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ENTIRE ROAD PROGRAM OF SOUTHERN ALBEMARLE IS ADOPTED BY THE GAA

Map Recently Made and Adopted by Greater Albemarle Association Identical With Projects Set Forth by Southern Albemarle Association Whose Activities Brought Them to the Front and Crystallized Public Support and Opinion in Their Behalf

Further support and evidence of the wisdom of the road program adopted by the Southern Albemarle Association is seen in the recent adoption of the identical program by the Greater Albemarle Association, comprising 13 counties.

The map, now in the hands of P. D. Midgett, president of the Greater Albemarle, lists the projects as follows:

Completion of the roads connecting the county seats of Tyrrell, Dare and Hyde by hard-surface and bridges; construction of a road all around Lake Mattamuskeet; construction of a road to Oregon Inlet.

Additional projects on the north side of Albemarle Sound include a road from Duck in Dare County, along the beach, and a bridge across Currituck Sound to Knotts Island.

In detail the favored projects follow:

First, hard-surfacing of N. C. 91 from Columbia to Swanquarter by way of Fairfield, and from Fairfield to Engelhard.

Second, extension of the paving of U. S. 64 and U. S. 264 to Manns Harbor with bridges across Alligator River and Croatan Sound.

Third, changing the various State numbers on the highway from Norfolk to Elizabeth City by way of Moxock and Sligo to a single Federal number.

Fourth, a scenic, seaside highway from Knotts Island to Kitty Hawk junction, tying in with the Virginia State system from Knotts Island to Virginia Beach and Norfolk.

Fifth, the construction of an all-weather road from Oregon Inlet Junction, N. C. 34, to Oregon Inlet.

Sixth, the construction of a hard surface highway from Plymouth to Windsor by way of Cashie Neck.

EMERGENCY CROP AND FEED LOANS AVAILABLE

Emergency crop and feed loans for 1940 are now available to farmers in Tyrrell County, and applications for these loans are now being received at Clerk of Court's Office by Roy Hearne, field supervisor of the emergency crop and feed loan section of the farm credit administration.

These loans will be made, as in the past, only to farmers whose cash requirements are small and who cannot obtain a loan from any other source, including production credit associations, banks, or other private concerns or individuals.

COLUMBIA BAND INVITED TO FESTIVAL

The Columbia high school band has been invited again to the annual Tulip Festival at Washington, North Carolina to be held in the late spring.

This was the first time the band took last year and was very much enjoyed by all members. At that time the band consisted of about twenty-five members and had only been organized six months.

Several members of the Columbia Band attended the All-Star Band rehearsal in Edenton Monday night.

TYRRELL TRIBUNE INCREASES PERSONNEL

The Tyrrell Tribune announces that Miss Sybil Spencer will assist in the circulation department and that J. L. Snell, Jr., will act as local reporter. We ask your cooperation and help for the chosen career of this ambitious young woman and young man. The office of the Tribune is located at Fisher Inn.

SCHOOLS TO OPEN THURSDAY IN TYRRELL

Schools were scheduled to reopen here today after being closed for a week due to inability of buses to get over the bad roads. If the weather continues bad with more rainfall, schools will remain closed indefinitely.

COLUMBIA BAND TO APPEAR IN ALL-STAR BAND

Several Members of Local Group to Appear at Washington Friday in Parade

Columbia's crack high school band will participate with bands from a dozen or more other schools in an all-star band concert at Washington tomorrow (Friday).

The band members will assemble at the John Snell school at 9:30 where they will rehearse until 10 o'clock when a free lunch will be served them. After rehearsals a parade will be staged at 3:30 after which a banquet will be served by the Band Parents' association. At 8 o'clock the band will render a concert with 100 members participating.

Members of the Columbia band who will play in the all-star band concert are Patti Combs, drum, Tom Yerby, Nancy Meekins, and Tillie Norris, clarinets, Sally Bateman, cornet, and J. L. Snell, baritone.

The band members from Columbia will perform under the direction of C. L. McCullers, band director.

Other school bands participating in the all-star program will be Rocky Mount, Robersonville, Plymouth, Creswell, Pasquotank County, Wendell, Ahoskie, Rich Square, Aulander, Edenton and Washington.

INTER-CITY MEET ROTARY HELD AT BELHAVEN FRI.

Engelhard Club Members and Wives Attend; Interesting Program Rendered

Rotary-Ann night was observed Friday by the Rotary clubs of Engelhard, Washington and Belhaven at Belhaven community building with about 100 Rotarians and Rotary-Anns in attendance.

Fred Latham of the Belhaven Rotary club extended the welcome to the ladies and visiting Rotarians after which Professor Teague of East Carolina Teachers College, Greenville, gave the principal address.

Mr. Yeakel of the J. D. Dawson company entertained the assembly with a recital of his experiences when he first visited Hyde County as a salesman with a week being required to cover the county. Mr. Yeakel's description of the roads several years ago reminded the Hyde County delegation of the condition of the roads during the current winter, come of them said.

A bountiful turkey dinner was served by the ladies of the Belhaven Parent-Teachers association.

Rotarian Murray of Belhaven presided in the absence of President Otto Walker.

Representing the Engelhard Rotary club were Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Midgett, Jr., of Engelhard, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Berry of Swan Quarter, Dr. Miller and I. H. Morris of Engelhard.

3 GALLONS BEER PER PERSON CONSUMED N. C.

Raleigh—North Carolina consumed 801,700 barrels of beer and ale during 1939 as compared with 264,025 barrels in 1938. There are 31 gallons to a barrel.

Despite the 12 per cent increase in consumption, North Carolina still lags in consumption as compared with other states, according to the Brewers and North Carolina Beer Distributors Committee. The per capita consumption in this state is not quite three gallons, while the nation's per capita consumption is twelve and a half gallons—more than four times the per capita consumption in North Carolina.

Although North Carolina is way down the list on the basis of per capita, consumption, the beer industry pays the state and its various subdivisions almost \$1,500,000 annually in taxes and license fees. If this state consumed as much as the average for the nation, more than \$6,000,000 would be paid into the state treasury annually.

The past year also witnessed the rapid expansion of the beer industry's program of active cooperation with local law enforcement officers to eliminate anti-social conditions wherever they may surround the sale of beer. Edgar H. Bain of Goldsboro, state director in charge of the beer industry's "clean up or close up" campaign in North Carolina announced that the beer licenses of 46 dealers have been revoked as a result of the committee's drive against undesirable beer outlets.

Misses Orice Winslow and Katherine Eason are spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Worrell.

CAPT. MIDGETT ENTERS DENIAL TO MR. RUSSELL

Mrs. Russell Plans Damage Suit Against Husband Because of Allegations

Capt. Thos. P. Midgett, 84 of Manteo, has filed with the Clerk of Dare Superior Court, a flat denial of all allegations made against him in a \$20,000 suit brought by Attorney D. L. Russell, 65 year old attorney, who alleges that Capt. Midgett broke up his home and won the affections of his wife from him. The case cannot be tried before May Superior Court.

Capt. Midgett, contrary to a rumor, has entered no counter claims in the amount of \$10,000 as was expected, nor for any other sum. Some people believe he considers the advertising value would offset the damages. He is already receiving letters from women as far north as New Jersey, who say they must come down to Manteo soon, and learn about him first hand. One woman, reluctantly admits she is 40, but prays the Captain to take nothing off for that, as with her "life begins at forty," she says.

Mrs. Russell, however, expresses herself as terribly hurt and humiliated, and brands her husband's allegations as baseless. She stated this week she expected to bring an action against Mr. Russell herself or damages as a result of his alleged derogatory statements in the complaint, and is already conferring with legal counsel.

MAPS PREPARED FOR EACH FARM TYRRELL COUNTY

Farmers May Secure Map For Own Use by Calling at the County Agent's Office

The Tyrrell County Agricultural conservation association has prepared a farm map for each farmer in Tyrrell County. The squares in each farm are numbered and the acreage reading is given for each square in upper left of the map. The acreage figures are considered as final and will be used to check compliance with farm program for the year 1940.

These maps are drawn exactly as the farm is shaped and will be a great help to all farmers, for by the use of this map a farmer can stay in line with his allotments and thereby earn the maximum farm payments. These maps are furnished free to farmers who will call for them in person at the county agent's office.

FINNISH RELIEF CHAIRMAN APPOINTED FOR TYRRELL

C. W. Tatem has been appointed as Finnish relief chairman for Tyrrell County. The appointment was made by State Chairman J. C. B. Eringhaus.

NOBODY LOSES BY SUPPORTING AND BOOSTING THE COUNTY PAPER

Nobody is going to lose by subscribing to the Tyrrell County Tribune. Nobody need fear he will lose his money. We say this because there are always those who wish to discourage new ventures, and because rumors are circulated to keep people from subscribing, we make this statement. Some who won't subscribe, for fear they would lose a few cents, beg or borrow the paper of a neighbor who has had enough faith and interest in the progress of his town to support the paper.

Nobody need fear he will lose any of the few cents he spends for the paper. It is operated by an established printing house which hasn't short-changed anyone yet. It doesn't take money away from the community. It spends all it takes in, and more, in the community. It seeks to grow and to provide work for local people. Not even half of the three hundred dollars a month it costs to run this paper has come into it from Tyrrell County, and as it grows, it will bring far more money into Tyrrell County than it takes out, just as has the Dare County Times in Manteo, and many other weekly papers.

The Tyrrell Tribune is the only medium that will fight wholeheartedly for roads and other things that Tyrrell needs. The money sent away from home for advertising purposes won't bring this support and prestige. It may satisfy a little of the ego with which we all are cursed, or blessed. One wonders if the people who buy advertising in mediums away from home, expect any support for roads, or relief from other pitiable conditions with which the people of Tyrrell are oppressed, and for

MOTHERS, DADS ENJOY BANQUET AT ENGELHARD

Future Farmers and Home Ec Girls Entertain at Annual Affair

The Engelhard chapter of the Future Farmers of America and the Home Economics department entertained at their annual Mother-Daughter-Father-Son banquet at the Engelhard gymnasium Thursday evening at 7:30. An interesting program, with County Superintendent of Schools P. G. Gallop, as the principal speaker, was arranged for the evening. The program was as follows: Song — America, Invocation by the Rev. F. A. Turner, Opening talks by Vernon Ballance and Della Mae Payne, welcome by Talmadge Ballance, toast to mothers by Clara Fisher, response by Mrs. J. E. Mann, toast to dads by Lawson Cahoon, response by Lancy Wade Gibbs, Special music by Lois Meekins and Lois Litchfield, objectives of vocational home ec. by Gwen Marshall, objectives of vocational agriculture by Gilbert Gibbs, Russell Gibbs, Chester Selby, Herbert Gibbs and Lewood Swindell, how vocational work is helping me by Mildred White, introduction of guest by Fred Langford, address by P. G. Gallop and closing remarks by Vernon Ballance.

The menu consisted of fruit cocktail, baked chicken, dressing, green beans, cranberry sauce, vegetable salad, rolls, ice cream, cake, coffee, and mints.

CLUB MEMBERS CONFER WITH WPA, LIBRARY

Community Library Sponsored by Junior and Senior Clubs in Berry Building

With a conference between representatives of the Swan Quarter Junior and Senior Women's clubs and WPA officials at Williamston this week, the club members are now looking forward to the opening of the club-sponsored community library in the Berry Building. Mrs. M. H. Swindell of the Senior Woman's Club and Mrs. M. L. Carawan of the Junior Woman's Club conferred with the area supervisor at Williamston this week.

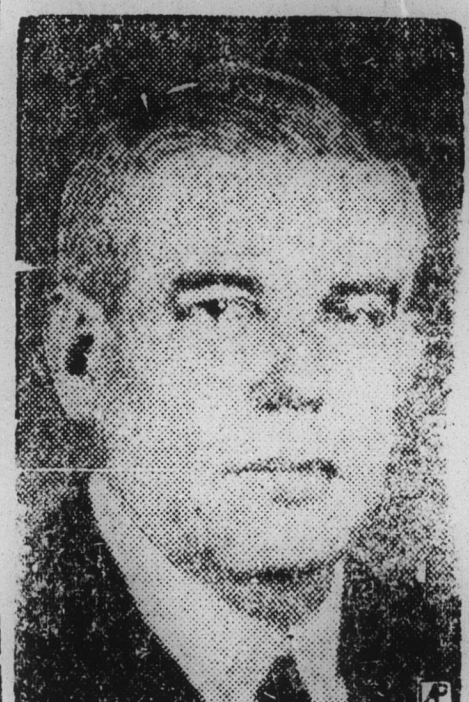
If the WPA approves the change of location from the agricultural building where they previously failed to approve because of possible disturbances by meetings held there, the club members hope to be open by February 21 in the room at the foot of the stairs to the side entrance in the Berry building. If the WPA approves the change a librarian will be furnished.

A dozen or more new books have recently been added to the Swan Quarter library.

O. L. WILLIAMS SOUNDS WAR CRY FOR JUSTICE IN STATE'S HIGHWAY POLICY

Says People of District Should Stand Together as One Man in Demanding Highway Pledges Be Kept; Endorses Albemarle Road Program, and Declares Highway Situation One of Burning Issues of the Day

SWAN QUARTER ATTY JOINS BATTLE FOR ROAD



O. L. WILLIAMS of Swan Quarter, makes a strong appeal for "Highway Justice" this week, in a letter addressed to P. D. Midgett, of Engelhard, president of the Greater Albemarle Association. Mr. Williams, as a member of the Association, who with Solicitor Chester Morris is the legal advisory board of the Association, and is former Representative of Hyde County, believes the road program adopted by the Association is a fair and just one, and his enthusiastic support is a strong boost for the cause.

COUNTY HAD NO HIGHWAY DEATH THE PAST YEAR

Hyde and Tyrrell Have Only Three Other Counties With Them in Accident Record

Hyde and Tyrrell Counties carved for themselves an honor roll niche with three other counties in North Carolina during 1939 by virtue of the fact that there were no highway fatalities in these five counties during the past year. Other counties sharing the honor were Alexander, Alleghany and Rowan, all small counties like Hyde and Tyrrell.

This record was revealed in the annual report of the highway safety division which showed a total of 943 deaths and 7,190 injuries in North Carolina last year.

Guilford county led the state with 50 highway deaths and was grouped with nine other counties each of which had more than 20 deaths for an average of nearly 30. A second group of 11 counties had from 15 to 19 deaths and a third group of 19 counties had from 10 to 14 deaths. Fifty-five counties had from one to nine deaths while the five counties already mentioned had no highway deaths during the year.

FUNERAL HELD FOR MRS. W. O. WINFIELD

Mrs. W. O. Winfield, 75, of Bath, died of pneumonia at Fowle Memorial Hospital in Washington Friday evening at about 5 o'clock. Mrs. Winfield had been seriously ill for a week.

Mrs. Winfield was the former Miss Mary Belle Cox of Middletown, daughter of the late J. F. and Mary S. Cox. She spent all of her life in Hyde until she married 40 years ago. Since that time she has lived in Beaufort County.

Surviving are her husband the Rev. W. O. Winfield; two daughters Mrs. Edgar Wallace of Bath and Miss Mildred Winfield of Kannapolis; one son, A. T. Winfield of Bath; two sisters Mrs. Walter Jones of Middletown and Mrs. Ned Harris of Norfolk; and five brothers B. F. Cox of Beaufort, Geo. L. Cox and J. Monroe Cox of Middletown, Ben Cox of Columbia, and Clyde Cox of Washington.

Funeral services were held Sunday at 3 o'clock at the Christian Church in Bath with the Rev. L. B. Scarborough officiating. Interment was in Oakdale Cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Elliot Jarvis of Washington, N. C., visited relatives here Sunday.

Championing the cause of Hyde County's fight to justice at the hands of the Highway Commission, and declaring the time has come for the people of the First Congressional District to stand together as one man to fight for their rights, O. L. Williams, well known Hyde County lawyer, and former Representative this week endorsed the road program adopted by the Greater Albemarle Association, in a stirring letter to President P. D. Midgett of Engelhard.

Mr. Midgett, who is being roundly commended for the program adopted, is well pleased with the response that has come to him, and can well expect stout aid in his fight to bring justice to this section, if all his endorsers are as earnest and vigorous as Mr. Williams.

Deploring the conditions which have made it necessary for even a hearse in Hyde County to be drawn by a tractor, and declaring the people should stand together as one man to make the state redeem its pledge to Lindsay Warren concerning the Fairfield-Columbia road, Mr. Williams sums up the situation in the following letter: "Dear Mr. Midgett:

"This is to express my personal interest in the road program, as outlined by the Greater Albemarle Association. I think it is a wonderful program and represents sound discretion and judgment. The time has come and now is when we must consider the road problem as one of the burning issues of the day. I think you and your lieutenants have given the matter that consideration which merits commendation.

"This winter, we have come to realize more than ever, the value of all-weather roads as connecting the several sections of the Albemarle. The counties of this section are an integral part of the state and, as such, are entitled to that degree of consideration by the State Highway and Public Works Commission as will give to this section the kind of roads in keeping with the modern trend of progress.

"Never before, have we known road conditions in Hyde County to be so bad as to require a hearse to be drawn by a tractor over Hyde County roads. It is hoped that this occurrence will never be repeated. We realize the fact that we are without the natural and industrial resources possessed by many other counties of the state, but although the counties of the Albemarle are poor in resources, they, too, possess those virtues necessary to the building of strong and useful citizenship.

"Those of us in the Albemarle section, who are interested in good roads, must take an active part in keeping our problems before those in whose hands our road destinies lie.

"For a long time, no road connected Hyde with Tyrrell County, and the Inland Waterway had made travel by vehicle between these counties impossible. For a time, it seemed that no bridge would be constructed across the Inland Waterway near Fairfield in Hyde County, at the point where the Inland Waterway bisects State Highway 94, leading from Swan Quarter to Columbia. The appropriation for the construction of the present bridge across the Inland Waterway at this point, was held up by Mayor LaGuardia of New York for over a year.

He was at that time a member of the House of Representatives. It was only after the Honorable E. B. Jeffress, Chairman State Highway Commission, wrote to the Honorable Lindsay C. Warren on November 16, 1931, that the State Highway Commission was prepared and would proceed to construct the connecting link as soon as the United States Government provided a drawbridge across the Inland Waterway and that the State Highway (and Public Works Commission) would place the entire road in condition for all-weather traffic. Mr. Jeffress' letter has been previously published in the Raleigh News and Observer and is worthy of consideration and, I think, comment. When Congressman Warren