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COUNTY'S REFUNDING PLAN NEED CAUSE NO ALARM, DANIELS SAYS

So-Called "Bankruptcy" Proceeding Is An Effort by the Commissioners to Save Money For the Taxpayers by Getting Lower Interest Rate, to Put County On Its Feet and Provide For Retirement of Bonds

Newspaper reports about Dare County's action brought in Federal court under the so-called bankruptcy law, which is a part of the county's plan to refund its bonded indebtedness of \$326,750, has caused some citizens to needlessly become alarmed that they will lose their homes, and has given rise to serious wild rumors, Melvin R. Daniels, Clerk of the Board of Commissioners said this week.

"There is no cause for alarm, whatever," Mr. Daniels states, "because this is a means of following the law, in order to put through a plan to establish a sinking fund, at a lower rate of interest, and sure retirement of the bonds. The commissioners learned five years ago that the interest rate was too high, and when over half of the counties in the state were in the same boat, and many of them being refinancing and saving money, they followed suit.

"Dare County's bonds are owned by people living all over the country," he continued. "When an effort was made to locate all these bond owners to advise them of the plan, only about 85 per cent of these people could be located, and they agreed to the plan. It is not known where the others are. Before these old bonds may all be called in, and new ones issued, with the low rate of interest, all bonds must be located, or the court must give approval to the plan.

"That is why this proceeding is brought under the bankruptcy act. It is not a case of the county going into bankruptcy, as a firm does, when it is insolvent, but is the only way of completing the proceeding through the sanction of the court.

To Save \$5,000 Interest

"If we get in all those six per cent bonds, and issue new ones at four and a half per cent, it can be seen that this alone will save nearly five thousand dollars a year in interest, and they will come due in 1942." (Please turn to page seven)

BENSON FIRST HYDE CASUALTY OF WAR



JAMES FRANKLIN BENSON, 21-year-old Hyde County native, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Benson of Portsmouth, Va., formerly of New Holland, was Hyde's first casualty in the present war. Benson, a Second Class Machinist's Mate, USN, was among those given up for dead in the U. S. S. Reuben James disaster.

SHAD COME EARLY TO FISHERMAN IN CAROLINA SOUNDS

Have Brought 30 Cents a Pound; One Fisherman Caught Thirty

Shad are coming early to the North Carolina coast, and many fishermen have caught several during this month, getting about 30 cents a pound for them. They are mostly small in size, and the roes are not developed. One fisherman at Manns Harbor caught 30 last week, another fisherman caught a box of shad in a long-net in Pamlico Sound several days ago.

Fishermen view early shad as a good token if shad come early they may bring good prices, and are easily handled during cool weather. A few years ago, a large and profitable shad season was well underway before the end of January.

There will probably not be so many nets set in North Carolina waters during the spring of 1942. This may mean more fish for the remaining fishermen. Many people are away working on defense projects. Stumpy Point, alone, has given half its citizens to this work, and it formerly was a big fishing center. While many of these citizens, now away, will return at the beginning of the fishing season, it is quite likely that there will be less fishing activity at the place than in many a day.

11-CENT FEE TO ENTER FORT RALEIGH GATES

Winston-Salem Men First Ones to Pay Sunday When Admission Charge Began

Winston-Salem, N. C., men were the first to pay the 11-cent admission charge to enter Fort Raleigh gates Sunday morning, November 9, when the National Park Service put in effect the charge.

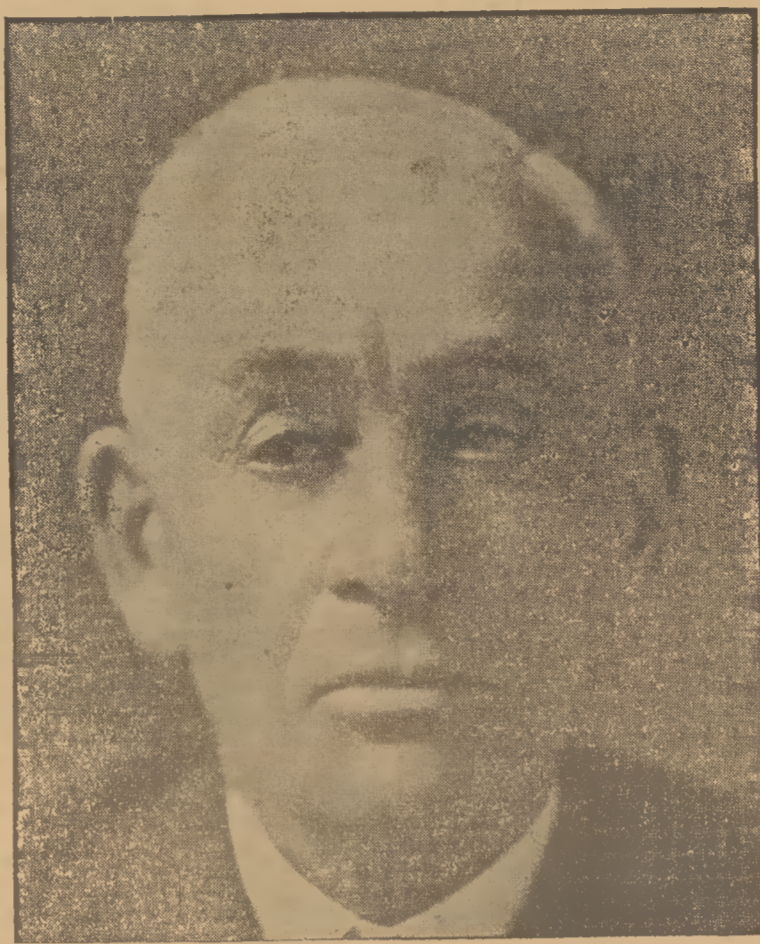
The admission charge was formerly 25c during the summer which went to the production of the Lost Colony. The charge of 10 cents and one cent tax is collected by the National Park Service.

The four Winston-Salem men are H. F. and T. O. Hauser, W. F. Falk and W. A. Gilliam.

Peanut Crop

A number of Hyde County farmers planted peanuts this year for the first time. They report that the yield is good.

MANTEO'S OLDEST MERCHANT DIES AT 83



RICHARD COLES EVANS was laid to rest Monday afternoon with Masonic honors, by members of Eureka Lodge of Elizabeth City where he had held membership for more than 55 years, and by members of Wanchese Lodge, of Roanoke Island. From Elizabeth City, Charles Griggs, Jack Munden and Bob Rollins attended. The funeral sermon was conducted at the Manteo Methodist Church, by Rev. M. W. Maness, and the floral offerings were many.

NAVY WINS MANY RECRUITS WITH NEWSPAPER ADS

Men Told of Opportunities in Current Enlistment Campaign

At least one-fourth of the 553 men recruited by the Navy in North and South Carolina during October were influenced by the current Navy advertising campaign being conducted in the two states, Lt. Comdr. McFarland W. Wood, officer-in-charge of recruiting in the Carolinas, announced this week.

Records reveal that at least one-fourth of October's total enlistments—the largest number taken in one month since World War I—joined the Navy as a result of the advertising campaign, while many other recruits reported that the ads had helped them decide to join America's "first line of defense."

The campaign was begun September 22 in newspapers throughout North and South Carolina and "is progressing satisfactorily," Commander Wood said. "The series of nine advertisements, drawn up by a New York advertising agency, is producing definite results in the Carolinas by showing young men the many opportunities offered by the Navy."

Most of the recruits in October's record-breaking enlistment total who were influenced by the ads came from rural homes because the campaign is designed to reach the rural areas of the Carolinas—two of the South's greatest agricultural states. Advertisements were awarded only to newspapers in towns of less than 50,000 population and the majority of the ads went to weeklies and semi-weeklies.

According to data gathered during October, the average recruit was 19.44 years old, weighed 139.63 pounds and was 6.36 inches tall. "North and South Carolina are continuing to furnish the Navy with healthy, alert young men as it has during past years and past national emergencies," commented Commander Wood.

With the aid of the advertising campaign, the Raleigh main station and six sub-stations in North Carolina enlisted 375 men from the Tar Heel State, while the five South Carolina sub-stations accepted 174 men. The Charlotte sub-station accepted 106 men during October and set an all-time record by being the first Navy recruiting center in the Carolinas to enlist over 100 men in one month. October's district figure was 301 above the October 1940 total of 250, and surpassed August's total of 467 men which broke all records until the past month.

The advertising campaign is stressing the many opportunities offered Americans by the Navy, Commander Wood said. "The Navy now offers unusual opportunities to ambitious men between the ages of 17 and 49 inclusive," he asserted.

College men may become full commissioned officers within 120 days after entering the service by applying for Class V-7. Naval Reserve. Those who have completed (Please turn to Page Eight)

DEATH ENDS CAREER OF DARE COUNTY'S OLDEST MERCHANT, R. C. EVANS

Was 83 Years Old March 3, and Had Been in Business Over 55 Years in Manteo; Died After Brief Illness at His Home and Had Been Active Toward the Last; Was a Foremost Community Leader

CONGRESSMAN BONNER



Congressman Herbert C. Bonner, who made an Armistice Day address at Columbia Tuesday afternoon.

MANTEO BURIAL ASSO. TO MEET THURSDAY NIGHT

A meeting of the Manteo Burial Association will be held next Friday night, November 21st, at eight o'clock, in the Dare County courthouse. During the past year, several of its main officials have died, among them Jesse E. Midgett and Ebenezer Midgett, who were two of its most faithful and helpful members and officers.

Dr. W. W. Johnston is now vice president and Miss Eulalia Midgett, secretary-treasurer. The purpose of the meeting is to elect officers. The Association has been of tremendous help to its members, and pays about \$100 on the death of an adult member.

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FIRST ARMY POSTAL OFFICER HAS BIG JOB ASSORTING MAIL

2203 Smiths, 1117 Williams, 1079 Johnsons, and 1059 Jones on Maneuvers in Carolina; Assorting Mail No Easy Task; Girls Reminded to Be Careful Addressing Letters to Soldier-Beaus.

First Army Public Relations Division, Camden, S. C.—There are 2203 Smiths, 1117 Williams, 1079 Johnsons and 1059 Jones on maneuvers with the First Army in the Carolinas. That's just one of the many mail problems confronting Major Erastus E. White, postal officer of Lt. Gen. Hugh A. Drum's First Army.

Many pieces of mail are received bearing no other notation than the man's name and Fort Bragg, N. C. Other mail arrives bearing simply the man's name and the notation "Somewhere on maneuvers in the Carolinas." About 2500 pieces of such improperly addressed mail are received daily.

Improperly addressed or not, 90 per cent of all the mail intended for First Army soldiers on maneuvers reaches the addressee. If the mail is properly addressed, showing the soldier's complete name, Army serial number and organization, no delay in delivery occurs.

This remarkable delivery record results from a master locator card file maintained at First Army Headquarters, Army Post Office 401. Every officer and enlisted man in the First Army has a card bearing his name in this file. The card shows the soldier's rank, Army serial number, organization and other pertinent data.

The master locator card file serves other important purposes. Many telegrams and other urgent messages bearing news of deaths, serious illnesses and other emergencies are delivered only through the help of the file. The file also is used to locate the owner of lost identification tags, by the Adjutant General's office, the Message Cen-

ter and by long-distance telephone operators. It is the only complete First Army file outside of the Adjutant General's office in Washington.

APO stands for Army Post Office. These are numbered in accordance with a plan provided by the War Department. Infantry divisions are numbered from 1 to 200, cavalry division from 201 to 250, armored divisions from 251 to 300, Army Corps from 301 to 350, Armored Corps from 351 to 400 and filed armies from 401 to 500. Thus, APO 401 serves the First Army, APO 306 the VI Army Corps, APO 26 the 26th Infantry Division.

All mails are concentrated at Fort Bragg, N. C., and Fort Jackson, S. C. Fort Bragg supplies APOs 302, 28, 29, 44, 308, 1, 26, 9 and 401, while Fort Jackson handles mail for APOs 301, 8, 30, 251, 252, 351, 4, 31 and 43.

"Army Serial No. 48,259,999—Bingo!" That's the comment one correspondent writing a soldier addressed to the soldier's address. Apparently this particular writer thought there must be simpler ways of contacting a soldier through the mails than by attaching all the information requested by army postal officers on the envelope.

But none of this information is superfluous—take it from Major White. If you're a soldier's best girl and you want your soldier boy to hear from you with the shortest possible delay, address your letters as follows:

"Private James Russell Smith
Army Serial No. 32,147,862
21st Ordnance Company
APO 401
Fort Bragg, N. C."

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The mercantile business being good, Mr. Evans was enabled to purchase the home of W. D. Chadwick, repair it and opened it to transient guests; this was the first of such service houses to exist on the island. He named it the Tranquil House. He soon sold one-half interest to H. V. Gray and built his private home. He made the nuptial tie with Delia Coffield, the daughter of a prominent family in Chowan County, with whom he had had acquaintanceship all his life.

When Mr. Evans came to Manteo in 1883 only a few houses had been built, not more than four or five. Manteo was then the County Seat, but had not been incorporated. Skycro was the busiest village on the island. It flourished. There were two dining saloons, two boarding houses, and a general merchandise store there. Three steamers stopped in on their route from New Bern to Elizabeth City. Two of them had sidewheels and the third a wheel at the stern. The latter was termed the "wheel barrow" by the islanders, due to the appearance this wheel gave it. The boats were named the "Ocracoke," the "New Bern" and the "Neuse." Fishermen from Stumpy Point, the Banks, and Roanoke, shipped their catches on them. Skycro boomed.

Mr. Evans and Mr. Mann established a branch general merchandise store there and also purchased and sold fish, fish boxes and ice. This proved to be a lucrative business. To connect his two places of business, Mr. Evans brought the first telephones to Roanoke Island and installed one at Manteo and one at Skycro.

Built "Hotel Roanoke" in 1898. But in Manteo the number of vacationists continued to grow, and in 1898 Mr. Evans built on the site of his place of business such additions as would afford thirty-five rooms as a hotel and equipped them with what at that time were time he had dissolved partnership un-to-date furnishings. By this with S. E. Mann and after two (Please turn to Page 8)

NO ROOM FOR MEN LIKE JOHN L. LEWIS, BONNER DECLARES IN COLUMBIA

First District Congressman in Columbia, Says Congress Will Remove Threat of Vain and Wilful and Irresponsible Leaders if They Don't Wake Up to Danger in Hand; Praises Record of American Army and Morale of People

Declaring that the Congress of the United States will lose its patience with men of the type of John L. Lewis who are obstructing plans for American defense in order to work for their own aggrandizement and selfish interest, Congressman Herbert C. Bonner of the First District, said the American Congress will not long tolerate unreasonable demands inspired by him while American men must serve in the Army for smaller sums in comparison with the demands of labor.

Mr. Bonner, who was well received when J. E. Norris of Columbia opened the exercises for Scuppernon Post American Legion, talked to a full auditorium at the Columbia high school. Representatives from the Williamston and Manteo posts were present.

Mr. Bonner is well remembered in Tyrrell County where some 20 years ago as a lad he started out as a salesman for a tobacco firm. Because of his acquaintance with the people he effectively campaigned for former congressman Lindsay C. Warren, became his secretary, and now is Congressman.

Mr. Bonner spoke in Washington in the forenoon, Columbia in the afternoon and Hertford at night.

Among other interesting things in his address he said: "Today, after twenty-three years, we are the only great nation which was an active belligerent in 1918 for whom that Armistice still exists. Compiegne, where the first Armistice was signed, is in the hands of the vanquished of 1918,

and the railroad car is in Berlin.

"Once before on an Armistice Day I spoke under the auspices of the American Legion. The Army of that day had been stripped.

Pacifists were loud in their outcries against any Army. So-called intellectuals, including some outstanding leaders of religion, were sure that never again would mankind engage in armed conflict, nation against nation. They contended that funds small though they were, appropriated for the military forces of our Nation, might better be used for other purposes. Some religious leaders of that day even were asking college students to sign oaths that they under no circumstances would they come to the aid of their country in case of war. That attitude has now disappeared. The brutalities, the barbarism, the destruction of civilization that history attributes to Attila, the Hun, are outdone today by Hitler, the Hun, so these intellectuals and pacifists of yesterday now proclaim that only force can be the final arbiter in settling the moral issue of today—an issue imposed on the World by the Axis in using force to support the philosophy of Hitler, a philosophy utterly repugnant to our democratic Nation.

"You of the Legion know that the Army and Navy do not make war. They wage war only after the Congress has declared war. The Army fights for peace—it fights to end war and to achieve peace through victory. Our arms have always been successful, thanks to the valor of you men and your (Please turn to page eight)

WOMAN FOUND UNCONSCIOUS AFTER ALL NIGHT ALONE HELPLESS

Manteo Woman Found Unconscious After All Night Alone Helpless

Not everyone knows that the Bodie Island Beach of Dare County is thickly populated with foxes. Monday night, Victor Meekins reports seeing two on the road in front of his car. One ran ahead of the car in the vicinity of the house a distance of several hundred feet. Near the Coast Guard station, a huge animal leaped across the road, this fox appeared to be 30 pounds in weight. The animals are looking for ducks at this time, and there are plenty to be found. Due to the rapid growth of shrubbery on the beach, since cattle were taken off, there is plenty of cover now for the animals.

WOMAN STRICKEN SUDDENLY

Wife of Manteo Woman Found Unconscious After All Night Alone Helpless

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