

# THE DARE COUNTY TIMES

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## PROPOSED FISH LAW POINTS TO FED'RAL CONTROL

All Fish Would Be Graded by Federal Agents; Plan to Save Undersize Fish

A step toward the long feared Federal control of the fisheries, which would mean uniform laws enforced in all states, and protection for species scarce, or threatened with extinction, is being planned early in January, according to the following announcement from Washington:

A long-discussed move to establish a Government-operated system of compulsory inspection and voluntary grading of fish and fishery products will be argued in Congress next session.

The House Merchant Marine committee, headed by representative Bland (D-Va.), has called a public hearing for January 16 on a bill for the purpose offered by Representative McCormack (D-Mass.).

The bill would set up the inspection and grading service under the Federal Bureau of Fisheries, and the service would apply to "fish, fishery products, fishery by-products, shellfish, crustacea, seaweeds and all other forms of animal and vegetable life and the products and by-products thereof," in interstate or foreign commerce.

Bureau inspectors would be required to examine all fishery products before they were admitted to any processing plant whose products move in interstate commerce, and all products found unfit for human consumption would be condemned and destroyed or used for fertilizer or non-food purposes.

The inspectors would also have authority to enforce sanitation standards to be established by the bureau in the processing plants.

The bill would not apply to any fish taken by any individual fisherman and sold directly to consumers or to retail dealers.

The bill would also prohibit the importation of fishery products which failed to meet the same specifications to be established by the inspection service under the bill.

The grading service to be established under the bill would be entirely voluntary on the part of the processor, and upon the processor's application, the bureau, in cooperation with other agencies of the Federal State or local governments, would supply certificates of class, quality and condition of fishery products offered for shipment.

## DANIELSE'S SPENDING HONEYMOON IN FLORIDA

Mr. and Mrs. Moncie Lee Daniels, Jr., left Sunday for a Florida wedding trip. Mrs. Daniels is the former Miss Muriel Green, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Green of Wachere.

The marriage took place Tuesday, December 19, in Norfolk. Following their return, the young couple will live with Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Daniels, Sr., until spring when they plan to build a stone house of their own on County street.

## MRS. CARRIE CLARK, 80, DIES IN ELIZABETH CITY

The death of Mrs. Carrie M. Clark, who was almost 80 years of age, at the Elizabeth City hospital Friday morning is of more than passing interest in this section. Mrs. Clark was the widow of the late Carey C. Clark, captain of a tank steamer that plied up and down the waters of Eastern Carolina and who was blown up with his vessel in 1918. She was the mother of Miles Clark, and Mrs. Howard Kramer of Elizabeth City, and has two living sisters, Mrs. Fleet Ray of Sheffield, Pa., and Mrs. T. E. Coulter of Lorraine, Ohio. For more than 20 years she had taught a Methodist Sunday school class. She was a native of Oil City, Pa. Elizabeth City loses a citizen universally beloved. She was generous, gracious, and kind, and few people were more affectionately regarded.

## BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES

Manteo: Sunday, Bible school at 10 a. m. Worship service at 11 a. m. B. T. U. at 6:30 p. m. There will not be prayer meeting Wednesday evening, Jan. 3. Regular quarterly conference of the church will be held Friday evening, Jan. 5. Roanoke Island: Sunday, Bible school at 10 a. m. B. T. U. at 6:30 p. m., followed by worship service at 7:30.

We invite you to our services. C. C. PERRY, Pastor.

Wiley Johnston, who is a student at the Asheville School for Boys, is visiting in parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Johnston.

## WARREN WATSON NAMED FOR HYDE CENSUS WORK



W. WARREN WATSON, prominent Hyde County man, former chairman of the County Commissioners, and former State President of the Association of County Commissioners has been named to compile the business census in Hyde County.

D. W. Lupton, District Supervisor of the Census of the First Census or Congressional District announced that his office had completed preparations for the taking of the business census in January. The Bureau of the Census only allotted 12 people to do this work in the entire district and selections have been made as follows:

Pitt—Frank Brooks, Greenville and Mrs. John Andrews, Ayden.

Beaufort—Ruffin O'Neal, Washington and R. H. Paul, Jr., Edward.

Martin—Claude T. Smith, Robertsonville.

Pasquotank—J. J. Hughes, Elizabeth City.

Hyde—W. W. Watson, Lake Landing.

Dare—Mrs. Vivian Ryder, Manteo.

Camden and Currituck—James A. Taylor, Maple.

Washington and Tyrrell—Delbert Allen, Plymouth.

Hertford and Gates—W. A. McGlohon, Murfreesboro.

Chowan and Perquimans—R. T. Brinn, Hertford.

These enumerators will be in conference during the week with Mr. Lupton and the Assistant Supervisor, W. A. Everett, of Edenton.

Mr. Lupton stated that the farm and population census would not be taken until April and that enumerators for that work would not be selected until the latter part of March. No information has yet been given him as to how many enumerators will be assigned to each county and those who do the work must successfully pass a test. Enumerators do not receive any salary nor travelling expenses and are paid fees for their work.

## BETTER FRUITS ARE AIM OF MANY PEOPLE

Dare County home orchardists are showing more interest in better home fruits, pruning demonstrations and plant propagation demonstrations being conducted by the County Agent, C. W. Overman.

Bunch grape pruning demonstrations were conducted with Claude Jones of Manteo and M. M. Sawyer of Manns Harbor. A fig tree pruning demonstration was conducted with Tom Midgett of Manns Harbor. Preston Twiford of Manns Harbor was shown some of the principles of home orchard pruning. M. M. Sawyer, C. D. Mann and Tom Midgett of Manns Harbor were started on propagating figs and bunch grapes by cuttings.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Midgett of Manns Harbor report excellent production from their laying flock. Their flock of thirty-six purebred white leghorns are laying an average of twenty-five eggs per day. The agent spotted two culls in the flock. A balanced feeding program of a good laying mash, grain and green feed is giving good results.

## Signs Injunction

Charlotte—U. S. District Judge Isaac M. Meekins signed injunctions at Fayetteville permanently restraining three North Carolina manufacturers of vegetables and fruit crates from violating the fair labor standards act, it was announced by the Charlotte office of the wage and hour division of the labor department.

## Accepts Building

Raleigh—Governor Hoey and the members of the council of state inspected and accepted the new \$235,000 Caswell office building, virtually a gift from the federal government.

## A MIGHTY COMFORTING THING TO AMERICA THESE DAYS



DARE COUNTY has more of it than any other county in America, and it is a mighty comforting thing to the United States these days, to know that the fears and horrors of war cannot readily overstep our eastern boundary as is the case in many unhappy countries of Europe today. Three thousand miles away little children and old people, and others who are helpless, are wounded and starving. People in still other countries are dreading each new day for what it will bring forth. But we in America are comforted mightily because of the Atlantic which guards our front door, and we don't fear it. We do not wish that it shall ever grow narrower.

## CHIT-CHAT ABOUT DARE COUNTY'S ADOPTED SONS AND DAUGHTERS

By our New York Correspondent TOM FEARING

Now, with the last of that glorious Dare County sun-tan having faded, and feet, which enjoyed a three month respite from shoes, again accustomed to both shoes and pavements, members of the Lost Colony cast take time out from various jobs, position, and other headaches, to give an account of themselves in this little of Bright Lights and Remarks.

Russell Collins ("Toupee John" Borden) seems to have the list in accomplishment, with an excellent part in "Mornings at Seven," which opened here last month amid generally good reviews. The play is a Paul Osborn comedy with Jean Adair, John Alexander, Thomas Chalmers, and Russ Collins, which shows Russ off to a good advantage. (The reported salary would raise your eyebrows.)

Janie Barratt, of the "Fish Net Girls," who shed the most sorrowful tears upon leaving Manteo, has hit a jackpot with her beautiful voice, and is returning from

thirty-eight day cruise to Buenos Aires, S. A., this week end. She is singing aboard the S. S. Brazos (Cabin first class, no less) and will probably take part in a musical production on B'way after X'mas.

Johnnie Walker, who gave us the splendid lighting effects in the Lost Colony is firmly entrenched in Throckmorton's office as business manager, and yet finds time to impart some theatrical knowledge, on the side, to the dashing debutantes who are enrolled in the "Finch in a Rap" company, of Skakes-Fella!

Whitney Haley (Bill "Magnolia Hall" Shakespeare), landed a job in a "Rep" company, of Shakes-pearean intent, and has been on the road since October. Is said to be doing a mighty fine piece of play-actin', and we hope the job runs forty weeks.

"Our Boy Joe" Mackie, one of the bearded twins, (Fearing-Mackie) is back with the Metropolitan Opera

## REAL ESTATE ACTIVITY BREEDS NEW LAW SUITS

Thos. P. Midgett Sues Lennox Twice; Alleges Store on His Land

Out of the recent building boom and consequent activity in downtown real estate has arisen two law suits which may be long drawn out.

Both of them were brought by Capt. Thos. P. Midgett, veteran 81-year-old business man, against R. B. Lennox, well known merchant. Through his attorney, Herbert R. Leary of Edenton, Capt. Midgett asks a thousand dollars damages against Lennox, alleging that he prevented the sale of a piece of land on Highway street claiming to own a strip of land across it, and threatening prospective buyers with a lawsuit. Capt. Midgett says he had arranged a sale for \$3,000 of that entire lot, back of the jail, and opposite the Pioneer Theatre, and as a result of defendant's actions, lost the sale. The answer has not been filed by Mr. Lennox.

In a second suit brought this week, Capt. Midgett asks \$300 rent, and demands that Mr. Lennox remove the southwest corner of his brick store building, which the plaintiff contends extends over on his land a distance of three feet at the rear and shortens distance on the front.

A few weeks ago, Capt. Midgett sold Mr. Lennox a piece of land some forty feet wide on County street adjoining his store, and Mr. Lennox is erecting a brick building on it.

The suits will probably be long drawn out, and as a result of this deadlock, it may be many years before any improvement can be made to the property.

## THE TOUGHER THEY ARE THE HARDER THEY FALL

Wynne Dough, the splendid young fellow who hated women is married. Once a pretty girl offered him a ride to his home, four miles, if he would kiss her. But he declined, saying he would prefer to walk.

Saturday night he got married to Miss Rosa Flowers, the pretty daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Flowers, of Florence, Pamlico County. Mr. Dough met Miss Flowers last summer while she was here visiting her brother, J. Purdy Flowers. They were married in Suffolk and made their home near Fort Raleigh. Mr. Dough is employed by the National Park Service at Kill Devil Hills.

## Governor Lauds Program

Raleigh—Governor Hoey told state department of agriculture employees that he was "looking forward to a great year" for agriculture as a result of "the finest cooperation" of all farm agencies in behalf of all growers.

## MANY THOUSANDS SOUGHT IN SUITS TO BE TRIED IN DARE COURT JAN. 2

Special Term With Judge W. H. S. Burgwyn of Jackson to Preside; Court Begins Tuesday, January 2, Because of the Holiday; Participants Notifier

## ENGELHARD TO GET 2ND DAILY MAIL JULY 1ST

Bids Being Received For Extra Round Trip From Washington Postmaster Says

Engelhard is to get a daily two round trip mail service from Washington after July 1, instead of the one trip service at present, it has been announced by Mrs. M. A. Matthews, postmaster at Engelhard. Mrs. Matthews said that when the two round trips become effective the trip now being made to Middletown by the mail carrier from Washington would be discontinued with a new messenger route probably being instituted from Engelhard to Middletown.

Bids are being received this month, Mrs. Matthews said, for the Washington-Engelhard routes. The announcement this week culminates efforts being made by Engelhard people for some time to secure an extra mail from Washington each day, giving service comparable to that received at Swan Quarter.

## WANCHESE METHODIST CHURCH

A Day of Prayer and Watch Night Services

Sunday, December 31  
With the belief that the churches of Dare County are going to be interested in what a united Methodist can do, spiritually, in 1940, the first year of the united church, the Wachese church is calling all Christians to a Day of Prayer for a spiritual advance in all churches in Dare County.

Provided there are no services in your church at the hours named, we extend to our friends at Manteo and Kitty Hawk an urgent invitation to come and worship with us.

10 A. M. Church School—C. S. Meekins, general superintendent. Special prayers for the Methodist advance.  
11 A. M. Morning Worship—Sermon "Are Ye Able" by pastor. Baptism of infants and children. Recognition service for teachers and students in high schools and colleges.  
8 P. M. Watch night services. Devotional, Adult choir. Reception of members. The Methodist Advance as it relates itself to the Board of Stewards, Board of Lay Activities, Board of Trustees—C. S. Meekins and B. H. Davis. The "Why" of the watch night services—pastor. Missions and the Methodist Advance—Mrs. B. H. Davis, Mrs. Horace Hayman, Mrs. Kalb Daniels.

9 P. M. Young People's Hour: Devotional—By Young People's Division. The Young People's Division and the Methodist Advance—Mrs. Dallas Tillet, Supt. Young People's Division.  
Devotional—By Dare County Union of Methodist YP, statement of objectives for 1940 by Miss Helen Evans, adult counsellor.  
The Youth Crusade and the Methodist Advance, by Rev. M. W. Maness, pastor Manteo Methodist church.

Vocal solo (Title to be announced) by Mrs. M. W. Maness of Manteo.  
10:30 P. M. Fellowship Hour.  
11:00 P. M. The Church School and the Methodist Advance, C. S. Meekins, Gen'l Supt.; Mrs. C. S. Meekins, Supt. children's division; Mrs. Dallas Tillet, Supt. Young People's division; Mrs. B. H. Davis, Supt. adult division.

Christian literature and the Methodist Advance, C. S. Meekins, Gen'l Supt; Melvin Daniels, Gen'l Sec'y. The organized classes of the church school and the Methodist Advance, Mrs. Pete Daniels; Charles Tillet, Mrs. Carrie Green, Mrs. Gertie Simpson, Reggie Tillet. Fellowship of evangelism: Our objectives for 1940, by Ward W. Daniels.  
11:30 P. M. Consecration and rededication service—Pastor.

Mr. and Mrs. Carson W. Davis had as their guests for the holidays their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Roddy Meikle, of Roanoke Rapids.

## Special Term of Superior Court for the trial of a number of Civil cases in Dare County will not begin until January 2 at 10 o'clock instead of January 1. Judge W. H. S. Burgwyn, of Jackson, doesn't wish to hold court on a holiday, and jurors add other participants have been notified not to be present until Tuesday of next week.

The suits to be tried are of long standing, and involve a considerable amount of money. Some of them have been on the books as long as 12 years. First to be tried is the case of J. D. Hayman, Sr., heir to the Hattie Dough estate, against A. D. Etheridge, which involves the same place of the late Ashley Dough on Roanoke Island.

Catherine Latham, a negro woman is suing the Imperial Life Insurance Co., for \$1,000 due on an insurance policy on the life of David Latham, killed in an automobile wreck.  
One \$24,000 Suit  
Estelle Perry, a child of Kitty Hawk is suing through Dempsey Perry for \$25,000 damages alleged done by a truck. The Miles Truck Line and Charlie Gray are defendants in this suit, which grew out of an automobile accident.

The Virginia Dare Transportation Company is suing Habit Bros., Edenton concern, for violation of a contract to sell them their freight line. N. C. Self-Help Corp., against Z. V. Brinkley is a suit involving title to a strip of land on which the N. C. Fisheries plant is located. Adam Etheridge Jr., is suing Raymond Rogers for damages sustained when struck by the defendant's car.

Several other suits of minor interest are on the docket.

## ALBEMARLE MAN OUT FOR LIEUT. GOVERNOR

Albemarle, Dec. 18.—W. Erskine Smith, prominent Albemarle citizen and President Pro Tem of the North Carolina Senate, announced that he is a candidate for Lieutenant Governor of North Carolina, subject to the action of the Democratic party in the primary to be held on May 25, 1940.

The candidate for Lieutenant Governor is a graduate of the Duke University Law School, having completed his law course there in 1921 when the institution was Trinity College, and when Dr. Samuel Fox Mordecai was Dean of the School.

He was first elected to the Senate in 1927 and has served four terms as a member of that body. His services as President Pro Tem of the Senate of 1939 mark him as an able legislator and executive.

## MANTEO PERSONALS

Rev. and Mrs. M. W. Maness visited relatives at Stumpy Point and Roland during the holidays.  
Thomas Fearing, of New York City, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Fearing, last week end.

Mrs. Leonard Midgett, who has been ill with pneumonia, is recovering nicely.  
G. T. Dowdy returned recently from Delaware and has accepted a position at the Mother Vineyard.

Mrs. Dan Meekins remains ill at her home near Manteo.

Mrs. N. E. Gould had as her guests for Christmas Miss Natalie Gould, and Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Hayman and daughter, Gloria, of Williamston.  
Miss Effie Westcott of Hamlet, is spending the holidays with her father and sisters, G. T. Westcott, Sr., and Misses Holland and Hettie Westcott.

Adrian and Wiley Brown have returned to their home at Yanceyville after visiting George Creaf and other friends for several days.  
George Creaf and Leslie Austin, of Campbell College, and Billy Tarkington, of Guilford College, are spending the holidays with their parents.

Miss Doris Jones, who is a student at East Carolina Teachers College at Greenville, is visiting her father, O. J. Jonts.

Mrs. Marshall Smith, of Washington, D. C., is visiting relatives here.  
Miss Isabelle Lennon was a visitor in Norfolk last Thursday.