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TWO HISTORICAL MARKERS WILL BE ERECTED IN DARE Committee Named in Dare County

Two additional historical markers are scheduled to be erected in Dare County according to word received from Edwin A. Miles, researcher for the State Department of Archives and History. One will be on U. S. Highway 158 at Nags Head abreast the point where the USS Huron foundered in 1877. The other will be placed on Hatteras Island at a point near Rodanthe alongside the new highway R. B. Lennon from Manteo, and and marking the famous rescue of Paul Midgett from Manteo. Applithe British Tanker Mirlo's crew by Chicamacomico Goastguardsmen in 1918, after the ship had been torpedoed and set afire by a German submarine.

The following inscriptions are proposed for the markers:

"Huron" Wreck - U.S.S. Huron sank off coast November 24, 1877, with loss of over 100 lives; Survivors came ashore near this spot. "Mirlo" Rescue-German U-Boat orpedoed and sank British tanker Mirlo off coast nearby, August 16, 1918. Coast Guard led by Capt. J. A. Midgett saved most of the crew.

MORE THAN HALF OF ACTORS TO BE ISLAND RESIDENTS

n Paul Green's symphonic drama Mr. Williams will be glad to pro-'The Lost Colony" during its 12th vide any desired information in season run beginning June 28, will conection with this type of loan have an opportunity to try out for ing address is Post Ofice Box No. parts here on next Friday night, 105, Elizabeth City, N. C., or he March 28, it was announced today may be reached at telephone No. March 28, it was announced today may be reached at the plant of the pl of the show which has lived longer Monday through Friday, from 8:00 han any other outdoor drama in o'clock a. m. to 5:00 p. m.

Casting will be held in the Maneo High School Gymnasium. This ear more important roles are gong to be made available to experienced islanders who have played in the production during pre-

Carlyle Davis of Manteo, a 17ear old youth displayed such an bility to act last year that he was amed understudy for Uppowoc, he sensational Indian medicine nan and dancer. With additional xperience this year he is expected continue as understudy and be ermitted to play the role that will o to John Lehman again before Vaterside Theatre audiences.

Many other island youths will be ng in the second act of the script through the ceremony. sensational and blood curdling ndian attack on the little fort where the colonists who were to isappear from the face of the arth were seeking refuge. Critics n the past have indicated a need or more excitement in the second ct, and Author Green is going to ive them just that, and local ouths cast as Indians will help ut it across.

SLAND TRYOUTS FOR LOST COLONY MARCH 28

Roanoke Islanders will have an pportunity to try out for roles in aul Green's symphonic drama, The Lost Colony," March 28, says irector Samuel Selden, who will present for the casting which ill be held in the Manteo High chool Gymnasium, Friday, March

Those getting parts in the show ill be actors in the 12th season hich begins in Waterside Theatre aturday night, June 28. In preding seasons usually more than alf of the cast members are resients of the island, cast in minor arts. Most of the major roles wever are played by off-islands. Tryouts for major or speaking es will be held in Chapel Hill iring early April.

The Lost Colony was first prented in 1937 on the 350th anniersary of the birth of Virginia e story it portrays.

RETURNS FROM KOREA

Sgt. Herbert C. Williams, son of and Mrs. Whitfield Williams Swan Quarter, has arrived home ter spending 11 months in Ko-

Williams was a squad leader in ompany L of the 27th Inf. Regient and was with the 25th Infan-

LATE INFORMATION ON OPENING DANCE FARM HOUSING LOANS

For United States Farm Housing Loans

County and is being administered by Farmers Home Administration. A committee has been appointed to assist with the handling of this Program. This three-member committee for Dare County consists of Edward Baum of Kitty Hawk, cations for loans to build or repair farm outbuildings or other farm buildings are being received at the County Farm Agent's office, which is located on the second floor of the Courthouse in Manteo. Loans may run for a maximum of thirty three years at four percent interest and may be made to farm owners. who cannot obtain adequate credit on reasonable terms from banks or other private lending agencies. There has been twenty-five million dollars apropriaed for the current year for the United States. This means that there will be available an average of about five loans per agricultural county. To date there has only been one application received and one loan made for Dare County. Tully Williams, who has an office on the second floor of the Agricultural Building in Eliza-Roanoke Islanders seeking roles beth City, services Dare County.

SWAN QUARTER OES ELECTS OFFICERS

Impressive Ceremony As New Member Is Received

The Swan Quarter Chapter No. 232 Order of Eastern Star held its his boyhood days. regular meeting Thursday night, March 13. Mrs. Louella Swindell, Worthy Matron, was in the chair. After a short business session the scene changed to an impress-

ive initiation ceremony as Mrs. Dorothy Cahoon was received into the Chapter. The hall, with artistic arrangements of yellow and white DR. ELISHA DOUGLAS spring flowers interspersed with native greenery, added much to ast as Indians. This year after 11 the setting as the officers in their easons, Author Paul Green is do- white evening gowns moved Douglass, professor of history and Mr. Davis soon became sole owner

> unanimously elected Worthy Maappointed to serve are: Worthy Patron, Willie Gray Cahoon; hoon; Associate Patron, Henry the History Department. Boomer; Secretary, Mrs. Maude Jones; Treasurer, Mrs. Frances Cochran; Associate Conductress, Mrs. Martha Swindell: Chaplain. Mrs. Mildred Askew; Organist, Mrs. Marina Baum: Marshall, Mrs. Ollie Lee; Ada, Mrs. Janie Swindell: Ruth. Mrs. Mildred Williamson; Esther, Mrs. Iberia Tunnell: Navy as a public relations officer. Martha, Mrs. Evelyn Swindell; Electa, Mrs. Georgia Swindell; Warder, Mrs. Lucile Tunnell: Sentinel, Tom Howard; Flag Bearers, Mrs. Dorothy Cahoon, Mrs. Millicent Lupton, Mrs. Ina Boomer.

These officers will be installed on March 27 in the Swan Quarter

During the social hour refreshments were served by the hostesses, Mrs. Mildred Williamson, Mrs. Edna Carawan.

MAN 100 YEARS OLD TO TAKE MASONIC DEGREES

(Scottish Rite News Bulletin) Frank Wheeler of Muscoda, Wisconsin, at the age of 100 petitioned are and the disappearance of the Muscoda Lodge No. 70, F. & A.M. lonists whom Sir Walter Raleigh and was accepted as a candidate d sent to the New World to at- for the Masonic Degrees. On Febmpt a permanent settlement. The ruary 8, 1952, he received the Enama is presented on the exact tered Apprentice Degree in the e of the original happenings of Masonic Temple at Richland Center, as the Masonic accomodations at Muscoda were not large enough to receive all the Brethren who were expected to attend the ceremonies. He plans to receive the second and Third Degrees as soon as the Lodge authorizes the work. Judge Wheeler's son Roy, age 71, is a member of Commonwealth Lodge No. 325, Madison, and the Master of this Lodge has assigned him a part in the ritualistic work. Mr. Wheeler got his title of "Judge" by serving forty-five dential Unit Citation.

AT NAGS HEAD CASINO MAR. 22

Dance fans throughout Dare County will be treated to the music The Farm Housing Program and floor show "Hot From Harlem" Saturday night, March 22, as authorized by a recent act of congress has been launched in Dare the Nags Head Casino stages its opening dance for the 1952 season.

Although the bowling alleys will not be open for a while, the dance floor and snack bar will be open in full style. The Casino Bingo is also open Saturday night.

A special door prize will be awarded at 9 p. m. Manager "Ras" Westcott promises "a big time for

"Ras" and his helpers have been working for the past few weeks getting the Casino ready to open. A general cleanup job, painting, the run getting ready for the spring opening.

JOHN B. ETHERIDGE, 81 OF ROANOKE ID. DEAD

John Burgess Etheridge, 81, son of the late Littlejohn B. and Melvina nough Etheridge, husband of the late Peggy Etheridge, lifelong resident of Roanoke Island, died in a Norfolk hospital Saturday morning after a short illness. He was a member of the Roanoke Island Baptist Church, and had followed the career of fisherman and housebuilder most of his life. He was known as one of the most highly skilled mechanics of his trade, and until a few days before his death, was active and continued to work with his tools.

He made his home with his son, Brownley R. Etheridge. He is sur-Jr., anl Roy Etheridge, all of Manteo; by nine grandchildren, four nephew, R. A. Etheridge of Man-

the death of his wife, he had made life fully. He had a retentive memory about early days in this county

Funeral services were conducted Funeral Home in Manteo by Rev. Frank Dinwiddie, family pastor. cemetery.

TO GO TO CHAPEL HILL

chairman of the Department of So- of the business The next item was the election cial Science in Elon College, has years later to his present buildof officers. Mrs. Bynda Lee was been named assistant professor of ing. history in the University of North tron. Other officers elected and Carolina, beginning next September, it was announced here today by Chancellor Robert B. House and Associate Matron, Mrs. Olive Ca- Dr. Wallace E. Caldwell, head of

A native of New York City, Dr. Douglass received his A.B. degree Gibbs; Conductress, Mrs. Priscilla at Princeton, an M. S. degree in journalism from Columbia University and his Ph.D. from Yale in 1949.

> He was a reporter on the Hartford Times, Hartford, Conn., in 1941 when he entered the U.S. He was separated from the service in 1945 with the rank of lieutenant commander.

> Dr. Douglass entered the Yale Graduate School that same year and went to Elon College in 1949 He was visiting instructor in the University of Chicago Summer Session in 1950. His special field is early American history.

Dr. Douglass is a member of the Southern Historical Association. the American Historical Association, and the Square and Compass of the Masonic Order.

He and Mrs. Douglass have many friends on Roanoke Island, where they, with their two children, spent last summer.

HATTERAS BOY NOW

prepare logistical support for Ex-ercise Long Horn, the largest awarded the Combat Infantry-

More than 150,000 soldiers will arrival in Korea. be involved in the training operation during March and April.

rean Service Ribbon and the Presi-

He attended Swan Quarter High years as a justice of the peace in He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Willie P. Willis of Hatteras.

MANNS HARBOR'S ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH



A small number of people finally built this comfortable church at waxing, etc., have kept them on Manns Harbor by sticking to the job. G. C. Gard gave the church a valuable building site. Much of the credit for raising funds goes to John Tom Ambrose of Manns Harbor for his persistent campaign. For weeks he canvassed cars waiting at the Manns Harbor ferry, soliciting lina's Park Service, the U. S. Coast continued war in Korea, the Red help for the church. The congregation is growing. Rev. T. Grinder serves the congregation

RELATIVES GIVE DAVIS

Manteo Merchant, Longest in Business 74 March 15; Operated in Manteo 46 Years

46 years of its career.

Mr. Davis came to Manteo in hardware, feeds, seeds, etc.

clothing and nothing else. His vis- between Oregon Inlet and Hat-Chapel Hill. — Dr. Elisha P. Mr. Smith did not live long, and outs. moving

For several years his two sons, Ralph and Vernon have been associated with the store. Its career has never been interrupted through all the years. Mr. Davis has stuck tight to his business every day. Beyond his buying trips north, and in recent years, his visits to his daughter, Mrs. J. R. Meikle in Roanoke Rapids, he seldom left town. He has never engaged in outside interests, and has proved completely the value of taking up an idea and sticking to it.

that comes so often from the Perquimans county soil where his early life was spent, he has still been generous without show. Those who know him best know that he has been liberal in his help for worthy causes.

Besides his three children, their wives and husband; his grandchildren, two sisters and two brothers now living in Portsmouth, Va., attended the dinner at the Davis home Sunday. They are Ralph and Ernest Davis, Mrs. Melvin Saunders and Miss Eugenia Davis.

BELHAVEN-HYDE BOYS NOW SERVING IN KOREA

WITH THE 40TH INFANTRY AT FORT HOOD, TEXAS DIV. IN KOREA-Pfc. Allan W. Ballance, Fairfield, N. C., and Fort Hood, Texas.-Pfc. Lionel Pfc. James F. Ball, Jr., 335 Har-L. Willis, whose wife, Lila, lives at vey St., Washington, N. C., are Hatteras, N. C., has arrived to help among the first members of the

Revolutionary War flintlock rifle World War II, Private First Class which is surrounded by a wreath.

SAND FENCES PLANNED A HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR HATTERAS ROAD

W. N. Spruill, division highway engineer, plans to solve the prob-Carson W. Davis, whose cloth- sand fences alongside the new Commission. Under the plans dising store is the oldest firm in op- Hatteras Highway, according to cussed, the three miles of pavement eration in Manteo, having been word received this week from Bux- would be an extension of the preston-on-Cape Hatteras. The probstarted in 1906, was honored by lem of erosion, washouts and blow-built by Ballinger Paving Comphis children and other relatives at ing sand has caused no little cona birthday dinner, Sunday, March cern to state highway officials for 16; he was 74 years old on the 15th. their Outer Banks Highway which 16; he was 74 years old on the 15th. His store, and his advertising sloHis store, and his sloHis store, and his advertising sloHis store, and his sloHis sloHis sloHis sloHis sloHis s gan, "Davis Wants To See You" North Carolina east of the federal North Carolina east of the federal any. B. A. Heidelbach, landscape that in 1952 Dare County will vived by two other sons, John B., have become widely known in the government's parkways in the mountains.

Mr. Davis came to Manteo in with State Park and U. S. Coast and M. H. Thomas, representing Guard planning officials for an exstore of Griffin and Smith, and in tension of a three mile paved route He was a steady, industrious 1906 went into business with the through the State Park and govcitizen, active throughout his late R. W. Smith in the old wooden ernment properties between Buxyears, and in his last days usually building at the foot of Lodge ton and the Point of the Cape on Buxton-on Cape Hatteras. busy building something. Since Street, it is now. The popular con- Tuesday, Spruill was shown the adception of a store in those days vantages of sand fence building in his home with his son, enjoying was a place that sold everything the vicinity of famous Cape Hatfrom carpet tacks to cotton shirts. The principal stores of Manteo there was built by Civilian Control of Cape Hatters area there was built by Civilian Control of Cape Hatters area Smith Stumpy Point Manteo there was built by Civilian Control of Cape Hatters area Smith Stumpy Point Manteo there was built by Civilian Control of Cape Hatters area Smith Stumpy Point Manteo there was built by Civilian Control of Cape Hatters area there was built by Civilian Control of Cape Hatters area there was built by Civilian Control of Cape Hatters area to control of Cape Hatters are to control of Cape Hatters area to control of Cape Hatters are to con and liked to talk of conditions in then carried everything: groceries, servation Corps during the Thirties and resulted in building up moun-Mr. Davis' venture in business tainous grass covered dunes which Sunday afternoon at the Twiford was immediately dubbed a failure, saved the lighthouse from possible "Wouldn't last six months," they destruction and also stopped erosaid. "Nobody can succeed selling sion generally.

do, just sell shoes, dry goods and place adjacent to the new highway ion and energy have proved they teras in efforts to build up natural has been continuously successful. blowing sand and perhaps, wash-

PHONE COMPANY WANTS TO RAISE ITS RATES

A \$900,000 increase in income from higher phone rates is being ought by the Carolina Telephone Company. An appeal for this increase is to be heard by the State the Station. Utilities Commission March 25th in Raleigh at ten o'clock in the offices of the commission. Among other counties, this company serves Hyde and Beaufort. It is likely there will be no opposition, or at least not enough to prevent the Commission hoped the Company will make an Blessed with the native thrift effort to provide better facilities the State College Extension Serand more complete service in the Belhaven and Hyde area.

WINS SUPERIOR RATING

Miss Pat Baum of Manteo attended the district music festival of the North Carolina Federation of Music Clubs at East Carolina College in Greenville last Saturday, and won a superior rating on her piano performance. George Perry, of the East Carolina College music faculty, was judge for the events, which were attended by music students from all parts of northeastern North Carolina Pat was accompanied to Greenville by her mother, Mrs. Balfour Baum, and her teacher, Mrs. Victor Meek-

SWAN QUARTER BOY BACK FROM GREENLAND breeding places for rats.

Robert G. Berry, BTFN, 2781474 USN, whose home address is Swan maneuver in the U. S. since World man Badge, symbol of the front Quarter, N. C., and is now serving new, refreshed look. Let's help line fighting man, since the unit's aboard the Destroyer U. S. S. Hank (DD 702) which at present The badge shows a miniature is part of a U. S. Navy Task Force "ecently returned from a success-A veteran of the Navy during mounted against a blue rectangle retical base on the southern tip of place for working and living. ful r supply expedition to a theo-Willis entered the Army in March The 40th, a National Guard Greenland. The minor cold weather ily would conduct a spring clean-Engineer Construction Battalion, was the first organization of its Virginia, on January 21, 1952. The it would go a long way toward Willis has been awarded the Ko- kind to arrive overseas after the exercise provided fleet units an opeliminating fire and accident hazkind to arrive overseas after the start of the Korean conflict. It portunity to test the latest in cold trained for 16 months in Japan before it was committed to Korea well as the newest improvements which is badly needed all over the daughter, Mrs. Ellis Hodges, 1709 in foul weather clothing.

THREE MILE SPUR 1952 RED CROSS

A paved road branching off from the new Hatteras Highway at a point near Buxton and passing by Cape Hatteras Light and through Cape Hatteras State Park, and Life Boat and Loran stations, terminating at a public parking area at the point, is scheduled to be conwould replace a sandy trail, hardly for our drive is \$651. passable at times, which has resulted in wearnig out many thousands of dollars worth of government and privately owned automobiles, trucks and other vehicles through the years.

To unify plans for paving this through one of the outstanding Guard and State Highway and Cross Over-seas services are even Public Works Commission met here more in demand. on Tuesday. The meeting was brought about through the initia-. tive of Chief Warrant Officer Cyrus Gray, commanding, Hatteras groug, Coast Guard.

Construction of the road would be financed jointly by State Park lem of potential washouts and sand Service and U. S. Coast Guard covered roads by the erection of with engineering by the Highway ent Pea Island link that is being geographic location of our many

any, B. A. Heidelbach, landscape that in 1952 Dare County will engineer State Park Service, who again over-subscribe its quota. While on Cape Hatteras to meet Development director George Ross, 1952 Red Cross Campaign." er Gray of Hatteras Island Coast drives for this year: Manteo; Rev. Guard Engineer, Group Command- A. V. Napier; Manteo colored, Mrs. Guard and Ben Dixon MacNeill, of Lonnie Gray; Waves, Mrs. Nellie

L. H. Baker of the Coast Guard, Meekins; Rodanthe, Mrs. Charles where so much equipment has been Payne; Salvo, Lafayette Douglas; worn out by traveling over the Duck, Mrs. Cary Whitson; Buxton, sandy trails. One spokesman of the Mrs. Edna Gray; Wanchese, Mrs. group here Tuesday indicated that Myrtle Tillett; Manns Harbor, the Coast Guard's share of the Mrs. Guy Mann; Avon, Alton Wil-Frank Dinwiddie, family pastor.

Burial was in the Etheridge nothing but dry goods." That is It was indicated that Spruill may just what Mr. Davis proposed to purchase ordinary snow fences to of equipment. money proposed to be spent would liams and Winfred Whitlock.

were all mistaken, and Davis' store barriers that would halt erosion, tourists who will be visiting the Program of Irish Music Presented area after the hard surface road is completed from Oregon Inlet, to drive direct and without difficulty to the famous lighthouse, the Coast Guard units and to the Point of Cape Hatteras where northern and

A feature of the meeting here for the group by Pender County Swain, Julian Oneto and Johnnie born Lewis M. Wheeler, cook at Long. Mrs. L. S. Parkerson was

SPRING CLEANUP ON FARMS URGED

Giving your farm a spring cleanup will make it much safer granting the increase. It is to be as well as much more attractive, says your county farm agent for

He points out that tools, bags of feed, buckets, and just common debris and trash are responsible for hospitalizing one out of every five accident victims on the farm. This was shown by a study conducted by the National Safety Council.

The largest single cause of injuries, other then the personal factor of poor judgment, is disorder.

To play safe, the farmer should correct such hazards as broken, wobbly steps which might cripple secretary, Miss Helen Mann; treassomeone for life; tottery old buildings that sometimes cause serious Rennie Williamson, president of injuries; unmarked bottles of the club, presented gifts, to the poison, and poisons left within evening's performers in appreciathe reach of children which often tion of the program they put on cause tragedies; accumulations of recently in the school auditorium trash, paper, scattered boxes and for the benefit of the club. boards, rags and rubbish which are serious fire hazards and ideal

"Springtime," says the county agent, "is nature's cleanup time, a time when the earth takes on a nature by cleaning up around the farm and in the farm home, which will not only give the farm a new look but makt it a safer and easier

He adds that if every farm fam-

ROAD PROPOSED DRIVE UNDERWAY CAPE HATTERAS IN DARE COUNTY

Wallace McCown, Chairman, Urges Full Support From All Parts of County

Mrs. Louise Meekins, Chairman thence by the U. S. Coast Guard of the Dare County Chapter American Red Cross, announced today that the Dare County Drive for structed at an early date. The road funds is underway. The quota set

Last year the drive was a great success and over-subscribed its quota. This year the Red Cross needs are greater than before because of the large number of disaster areas assisted during the past year. The fire in Manteo, three miles of highway leading which made homeless five families, was one of many instances where naritime attractions of the world, the Red Cross came to the assisepresentatives of North Caro- tance of American families. With

Wallace McCown, 1951 Fund Chairman, has been selected to head the 1952 drive, and hopes for the continued support of this cause, to which the people of Dare County so generously contributed last year. McCown said, "It is my hope that the people of the many communities in our county will respond generously, and enable us to make the 1952 Red Cross Drive a successful one. Because of the communities, it is essential that every citizen give his full support Present for the discussion were to the local Chairmen. Because of was representing Conservation and Give and give generously to your

The following persons have been Farrow; Mashoes, Mrs. Hattie Captain Edwards and also Capt. Mann; Collington, Mrs. Lewis

The three miles of highway MRS. ROBERT BALLANCE would also make it possible for HEADS R. I. MUSIC CLUB

at March Meeting By Guest Performers

A program of Irish music was presented Tuesday evening at the neeting of the Roanoke Island southern waters of the ocean meet. Music Club by guest performers who were Dick Jordan, Mrs. Julian was a luncheon especially prepared Oneto, Ralph Swain, Lawrence hostess at her home in Manteo, with Mrs. A. W. Drinkwater as associate hostess.

The program was as follows: baritone solo, "The Rose of Tralee" by Ralph Swain; tenor solo, "When Irish Eyes Are Smiling" by Johnnie Long; a novelty number by Dick Jordan, who accompanied himself, entitled "The Tail O' Me Coat;" soprano solo, "A Little Bit of Heaven," Mrs. Oneto; bass solo, "I'll Take You Home Again, Kathleen," Lawrence Swain; and the finale "McNamarra's Band," which included all the performers. Dick Jordan was accompanist for the entire evening. During the social hour, Mr. and Mrs. Oneto favored the club with two duets, "Indian Love Call" and "La Paloma."

Officers were elected as follows: president, Mrs. Robert Ballance; vice-president, Mrs. Julian Oneto; urer, Mrs. E. W. Etheridge. Mrs.

The hostesses served lime ice and vanilla ice cream and green and white iced 'cookies, carrying out the Saint Patrick's Day color scheme, with coffee and salted nuts.

Other guests of the club were Mrs. Dick Jordan, Mrs. Dewey M. Shaffer and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Umphlett.

AGED LADY ILL

Mrs. Hopey W. McKinney, Eng-