

The Usher Board of St. Paul Methodist church will meet Friday evening at 7:30 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Pressley, Miss Viola Orr, president.

### NEVITTE MITCHEM

Funeral services for Nevitte Mitchem were held Wednesday at 2 p. m. at Mt. Zion Baptist church. Rev. R. L. Garvin officiated. He was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. William C. Mitchem.

Surviving are his wife, two daughters, Mrs. Quincy A. Smith of Shelby, Mrs. Alberta Thombs of Kings Mountain; four brothers, Woodrow Mitchem of New York City, Dennis and Earnest of Winston-Salem, John, of Kings Mountain; eight grand children. Mr. Mitchem was a resident of Pittsburgh, Pa., and was spending his vacation here with relatives. He was taken suddenly ill Sunday evening, and died Monday morning at the home of his daughter.

Burial was in the Kelly's Chapel cemetery.

### SHANK ODUM

Funeral services for Shank Odum were held Sunday at 2:30 at the First Baptist Holiness church. Surviving are his wife, the college, introduced Reverend Cashwell to the student body.

Mrs. Gussie Davis Odum, six children, several brothers and sisters.

The 1952 Tar Heel cotton crop has been placed at 510,000 bales.

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