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NEW YORK MAN PLANS 300-ROOM HOTEL AND MANY BEACH COTTAGES

Nags Head May Have Great Improvement in Facilities by Another Year; Development Would Provide High Class Homes, With Most Modern Hotel Accommodations; It Would Be Nearest Manteo of Any Large Beach Hotel

That a New York man, owner of such property on the beach near Manteo, plans the erection of a modern 300-room hotel between Manteo, and Nags Head, and further, several modern cottages, is a fairly definite probability, according to reliable sources.

The hotel would be nearest Manteo of any large beach hotel, and would have rooms with all modern conveniences, and a large dining room suited to large entertainments, conventions, balls, etc. The cottage development would be near it, and would offer exclusive types of homes for people of means. The probable date of construction has not been announced, but may begin early in the spring. The need for a large hotel that can accommodate large conventions and other groups has been growing more apparent in this section, since the Dare beaches have become well advertised and fast increasing thousands of people desire to spend their vacations in this section.

The past tourist season in Dare so impressed the need for more hotel facilities in this section. The demand for rooms and baths at all hotels is becoming more and more evident. Tourists these days demand the same kind of accommodations they get at other high class resorts.

It is likely that several large conventions, including the Junior Chamber, the Association of County Commissioners, may meet in Dare next summer. With other resorts providing ample modern accommodations for large conventions, it becomes difficult for any place to attract them. The group must be split up in various hotels or rooming houses, a distance apart.

The news of a large hotel ample to any probable convention will mean much to the people of this section, and is particularly interesting because it indicates the possibilities of this region. Some amazement might prevail on reviewing conditions on the beaches fifteen years ago, when possibly two score cottages existed. More. Had anyone then envisaged the vast development of business that exists today, he would have been laughed at. Had those whose horizons are broad and whose vision was projected into the future, well knew that would happen. In another 15 years, there will even greater development on the beaches. Early construction of the bridges connecting the beaches to the south and west would mean several hotels would be erected.

OWLER IS FINED BY COLUMBIA MAYOR

Booker T. Williams, Columbia Mayor, was fined \$12 by Mayor W. Laughinghouse in mayor's court last Monday night for providing on private premises and for being drunk and disorderly. The Mayor issued a capias for Spencer, Tyrrell white man, who failed to appear in court to answer to a charge of being drunk and disorderly.

Mrs. Helen Duvall Daniels came from Edenton to spend Tuesday night in Manteo.

Miss Dorothy Meekins left Monday to enter the freshman class at Woman's College in Greensboro. She was accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Est Meekins.

SALES OF THE BOOK "Fessenden, Builder of Tomorrows" Will Help the Association

A limited number of copies of the story of the life of Prof. Fessenden, radio pioneer, is in the hands of the Fessenden Memorial Association, Inc., and the proceeds from the sales of the book go to the general purposes of the Association. The price is \$3.15c for postage and insurance mailing. Address FESSENDEN NATIONAL MEMORIAL, Inc., Manteo, N. C.

\$3,000 ADVANCED BY NONRESIDENTS TO AIRPORT FUND

Total of \$15,000 Required to Get Land For \$404,000 CAA Project

In their initial efforts to get a quick loan of \$15,000 to buy the land necessary to build on Roanoke Island, a modern paved airport and seaplane base costing \$404,000, the airport committee, headed by John Ferebee of Manteo has had pledges of \$3,000 to start the ball rolling. These pledges came from non-residents who are nevertheless interested in the progress of Dare County.

David L. Lindquist of New York, owner of Bodie Island, stated Tuesday he would advance \$1,000 to the cause, and \$2,000 is being advanced by a well-known citizen in a nearby town, who has always been a consistent and generous friend of the North Carolina coast.

Mr. Ferebee will canvass the people of Roanoke Island and vicinity, seeking advances of \$100 to \$1,000 in order to find the money to take advantage of options now held on the necessary land.

The creation of an airport of the size that is contemplated, promises Roanoke Island and Dare County the best imaginable facility for any seacoast recreational area. It will have an airport second to none on the Atlantic Coast. It will be the only airport open to commercial use to accommodate both seaplanes and land planes.

Only by virtue of the fact that the area appeals both to the navy and the army for defense purposes, was this small area fortunate to get such a large grant.

Air-minded people estimate the possible eventual investment by the Government, will run to a million dollars. While government activities are carried on at the airport, it will mean many new people employed, who will become citizens and whose payroll would run into thousands of dollars. This will give Dare County a tremendous increase in year-round business.

But the greatest of benefits is in making the Dare County section available to thousands and thousands of airplane tourists in years to come.

The early construction of Croatan Sound bridge and connecting roads and bridges is seen as a result of the construction of its airport. This would make it possible for visitors to Columbia, Engelhard and other places to take advantage of the airport.

PREACHER SAYS INTEREST BETTER IN NEGRO REVIVAL

Enthusiasm Does Not Approach That of Revivals in the Old Days

More interest and more enthusiasm than for the past few years was manifested at the five day series of all day revivals at the Free Will Christian Negro church at Burnside last week says the Rev. William Keys, pastor, but the revival didn't measure up to the ones he remembers from his childhood.

Two visiting preachers, the Rev. Noah Boston of Martin county and the Rev. W. G. Vincent of Belhaven, both powerful exhorters, were here to preach for the series of meeting which began last Wednesday and concluded Sunday night. Each day began with a prayer meeting followed by reaching at 11 o'clock and dinner on the grounds of the church immediately after. Another service was held in the afternoon and the big meeting of each day was that night service.

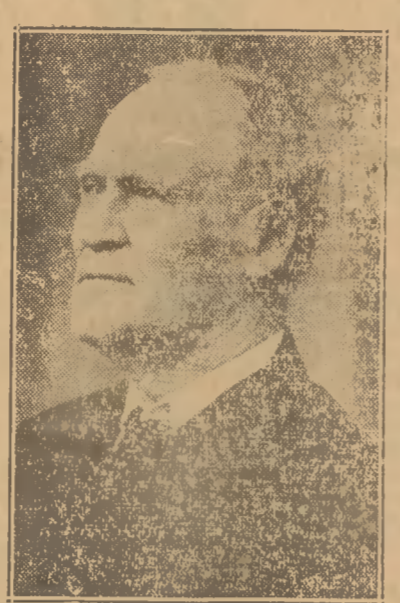
Around 200 to 300 people turned out each night for the service, the pastor said, but somehow the meetings seemed to lack the religious fervor he remembers from the big camp meetings he attended as a child. He has been pastor of the Christian church here for four years.

"But spiritually and financially the revival was a success," he added. Sunday afternoon, a half-dozen converts waded out into the water down on Burnside to be baptized, a sad contrast to the old days when as many as 50 to 60 people would be baptized at one time at one revival. Interest in salvation was at high pitch among the coloring people all over the island and practically all other activities involving the negroes were at a standstill until the revival was over.

Officers of the Free Will Christian church are Luther Mann, Ephraim Daniels and Josephus Dozier, deacons, and Mrs. Noah Jones, clerk.

The nation's sixth largest Army Post is Fort Jackson, S. C., where 41,000 troops are in training.

MANTEO OLDEST MAN 85 SEPTEMBER 17



CAPT. THOS. P. MIDGETT, a remarkable character who combines all that is most unique, resourceful and thrifty among the sturdy God-fearing men of the North Carolina coast, was 85 Wednesday, Sept. 17. He is hale, hearty and vigorous. Since he has been four score, he has been sued as a home wrecker, but he always kept on top. He studies his Bible regularly and he sees Bible prophecy coming to pass these days. His message on his 85th birthday to our readers is as follows:

"The great day of God's wrath on earth has come. After these things he saw another angel come down from Heaven having great power and the earth was lighted with his glory and He cried mightily with a strong voice saying, 'Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen and the hold of every foul spirit and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird; for all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of fornication and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her and the Lord God has forsaken her forever.' Such will be the end of Hitler and Mussolini, and the Japanese leaders will all be put into chains and imprisoned for the balance of time. When God brings the wars to a close and Roosevelt goes down in history forever for the good part he has taken in this war: a lover of liberty, free speech, and worship for all. From 19th chapter of Revelation - The Fall of Babylon.

BEAR HUNTERS IN MANNS HARBOR EMBARRASSED

Quarry Tread in Outhouse Turns Out Not to Be a Bear Cub

There are still a lot of red faces over in Manns Harbor over the bear hunt that took place there last Monday night. Buster Gard, Trell Craddock, Joe Arlo and some more fellows were passing the time away after supper in Carl Mann's store when an automobile slammed on its brakes outside the store and someone came rushing in to announce that there was a bear cub out in the road.

The boys didn't waste any time. Someone was sent down to Odell Tillett's for his dogs and a hunting party was organized. After sniffing around a bit, one of the younger dogs picked up a trail and pretty soon the whole pack was tangled with something out in Carl's garden.

The men came up to the dogs and by the light of several flashlights they were able to see a creature about the general size and shape of a bear cub snarling and spitting and cuffing the dogs around. Before the party could take any action, the supposed bear broke away and dashed for the outhouse, followed by the dogs. When the party caught up again, the quarry and the dogs had disappeared through the seat of the privy. The sounds coming up indicated that all hell was going on below.

Odell was the only one of the men wearing boots and he was nominated by the others to stomp the bear to death. He bent over, flashing the light down on the outhouse, and straightened up again with a look of disgust. "Why hell boys, it's only a cat!" And it was a cat. Carl Mann's big eight-year-old black tom cat that, according to him, hasn't a white hair on its body. Several years ago the cat had its tail lacerated in a steel trap, thus furnishing the bear resemblance, especially in the dark.

The cat was rescued in good condition with only about six of its nine lives gone.

CREDIT FOR DARE MEN IN SERVICE CUT DRAFT QUOTA

Only 18 Men Have Been Inducted Through Selective Service Channels

Call No. 18 from selective service headquarters for draftees for the army doesn't have any requirements for Dare county and, chances are, there won't be any Dare draftees for a long, long time because the county has been given credit against its draft quota for more than 400 of its sons now in the Coast Guard as well as for boys in other branches of the service.

According to a letter from state selective services headquarters in Raleigh, Dare county's quota of draftees on a pro-rate basis with the other counties in the state would have been 402 men. But the county was given credit for 441 men who are now in the Coast Guard, the Navy, the Marines and the regular Army plus credit for 18 men already inducted. So the county's quota was set at 459 and considered filled. There won't be any more calls from Dare until a new series of quotas for the state is set up.

Of the total of 18 calls for men sent out since the draft was established almost a year ago, Dare has had to send men in only seven of them. Call no. 1 last November took one white man, call no. 2 in December took three white men, call no. 3 in February took three white men, call no. 6 in March took six white men, call no. 7 in March took three white men, and calls in April and May took one white and three colored men for a total of 20 men to be called of which only two were rejected at the Fort Bragg induction station. The July registration of men who had reached their 21st birthday since last October 16 brought the total number of Dare men registered for the draft to 653.

Selective service officials in Dare are Horace H. Dough, chairman of the local board; Walter C. Gaskill, board member; I. P. Davis, appeal agent; and Mrs. Louise M. Meekins, clerk to the board. One board member is yet to be appointed to replace Jake Daniels who recently resigned.

MORE GEESSE

Following a conference with Secretary of Interior Ickes Thursday morning, Congressman Herbert C. Bonner wired Sheriff Victor Meekins that the bag limit for geese in Hyde County had been changed from three geese a week to six geese a week.

Hinton James was also present at the conference. Citizens of Hyde County had protested that geese hunters would not come to the county when the game limit was set at three geese per week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Atkinson spent Sunday night in Norfolk with Lt. and Mrs. D. E. Lithgow.

Miss Bubbles Wescott, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wescott, is visiting her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Stratton in Richmond this week.

TYRRELL AGRICULTURAL FAIR PLANS PROGRESSING

Fair Will Be Held on County Garage Grounds at Columbia the Week of October 31; Cash Prizes Will Be Offered For Best Farm Products; Contests and Speakers Will Feature Two Big Days of Fair

Favorable progress toward Tyrrell County's Agricultural Fair, set for the week of October 31, was reported this week by County Agent H. H. Harris, president of the fair association.

The fair will be the equal of any of the fairs planned for the Albemarle region if present indications are born out, Mr. Harris said, and should be the biggest thing of its kind ever held in the county.

The fair site will center in and around the county garage on the Fort Landing road at the edge of Columbia. A contract for a week-long carnival and midway, to be operated by the Crecent Amusement company of Charlotte, has been let by the Columbia Volunteer Fire Department, sponsors of the fair.

Plans were made this week by the entertainment committee to secure speakers for Friday and Saturday, October 30-31, the two big days of the fair. Greased pig catch-

PLANS GOING FORWARD FOR SOUTHERN ALBEMARLE MEET AT ENGELHARD, OCTOBER 9

Comptroller General Lindsay Warren Invited to Attend and Make Principal Address; Important Developments in Section's Road Program to Be Presented by Daniels; Officers to Be Elected For Ensuing Year; 200 Delegates Expected to Attend

SHERIFF COHOON REPORTS RECORD TAX COLLECTIONS

Better Than 86 Per Cent of 1940 Levy Has Been Collected

Sheriff B. Ray Cohoon reported to the county commissioners last week that 86.23 per cent of the 1940 tax levy of \$52,442.34 has been collected, a high percentage of collections for any North Carolina county.

The actual amount collected, not including the accumulated interest, was \$42,307.80. Interest collections came to \$872.85.

Of the remainder of \$10,134.54, \$8,909.56 has been converted into land salt certificates. The list of insolvent taxes, as accepted by the commissioners, totalled \$872.08.

Dog Taxes

A total of \$364.50 in dog taxes was collected by Sheriff Cohoon, representing the taxes on 426 males and 101 females. The sheriff also collected \$7 from taxes on pickups, or dogs not listed for taxes. The commissioners accepted \$13 in insolvent dog taxes, representing dog owners that had moved out of the county, dogs that had died, etc.

STATE NYA HEAD PLANS TO SPEAK BEFORE CLUBMEN

John A. Lang, state director of the National Youth Administration has accepted an invitation to address the Columbia Men's club next Wednesday night.

The club's regular meeting night was changed from Tuesday to Wednesday night in order to make it possible for Mr. Lang to attend.

According to President Roy L. Litchfield, Mr. Lang will outline the work the NYA is now doing in the state, both for school children and youth above school age.

NYA OFFICER WANTS WORKERS FOR SHOPS

Mrs. Mary Francis Fearing of Elizabeth City, NYA personnel inquest officer, will be in the reception room of the community building at 10 a. m. Davlight saving time, Friday morning to interview any applicants for outside aid. Boys and girls 16 years old and over are eligible for NYA work.

Plans for the seventh annual meeting of the Southern Albemarle Association, which is to be held in Engelhard, October 9, are rapidly going forward, according to O. L. Williams, vice president of the organization in Hyde County. Comptroller General Lindsay Warren has been invited to attend the meeting and make the principal address.

One of the main features of the fiesta will be the election of officers for the ensuing year. Present officers are: Melvin Daniels, Manteo, president; O. L. Williams, Swan Quarter, vice president; D. V. Meekins, Manteo, vice president; C. Earl Cohoon, Columbia, vice president; W. L. Whitley, Plymouth, vice president; and Roy Parramour of Plymouth, recording secretary.

Important developments in the Southern Albemarle's road and bridge program will be presented to the members of the association by President Melvin R. Daniels of Manteo at the Engelhard meeting.

President Daniels is quite enthusiastic over the recent strides made by the association toward the completion of this program of county seat to county seat highways for Hyde, Washington, Dare and Tyrrell and of bridges or "free and adequate ferries" over Alligator river and Croatan Sound.

He points out that the fact that no mention was made of freeing the ferries over Alligator and Croatan when Governor Broughton removed the tolls from the Oregon Inlet ferry recently can be taken as an indication that the highway department is contemplating bridges rather than the more expensive free ferries for the river and the sound.

Daniels believes that the department fully intends to build both bridges as soon as it can be conveniently accomplished. However, the present shortage of steel, due to the enormous demands of the defense program on the steel industry, has indefinitely postponed any action by the department.

"The governor has promised us free ferries," Daniels said, "and if this bridge proposition seems too far in the future the association will see if the Southern Albemarle can't get something temporarily done about the ferries."

Some 200 delegates are expected to attend this year's meeting, in addition to the people of general public who care to attend the all day fiesta. The delegates are selected by the county commissioners of their respective county, and in turn every four years becomes host to the four-county delegation.

The association was first entertained in Tyrrell County in 1935 with Dare, Hyde and Washington following in that order as hosts before Tyrrell again entertained in 1939 and sponsored a large general picnic for the entire assembly of delegates and guests. Washington County was host for the 1940 meeting.

BASNIIGHT AND GRAY GET C. G. TRANSFERS

Steve Basnight in Charge of Kill Devil Hills and Homer S. Gray at Ocracoke

Stephen G. Basnight, for several years in command of Ocracoke Coast Guard station, and rated a Chief Boatswain's Mate has been transferred to the command of Kill Devil Hills station. Homer S. Gray, of Avon, and acting Chief Boatswain's Mate who has been at Kill Devil Hills, will assume command of Ocracoke station, which has a large new unit, one of the largest on the coast.

Basnight's home is at Manteo, and Gray's home being at Avon, both men are more conveniently located with their new commands. Basnight was enlisted by Chief Boatswain Walter Etheridge shortly after the world war and has made a good record in the service with regular promotions. Gray, who is one of the most popular men in this area, has been steadily promoted.

Miss Estelle Meekins returned Monday night from a week's visit in Durham.