

MUST LOOK TO OUR OWN PEOPLE FOR DEVELOPMENT

Keep Home Talent; Advertise Dare County Far and Wide; Develop Seafood and Truck Crops, Norfolk Newspaperman Advises

Sound advice comes to Dare County folks from Ralph Pool, formerly of Elizabeth City who has been for many years, on the editorial staff of the Norfolk Virginian Pilot, and who recently visited Dare County to observe the many changes that have taken place since the county started getting on the map less than ten years ago.

RALPH POOL ALWAYS A GREAT FRIEND OF DARE



THIS Elizabeth City boy who is an able newspaperman, has always been a great friend of Dare. He is now on the staff of the Virginian-Pilot in Norfolk. Read his article in this week's issue of The Times.

Old barriers have been broken. The world has beaten a path to Dare, and as the years go by, increasing thousands of Americans will come to know of her allurements. Many of her visitors will remain to make a place for themselves besides her gentia waters, and to help the home folks build toward greater things.

WANDERED OVER THE WORLD, BUT HAD TO RETURN

Ab. Ward Thought There Was No Place Like Home, Especially After He Got In Love

Dare's Progress Miraculous Viewed from the perspective of a scant decade, the things that have been accomplished in Dare are more than a fantastic dream. When the system was built, it seemed to all but the most optimistic that the county would remain under the handicaps of costly tolls for many years.

There is one outstanding characteristic of Dare County which has played a major part in its immediate development. It is conspicuous that the Dare County boys and girls who go away from home retain a deep love for their homeland which eventually brings many of them back to go into business for themselves. There are numerous instances today in Dare County of flourishing businesses owned and operated by progressive citizens who have spent many years away from home, where they developed valuable experience, that is of benefit to this county, and have now come home to spend the rest of their days.

One of these most interesting examples is Alvah H. Ward, who operates the Dare County Ice and Storage Company at Wanchese. Mr. Ward went away from home while just a lad in 1913, and got a job at the hardest kind of labor; coal passer on a Navy coaler, the Orion, where he worked for some time. He later got into the merchant fleets, working on various ships and worked as coal passer, oiler, assistant, water tender, engineer, until he eventually worked up to the place of chief engineer and had unlimited engineering license on all oceans, qualifying him to be chief engineer of the largest ship ever built in the world. His last job was as chief engineer of the largest pulp mill in the world. (Continued on Page Eight)

THREE BUXTON SISTERS MARRY 3 BROTHERS

Another Case Like It At Wanchese Some Years Ago; Mrs. Barnett Gives a Shower at Buxton

Unlike Virginia Beach, Dare County has no Pennsylvania Railroad and no Cavalier Hotel to spend huge sums to bring in visitors. The people of Dare, meaning the taxpayers, must foot the bill. In the enthusiasm over matters recreational and historic, Dare has largely overlooked other sound development possibilities. For instance, Roanoke Island offers exceptional opportunities for fruit and truck growing, with a season 36 days earlier than near-by farming sections. The writer has never seen finer figs and peaches than those grown there; and other crops requiring a light, sandy soil and mild growing season should do equally well. Truck transportation puts the county within a few hours of the Richmond, Washington and Baltimore markets, with Philadelphia and New York only a little farther away.

At Wanchese some years ago, the three sisters, Sallie, Ophelia and Hilda Montague, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. McAllister Montague, married Preston, Roscoe and Charles Daniels, respectively, the sons of the late Capt. E. R. Daniels. At Buxton a more recent conclusion of a trio of marriages is the wedding of Edna Barnett, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Liran Barnett, who married Jarvis, the son of Capt. and Mrs. Walter Barnett, Sr. The marriage took place secretly at the Mt. Zion Methodist Parsonage, Rev. Mr. Bell officiating. The bride's two sisters, Arvilla and Alma, are the wives of Joe and Randolph, brothers of the groom. So none of the three girls had to drop their maiden names.

In honor of the bride, a shower was given recently at the home of her parents, and 65 people were served with refreshments. A great many valuable presents were received. The families of both bride and groom are among the most honored and prominent in that section.

One Thing That Will Keep Old Dare on The Map



HERE is just a sample catch, such as may be seen most any day at Manteo, or Hatteras. Because of its accessibility, Oregon Inlet is the most patronized place for sport and is rapidly growing in popularity. Just think what the sport means to Dare when we remember that during the height of the season in July as many as 70 boats were taking fishing parties out to Oregon Inlet each day in the week, meaning that guides and boats over a thousand dollars a day. The parties would average five to ten people, and each party no doubt would spend another thousand dollars a day for gasoline, and other auto expenses would run around \$15,000 a week in this section. It is easy to see that this is a business that will grow and make more and more money for the county each year. It is encouraged, such as we are getting in Dare County now, and the guides and boatmen who are providing good boats, giving dependable service and keeping abreast of the times deserve a lot of credit.

MISS NAGS HEAD TITLE WON BY ELSIE HOBBS

Three Beautiful Girls Represent Manteo in Beauty Contest at Beach Club Saturday

One of the important social functions of the seasons was the selection of Miss Nags Head, which was held at the Manteo Beach Club Saturday night. The Duke Ambassadors orchestra of Duke University was on hand to furnish music for the occasion and the contestants including three from Manteo, paraded before the judges in bathing suits.

With an array of so much feminine pulchritude before them the judges had to deliberate for some time before awarding the title of Miss Nags Head to Miss Hobbs.

The Manteo girls competing in the contest were: Misses Alice Midgett, Thelma "Tot" Lewis and Mrs. Coy Tillett.

ONE OF COUNTY'S FINEST WOMEN IS VERY SICK NOW

Mrs. Raymond Rogers, of the northend community, one of the finest women of Roanoke Island, is very ill at her home. Mrs. Rogers, who was Miss Martha Jane Twiford of East Lake before her marriage, and a daughter of the late William Twiford. Mrs. Rogers is beloved by all who know her here because she has always been one to visit the sick, and work at the bedside of neighbors, day and night. Her unselfish life, and her kindness and accommodation of those in need makes her people very sympathetic toward her in her illness.

Canton, has the largest pulp mill in the United States.

CHAS. BOND WILL WRITE AND PRINT FOR YOU



HERE is a picture made several years ago of Charles Bond, who this week joins the staff of the Dare County Times.

DELIGHTED WITH SO ABEL ASHBY'S FIRST VISIT TO DOG SANG TUNES IN THE CHURCH

Charles Bond, Who is Working for the Dare County Times, Fell in Love at First Sight

By CHARLES BOND

On August 12, for the first time in my life my first remark was "These must be the sand dunes which I have heard so much about." I was passing over the long straight stretch of road through Nags Head and I longed for a chance to live the sort of leisurely life that apparently the occupants of the Nags Head cottages live. All over North Carolina and Virginia I have had people ask me about Nags Head and Manteo and Fort Raleigh. Having lived practically all my life within one hundred miles of Manteo it was with a feeling of shame that I had to confess I had never been to Nags Head or to Manteo, the birthplace of the nation.

As I came over the road on into Manteo I was reminded of the progress that has come to Dare County in recent years. It doesn't seem so long back that the State papers were announcing that with the opening of the paved road to Manteo the stretch had been completed from Manteo to Murphy which had been the desire of the people for some time. Also on my first trip into Manteo I was saved the three dollars which my brother had to pay on his first trip early in July—the tolls had been removed.

Coming on into the town, the size of the place was the next thing that begged for my attention. For some reason, I know not why or how, I had formed in my mind the idea that Manteo would probably be a very small place—much smaller than it is and that the houses would be crude. I guess that must have come from the idea that because the roads were paved recently into Manteo that the place was so isolated as to be slow in its progress. For all these preconceptions of what I might expect to find at Manteo I owe apologies for really on entering Manteo I was surprised how lively the town looked. All the business places that I have seen are occupied and apparently are doing a nice business. I have even noticed more than one new dwelling under construction and this no doubt will add to the beauty of some of the residences.

All the people that I have met here, most of them only casually, of course, have been cordial and congenial, and have confirmed in my mind the sincerity and goodness of Dare County hospitality of which I have heard much in my travels. After I have been here a little longer and have had more time to meet the people and to become better acquainted to my new surroundings I am sure that I shall still feel in my heart as I did when I first drove into Manteo that "I would like to live here all the time."

You have a dear friend somewhere who would like to get a home paper with the home news. Remember them by sending them the Times, vice.

THREE RADIO PROGRAMS ON DARE HISTORY

Dramatization of Wright Brothers' Experiments and Other Incidents Broadcast Sunday

Either waves were repelled with information directly or indirectly concerning Dare County last Sunday when several programs were broadcast over the radio that had to do with Dare County history. One program featured a lengthy resume of Sir Walter Raleigh's attempts to plant a colony at Fort Raleigh and of the birth of Virginia Dare, first white child-born in America, and of the restoration that is being made at Fort Raleigh.

Another program was dedicated to the first permanent settlement at Jamestown and during this program the fact was mentioned of the Roanoke Colony which Sir Walter Raleigh had previously tried to start at Fort Raleigh, now being restored, and of the birth of Virginia Dare in the colony before it was lost.

A third program on the history and development of aviation gave a dramatization of the experiments made and of the first sustained flight made at Kill Devil Hills during 1901-03 by Wilbur and Orville Wright.

DARE COUNTY LOSING FEES TO S. MILLS

Melvin Daniels Says Minor Couples Go Where Unknown to Be Married; Rather Than Be Questioned

By Charles Bond

First of paternal intervention and of being questioned too closely there is the reason that many young couples go over to South Mills for their marriage licenses in the opinion voiced this week by Melvin R. Daniels, veteran register of deeds in Dare County. Some of the couples not yet eighteen can go to a strange place and get by when they state that they are eighteen. Mr. Daniels believes, but they know that here in Manteo, where the register knows everyone and their family connections, as well as their age that perhaps more questions might be asked.

As a result of this supposed fear the business of issuing marriage licenses in Dare County has fallen off considerably in recent years and as a result the license fee is losing the part of the license fee that is returned to the county of issuance.

No marriage licenses were sold in Dare County during the month of June, which in most places is the month of brides, and only three have been sold since then.

Three licenses were sold in July, as compared with four in the same month last year but one of the licenses has not yet been returned to the records only show the names of two couples to whom marriage permits have been issued. These were

AN OLD SEA CHEST REVEALS MANY INTERESTING PAPERS

Preston Daniels Has Dug Up Relics Left by His Grandfather of Over 60 Years Ago At Wanchese

CHARMING YOUNG MISS BEAUTIFUL AND GOOD



ONE of Dare County's finest daughters answers to the plain, old-fashioned name of Matilda Etheridge. She is a graduate of N. C. C. W. and Miss Harbarger's secretarial school in Raleigh, and at present is employed on the Kill Devil Hill project. She would be a big success as anybody else's daughter, and she doesn't have to make her way on the reputation of her daddy, who is R. Bruce Etheridge.

NAGS HEAD CHILD DIES OF SPINAL MENINGITIS

Edgar Allen Tillett, aged 9, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Tillett of Nags Head, died Tuesday evening in the St. Vincent's Hospital in Norfolk. The child had been sick for some time and had been carried to the hospital only two days before. According to an unofficial report the diagnosis of the case was spinal meningitis.

Those surviving were the mother, father, and two sisters, Harriet Ann and Minnie Bell.

BETTER MAILS

The people of Currituck County are having better mail service now. On August 1st, a new schedule went into effect for the outgoing mail, giving all the people in the county a quicker and better mail service, and Colncock two mails a day.

To do this several of the routes had to be changed. The star route from Colncock to Corolla has been changed. The star route now leaving Colncock at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, returning in time for outgoing mail at 4:30. The Manteo bus now leaves mail at Colncock and picks it up there. Other routes have changed, but all the mail in Currituck County now leaves the county much earlier.

to Lucy Austin and Myrtle Ballance both of Hatteras and to Ernest B. Barnett and Leona Barnett both of Buxton.

Most all of the licenses that are issued in Dare County are to white people, Mr. Daniels says, for in eleven years only two permits have been issued to colored people here.

We Would Miss These Old Boys A Lot



THE first two are familiar figures on the courthouse front. The third has recently passed on. Say what you please about these old boys, they can tell you plenty of useful things if you will only listen. W. P. Lennon, first in line, is going toward three score and ten, he is the son of a Methodist preacher a beloved man in this section years ago. He has a fine mind, and is sharp as a briar. He is ultra-conservative, but sandwiched in between the reams of conversation he expounds, is a many a gem of common sense. Capt. Thos. P. Midgett is second. He is moving on toward his fourscore mark. He is abounding in energy, and wise sayings, and has recently turned his thoughts to preaching, and has prepared another sermon for the Times to print in an early issue. The third who recently died is the late John E. Duvall, of East Lake, a fine upstanding old gentleman, beloved by all. He was the father of Claude, Eph and John Duvall, lumbermen of Buffalo City. We can ill afford to lose men of this type, and all our old folks play their part in life and render a service in some respect. The picture is from a photo made by W. O. Saunders of Elizabeth City, who one day caught the trio on the courthouse steps.

One of the most interesting collections of historical things pertaining entirely to Dare County is a bunch of old papers and notes found in the seachest of the late Charles Skinner Daniels, father of the late E. R. Daniels, and grandfather of Preston Daniels of Wanchese. Preston Daniels found these old papers some years ago and some of them are more than 100 years old.

Among the most interesting items is a marriage contract made by Aaron Barnett who gave bond in the full sum of five hundred pounds current money of the state that he would marry Polly Bryant, both of Currituck County as Roanoke Island was then known. The bond was signed by Sammy Midgett and James S. Barnett. It reads as follows:

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, THAT we Aaron Barnett James S. Barnett Samuel Midgett

are held and firmly bound unto his Excellency, Esquire, Governor, Captain General, and Commander in Chief of the State aforesaid, in the just and full sum of Five Hundred Pounds, current money of the State aforesaid, to be paid to his said excellency, the Governor, nor his successors or assigns. To which payment, well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, and each of us, our and each of our Heirs, Executors, and Administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals and dated this 19th day of November, 1820.

THE CONDITION of the above Obligation is such, That whereas the above bounden Aaron Barnett hath made application for a license of marriage to be celebrated between him and Polly Bryant, both residents of the County of Currituck, and there is any lawful cause to obstruct the said marriage, then this Obligation to be void, otherwise, to remain in full force and virtue. Aaron Barnett

Given under my Hand and Seal of Office, in Currituck, the 19th day of November, and in the 44th Year of American Independence, Anno Dom. 1820

T. Baxter, C.C.C.

Other papers of interest dated 1869 have to do with the activities of C. S. Daniels, who was commissioner of wrecks for the District number 4, and pertained to the salvaging of the cargo of an English bark, Ezra, that was stranded on Bodie Island beach. On these papers are such names as B. B. Dough, John Meekins, Patrick H. Etheridge, Thomas A. Dough, MacAllister Montagu, Jesse B. Etheridge, James Johnson, Anthony Meekins, Joseph Midgett, John W. Melson and many others who took part in saving the cargo, and received \$11.90 apiece for their services.

Another vessel was the wrecked schooner E. E. Woodbury, and receipts signed to C. S. Daniels for \$520 representing the cargo of this vessel, has the following name at the bottom:

"W. C. Ward—Agent for all concerned."

On the bark Ezra, duties were collected on the bags because she was an English vessel. There was a number of sea-faring things of considerable interest, together with a bill of sale of some netting signed by the late J. W. Etheridge, in which 60 pounds of gill twine were sold at \$1.20 per pound; 30 pounds of cord line at 55 cents per pound; 5 pounds of weight stings per pound; 2 1/2 pounds of weight stings at 60 cents per pound.

These old papers reveal how the name "Rollins" came to be given to so many people in the family of E. R. Daniels. It seems that there was a Captain C. J. Rawlings who lived at Glen Cove, Queens Count, New York and had been coming to

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