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ROAD THROUGH HYDE TO SEASHORE IS NEEDED FOR MARKET IT WOULD BRING

Early Completion of Route 264 to Manteo Would Bring Great Profits to Farmers of Hyde and the People of Dare; Would Open New Market to Our County and Provide Jobs For Many People

The early completion of Route 264, which is now being paved in part, offers more to the farmers of Hyde than any other project capable of being completed at this time. This road would put Hyde farmers in touch with the big market opened up for vegetables, produce, poultry and livestock, by reason of the rapid development at Nags Head and adjoining beaches.

In that section an increased population of ten thousand or more people averages through the summer months; more people than live in the county of Hyde. Their requirements would give us a vast market, for farm produce as well as seafood products, which Dare cannot always supply.

Throughout the year, Dare County people, instead of paying high prices for corn, and other crops from the west, could get better feeds from Hyde County at a saving in price. The business of transporting these products would give added employment to many people engaged in trucking, operating filling stations and other enterprises.

This route may be classed a farm to market road, without any difficulty. It is greatly needed. And we have not mentioned its value as a tourist route. It would come nearer to being an ocean highway, than any through route now in this state.

This is what is called a "meat and bread road." Mr. Julien Wood of Edenton, once said he had received more requests for the completion of this road than any road in the district of which he was highway commissioner.

Thousands of tourists who travel between the north and south the year round, would visit this section if the route were continuous and dependable in all weather. But the idea of having to ride to the dead end of a road and then to ride back frightens them away, and as much as they would like to visit the points of interest in Hyde and Dare Counties, they will not come.

NEW REA DEVICES IN DARE, HYDE SOON

A new device which will bring Rural Electrification Authority-financed service within the reach of low income farmers who at present cannot afford the usual rates may soon be made available to citizens of Hyde County and the Dare County mainland served by the Pamlico Ice and Light Company of Engelhard, it was announced last week. The device will also be made available to farmers near the lines of nine other power companies, the dispatch from Washington said.

The new devices consist of a small transformer, a new type of circuit breaker, a new gap for lightning protection, and an underground wire from the transformer to the house, which serves both as a conductor and ground for the circuit. All of these pieces of equipment which constitute a "service," are being produced and marketed at low prices and will bring the cost of electricity down to a point where a minimum bill of \$1 a month will provide amortization of the cost.

Use of the new units will be restricted to farms where a small amount of power is used. They will enable the farmer to have the simultaneous use of the standard electric iron, a radio, and two or three light bulbs.

FISHING PARTY HAS GOOD LUCK IN BAY

Over 325 fish were caught in Swan Quarter Bay Thursday of last week by a party of four from Littleton with Sam Overton of Swan Quarter serving as guide. The party, which included A. W. Parker, Percy A. Harris, H. E. Walker and L. A. McCrone caught 50 trout, which until the time was the record for a party in one day this season. Also caught were 125 sea mullet, 145 croakers, six pomino and some spot.

The party which has been coming to Swan Quarter fishing for several years say they have had better luck here than anywhere else they have fished.

LOCAL PAPER MEANS MORE WORK FOR HER



MRS. LOUELLA SWINDELL

Despite the fact that the publication of a newspaper in Hyde County at Swan Quarter will mean a lot more work for her and her assistants, Mrs. Swindell, genial postmistress at the county seat, was very enthusiastic when told that Hyde County was to have a weekly newspaper of its own.

Mrs. Swindell was commissioned acting postmistress July 1, 1933 and received her full postmistress commission June 13, 1934 for four years. The commission was renewed June 13, 1938.

Completing the staff at the Swan Quarter post office which has third class rating, is J. L. Swindell, assistant postmaster, and M. H. Swindell, dispatching clerk.

NYA REFINISHES SCHOOL PROPERTY

Girls on Project Make Clothing For Needy Children

Plans for the National Youth Administration in this county for the new year include the construction and refinishing of all County properties such as desks, laboratory tables, typing tables, and school desks for all Dare County schools and offices.

In the Manteo sewing room, girls will continue to make clothes for the needy children of the county. An average of 65 young people in Dare County gained work experience from the Administration's program for out-of-school youth during the past fiscal year, according to Mrs. Helen Duvall Daniels, NYA Supervisor of Dare County.

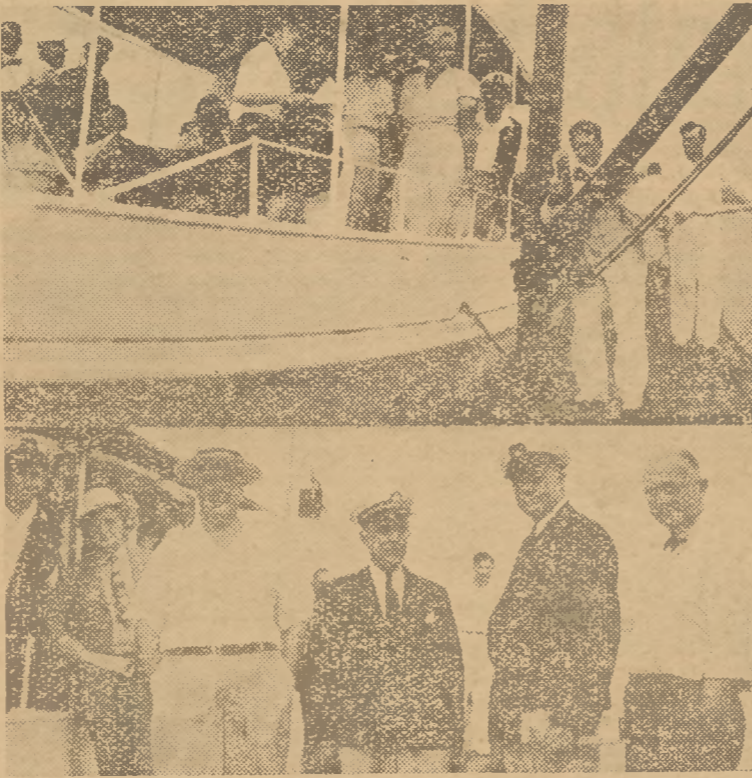
Results of a tabulation just completed and made public by John A. Lang, State Youth Administrator, showed that these young people earned a total of about \$975.00 a month, and that approximately \$1,170.00 was spent in this County for NYA youth labor during the past year. Young men and women employed on work projects are between 18 and 25 years of age, inclusive, and their need must be certified by local welfare agencies. This year a total of 11,754.640 has been allocated to North Carolina's National Youth Administration, about \$700,000 more than last year's allotment.

In employing youth on work experience projects, the NYA in North Carolina has constructed school house additions, youth community centers, repaired public buildings, operated metal and wood-working shops and sewing rooms, carried on clerical activities for public offices, conducted research projects into the situation of young people in this state, and operated 14 resident training centers for white and Negro boys and girls, and for Indian boys.

CAPT. NELSON HERE

Capt. John Nelson, Fisheries Commissioner, always welcome in Dare County, was a visitor here this week, with W. R. Hampton, member of the Board of Conservation and Development. They were looking over the arrangement of limits for the commercial fisheries.

OCRACOKE ISLAND VISITED BY BALTIMOREANS



OCRACOKE ISLAND off the coast of Hyde County was visited over the week end by a delegation from the Maryland Yacht Club of Baltimore, headed by their member and native Ocracoke son, Stanley Wahab. The picture shows the party embarking from Manteo on the fisheries vessel Hatteras. Lower group shows in the center, Commodore Howard Jenkins, Mr. Wahab, and Senator D. B. Fearing. The Maryland Yacht Club is said to have the largest boat owning membership in the country, having over 550 boat owner-members. Their visit to Ocracoke has much significance, and indicates a growing interest in this resort. Many yachtsmen are expected to visit Ocracoke as a result of this visit. They returned from Ocracoke Monday. In Manteo they lunched at the Fort Raleigh Hotel.

SUPERINTENDENT ANNOUNCES DARE COUNTY TEACHERS

Superintendent R. H. Atkinson this week released the names of those selected to teach for the coming school term in Dare County schools.

The following have been chosen as teachers in the Manteo school: R. I. Leake, D. E. Lithgow, Helen Evans, John G. Carr, Amanda Etheridge, Essie N. Westcott, Isabel Lennon, Bonnybel Evans, and Loretta Coulter.

Miss Coulter, instead of Miss Elizabeth Hypes, will be in charge of home economics and girls' athletics. Miss Coulter is 24 and has had two years experience teaching at Newlin in Avery County, N. C. She obtained her degree from Appalachian State Teachers College where she majored in home economics and minored in English and physical education.

The rest of the county list follows:

Manns Harbor: Paul Wells, Nancy Gibbs, Adelaide Bond.

East Lake: Mrs. Bertie Sawyer Ward, Iris Silver.

Mashoes: Carrie Mae Lowe.

Collington: Mrs. C. W. Overman.

Kitty Hawk: M. R. Bonner, W. Galen Clark, Mary C. Bryant, C. A. Caldwell, Vera Reed, Nellie B. Caldwell, Nora Baum.

Wanchese: J. B. Usry, Lessie Hooper, Milah P. Meekins.

Stumpy Point: A. L. Mercer, Inez P. Meekins, Mae H. Watson.

Rodanthe: D. W. Gaskill, Eliza Medgett, Evelyn Midgett.

Avon: S. E. Green, Camille Turner Gray, Harry Lemmond, Irene Baum, Mabel Westcott Meekins, Mary Scarborough.

Buxton: H. G. Guthrie, Virginia Beam, Mary Fulcher, Irene Reynolds, Grace Burrus Bland, Nellie Wise.

Hatteras: A. E. Baum, Clyde Talant, Elizabeth Baum, Annie Gaskill, Lucy Tillet, Mary Styron.

Roanoke Colored, Manteo: Houston Pendergrass, Genevieve H. Scarborough, Estelle Tillet, Eva B. Armstrong.

CHARLES BOND EDITS HYDE COUNTY HERALD

Charles Bond, a Bertie County lad, who attended the University of North Carolina, and has done newspaper work in Danville, Virginia, worked for the Dare County Times three years ago, and later edited the Jackson News, and last the Bertie Ledger, is editing the Hyde County Herald.

Mr. Bond is an experienced and capable reporter, and advertising manager, as well as being a practical printer. He is married. For the present he is living at O'Neal's Hotel in Swan Quarter. The Herald office is in the Berry Co. building. "I have never found more likable or friendly people than I have met in Hyde County and Be'haven," Mr. Bond says. "I think I am going to like living in Hyde, and I like this job I have undertaken."

NEW SCHOOL BOOK FEE PLAN GOES IN EFFECT

Court House Book Store Open Saturday From 9 to 12; Fee Is \$2.40

The book rental system in the Manteo high school will be changed this year, according to Superintendent R. H. Atkinson.

Previously the rental price equalled one-third of the cost of the book but now each high school student will be required to pay \$2.40. This fee will give him access to all required text books, but does not include work books nor laboratory manuals. It does include a high school speller, an eighth grade speller, and one dictionary for every four students. Elementary books are free but work books will be purchased and are not available from the office of the superintendent in the Court House.

The student is required to pay the full amount of the flat fee at one time and no books are to be rented on credit. Under this system the student will rent or buy all books. The book store in the court house will be open Saturday, 9 to 12 for the sale of books.

DANIELS RETURNS HOME FOR HOLIDAY BOUT WITH FERRO

Maynard Daniels, the new favorite of heavy-weight boxing, returns to his home area to box one of his most important fights on Labor Day, September 4, when he meets Jimmy Ferro at Bill Midgett's Arena.

Daniels, a private in the Marine Reserve, has a string of six straight knockouts behind him on the West Coast. On August 8 he was made the new favorite when he met Jake Freedman in a six-round preliminary on the Nathan Mann-Steve Dudas card. He knocked this Baltimore man out in forty seconds of the first round. Later in the month he felled Jim Wilson with one of his wild rights.

Daniels was formerly regarded as a middle class journeyman. He couldn't get a professional bout in this area as recently as a year ago, but now Colonel Helnie Miller, secretary of the district Boxing Commission, said the Marines believe the Manteo boy will be the second Marine in history to become a world's heavyweight champion.

Eddie Ross, who has handled many fighters, hailed Daniels as the new Lochinvar out of the west, saying that he is a living composite of John L. Sullivan, Jack Dempsey and Gene Tunney. "No," he contradicted himself, "he gives you the impression that he could take the three of them and rap their nogginns together without even working up a good sweat. He's got everything, everything including a punch and the ability to take a good punch on the kisser. You wait until you see him. You'll fall in love with him." Mr. Ross predicts that he will leave a battered impression on the heavy-weight door within the next year.

CROATAN BRIDGE NEEDN'T REQUIRE COSTLY PROJECT

Redstone Point to Weir Point Is Shortest and Requires Least Approaches

Of much interest to the people of Hyde County, who are vitally concerned about the ultimate bridging of Croatan Sound, are estimates made by Chief Highway Engineer Baise of Raleigh, citing a cost of \$1,000,000 for this bridge, and \$45,000 in approaches.

Mr. Baise is quoted as saying that the shortest point across the sound would be from Fleetwood Point, south of Manns Harbor. This theory is advanced without any survey having been made. The U. S. Coast and Geodetic survey chart shows a shorter distance between Redstone Point north of Manns Harbor ferry wharf, and Weir Point, south of the Roanoke Island ferry wharf.

The Government chart shows this distance to be some two and a half miles, or 2.44, as compared with nearly three miles, or 2.84 at the location suggested by the highway engineer.

The location suggested by Mr. Baise would have several disadvantages, and would be highly disapproved on both sides of the sound. Most all of the community of Manns Harbor would be left off the road, and at Roanoke Island, the bridge would terminate four miles south of Fort Raleigh. Several miles of approaches would also have to be built.

The Redstone-Weir Point location lacks only a mile of being paved to the sound shore, while the approaches are all built on both sides of the sound. At least 400 yards of bridging would be saved.

The sound is less rough and less deep at the north location, which means that shorter timbers could be used at a great saving in cost.

There is no tendency to get into argument over the location of a bridge the state apparently isn't anxious to build. But the tendency to make estimates at locations that are illogical, has a tendency to discount the project, and is not favorably received by the people. Until definite surveys are made of the locations, high estimates might arouse resentment among those who favor the project, and arouse opposition among those who are not dependent upon it.

MRS. HOLLOWELL HOSTESS TO MUSIC CLUB SEPT. 12

The Roanoke Island Music Club will have its next meeting at the home of Mrs. James Hollowell Tuesday, September 12, when members will begin the study of a new text, "Discovering Music." Meetings are usually held the first Tuesday of each month but this month's meeting has been scheduled for the second Tuesday.

LOST COLONY CURTAIN TO RING DOWN AT END OF SEASON LABOR DAY

Show Has Drawn a Quarter Million Spectators to Fort Raleigh; Attendance This Year Sets New Record; Bishop Darst Sunday Speaker; Future Expansion of Show Depends on Speed With Which Roads From West and South Are Completed

WILLIAM B. MIDGETT OWNER BILL'S ARENA



A GREAT SPORTS fan, promoter and good fellow is Bill Brinkley Midgett, who has recently built the place known as Bill's Arena, recently opened at Manteo. Mr. Midgett takes much pride in his forthcoming fight, in which Maynard Daniels takes the leading part. See story in The Times.

HYDE FARMERS CROPS BIGGEST IN MANY YEARS

Best Crops Since 1918. According to Some Farmers of That County

By CHARLES BOND, in the Hyde County Herald

"Hyde County farmers have the best crop they have had in years, and will be sitting pretty, if they get a break on the prices," was the way one business man summed up the crop situation.

Various farmers and business men, asked about the crops, were agreed that the crop this year presents the best prospect in years though there was a difference in opinion as to the last approach to the good crops of this season.

One man gave the opinion that generally the crops—corn, soy beans and cotton—in Hyde County were the best that they had been since 1918, however, several others recalled that there were some unusually good crops about 1928 and 1929.

Farmers are generally optimistic about the price outlook, especially for soy beans. Occasionally though there is a farmer who is pessimistic and voices the fear that low prices or such things as hog cholera and staggers which are prevalent in the Engelhard and Middletown area will work to offset the good yields and prevent the farmers from making big profits.

"Even the pecan trees seem loaded with fruit," one citizen remarked in commenting on the bumper crop prospect.

Two interesting ideas about farming that would, if put in general practice, eliminate to a degree the farmers' dependence on bumper crops and good prices, were advanced during the week by two prominent business men.

D. L. Berry, merchant of Swan Quarter, expressed the opinion that farmers in Hyde County should go in more for raising their own stock, thus eliminating the necessity of having to buy team and eliminating that much dependence upon good crops and good prices.

J. H. Jarvis, merchant and banker, of Engelhard advanced the idea of cover crops as a means of providing stock feed, and improving the soil, thus eliminating partly the necessity for purchasing commercial fertilizer. "Hyde County farmers would derive a great benefit, both in the upbuilding of their land and in the saving in commercial fertilizer, from cover crops such as vetch and peas," Mr. Jarvis declared.

The Lost Colony, Paul Green's spectacular drama at Fort Raleigh, will give its final showing Labor Day night at 8:15. It will also be shown every night for the few remaining nights until then. Record breaking attendance in keeping with that of the two past seasons is expected toward the finish. The interest and crowds pouring into Roanoke Island now attest that.

Elizabeth City merchants last week and Roanoke Island business men this week have advertised heavily, urging people to attend this show. Its worth to the section, not only in advertising it, in stimulating love for our country and history, but its great commercial value has been recognized widely. The problem now before Lost Colony with respect to its future expansion, has to do with the speed with which Routes 64 and 264, giving Roanoke Island a south entrance, and a west entrance, are completed. It is recognized now that so long as it must depend on only one all weather road, leaving Roanoke Island on a dead end, Lost Colony, as all other things in this region is badly hampered.

An example of the ill fortune that kept many people away from the show this year is shown in the condition of the road leading from Engelhard, which due to heavy rains was discouraging to motorists a large part of the time. With the road completed to Manns Harbor, it is believed Lost Colony's attendance would be doubled. The same may be said of Route 64 from Tyrrell County.

Bishop Darst Speaks
Bishop Thomas C. Darst, of the Eastern Diocese of the Episcopal Church, will deliver the final sermon of the third summer season of The Lost Colony this Sunday (Sept. 3rd) at 11 a. m., closing the summer-long historical celebration of 352nd anniversary.

The Wilmington bishop has opened the first two seasons of the Paul

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Fishing and all Out Doors

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More publicity has been given the salt water fishing on the North Carolina coast this year than ever before. Seldom a day passes, but what such outdoor writers as Donald Stillman, N. Y. Herald-Tribune, Fred Fletcher, N. Y. Daily News, Raymond Camp, N. Y. Times, Bob Wilson, Washington Herald Times, Norman Chambliss, Baltimore Sun, Hammond Brown, Baltimore News Post and others do not mention the fishing along the coast and it has resulted in more out of state anglers coming to our sections to fish during the summer of 1939 than in any or possibly all previous years.

Majority of credit for this out of state publicity goes to Bill Sharpe and his stable of ace writers and photographers. Bill is head of the News Bureau of the Department of Conservation and Development—as if he had to be identified. Bill Sharpe is as well known in fishing centers along the North Carolina coast today as anyone else and he is continually coming down to make new contacts, and start new stories rolling. He has a fine bunch of fellows in every locality along the coast who are continually feeding his office with fishing news. Sometimes the news goes by letter—if it is hot the coastal contact will wire (at coastal contact's expense) the news or maybe telephone it in. The contact on the coast bears this expense because usually it means a publicity break for that immediate section.

The autumn run of channel bass is on at Oregon, Hatteras, Ocracoke, Drum and Beaufort Inlets. If the northeaster which started early

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