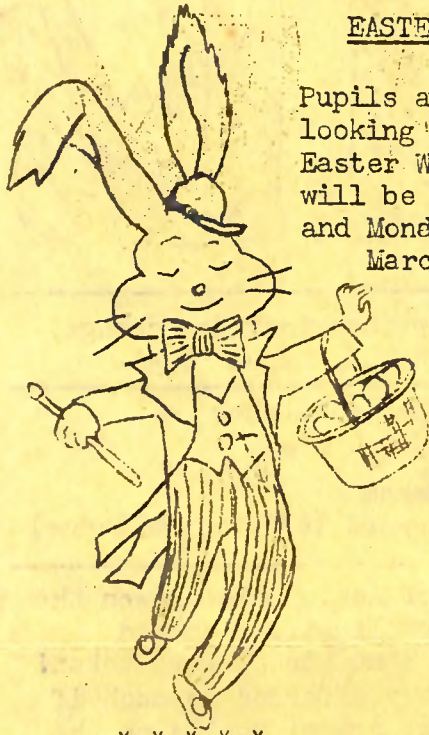


EASTER HOLIDAYS



Pupils and teachers are looking forward to the Easter Weekend. School will be closed on Friday and Monday, March 27 and March 30th.

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OCRACOKE CIVIC CLUB - MARCH MEETING

At its March meeting, in addition to the Oyster Stew Supper, members and friends enjoyed some special musical entertainment. James Austin of Hatteras, who works on the new "OCRACOKE" ferry, brought along his fiddle, Charles Stowe brought his guitar, Norman Garrish his steel guitar, and Maurice Ballance his guitar. So there was a good deal of music in the air!

Charles Stowe delighted the group with his rendition of a ballad which he had composed on the "Wreck of the Charlie Mason", bringing into the song the names of many people here who helped to salvage the menhaden boat. By special request he also sang his ballad about the story of the "Booze" Yacht off Harker's Island!

The total of 60 present, with several new members joining, made the meeting an outstanding event.

During the business session, Eph Esham, president, and R.S. Wahab, two of the Club members who went up to Raleigh last month reported on the trip. In the group were Bill Clarke, Oscar Burrus, Jack Willis, Jesse Garrish. Mrs. R.S. Wahab and Mrs. Jesse Garrish went along for some shopping. The group saw just about everyone of importance, from Governor Hodges to Ocracoker, Fannie Pearl Fulcher. There were visits to the Legislature, the Highway Department, the Dept. of Conservation & Development. At the Sir Walter they met Rep. Dick O'Neal (Hyde County) and

our Senator, Hon. Lindsey C. Warren and Mrs. Warren. Everyone enjoyed the trip and consensus of opinion is the Club profited by it.

Eph Esham, president, announced that he had received word through Rep. Dick O'Neal that the Hyde County Commissioners had approved appointment of a full time Deputy Sheriff for Ocracoke.

R.S. Wahab and Charlie Ahman were asked to attend the Committee Hearing on proposed legislation in re oystering and shrimping, to be held in Raleigh.

Present at the meeting were R.C. Speight and A.G. Grizzard, Supervisors on the road repair job. Mr. Speight spoke to the group and among other things said he and the others had certainly enjoyed themselves here...never had met nicer people, etc., etc." He announced that he and the men would be leaving shortly, and that later on another group would be here to put an asphalt top on the road.

At the April meeting, Monday, Apr. 13, there will be the annual election of officers.

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DOES OCRACOKE NEED A COMMUNITY CHEST?

Since Christmas we have been giving to one good cause after another. The school children brought in \$155.47 for the MARCH OF DIMES.

Mrs. Jack Willis was assisted with the HEART FUND by Margaret Spencer and Linda Teeter who collected \$32.40.

Last week our Juniors and Seniors helped Mrs. Alice Belle Williams with the RED CROSS DRIVE and collected \$50.95.

Next will come the CANCER FUND DRIVE which Mrs. Elizabeth O'N. Howard supervises. Louise Tolleson and Stella Spencer will help on the "Point" side of the Island, Betty Helen Howard, Lorraine Howard, and Brenda Ballance on the "Creek" side.

