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Although it will likely be several

AN ANCIENT GRAVEYARD REVEALED BY THE WINDS TO REVIVE BIG LAWSUIT

Aunt Pattie Tillett Now Dead, Told About It But No One Believed Her; Now Bleached tain Peele enlisted in the Coast Bones Corroborate Her Story, at Greenleaf-Peterson Case Takes Spotlight, and Demands Another Hearing

DARE FIRST TIME

Dismissed by the United States SOLICITOR MORRIS IN Circuit Court of Appeals because there was no graveyard where an 85-year-old witness had testified a burying ground existed as a landmark, the long-fought case of Peterson vs. Sucro, involving the title to real estate on Nags Head Beach valued at \$50,000, will come again into court on petition for a hearing. Dead three years ago the unsup-

ported witness has found corroboration at the hands of the wind. There was and there is a cemetery where Mrs. Pattie Tillett testified, and the bleached skeletons of her ancestors, mutely support her declaration. The ancient graveyard was brought to light when a north-West gale blew three days and moved a great sand dune that had covered it for two generations. Uncovered four weeks ago, the

lost cemetery occasioned no great concern among the natives of Dare county's outer banks, for things like that have been happening since the beginning down here. This one link of evidence needed to supment because of his forceful and several great grandchildren. efficient conduct in the Court.



Fishing and all Out Doors —By—

uation from college.

BEACHES TAKE

HEAVY WINTER

Aycock Brown Authority on Fishing News

down at Hatteras Inlet by Foreman just past, and did damage esti- V. Hooper and Cecil Midgett. Jim Pace and three of the em- mated at upwards of \$20,000.

asportsmanlike to make big destroyed. tches, if the fish will serve as During the winter the Betsy met to elect teachers. Meantime, od, instead of just a show. News Dowdy Inn, built five years ago at the old committee became considertate News Bureau by Tom Eaton Wright Memorial bridge, was burn- the Board of Education and said Hatteras who is ever on the ed to the ground. The fire was disting they would fight it out in the courts ert to give his section a boost covered too late to be brought un- before they would be thus removed and this week the story is being der control, but volunteers man- from office.

Fred Stedman on a card sent rounded the Inn. ake a lure on a handline, landed highway was completely destroyed application direct to Mr. Payne, filed with the Court. first cabio of the season last by a fire of undetermined origin. Chairman of the Board of Educa- They also called for strict regueek end. The cabio weighed 15 And soon after the season closed tion. imer. Fred Stedman and those ellent cabio pictures he made MRS. LESLIE GALLOP summer, which have appeared ewspapers from coast to coast, e been largely responsible for

is for channel bass.

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CAPT. E. H. PEELE DIES THURSDAY AT AGE OF 74

Captain Eugene Holstad Peele, 4, died Thursday morning at 8:30 in the Marine Hospital at Norfolk. He had been ill for some time and was taken to the hospital last Fri-

Guard and served in it for 33 years, retiring in 1919, as a Warrant Boatswain. He was the possessor of a watch engraved with the German coat of arms and presented to him by the German Imperial Government for his heroism in heading he rescue of the German ship, Brewster, when it was wrecked November 29, 1909. He was keeper of Creef's Hill station at the time. For the same heroism the U.S. Government gave him a Congressional gold medal.

O. Peele, Elizabeth City, Mrs. G. L. who has served a considerable the meantime, young Midgett had Widgett, Buxton. His only living ly resigned for other employment. chese who was with him at the sister is Mrs. Hal Hardin of Afton, "Because of Mr. Dowdy's ex- time the people were killed.

Mrs. Goldie Snow, Mrs. Virginia in obtaining his aid," Sheriff Meek-Scarborough, Misses Edna, Edith ins said.

and Lovie Peele, Dexter, Charles O. "The work in the office has in-Peele, Jr., Misses Anne, Frieda, creased constantly during the past Marjorie and Thelma Fulcher, few years, and now when on a tax week W. A. Worth, Elizabeth City Solicitor Chester Morris, of Curattorney, who fought the case rituck, who this week made his Daphne Evans, Rodney Midgett, that requires several days, there through the courts years ago, came first official appearance in the down to the semi-annual session of Court of Dare County, where he Peele, Arthur Peele, William Euture that often arise. Ten years Dare County's superior court and prosecuted the criminal docket and gene Williford and Montague Le-in the exposed cemetery found the won considerable favorable com-roy Pennyston, Jr. There are also there wasn't one warrant a month

erson's case was complete except among the citizenship of Dare Peele, when the members of Wan-was prospering, and paid taxes the establishment of landmarks, County and is recognized as a capa- chese Lodge, of which he had long promptly. Now there are numerand for this point there was only ble and earnest lawyer who holds been a member will do the final ous warrants, summons, and other the testimony of Mrs. Tillett, then the highest esteem of the district syears old and since deceased, and who is expected to terminate that once there had been a forest his career as State's Attorney with the highest esteemed his career as State's Attorney with the highest esteemed honors for the highly esteemed citizen. The funeral will be preached from the Manteo Methothest esteemed his career as State's Attorney with the highest esteemed honors for the highly esteemed citizen. The funeral will be preached from the Manteo Methothest esteemed his career as State's Attorney with the highest esteemed honors for the highly esteemed citizen. The funeral will be preached from the Manteo Methothest esteemed his career as State's Attorney with the highest esteemed honors for the highly esteemed citizen. The funeral will be preached from the Manteo Methothest esteemed his career as State's Attorney with the highest esteemed honors for the highly esteemed citizen. The funeral will be preached from the Manteo Methothest esteemed his career as State's Attorney with the highest esteemed his career as State's Attorney with the highest esteemed his career as State's Attorney with the highest esteemed honors for the highly esteemed citizen. The funeral will be preached from the Manteo Methothest esteemed his career as State's Attorney with the highest esteemed his career as State's Attorney with the highest esteemed his career as State's Attorney with the highest esteemed his career as State's Attorney with the highest esteemed his career as State's Attorney with the highest esteemed his career as State's Attorney with the highest esteemed his career as State's Attorney with the highest esteemed his career as State's Attorney with the highest esteemed his career as State's Attorney with the highest esteemed his career as State's Attorney with the highest esteemed his career as State's Attorney with the highest esteemed his career as State's Attorney with the highest esteemed his career as State's Attorney with the highest es

boundary lines. But there was no big things for him, for as a town years as chairman of the Demolawyer he has, in a few years, cratic Executive Committee of Dare
Vainly did Mr. Peterson cite the practiced at Currituck Courthouse County. He had also served as all lines, is many times greater

| Capt. Feele had served for many little reflection will reveal that the morning for the western part of the Grand Jury, who felt that was state where he will remian until due more than passing notice.

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FIRE LOSSES Stumpy Point School Committee calling for legal action.
was at last ended this week when, "Hence, it will be no trouble to Four large fires, all of undeterlate to be brought under control, instated by the Board of Education during the summer. destroyed seven buildings on the and the Committee as now consti-Best catch of the week was made Dare Beaches during the winter tuted consists of Lewis Hooper, M.

ounds. The smallest weighed 20 Sunday morning, the fire started Nixon, who is a sister-in-law of C. in a small cottage belonging to J. E. Payne, Chairman of the Dare Ordinarily a sportsman would B. Anderson of Elizabeth City, and County Board of Education. Folsay that it was a waste of fish to soon spread through his newly con- lowing this, the Board of Education catch so many of these copper structed 15 room hotel, his garage, met and declared the committee out olored beauties, without releasing and a neighbor's cottage. A pick- of office for failure to cooperate he majority of them. But such up truck and a Packard autobobile, and appointed a new committee was not the case. Everyone of which were housed in the garage consisting of R. L. Midgett, D. L. those fish were eaten—and it is not at the time, were also completely Hooper, R. D. Midgett, the latter failing to qualify, and who also

printed widely in newspapers aged to prevent it from spreading throughout the country.

They are quoted as having said to the tourist cabins which surthat their action had no meaning, m Ocracoke reported that Capt. In the late fall the main building trying to elect teachers, although Fulcher, aged resident of that at Ocean Beach, formerly a Gov-none of the teachers had ever made and who can land three to your ernment transient camp situated at direct application to the Committee,

Pew boats were out in the Beau- with a curtain pole. The eye was Monday of this week, which remov- relatives and friends. removed Tuesday in a Norfolk hos- ed many objection to their tenure. The report of the Grand Jury

Survivors are Captain Peele's GRANBERRY DOWDY, former grounds of newly discovered eviwidow, Mrs. E. H. Peele, and their Chief of Police of Manteo, was this dence. The evidence was the testisons and daughters, Mrs. L. R. week appointed a Deputy Sheriff of mony of C. F. Johnson, an employe Williford, Burlington, Reginald A. Dare County by Sheriff D. V. Meek- of the Park Service work camp at Peele, Wildwood, New Jersey; Mrs. ins, to assist with the usual rush Hatteras, and did appear of great M. L. Pennyston and Eugene H. of work that comes in at this time value, but time and a different jury Peele, Jr., both of Manteo. Chil- of year, during the summer months, viewed the case differently. The dren by Captain Peele's first mar- when the tourist business gets new trial held this week was grantriage who survive him are: Charles heavy. He succeeds E. S. Wise, ed by Judge Thompson last fall. In

perience and knowledge of local Grandchildren who survive are: conditions, I think I am fortunate MANTEO'S NEW

"The work in the office has in-A Masonic funeral is to be held thing; there were no executions to serve; nobody got sued for any-Every link in John Brockett Pet- Mr. Morris has long been popular Saturday afternoon for Capt. E. H. from judgments; most everybody Vainly did Mr. Peterson cite the fact that the lands in question were Granted by the State of North Car (Please turn to Page Four)

The is a native of Gates county, who married a Currituck girl and who married a Currituck girl and considerable remains Mutual Benefit Association, and has been secretary of the Mante of the Surf-mown at the bar as well as political prestige.

The is a native of Gates county, who married a Currituck girl and the county of the Mante of the state board to the county. Who married a Currituck girl and the county of the Mante of the state board of education, and will go from the county. More than a town in the county. More than a through of the state board of education, and will go from the county. Who may be the county of the Mante of the state board of education, and will go from the county. Who may be the county of the Mante of the county of the Mante of the state board of education, and will go from the county. Who may be the county of the Mante of t ROW FINALLY SETTLED come to the county each year, when probably a thousand or two to Have Commits would be supported by the county when probably a thousand or two to the county each year, when probably a thousand or two to the county each year, when probably a thousand or two to the county each year, the will spend the week end in righted itself and was facing the county to the Community Now to Have Committee of Five Instead of Three

when probably a thousand or two would have taken them in a decade ago. The vast influx of visitors at Guilford College.

When probably a thousand or two Greensboro and will attend the highway when it came to a stop. The accident occurred just before bring new problems, for now and at Guilford College. then there is a death, a suicide, a The long dispute involving the wreck or a string of bad checks CAMP MAN BREAKS NECK way nome from the Beach. Aside from slight licerations and bruises

upon bringing the matter to the find plenty of work now for two

BUG IN EAR

T. G. DOWDY APPOINTED JETHRO MIDGETT SUPERIOR COURT

Jethro Midgett, facing trial finally for the fourth time, for the death of Mrs. Ethel Drinkwater Hartley, and Winston Green, on September 2, 1938, was freed by a Wednesday evening.

Midgett's car struck the two people and killed them as he drove down the highway north of Manteo that fateful day, after eight o'clock at night. First tried in Recorder's DARE WELFARE OFFICER Court, his trial next in Superior Court resulted in a mistrial. He was convicted the following May, a year ago, and sentenced to five years in prison. The supreme court sustained his conviction, but his attorneys, P. W. McMullan and W. A. Worth of Elizabeth City fought for a new trial on the

POSTOFFICE TO

R. Evans, who says it will be a ficiency in handling the relief prob-three but which has not yet been brick structure, soon to be erected. lems of Dare County. It will have modern conveniences, with spacious lobby, and steam heat. The building will be located on the vacant lot adjacent to the present postoffice. Work is to start shortly.

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IN DIVE FROM WHARF

mined origin, and all discovered too courts, the first committee was remen to do. Mr. Dowdy will be busy the WPA work camp Wright, of the and Mrs. Orlando Burrus. National Park service took a notion Sunday to take the first dive of the season from the wharf at the camp JUDGE WALTER SMALL on Roanoke Island. The water was ployees who are working on the Most recent, and probably the school term, this Committee, which carpenter of Roanoke Island, suf broke his neck in the dive when he Shortly before the close of the John B. Etheridge, well-known more shallow than he thought. He hew boathouse and launchway at worst of the conflagrations was the had been recently appointed, met fered a painful injury Tuesday struck the hard, sandy bottom. He Small of Elizabeth City, who died the conflagration was the hard, sandy bottom. He small of Elizabeth City, who died the conflagration was the hard, sandy bottom. He small of Elizabeth City, who died the conflagration was the hard, sandy bottom. He small of Elizabeth City, who died the conflagration was the hard, sandy bottom. He small of Elizabeth City, who died the conflagration was the hard, sandy bottom. He small of Elizabeth City, who died the conflagration was the hard, sandy bottom. He small of Elizabeth City, who died the conflagration was the hard, sandy bottom. He small of Elizabeth City, who died the conflagration was the hard, sandy bottom. He small of Elizabeth City, who died the conflagration was the hard was the hard, sandy bottom. He small of Elizabeth City, who died the conflagration was the hard was the Coast Guard station there. The burning last month of the new and elected teachers for Stumpy when a bug of some description got died almost instantly. His remains and elected teachers for Stumpy when a bug of some description got died almost instantly. His remains

> Fulcher, Foreman of Jury; County Commissioners and Welfare Board Are Praised in Jury Report; Chester Morris and Judge Leo Carr Commended

lation of dance halls and enforce- Lighthouse Keeper of Frisco. The east side of the building. Goods It was a balmy day in summer unds, reported Stedman. This last year a seven room cottage It is the plan now for a comment of laws against gambling and teh will be of particular interest built only a year ago, and located mittee of five, consisting of mem- other forms of vice, tnd urged that anglers who have been going to about a mile south of the Kitty bers of the old board, and two of persons who allowed the presence island waters for these fierce Hawk Coast Guard Station, was the last board who did qualify, to of minors in places of business in their management of county af and a meat counter, and the build-chair and woo the wind's caresses. stress, since sportsmen started completely destroyed before volun-serve the Community and they will where they are prohibited, be pros-fairs and their cooperation with ing is being repainted. had never been able to function be- ed to use extreme diligence in procause the Board of Education upon hibiting reckless driving and cited LOSES EYE IN MISHAP being appealed to had failed to sustheir observation that the outtain the attitude of the Chairman growth of automobile mishaps in Mrs. Leslie Gallop of Wanchese and finally, when the first Committhis county had proved not only interest created in th cabio lost the sight of one eye as the re- tee appealed to the Courts, the costly to the taxpayers in the findown in the waters already sult of an accident Sunday morn- Board of Education concurred in ancing of court trials, but in the ing when she was hit in the eye the agreeable settlement effected great distress and grief of bereaved

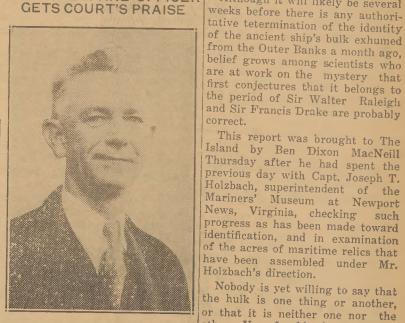
The Grand Jury also made special mention of the capable and effective work of the County Welfare from the Naval Hospital at Ports-

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FREED BY JURY IN ANCIENT VESSEL, BURIED IN SAND, STILL HOLDING NATION-WIDE INTEREST

jury after less than one hour's de- MacNeill Visits Museum as Interest Still Runs High in Long Awaited Report on Old Ship's Identity; Specimens of Wood From Hull Sent to European Laboratories

GETS COURT'S PRAISE



COST \$8,000.00 ISAAC P. DAVIS, well known technicians and research experts County Superintendent of Public admit that they are yet without any Manteo is to have a new and Welfare for Dare County, who unassailable clue. The ship may be modern postoffice to cost about came in for praise this week by the either Spanish, English or Scandinavian. It is probably one of the

and for this point there was only the testimony of Mrs. Tillett, then she is a testimony of the bights steem numers and a great start shortly.

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driving skidded on the west pave-

Belton had reached Manteo on his

especially as the car was heavily

they immediately gave bond.

INJURED IN CAR MISHAP The car which Belton Burrus was by VICTOR MEEKINS

Belton miraculously escaped injury, Floyd Reavis, 26, an employe of damaged. Belton is the son of Mr. is like the passing of a faithful friend. Each year witnesses the going of one or more of these timehonored institutions. The other MUCH MOURNED HERE down Croatan light, which from day a wrecking crew came and tore

> Dare County people. Judge Small, made contraption displaces man who was stricken two years or made contraption more ago, was a great favorite in I recall the dol

> Dare County, and for many years the lighthouse, as associated with was a most popular solicitor, before my childhood. Screwpile lights BILLS AGAINST THREE Late Wednesday afternoon the

> they were called and one stood at either end of the sound. I could look up the shore from where I waded as a barefoot boy and see Croatan light three miles away, or down the sound and see Roanoke grand jury returned indictments Marshes light. Sometimes I often wished I could grow up to be a Billy Tillett of Wanchese and Mrs. lighthouse keeper. It seemed that Mary L. Midgett of Manns Harbor, this would be an easy job with good ho run small stores, and who sell pay. My longing to see a lightbeer were charged with operating house was one day rewarded by beau nuisance. Ras Wescott was ing permitted to climb an iron ladcharged with running unlawful slot der from the water, to emerge machines. Capias were issued, and through a trapdoor where I stood upon the deck of the lighthouse. I marvelled at the clean white paint and painful neatness of the walls. the well-scrubbed floors, and won-GROCERY STORE dered how things could be kept so clean. Out over the water, miles An addition to the C. B. Parker from land, there are few people to What a delightful life it seemed it would be, to stay here, with nothing to do but watch the light, and read good books and be visited anon hy delightful friends. I never thought the lightkeepers had to paint the

ROY DAVIS, JR., HOME FROM NAVAL HOSPITAL Roy L. Davis, Jr., has returned buildings and keep it scrubbed and Department of which I. P. Davis is mouth to his home in Manteo. He white, to cook their own meals and superintendent, particularly with was injured recently in an autorespect to caring for the needy and motorcycle accident which cost the life of his young companion, Lione!

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Coast Guard station there. The darking last mount of the leading and elected teachers for Stumpy when a bug of some description got acted, made near the station consisted of 38 channel bass which up at Kitty Hawk Beach. Disorder teachers, an estimogo to Dr. Johnston for relief. When a bug of some description got died amiost instancy. The which required him to were shipped to his former home in Sunday, was greatly mourned by Onio. Dare County people. Judge Small, made contraption displaces man GRAND JURY DENOUNCES RECKLESS DRIVING, ASKS GRAND JURY PRESENTS DANCE HALL REGULATION

the catch was telephoned the the Dare County entrance to the ably wrought up at the action of Rev. Theoff Wescott is Secretary and C. H.

ly denounced reckless driving and ter of Wanchese, who, as a mem-PARKER ENLARGES

was largely the work of Reverend

The Grand Jury this week round- Theoff Westcott, well-known minisof any kind of fish that will the southern turn of the beach and it had been the custom to make driving by minors, in their report secretary, and was also its a lure on a handline, landed highway was completely destroyed application direct to Mr. Payne, filed with the Court. Secretary, and was signed by the Foreman, C. H. Fulcher, retired grocery store has been built on the traipse indoors, no dust or smoke. report paid special tribute to the previously kept in the store are be- when a stiff south breeze blew up level-headed and progressive poli- ing moved into the new addition to the sound and made one crave to cies of the County Commissioners make room for an enlarged stock lapse into the lightkeeper's arm Public Works activities in Dare County which has resulted in many permanent improvements in the