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WILLIS DANIELS IS CHOSEN FOR DARE TAX SUPERVISOR

Board Recommends Building Permit Law in Dare County; Sanitary District Approved

The Dare Board of Commissioners, by a vote of the Chairman the first time in two years, chose Willis L. Daniels of Wanchese for tax supervisor at a salary of \$250 a month for six months, without any expense allowance. Commissioners Swain and Perry voted for a tax supervisor and Commissioners Scarborough and Austin of the South Forks voted against employing one at this time.

Robert Ballance of Manteo and Frank Jordan of Nags Head had applied for the job, but the name Mr. Daniels, who served for a short time in 1948, was put forth, and two votes were for him and one against.

The need for a tax supervisor keep up with the changes in property is considered important, and much property is not on the books at all, for lack of sufficient supervision.

Commissioner Perry of Kitty Hawk has long advocated a building permit law as one means of keeping up with property and he made a motion, seconded by Mr. Scarborough, that the Representative be asked to pass such a law for Dare County. This would require all persons to obtain a permit before erecting any buildings.

The board endorsed the sanitary project completed on the Nags Head beach in a vote of approval proposed by Commissioner Lawrence Swain and seconded by Commissioner Perry. It was agreed that Mr. Etheridge should be asked to use his efforts to secure an act in the General Assembly which would allow property owners, as well as resident voters, to vote on any proposed sanitary projects to be undertaken on the Nags Head beach in the future.

JOHN FEREBEE MEETS MISHAP IN CAMDEN



JOHN E. FEREBEE, well-known Manteo business man, and former Chairman of the Board of Commissioners received painful injuries in his native county of Camden, Friday afternoon, when his car was in a collision with a 1938 model driven across the road in front of him by a Negro, near Camden Courthouse. Mr. Ferebee, in a new car which he had just bought for his daughter, was on a visit to his wife in the hospital, and being driven by an employee, Ephraim Daniels, Jr., 28.

Ferebee was given first aid at Albemarle Hospital in Elizabeth City and released but Daniels, of Manteo, driving Ferebee's 1950 Studebaker, is confined to the hospital with a skull fracture and lacerations.

Patrolman A. B. Stewart, who investigated, said a 1938 model car driven by Arah Banks, 57, Negro, of Elizabeth City, drove into the path of Ferebee's car at the intersection of US 158 and NC 143. Banks received only minor injuries and John Cabarrus, 75, Negro, Elizabeth City, riding with him, was given first aid at the hospital.

Banks was charged with careless and reckless driving. Ferebee's car was damaged to the extent of \$1,000 and Banks' car had damage estimated at \$350. Mr. Ferebee is the brother of Harry Ferebee of Camden, member of the State Board of Elections.

BOOKMOBILE NOW EXCEEDS TOWN CIRCULATION

From Jan. 1, 1950 to Dec. 31, 1951, the Library circulated 27,942 books in the County and town. This covers only ten months of the Bookmobile service. The circulation from the Bookmobile has already far exceeded that in the town, and is growing each month.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE LAW VIOLATOR COSTLY TO DARE

The prosecution of Frank De Febio who defied the North Carolina School laws by failing to send his two eight year old sons to school is proving costly to Dare County. This was revealed this week by County Commissioner Chairman C. C. Duvall who signed checks totaling \$175.45 which were itemized as follows:

De Febio was given a 30 day sentence for contempt of court at the original trial and served same in jail here. Rather than abide by the Recorder's Court order and pay a fine of \$5 and cost at end of 30 days, De Febio took another 30 days sentence in the local jail. He claimed his conscience would not permit him to abide by the court order. In addition to fuel for the jail cell, his food bill during first month was \$39.85. It has cost the county during same period \$135.50 to care for the abandoned De Febio children.

HIGHWAY DEATH TOLL, 1950

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Schedule for Home Demonstration Clubs' January Meetings Announced This Week

First Meeting at Kitty Hawk January 5. All Groups Will Elect New Officers. Parliamentary Procedure to be Month's Topic for Study.

Dare County Home Demonstration clubs will devote their January meetings to club organization for the year 1951; election of club officers will be the first order of business, according to County Home Agent Miss Mary Elizabeth Kirby. The study-topic for the month will be parliamentary procedure.

Time and place of the year's first meetings were announced this week by Miss Kirby, as follows:

- Kitty Hawk Club, January 5, at 2 p. m., at the home of Mrs. Mary Best.
- Manteo Club, January 8, at 2:30 p. m., in the Community Building.
- Rodanthe Club, January 9, at 2:30 p. m., in the home of Mrs. Nora Herbert.
- Hatteras Club, January 10, at 2:30 p. m., at the schoolhouse.
- Buxton Club, January 10, at 7:30 p. m., with Mrs. Odessa Gray.

FOUR BROTHERS SERVED DURING WORLD WAR II



ALBERT W. AUSTIN of Hatteras, who is now serving his first term as a member of the Dare Board of Commissioners, is a fisherman from boyhood. He once worked for the State Fisheries Commission, some 25 years ago, and except for the World War II period, has spent his life at Hatteras. During the war, he served in the Army in the China-Burma-India theater.

Three brothers beside him also served in this war. HYDOUS AUSTIN served in the Army in Europe, and has returned to Hatteras to live, and has a wife and one child. HILTON AUSTIN served as a Chief Petty Officer in the Navy, and had two ships sunk from under him by the enemy. He has continued his Navy career and is now continuing his studies at Brown University, Rhode Island. BRUCE AUSTIN, who served in the North Atlantic patrol during this war, came out and entered the Army reserve and having been called into service, he is now with the army in Tacoma, Washington. The four Austin boys are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Russell J. Austin and brothers of Mrs. U. L. Rollinson of Frisco, Hatteras township.

SIX YOUNG MEN REGISTER FOR DRAFT HERE

Six Dare county eighteen-year olds registered with the Dare County Selective Service Board during November and December, according to information from the office of Chairman Robert Ballance. Five of the men are from Manteo, one from Manns Harbor.

The two new registrants in November were Moncie L. Daniels, III, and Arnold L. Midgett, both of Manteo. Those registering in December were Randall Eugene Holmes, Everett Edgar Liverman and Robert Valentine Owens, all of Manteo, and Dalton Lee Mann of Manns Harbor.

APPROPRIATION MADE BY STATE TO LOST COLONY

The Lost Colony was allocated \$7,228.40 from the state contingency and emergency fund by Governor Scott and the Council of State on Tuesday of this week. The appropriation was made to make up an operating deficit incurred by the Roanoke Island drama during a rainy 1950 season.

Bill Sharpe, chairman of the Roanoke Island Historical Association which sponsors the Lost Colony drama, had asked for an allocation of \$7,891.90. The Council, however, scaled down the request because it held that not all of the deficit could be attributed to operational costs.

The Colony dramatic group has been under the wing of the state since 1947. In that year, the general assembly authorized an allocation of \$10,000 from the contingency fund to make up an operating deficit.

An audit prepared by the state auditor's office showed that the Lost Colony had ticket sales of \$95,234.70 last summer in spite of July rains which cut down the size of crowds. Of this amount, however, the government received \$15,872.45 in amusement tax.

D. E. WILLIS, FORMER HATTERAS RESIDENT, DEAD

After a long illness, David Ellis Willis, 80, a native of Hatteras but a resident of Elizabeth City for 13 years, died Wednesday morning.

He was the husband of Mrs. Minerva Gaskins Willis of Elizabeth City to whom he had been married 59 years. He was the son of the late John and Minerva Stowe Willis, a member of the Woodmen of the World, the American Legion, had been retired from the United States Coast Guard for the past 28 years and a member of City Road Methodist Church.

Besides his wife he is survived by four sons, Roscoe Willis of Atlantic, Jasper, Hobson, and Harlan Willis of Hatteras; three daughters, Mrs. V. A. Lewis of Elizabeth City, Mrs. Ross Burrus, Jr., and Mrs. Zack Austin of Hatteras; two sisters, Mrs. W. B. Gaskins of Elizabeth City and Mrs. Pat Gaskins of Norfolk; 39 grandchildren and 17 great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Friday at 2 p. m. at the Twiford Funeral Home Chapel by the Rev. J. O. Long, pastor of City Road Methodist Church, assisted by the Rev. L. Sigsbee Miller, pastor of Pearl Street Assembly Church. Burial was in New Hollywood Cemetery.

1951 March of Dimes Campaign To Begin In Dare County on Monday, January 15

Mrs. Balfour Baum is Chairman of the Anti-Polio Campaign Committee; Local Committee Appointments Made; March of Dimes Ball to be Held January 31.

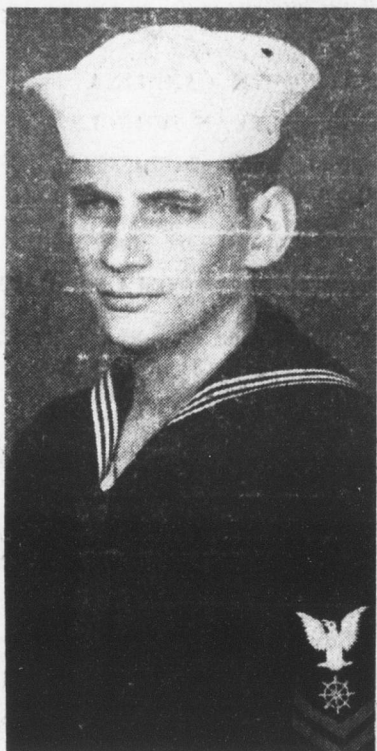
The 1951 March of Dimes campaign will open on Monday, January 15. In Dare county on that day and in the days following those in charge of the campaign in the various communities will solicit contributions from the people of this county to assist the nationwide campaign against the dread disease, infantile paralysis.

The county March of Dimes committee is composed of Mrs. Balfour Baum, Manteo, chairman; Miss Ruth Evans, Manteo, vice-chairman; Miss Delroy Burrus, Manteo, secretary; Dr. W. W. Johnston, treasurer; and Miss Bessie Draper, Martin Kellogg and I. P. Davis. Mrs. Baum said this week that the county's quota for 1951 has

BOARD OF EDUCATION DIRECTS ARCHITECT TO PROCEED WITH DARE SCHOOL BUILDING PLANS

A New Building for Roanoke Colored School Proposed. Site for \$164,000 Consolidated School on Lower Banks Is Still Not Definitely Determined.

RECENTLY PROMOTED QUARTERMASTER USN



John G. Brown, 23, quartermaster, second class, USN, son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Sawyer of Wanchese, has recently been advanced to quartermaster, first class.

Brown enlisted in the Navy on June 2, 1945, and received his recruit training at the Naval Training Center, Sampson, New York. Upon completion of his recruit training he was sent to Bremerton, Wash., where he boarded a transport which took him to Yokohama, Japan. Here he was stationed aboard the USS Norton Sound and USS Curtis both operating in the Pacific theater during the war.

In 1947 he was assigned to the USS Siboney and passed through the Panama Canal into Atlantic waters where he boarded the USS Philippine Sea where he was stationed for two years.

Since shipping over in October 1949, Brown has been attached to the flag allowance, Commander Second Fleet, now commanded by Vice Admiral M. B. Gardner, USN, at the Naval Air Station, Norfolk, Va. He was married to Miss Goldie Sawyer, July 2, 1947.

BAILEY BROS. STAGE SHOW HERE SATURDAY

This Saturday evening at 7:30 o'clock on the stage at Manteo schoolhouse the well-known radio entertainers, the Bailey Brothers and their Happy Valley Boys, will offer a varied program of music and singing under the auspices of the Manteo Lions Club.

Featured entertainers for the group's performance in Manteo will be the popular Happy Valley Quartet; Jimmy Martin, fiddler extraordinary; Little Wilma Martin and her bass fiddle; Willis Hogseed and his five-string banjo; and the irrepressible Slap Happy Jake.

The Dare County Board of Education, on Tuesday, January 2nd, completed another step toward beginning the building program of the Dare County Schools. Architect B. H. Stevens, of New Bern, met with the board and received directions to submit to both the State Building Committee and the Dare County Board of Education plans for a new building for the Roanoke Colored School, added rooms and some remodeling for the Manteo School, likewise addition and remodeling at the Kitty Hawk School, and remodeling at Manns Harbor and Wanchese.

The Cape Hatteras Consolidated School, which will receive the bulk of the funds appropriated, is to have new tentative plans drawn. A definite hope was expressed by the majority of the county board that this school, the location of which is still in doubt, will be contracted for at the same time that the remainder of the building program is put out. The architect See BOARD, Page 8

CAPT. R. M. HOYLE CHIEF OF SECURITY PORT OF NORFOLK

Former Manteo Man Promoted in Coast Guard; To Assume New Duties January 8

A former Manteo man, who grew up in the town of Manteo, where his father practiced medicine, has been named Captain of the Port of Norfolk. The new security Chief is Captain Richard M. Hoyle, USCG, the son of Mrs. Margaret Hoyle of Road Street, Manteo, and the late Dr. Hughes B. Hoyle. He has risen steadily in the Coast Guard Service.

Capt. Hoyle, commanding officer of the Coast Guard cutter Ingham, was ordered to assume the new duties effective on January 8. The assignment covers all of Hampton Roads.

His duties will include the broad aspects of port security, ship berthings and clearances and general port movement. Captains of the port are not assigned except under emergency conditions. During peacetime, the duties revert to a representative on the staff of the commanders of the districts.

Hoyle was transferred to the Norfolk (fifth) district in April from Seattle, Wash., where he was operations officer of the 13th Coast Guard District. He assumed command of the Ingham at that time. The cutter returned to Norfolk Saturday from a 30-day weather patrol in the North Atlantic.

Capt. Hoyle attended school at Manteo and graduated from the Newport News High School, and after attending the Coast Guard Academy was commissioned an ensign in 1926. During World War II he served in both the Atlantic and Pacific theatres of operation.

GOVERNOR SCOTT GOT NO GAME IN DARE LAST WEEK

Hunted at Off Island With Ras and Harry Westcott; Shown Need For Road

Governor W. Kerr Scott, who came to Dare County last Thursday as the guest of Ras and Harry Westcott, owners of Off Island near Oregon Inlet, struck bad hunting weather, and got no game, but got a chance to hear a plea for the paving of the road that leads to the vicinity, between Whalebone and Oregon Inlet.

Governor Scott was accompanied by his Secretary, Ben Boney, and was driven to the Island by Tom Dough of Nags Head Coast Guard Station. He spent the night at the camp on the island, and enjoyed a dinner prepared by Commander Walter Etheridge, USCG retired, a member of the Off Island staff.

The Governor also hunted in Currituck, with Orville Woodhouse of Grandy, member of the State Wildlife Resources Commission, during his visit to this part of the state.

RETURNS TO ARMY

Pvt. A. L. Austin of Hatteras, who has been spending the holidays with his mother, Mrs. A. Cabarrus of Hatteras has returned to his base at Fort Frances E. Warren, Cheyenne, Wyoming.

Old Christmas Celebration at Rodanthe Described in Fourteen Year Old Article

Origins of the Double Visits of Santa Claus to South Banks Village and the Festivities of the Villagers on Christmas and Ancient Twelfth Day Are Described in Story Reprinted Below.

The kids down at Rodanthe don't quibble with you if you want to call it Little Christmas, Twelfth Day, Epiphany or Old Christmas; but if you suggest that Santa Claus comes only once a year—and that time in the wee hours of December 25—the kids will inform you politely that it isn't so, not in Rodanthe. Here, Santa Claus makes a second round of visits twelve days after Christmas, on January 5. The background of the double Christmas celebration at Rodanthe was accurately described by Catherine D. Meekins in a feature article on the Rodanthe Old Christmas celebration in The State Magazine in 1936. Because of the unique nature of the old Christmas celebration and the interest which it holds for many of our readers who are loathe to

see the old folkways die out and become forgotten." Mrs. Meekins' article is reprinted below.

OLD CHRISTMAS AT RODANTHE

By CATHERINE D. MEEKINS (Note: Written for the Christmas issue of The State Magazine, 1936.)

Thousands of children in all parts of the world will soon realize the day to them the happiest of the year. Santa Claus will visit them and fill their stockings with the things of which they have dreamed for so long. The gifts of which they have talked for many months and which they so keenly desire will at last be theirs. Happy memories will remain with them for years to come, because of some particular thing which will rejoice their hearts.

Doubly happy, then, will be the children of Rodanthe. For in this little fishing village on the North Carolina coast, Santa Claus will come twice within two weeks, as has been the custom for many years. The 25th of December will be celebrated there as Christmas and on the 5th of January, twelve days later, Old Christmas will be observed.

Old Christmas, known sometimes as Little Christmas, Twelfth Day, or Epiphany, is a celebration taking place on the twelfth day after Christmas, counting Christmas as the first day, and See OLD, Page 8

LAST WEEK'S WEATHER

Figures provided by U. S. Govt. Meteorologist A. W. Drinkwater

	High	Low	Rain
December 28	52	32	
December 29	48	38	.96
December 30	52	39	.16
December 31	50	36	.14
January 1	44	32	
January 2	48	31	
January 3	70	40	

MRS. EDITH WISE DIES AT HOME STUMPY POINT

as One of Best Loved Citizens, and Lifelong Resident of Community

Mrs. Edith Best Wise, 73, widow of the late Enoch Wise, and daughter of the late Joe Harvey and Elsie Best of Stumpy Point, died 10:30 Wednesday morning at home, following an illness of two weeks. She was a lifelong resident of the community, and a member of the Methodist Church. She was one of the community's most loved citizens, and a devoted seamaker. She loved Stumpy Point and its people with all her heart, and she had served her church and community well. She was survived by one daughter, Mrs. R. W. Wechter and one brother, Albert Best of Stumpy Point. Funeral services were conducted at two o'clock Thursday, Rev. Tracy Arnum officiating and burial was in the Community cemetery.

NEW YEAR'S THOUGHTS

Let us walk softly, friends;
For strange paths lie before us all untrod,
The New Year, spotless from the hand of God,
Is thine and mine, O friend.

Let us walk straightly, friend;
Forget the crooked paths behind us now,
Press on with steadier purpose on our brow,
To better deeds, O friend.

Let us walk gladly, friend;
Perchance some greater good than we have known
Is waiting for us, or some fair hope flown
Shall yet return, O friend.

Let us walk humbly, friend;
Slight not the heart's-ease blooming round our feet;
The laurel blossoms are not half so sweet,
Or lightly gathered, friend.

Let us walk kindly, friend;
We cannot tell how long this life shall last,
How soon these precious years be overpast;
Let Love walk with us, friend.

Let us walk quickly, friend;
Work with our might while lasts our little stay,
And help some halting comrade on the way;
And may God guide us, friend.

—LILLIAN GRAY