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AIRPORT MANAGERS OF SIX STATES TO HOLD MEETING IN DARE CO. IN OCTOBER

Pilgrimage of Men Interested in Aviation to Come from Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Tennessee and the Two Carolinas; Prominent Aviation Figures to Attend Spectacular Two-Day Convention.

A two-day convention of the Southeastern Airport Managers Association is to be held in Dare County early in October when aviation executives from six states will visit Manteo and Nags Head, and pay a pilgrimage to the shrine of aviation at Kill Devil Hills.

Aycock Brown, secretary of the Dare County Chamber of Commerce, states that the President, A. H. Ward, returned Saturday night from Goldsboro, with the news. Ward, with Victor Meekins attended a meeting of the Association executives in Goldsboro and presented an invitation that they visit this region. The invitation was unanimously accepted.

The meeting is expected to bring about 100 people from the states of Georgia, Florida, Alabama and Tennessee and the two Carolinas, and many guests from Virginia and other states, most of whom will fly to the Manteo airport. Many people prominent in aviation circles as well as high Government officials are expected to be on the program.

The forthcoming meeting will be a good piece of advertising for Dare County, and an opportunity for building good will among people well able to help its tourist business. Plans for the meeting will be made during July by a program committee consisting of Mr. Brown, Victor Meekins, Truman Miller of Raleigh, Earl Jourdain of Goldsboro, and C. A. Anthony of Myrtle Beach, S. C.

GRAND JURY IN DARE COMPLAINS OF BUILDINGS

In their report to the court Wednesday, the Dare County Grand Jury offered no praise of anything except the old stereotyped paragraph copied year after year from former reports praising the Judge for his "able and instructive charge" and the Solicitor, feeling that the "district is fortunate in having such able, etc."

The Grand Jury made much complaint about the condition of the Manteo High School, the gymnasium, the Kitty Hawk and Colington School, the jail and the community building, and recommended that a brand new school be built for the Negroes, because the present building is "not practicable to repair."

Improvements were recommended in several courthouse offices.

NEW WELFARE WORKER BEGINS WORK JUNE 1

Miss Elizabeth Sawyer of Elizabeth City Signs to Fill Vacancy in Dare Welfare Dept.

Miss Elizabeth Sawyer of Elizabeth City has been employed by the Dare County Welfare Board as a welfare department case worker. Miss Sawyer begins her new duties today, June 1.

The new case worker comes to Dare County highly recommended. She has resigned a similar position in Tyrrell County, held since August, 1950. Prior to that time, Miss Sawyer was a teacher in North Carolina public schools for several years, teaching, among other places, at Elizabeth City and Southern Pines. She graduated from Meredith College in 1946 with a degree in sociology. The position she will fill in the Dare Welfare Department has been vacant since February 15 of this year, when Mrs. T. S. Meekins, Jr., left the position to accept the post of Welfare Superintendent.

Miss Sawyer and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hersey Sawyer of Elizabeth City, are well known to many residents of Dare County, particularly in the Nags Head area, where they own a summer home.

NET \$1,200 IN A DAY

Is fishing good? Ask the Culpeppers at Nags Head. Wednesday they pulled in their net three times and had 5,000 pounds of fish. They were sold at Engelhard for about \$1,200. The question is answered.

CHOSEN SUPERINTENDENT OF DARE CO. SCHOOLS



MRS. MARY LANGSTON EVANS, County School Supervisor, was elected Superintendent of Dare County Schools at a called meeting of the Board of Education Saturday. The Board had agreed previously to select a man for the job, but a majority considered Mrs. Evans the most qualified of the applicants, and on motion of Ellis Gray, seconded by Roy Gray, she was elected. Mrs. Evans, a native of Goldsboro, is the wife of Dennis E. Evans of Manteo, and has been in the teaching profession for several years, and holds numerous degrees and college credits. Prior to becoming school supervisor, she taught several years in the schools of Dare, at Manteo, Kitty Hawk and Manns Harbor. She is the daughter of Col. and Mrs. John D. Langston of Goldsboro.

LOST COLONY CAST MEETING HERE JUNE 8

Local and island actors selected for parts in The Lost Colony at auditions held here several weeks ago by Director Samuel Selden are scheduled to meet again on Friday night, June 8, in the High School Auditorium for final casting.

In a letter to the local Lost Colony office, Director Selden requested that every person who had been listed as a potential member of the cast be present when he has the meeting on June 8. It is very important that persons who may have decided not to apply for roles advise the local Lost Colony office in advance of June 8 in order that replacements may be present.

It was indicated in the drama director's letter that there would probably be a need for more large boys, or men, especially those who would double as actors and stage hands. Persons wishing to apply for these roles, and those who have applied previously who may be planning to drop out, are requested to notify Miss Maggie Daniels at the News-Editors' office of The Lost Colony or Aycock Brown.

LILA PEELE RUNNERUP TO FESTIVAL QUEEN

Lila Peele of Hatteras, who has been chosen "Miss Dare County" for two years in a row, was one of three lovely girls chosen from the beauty contest winners of eight Albemarle Counties to take part in the festivities and ceremonies of the Albemarle Potato Festival in Elizabeth City last Saturday.

Miss Peele was runnerup to Kitty Campen of Chowan County, named Queen of the festival by a board of moving picture men acting as judges for the contest held the preceding Thursday night at an Elizabeth City theatre. With Anne Burgess of Camden County, Lila was chosen an attendant to the Festival Queen.

LAST WEEK'S WEATHER

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

	High	Low	Rain
May 24	81	58	.52
May 25	80	50	
May 26	84	62	
May 27	83	64	
May 28	78	54	.80
May 29	72	56	
May 30	78	61	

A HATTERAS GIRL CONTINUES TO MAKE PROGRESS IN BEAUTY CONTESTS



MISS LILA PEELE of Hatteras continues to make history as a beauty queen. Twice in succession she has won first place in the Dare County contest for the county's entry in the contest for Queen of the Albemarle. Last week she again won second place for the second time in a contest with girls from ten other counties at the Elizabeth City Potato Festival. Miss Peele is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Woodard Peele. In this interesting photo by Aycock Brown, Miss Peele is shown aboard one of Mac Etheridge's sailboats at Wanchese. A most attractive girl has been selected to popularize sailing craft again in Dare County waters. When it comes to Dare County, it is hard for other counties to get out a beauty candidate to keep up the pace.

KITTY HAWK MAN FALLS DEAD WHILE SHAVING

Stephen Beasley Meekins, 77, who had been in poor health for a long time, fell dead Saturday morning while shaving. He made his home with his sister, Mrs. Mary Best. He was the son of the late John W. and Mary Perry Meekins, and is survived by one brother and three sisters: Morris M. Meekins, Mrs. Best Mrs. Bettie Pugh of Kitty Hawk, and Mrs. Mattie Miller of Poplar Branch. He had never married. He had spent his lifetime fishing and boating, and for a time was one of the light keepers at Cape Henry, Va., about 35 years ago. He was born at Colington where he resided most of his life, but for the past several years he had lived with his sister. He was life member and a faithful one of Colington Methodist Church.

Funeral services were conducted at the grave in Austin cemetery Sunday afternoon at 3:30 p.m. by Rev. W. J. Freeman of the Kitty Hawk Methodist Charge. Hymns were sung by the choir. There were many people attending and many beautiful floral offerings. Pall bearers were: Marvin Midgett, Carlos Dowdy, Will Tillet, John L. Beacham, Carson Meekins and Colton Perry. Twiford's Funeral Home, of Manteo directed the funeral.

Steven Meekins was universally known and loved as a high class citizen, neighbor and gentleman. He was generous, courteous and helpful among his people, and high tribute to his faithfulness to the church and his earnestness was paid by the pastor.

FESTIVAL JUDGE

Wallace H. McCown of Manteo, Senator Emmett Winslow of Hertford and A. L. Stout of Charlotte were judges of the floats in the Albemarle Potato Festival parade in Elizabeth City last Saturday morning.

Dare Library, One of the Best in State, Being Pinched by Space, Help Problems

Books Loaned from July 1, 1950, to May 22 Reach 32,665. 40-50,000 Circulation Expected Next Year.

It is generally agreed among librarians that the Dare County Library is the best county library in the state of North Carolina. And it seems clear from the whopping circulation figures that are reported for the past 10 months by Mrs. Van Ness Harwood and Mrs. Ellsworth Midgett, Jr., of the library staff that Dare County appreciates the literary wealth that it has at its disposal. The use made of the library by the people of Dare, what's more, is on the increase—a healthy situation, if ever a librarian saw one. Examine these figures on the library's circulation:

In the period between July 1, 1950 and May 22 of this year, the library loaned 32,665 books—20,822 in the county, 11,843 in Manteo, not including circulation figures for the Negro library. The remaining six weeks of the year and the Bookmobile trips to Manns Harbor and Hatteras will make the figures still higher.

One of the many possible statistics will suffice to illustrate the tremendous growth in circulation within the period cited above.

In July of 1950, the Bookmobile distributed 930 books. In March and April of 1951, Bookmobile circulation was just 13 short of 2,500 each month.

Now, that situation may look extremely rosy, and library users might consider there is sufficient evidence for thinking that everything is going very well—but it is entirely due to Mrs. Harwood and Mrs. Midgett, the entire library staff. It would be interesting to have another statistic to put in this story, the number of Dare Countians who know that their

SUPERIOR COURT RECESSED AS CRIMINAL DOCKET COMPLETED AND CIVIL SUITS CONTINUED

State Takes Nol-Pros in Vagrancy Case Against DeFebio. Juvenile Court Judgment Sustained.

COMMENCEMENT WEEK SCHEDULE AT MHS

Baccalaureate service: school auditorium, 8 p.m., June 3. Speaker, the Rev. J. H. Overton. Special music by Manteo High School glee club.

Class night: Monday, June 4, 8 p.m. at school auditorium.

Commencement: Wednesday, June 6, 8 p.m. at school auditorium. Speaker, E. J. Ruten, East Carolina College.

The presentation of eighth grade certificates will take place in the school auditorium at 11 a.m. Wednesday morning, June 6.

MARY L. EVANS NAMED SUPT. OF DARE SCHOOLS

Begins Two-Year Term July 1. No Other Candidates Voted Upon

Mrs. Mary Langston Evans of Manteo was elected Superintendent of Schools for Dare County, subject to the approval of the State Board of Education, at a meeting of the County Board of Education in Manteo last Saturday. Mrs. Evans will serve a term of two years, beginning July 1. She succeeds R. I. Leake, county superintendent for the past ten years. Mrs. Evans was previously employed by the Board of Education as school supervisor, and was reelected to that position at a board meeting earlier in the month.

Board Member Ellis Gray nominated Mrs. Evans for the position. The nomination was seconded by Roy Gray. When the matter was put to a vote, Mrs. Evans secured the vote of Mrs. Mabel Evans Jones as well as those of the two Mr. Grays, which gave her the majority necessary for election.

No other candidate proposed received the second necessary for voting upon his candidacy.

J. L. Cameron of the state Division of Surveys and B. H. Stephens, architect, are to be invited to meet with the board at its meeting July 2.

The only other business accomplished by the board Saturday was the approval of several school faculties presented by school committees.

DARE COUNTY YOUTH COUNCIL HOLDS MEETINGS

Women Discuss Need for Happy Homes and Better Rearing of Children

With a discussion on Family Life Essentials as the main feature, at both, two regional meetings of the Dare County Council for Services to Children and Youth were held last week. Competing with the inclement weather of Wednesday night, May 23, the meeting in Manns Harbor attracted a small crowd, only, and the next night in Wanchese, the meeting for the Roanoke Island-Beaches area conflicted with several other functions on the island and attendance for it, too, was disappointing.

In Manns Harbor, the meeting was chaired by Mrs. David Stick, President of the Council who led the discussion on what things were lacking in wholesome family life and what were essential to well-rounded development of children in their home life. Reports on the Recreation Center at Manns Harbor, a Council project, and the Stumpy Point community's part in the recent School Spring Festival were given as definite steps taken by the two communities in serving children and youth. Mrs. D. L. Meekins was re-elected for a period of two years as the Council member for Stumpy Point. Mrs. Ruby Gray of Stumpy Point led the devotional.

As a follow up, the Woman's Club of Manns Harbor and the W.S.C.S. of Stumpy Point will include more discussion and study on family life in their forthcoming programs, using the discussion material that was presented at these Council meetings.

In Wanchese, the regional Council meeting was chaired by Mrs. Dennis Evans, Board Member of See COUNCIL, Page Five

Judge Henry L. Stevens wound up the spring term of Superior Court in Dare County in a hurry Wednesday by determining, at the end of trial of cases in the criminal docket, to continue the entire civil docket to the next term.

Decision on DeFebios Wednesday afternoon Judge Stevens acted upon the three cases appealed from lower court by Frank and Theo DeFebio. Only one of the cases was tried, however, that charging Frank J. DeFebio with failure to send his children to school as required by the state compulsory school attendance law. Mr. and Mrs. DeFebio both presented statements of their case to the court and jury after the prosecution had offered much the same testimony it had presented in recorder's court a week before.

The jury found Frank DeFebio guilty as charged. Judge Stevens sentenced the defendant to serve 30 days in the county jail or pay a \$25 fine. Mr. DeFebio rejected payment of the fine and is now serving his term in the Dare jail.

The state took a nol-pros-with-leave in the case in which DeFebio had been convicted of vagrancy in lower court.

Appeal-No Appeal The only fireworks in the three DeFebio cases came when the time arrived for consideration of the appeal from juvenile court of the decision making the children wards of the state. Considerable confusion then occurred, for, it developed, the DeFebios' appeal could not be heard for the reason that a technicality covering appeals in such cases—that the appeal must be in writing within five days after the judgment was passed—had not been complied with. The court, therefore, sustained the judgment of the juvenile court.

Wednesday morning two drunken driving cases were concluded. The case of the State vs Velma Lehue, begun the day before, was sent to the jury—which returned a verdict of guilty. Mrs. Lehue was sentenced to pay \$100 fine and the costs of the court and had her driver's permit suspended for a year.

Mistrial Judge Stevens dismissed the jury which had deliberated for about 4½ hours, Tuesday and Wednesday, without being able to reach a decision about the guilt or innocence of David Worsley. The case will be re-tried at the next term of superior court.

One Acquitted Wyke Dillon was found not guilty. See COURT, Page Eight

RITES HELD WEDNESDAY FOR OCTAVIUS FULCHER

Funeral services were held at the church in Buxton Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock for Octavious Coke Fulcher, 69, retired merchant, who died at his home in Buxton on Monday, May 28.

Survivors are his wife, Mrs. Lela Burrus Fulcher; four children, O. C. Fulcher, Jr., of Elizabeth City, Mrs. Agnes Barnett, Mrs. Florence Barnett, Mrs. Rachel Merriman; two brothers, A. J. Fulcher and Junius Fulcher of Norfolk; two sisters, Mrs. Angas Styron of Hatteras and Mrs. Betty Rollinson of Florida. There are nine grandchildren.

Mr. Fulcher was born at Frisco. He had reached his 69th birthday a few days before his death. For many years before being overtaken by failing health, Mr. Fulcher was an outstanding citizen and leading merchant of Hatteras Island. At one time he was a member of the County Board of Education, and was long active in politics as well as religious activity.

He was a member of Masonic Lodge No. 521 A.F. & A.M. of Wanchese.

The body lay in state for some time prior to the funeral at the Buxton Methodist Church. The funeral was conducted by Rev. W. B. Gregory and Rev. P. M. Porter of the Hatteras and Kennekeet charges respectively. Pall bearers were W. A. Gray, Ike Jennette, C. P. Brady, U. B. Jennette, Fatio Gray, Raymond Basnett. Thirty members of the Masonic fraternity, led by Leo Midgett of Manteo, gathered to give final honors, which were conducted at the grave. The church was filled with mourning friends. There were many beautiful floral offerings. Twiford's Funeral Home of Hatteras directed the funeral.