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MAJOR AL WILLIAMS PRINCIPAL SPEAKER at DRISKILL CEREMONY AT MANTEO AIRPORT TODAY

Ceremony Will Begin at 2:30 P. M., Melvin R. Daniels, Master of Ceremonies, Announces; Many Distinguished Visitors Coming; Including Numerous Visiting Airmen.

Major Al Williams of Elizabeth City has accepted the invitation to make the address at the exercises in memory of the late John David Driskill at the Manteo Airport Friday, May 30, at 2:30 p. m., according to announcement made by Melvin R. Daniels, Master of Ceremonies and chairman of the committee which made arrangements for the unveiling of the memorial tablet.

"I am glad that we will have the pleasure of hearing Major Williams," Mr. Daniels said. "For many years during his active career, he was famed as one of the foremost precision flyers of all time. He was a major in the Marine Corps, and is now retired to a beautiful farm near Elizabeth City. He was a long time friend of Mr. Driskill.

Mr. Daniels states also that T. A. Basnight, Jr., Chief Air Traffic Controller of the Washington National Airport, and his brother, Capt. Arvin O. Basnight of CAA, Washington, D. C., will appear with others to pay tribute to Mr. Driskill. Eugene C. Marlin of the Patrick Henry Airport, Newport News will lead a flight club to Manteo Friday, and another large flight group will come from Pittsburgh's Aero Club.

The music for the occasion will be furnished by the Manteo High School Glee Club, L. W. Huggins, Director.

The songs will be the Air Corp song and America, the Beautiful. Leading the list of special guests will be Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Driskill of Knoxville, Tenn., parents of the late flier. Others include: E. A. Barnett, Vice President of the Kellogg Aircraft Corp. of Camden, N. J., for whom Mr. Driskill was chief test pilot at the time of his death; Dr. C. C. Crittenden, Director State Department Archives and History; W. W. Lyns, Manager Norfolk Airport; Commander William H. Snyder USCG, Boston, Mass.

The invocation will be by Rev. E. W. Guthrie, and the benediction by Rev. H. R. Ashmore, Methodist pastors of Wanchese and Manteo, respectively.

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OLIVE SAYS HE'LL NAME FISHERMAN ON THE BOARD

Raleigh.—Hubert E. Olive declared today that as Governor he would appoint a commercial fisherman to the State Board of Conservation and Development.

"It is unthinkable to me at the present time the thousands of commercial fishermen in North Carolina do not have a single member of their group on the board," Olive commented.

"We have the astonishing situation of a State agency attempting to protect and regulate a major industry without having a representative of that industry on the board."

Olive's comment followed news reports that two shrimpers drowned in the Neuse River while shrimping at night. The Board of Conservation and Development prohibited day-time shrimping in state waters, and leaders in the fishing industry resentfully point out that the tragedy might have been avoided had the shrimpers been permitted to pursue their livelihood during daylight hours.

"I'm going to put a commercial fisherman on the Board just as soon as possible after I become governor," Olive declared emphatically. "It's a crying shame that they do not have representation now."

Olive pointed out that the fisheries committee of the Board has five members, none of which live within hollering distance of a commercial fisherman except Fred Atham of Belhaven, and Latham known as a farmer.

The committee is headed by Mrs. Roland McClamroch of Senlac Lane, Chapel Hill, which is a far piece from Salt Water. Other members of the committee are Charles H. Jenkins of Ahoskie, Charles S. Allen of Durham and Dr. C. Sylvester Green of Chapel Hill. None ever fished for a living.

"Some of these people might go fishing for sport once in a while," said Olive, who is a devotee of bass fishing, "but what they actually know about commercial fishing could be written on a clam shell. I know they are doing the best they can, but they need at least one commercial fisherman in the bunch. I'm going to put one here."

WIN HIGH SCHOLASTIC HONORS



BETTY RAE ROGERS, left and KATIE HASSELL, right, won top scholastic honors in the 1952 senior class of Manteo High School. Betty Rae delivered the valedictory and Katie the salutatory address on Thursday evening, May 29, when the class presented its Class Day program. Doreen Middgett of last year's graduating class, assisted them by taking part in the program. The Last Will and Testament and the Prophecy were executed by Betty Alice Skinner, Lou Tillet, Marie Etheridge, Jerry Cahoon, Jerry Daniels, William Daniels, Wade Nixon, D. A. Rogers, Sally Alford, Wanda Burrus, Joyce Stetson and Shirley Daniels. The Class History was presented most interestingly by all members of the class. Gifts to the Seniors were presented by Ray Jones, Jr., and Carlisle Davis of the Junior class.

On Friday morning the eighth grade, under the direction of Miss Esther Wynne, will hold exercises at 10 o'clock. Following the procession, the invocation will be pronounced by Rev. D. B. Lawrence. The class will sing "Till We Meet Again." In addition to the Seniors, papers as follows will be read:

"The Dismal Swamp," Carl Hayes; "Wild Life," Tommie Biggs; "Schools of Today," Billy Tugwell; "Facts," Davis Ballance. Wallace H. McCown, Manteo Attorney, is to be guest speaker, and following his address will present certificates to the students. The program ends with the singing of the school song, which was written by Principal Huggins.

The Seniors were entertained by their mothers Wednesday evening at a dinner at the Hotel Parkerson, Nags Head. Mrs. D. A. Rogers, mother of Betty Rae Rogers, was hostess at a party after the Thursday night program. Mrs. H. S. Ward, high school faculty member, will entertain the class on Friday.

On Friday evening, May 30, diplomas will be awarded by Principal L. W. Huggins, following an address by J. H. Rose, superintendent of the Greenville, N. C., city schools. Members of the graduating class are Jane Middgett, Mazie Tillet, Loretta Middgett, Katie Hassell, Iva Ambrose, Imogene Finch, Tracy Middgett, Betty Rae Rogers, Jackie Forehand, Reba Daniels, Hudean O'Neal, Tony Gibbs, Marvin Forbes, Carolyn Gaskill and Maxine Russell.

JUDGE TO RULE ON DeFEBIO CASE JUNE 9

The appeal of a custody case in which the DeFebio children had been declared wards of the state was heard Thursday.

The appeal was brought by Mr. and Mrs. Frank DeFebio, formerly of Washington. Their children, 10-year-old Theo and four-year-old Dominick, were placed in custody of the Dare County Welfare Department, May 21, 1951. That was after DeFebio had refused to send Theo to school and spent 30 days in jail for violating the North Carolina compulsory school attendance law.

Dare County juvenile court denied a motion by Mr. and Mrs. DeFebio Aug. 24, 1951, which would have modified the custody ruling. The hearing in Manteo this week was an appeal from the juvenile court denial.

Judge Clawson L. Williams indicated that he would rule on the See DeFEBIO, Page Eight

THREE ANGLERS LAND 171 BLUES OFF OREGON INLET

Nags Head, N. C.—Best catch of bluefish made by anglers fishing out of Oregon Inlet so far this season was brought into the new fishing center at Oregon Inlet on Tuesday. A. S. Jernigan, D. A. Jernigan and E. B. Brittingham of Norfolk, Va., using nylon lures trolled in the wake of Capt. Ome Tillet's Jerry, Jr., landed 171 blues. They ranged from one to two pounds.

Choppy Seas offshore prevented several boats from going to the Gulf Stream this week. One party aboard Capt. Dan Lewark's, Rita, caught a few dolphin near Diamond Shoals. No other large catches of Gulf Stream fish had been reported by mid-week.

Hundreds of persons have made reservations to fish for blues or Gulf Stream species along the See ANGLERS, Page Eight

FOUR DAY COURT IN DARE HANDLES NUMEROUS CASES

Judge Clawson Williams Presides Over Term; Finishes Business Thursday

The court term in Dare County which began Monday wound up Thursday evening after having disposed of many cases and ended a busy week. Judge Clawson Williams of Sanford presided.

David E. Worsley of Rocky Mount, tried for the second time on a drunken driving charge, was found guilty after five hours of deliberation by the jury, and fined \$150 and costs. Last year a jury disagreed.

Ethel H. Crampton of Kitty Hawk, on the same charge, which had been continued for nearly two years, tendered a plea of reckless driving and paid a fine of \$50 and costs. Her plea was accepted because the patrolmen on duty at the time, could not be located for this term of court.

Curtis Mann of Manns Harbor, who was under prayer for judgement from last years court to repay a worthless check given Fields Fish Co. in the amount of \$2,250 and costs had failed to comply. The court continued prayer for judgement on payment of \$850.

The case of Earl Quiddy, who had appealed from a court order to pay his former wife and child \$30 per month, was remanded to Recorder's Court. The first order was See COURT, Page Eight

WM. A. OWENS, 43, DIED SUDDENLY SUNDAY

Popular Salesman, and Resident of Wanchese, Was Native of Columbia

Funeral services for Wm. A. Owens, 43 who died suddenly Sunday afternoon were conducted Tuesday at 3 p. m. in the Wanchese Methodist Church, Rev. C. W. Guthrie officiating, and Masonic rites at the graveside in Tillet cemetery, Wanchese. The body lay in state one hour before the service.

He was in his garden Sunday afternoon, and came to the house saying an insect had bit him on his leg. Shortly afterward he complained of nausea and pain, and Twiford's Ambulance was called to take him to Dr. Wright in Currituck, and he died shortly before reaching the Doctor's office. Death was pronounced due to poisoning believed to be a "Black Widow" bite.

He had resided on Roanoke Island 37 years, and was the husband of Mrs. Iva Tillet Owens, and the son of the late Henry and Elizabeth Weatherly Owens. He is survived by two children, Wm. Conrad and Myrna Kay, by one brother, Zack Owens of Norfolk and one sister, Mrs. Joe Swindell of Wanchese. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge, the Methodist church; was highly regarded as a citizen, and had been employed for many years by G. T. Westcott.

MILLION DOLLAR MUSEUM IN MEMORY OF WRIGHTS IS DREAM FOR KILL DEVIL HILLS

Committee Meeting in Raleigh Considers Ways and Means Tuesday to Provide Addition to Shrine at the Birthplace of Aviation; Construction Planned During 1953.

EAST CAROLINA COLLEGE GRADUATE



MISS JEANNETTE TILLET of Kitty Hawk, who graduated on May 19 from East Carolina College, Greenville, with the Bachelor of Science degree in Primary Education.

Miss Tillet was accorded the honor of being May Queen in the 1952 May Day festivities at the college. She has been listed in the 1952 edition of "American College Student Leaders." She plans to teach in the primary grades in Elizabeth City, starting in September. Miss Tillet is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Tillet of Kitty Hawk.

JEPP HARRIS IS FAVORED WITH MANY HONORS

Popular Coast Guard of Kill Devil Hills Feted at Croatan Wednesday

Thos. Jefferson Harris, Chief Boatswain's Mate, U. S. Coast Guard, is retiring after 28 years of service. Wednesday night, some 75 old neighbors, comrades and other friends gave him a testimonial dinner at the Croatan at Kill Devil Hills. Hon. Lindsay C. Warren was toastmaster.

Friends from the village of Kitty Hawk, his home community, numbered most of the 65 people present. Many of them were retired veterans of long service in the Coast Guard. And there were Admirals and prominent Government officials present.

Mr. Warren paid high tribute to the character, integrity and courage of Jepp Harris, and read a highly complimentary letter from Admiral Merlin O'Neal, Commandant of the Coast Guard, Herbert C. Bonner, Congressman from the First District, spoke. Many splendid gifts were presented Mr. Harris, not only by his comrades, but by numerous friends in Washington, D. C., with whom he has fished for many years at Oregon Inlet.

Among those presented at the dinner were Sheldon O'Neal, who will succeed Mr. Harris in command of Kill Devil Hills Station; Col. George Combs of the Baltimore Sun; E. L. Fisher and Donald M. Dudley of the General Accounting office; Judge Donnel Gilliam and Marshall Ford of the U. S. Federal Court; Admirals K. K. Cowart and James Hirschfield and Captain J. C. Wendland of the U. S. Coast Guard, and A. W. Drinkwater.

Songs were sung by the Rotary Quartet of Manteo: Dick Jordan, Lawrence and Ralph Swain, and Julian Oneto. See HARRIS, Page Four

HOME CLUBS TO FEED DARE COUNTY BOARD

The Manteo and Wanchese Home Demonstration Clubs are planning to entertain the county commissioners at a covered dish luncheon Tuesday, June 3 at 1:00 p. m. at the Community Building in Manteo. All members are urged to attend, according to Miss Mary Kirby, home agent.

After the luncheon at 2:30 p. m. the 4-H County Dress Revue will be held. 4-H girls entering the contest are asked to meet at the Community Building at 2:45 p. m.

RALEIGH, May 28.—Plans were shaped here yesterday for the erection of a \$1,000,000 Wright brothers memorial museum on windswept Kill Devil Hill.

A group of aviation leaders, archivists and North Carolinians reached agreement on the preliminary details at a meeting with Governor Scott.

The Governor, honorary chairman of the organization committee, said the group hopes to complete the museum by December 17, 1953, the day on which the world will celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Wright brothers' historic flight.

Committee Picked
A committee headed by David Stick of Kill Devil Hill was appointed by the Governor to push arrangements for financing the museum. The funds would be raised by the aviation industry and from private contributors, with the National Park Service cooperating in the construction and maintenance of the building.

The committee was named the "Wright Memorial Committee of the Kill Devil Hills Memorial Society." Brig. Gen. Frank P. Lahr the secretary. Miles Clark of Elizabethton, O., is president of both City is chairman of the board.

Committee members include: Adm. DeWitt C. Ramsay, president of Aircraft Industries Association of Washington, D. C., Paul Edward Garber, curator of the National Air Museum of Washington, D. C., Merrill G. Meigs, vice president of Hearst Corporation of Chicago, Ill., T. H. Davis, president of Piedmont Airlines of Winston-Salem; Fred C. Kelly, official biographer of the Wright brothers of Kesington, Md.; Ronald F. Lee, assistant director of the National Park Service of Washington, D. C.; Ralph Whitener, organizational director of the Air Force Association of Washington, D. C.; Dr. C. C. Crittenden, director of Archives and History, and D. Victor Meekins of Manteo.

Landing Field Planned
The museum will be located near the spot from which Orville and Wilbur Wright made the world's first flight in a heavier-than-air craft, a spot now marked by the present Wright Memorial. It will house scale models of gliders and other aircraft built by the Wright brothers, and the workshop and hanger used by them will be reconstructed. The plans also call for a landing field for light planes.

Admiral Ramsay, Lee and Whitener were appointed members of an executive committee to draft pilot plans for raising needed funds.

After the meeting, the group lunched at the Governor's Mansion with Kay Kyser and Controller William D. Carmichael of the University of North Carolina. The new film, "The Lost Colony," was exhibited.

The committee said in a statement that the museum would acquaint Kill Devil Hill visitors with the "fact" that the Wright brothers were "scientists rather than thrill-seeking adventurers."

"... They first studied all available information regarding flight, carefully double checked what they had read, and then," the committee said, "in many cases found it necessary to discard what had heretofore been accepted as basic principles of flight, and conducted completely new experiments of their own."

"All this," the committee claimed, "needs to be depicted visually, and more; for even today the average visitor to the Wright Memorial doesn't seem to be aware See MUSEUM, Page Eight

A \$25,000 LOAN FOR LIGHTS AT OCRACOKE

Ocracoke Island people are to have the advantage of another \$25,000 for improvement to their electric system, according to Congressman Herbert Bonner.

Mr. Bonner advises that he has received the following message Rural Electrification Administration:

"A loan for the amount of \$25,000 has been approved for the Ocracoke Electric Membership Corporation to be used to finance the installation on members premises of wiring and plumbing fixtures and various electrical appliances.

DARE'S LIBRARY NEEDS MORE ROOM



Dare County's Library, said to be one of the outstanding small town libraries of America, has outgrown its quarters in the Community Building here. This photo, made last week, shows hundreds of volumes for which there are no shelves. To keep the library modern and up to date, approximately 1,000 new books have been added annually during recent years. About 1,000 books are loaned each month from the main library here in Manteo and another 2,000 are loaned from the Bookmobile. The situation has created a perplexing problem for Mrs. Georgia Harwood, the Librarian who has made Dare Library so outstanding. There is only one thing that will solve the problem and that would be additional space, which is not available in the Community Building. Manteo and Dare County needs a library building of a size adequate to house the valuable 15,000 or more volumes and to have reading and reference rooms. (Photo by Aycock Brown)