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\$100,000 TOURIST COURT SOLD ON NAGS HD. BEACH

Fearing's Recently Built Dolphin Bought by Mrs. Bertha Sample

Completed only a few weeks ago, the modern tourist court, The Dolphin, on lower Nags Head, was sold last week by Fearing's, Inc. of Manteo to Mrs. Bertha Sample of Elizabeth City, who entered immediately on the continued operation of the court. The court brought a price in excess of \$100,000.

Since its completion, Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Fearing have been managing the court. The Fearing's now plan to build another court with perhaps a fishing pier. Tourist courts on Nags Head Beach have been proving highly successful, particularly those designed for modern comfort. Several more enterprises of the kind are being planned for construction this fall.

SHRIMP SEASON SUFFERS MUCH FROM HURRICANE

Loss of thousands of dollars of income to the shrimp fishermen of North Carolina, and to business in Engelhard, which is the largest center of the industry in the state, is estimated as result of the backwash of winds which followed the hurricane last week off the Florida coast.

Because of the winds many boats lost their fishing for several days, and unsettled fishing reduced the volume of catch in an already poor season.

Night shrimping and more extensive and destructive operations over the years is believed to be threatening the entire industry. Many seasoned observers believe it is only a matter of a short time before shrimping, like other fishing, may be completely depleted and unprofitable to most new deriving a living from the industry.

Although a poor season it has been of great help to many fishermen, and particularly to businessmen in Engelhard. It is now believed that industry will last near as long this fall as in former years.

DEATH CAN BE QUICK WITH FUN ON WATER

Bonnie C. Davis, Moyock, Drowned When Water Skis and Boat Collide

MOYOCK.—The joy of an afternoon water-skiing party was turned into mourning Sunday with the drowning of a young Moyock High School graduate and senior at N. C. State College.

The young man drowned was Bonnie Cole Davis, whose body was recovered, from the waters of Hannahs Landing off the Tull's Creek road two miles from the center of Moyock's shopping district at 1:45 this morning.

The drowning occurred when Davis, on skis, was in collision with an outboard motor boat being operated by Henry Doney. According to Currituck Coroner Bryan Smith, Davis was being drawn by a boat occupied by other members of his party. Experiencing some difficulty with his skis and swinging from side to side in an effort to adjust one of them, he did not see the boat piloted by Doney, which was in the act of turning around when the collision occurred.

According to eyewitnesses, both men were thrown into the air when Davis hit the water he disappeared and was not seen again until his body was recovered nearly 10 hours later.

Doney's boat after he went overboard, began running around in circles, and Doney managed to catch hold of it as it circled around him. Reaching into the boat he cut off the motor, scrambled aboard and then blacked out. He was taken to the Albermarle Hospital in Elizabeth City where he was treated and released.

The body was recovered by two Coast Guardsmen from the Coast Guard Depot at Coinjock, H. Ingram and Kenneth Roberts, the latter a Currituck boy. Assisting in the effort to recover the body were crews from fire departments at Elizabeth City and Great Bridge and a number of neighbors and friends.

Davis was the son of Mrs. Wiley Franklin Brinkley and the late Archie Davis, a lifelong resident of Moyock.

MANY VISITORS IN AUGUST SEE HISTORIC SITES

By AYCOCK BROWN

Almost 100,000 persons visited Wright Memorial at Kill Devil Hills and Fort Raleigh on Roanoke Island during the month of August according to reports of officials who have to do with counting the tourists at the two units of National Park Service here on the Dare Coast.

There were 43,022 persons counted at Wright Memorial Monument during the month just passed as compared to 37,130 in August of 1951. This was a 14 percent increase over August of last year. In July of this year 39,516 persons had visited the memorial which was erected to commemorate the achievements of Wilbur and Orville Wright who flew the first heavier than air machine from the base of Kill Devil Hill on December 17, 1903.

Mrs. Louise Meekins of the National Park Service announced today that 55,591 persons were counted at Fort Raleigh National Historic Site during August 1952, as compared to 49,548 for the same month last year. It is interesting to note in Mrs. Meekins report that persons from every state and 23 foreign countries were among the visitors at Fort Raleigh, the birthplace of English-speaking civilization in the New World, during the month of August.

Martin Kellogg, chairman of Roanoke Island Historical Association, stated this week that approximately 45,000 persons paid admission to see The Lost Colony during the season ending on August 31. "This figure is less than the paid admission last year," said Kellogg, "but not included in the total paid attendance were several hundred members of the press who saw the show at no cost and probably 2,000 school children and history students of Dare County and North Carolina.

EXCHANGE TEACHER

Miss Amanda Etheridge, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Etheridge of Manteo, recently sailed from New York for Amsterdam, Holland, where she is an exchange teacher of physical education under the Fulbright Foundation. Miss Etheridge, who has been a member of the faculty of State Teachers College at Mankato, Minnesota, for several years, visited her family on Roanoke Island for a week before sailing for Holland. Her sister, Miss Natalie Etheridge, who graduated from Minnesota State Teachers College last spring, with a major in physical education, left Monday for Alexandria, Va., where she is a member of the faculty of the George Washington High School. She spent the summer vacation with her parents.

BELHAVEN SOLDIERS ON DUTY GERMANY AND JAPAN

WITH THE 28TH INFANTRY DIV. IN GERMANY.—Pvt. Hiram V. Jones of Route 1, Belhaven, N. C., is now serving with the 28th Infantry Division in Germany.

The division—a Pennsylvania National Guard unit—is currently conducting training exercises in the rolling hills of Bavaria in Southern Germany.

HYDE COUNTY WOMAN WINS UNUSUAL HONOR



MRS. OLIVE O. CAHOON of Swan Quarter, wife of Sheriff Charlie J. Cahoon, who is to be honored to represent North Carolina at the International Association of Rebekah Assemblies in Dallas Texas September 13th to 19th. Mrs. Cahoon is State President of the Rebekah Assembly of I.O.O.F. and has long been a leader in this woman's fraternity. She will leave for Texas Wednesday of next week.

GUM NECK MERCHANT MASONIC LODGE MASTER



HERMAN COHOON, merchant of Gum Neck in lower Tyrrell County, is now the Master of Providence Lodge No. 678, A.F. & A.M. Mr. Cohoon doesn't mind driving twice a month at night to preside over his lodge, and sometimes he goes extra for special meetings. The Lodge is an active one, and has about 60 members, having been re-instituted about six years ago. Other officers of the Lodge are: Donald Alexander, Senior Warden; Clair Morris, Junior Warden; C. W. Pritchett, Treasurer; Lloyd Davenport, Secretary; Roland Riddick, Tyler; Mike Davenport, Senior Deacon; Joe Hamilton, Jr., Junior Deacon; Willie Mayo, Senior Steward; and Alvin Hamilton, Junior Steward. The Lodge meets on the first and third Wednesday nights in each month. Mr. Cohoon, who graduated from Columbia High School, is 35 years old. He has been in the mercantile business for several years, first operating a store on No. 94 but having sold out this business some time ago, has taken over an older place in the center of the community. Mrs. Cohoon is the former Doris Everson of Gum Neck.

HERE'S A STORY TO TOUCH THE HEART

Somewhere on the Dare Coast a mother and father might have enjoyed a trip while bitter tragedy awaited them.

A worried grandfather in Rockingham Monday, tried to contact his vacationing daughter to warn her that her six-year-old son had been bitten by a rabid dog.

Arthur Capel, said his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Stogner, and their son left for a vacation in the Manteo area shortly after the boy, Sonny, was bitten by a dog last Thursday.

Capel said the head of the dog was sent to a laboratory for examination and he received a report indicating that the animal was "definitely" rabid.

Capel said the Stogners left no forwarding address, saying only that they would spend their vacation around Manteo.

DARE BOARD AIDS THE BANKS HEALTH CENTER

Taking note Monday of a worthy proposition, the Dare Board Tuesday following a request from W. A. Gray of Buxton, agreed to furnish \$275.00 for repairs and painting the radio station property given the county and used as the Cape Hatteras Health Center.

The Board also agreed to take out insurance on the property in the amount of \$7,000.

The Board heard a report from Bob Smith, Farm Agent, that the Roanoke Island 4-H Camps quartered in the property of the Manteo Airport, had enjoyed a successful season, with 1,300 children in attendance as compared with 800 last season.

STUMPY POINT PASTOR AT AMITY REVIVAL

The Rev. A. L. G. Stephenson, Pastor of the Stumpy Point Methodist circuit will be the guest evangelist for a series of five nightly services at Amity Methodist church, Lake Landing. The pastor, The Rev. William O. Connor states the revival will begin Monday, Sept. 15th and go through Friday at 7:30 p. m. A welcome is extended to everyone to come to these services.

The pastor, The Rev. W. O. Connor will be preaching in a series of meetings at Bethany Methodist Church, Gulrock during the week of Sept. 8th - 12th. Services will begin at 7:30 nightly. Everyone is invited to attend.

UPWARD TREND IN ALL SECTIONS OF TYRRELL COUNTY

Farm Crops and Tourists Both Help to Increase Prosperity of People

A new spirit and a new look is manifest all through Tyrrell County these days. Even in remote Kilkenny which has so long been so far out of its own county it has to get its mail from Hyde, and then only three times the week, is found a new air of prosperity and progress. Even Kilkenny has electric power, which has been extended all over Tyrrell County.

Gum Neck, the largest community, now lacks only telephone service to bring it all modern advantages. The improvements throughout the county are reflected in Columbia, the county seat, where new homes are constantly being built, and improvements made to business facilities. Columbia for some years has had the only post office in the county.

Fortunately for Tyrrell County this summer is its low altitude so its crops did not suffer unduly from the draught, and a bumper harvest is in prospect. Both Irish and sweet potatoes have been proving profitable all through the seasons. Sheriff B. Ray Cahoon says one of his friends reported a sweet potato crop now being marketed, which has yielded a profit of about \$1,000 from a single acre. It would be "quite a hog" who would demand more bounty from his soil.

More and more, preparations go on for tourists and sportsmen trade. Although Tyrrell County interests and Columbia, along U. S. 64, have suffered greatly because of the badly arranged ferry schedules which discourages much travel, everyone lives in hopes of better days. Because the ferry now leaving Tyrrell County is not properly timed to put the motorist across Alligator River quickly enough to connect with the Croatan Sound ferry, numerous people this year have been subjected to long waits at Manns Harbor and have failed to reach Roanoke Island in time to witness The Lost Colony. Although many have come a long way with the sole purpose of seeing the show, many of them not having another day to spare have made their trip in vain, all because of the badly arranged ferry schedules.

But Tyrrell County people are not easily discouraged. They waged a battle for years for better roads, and they never permit the subject of desperately needed bridges to die. They live in hopes and always look for better days, and they are continuing with their investment in tourist facilities.

Pritchett's Inland Harbor

A unique development is underway on U.S. 64 between Columbia and the ferry slip at Sandy Point. Charlie Pritchett and his son, Morris, who operate a store eight miles east of Columbia have dredged a canal from little Alligator River, a distance of 625 yards through the woods, and having a width of about 30 feet. Boats and yachts drawing up to seven feet of water may now come into this canal and up to the highway, in a safe and landlocked harbor eight miles from the Inland Waterway.

The Pritchett project has great possibilities. In time, numerous yachtsmen can be induced to pause in their journeys along the Intracoastal waterway to enjoy the bear, deer and quail hunting and the superior sport fishing of Tyrrell County. It will be a point of assembly for boat owners of many inland sections, who may base their own craft at this point, and easily reach them by automobile. A railway and repair shop is to be developed along with cafe, store, and other services to appeal to yachtsmen, tourists and sportsmen.

Columbia itself has become extremely well-equipped for serving this new class of trade which is now pouring many thousands of dollars into the county each season. It has service stations, hardware and novelty stores of the most modern type. The only town in the county, it has been the principal trading center of the region, and continues to enjoy the bulk of the commerce of the entire county. Its business men blessed with an abundance of friendliness and hospitality, have no fears for the future of the community and the county.

TOURIST BUREAU BEGINS CAMPAIGN TO RAISE BUDGET

First in a series of meetings by the Dare County Tourist Bureau for the purpose of raising a \$14,000 budget for publicizing and promoting the rapidly increasing tourist business of the area was held at Edgewater Hotel on Kill Devil Hills Wednesday night, with another scheduled there for Thursday night. Hotel, motor court and tourist home operators were at the Wednesday meeting and other firms catering to the vacation trade in the Dare Beaches area were scheduled to be present on Thursday night.

Four meetings are scheduled for the Hatteras Island communities which have been experiencing their first major tourist business during current year, on September 16-17. David Stick, secretary-treasurer of the Dare Tourist Bureau, announced this week that the meetings scheduled for Hatteras Island would be held as follows: September 16—Avon at 10 A. M., Buxton at 3 P.M. and Hatteras at 8 P.M. On the following day, September 17, a meeting will be held in Rodanthe for that community and the nearby villages of Waves and Salvo.

A comprehensive report of the Tourist Bureau's activities since it began functioning last October 15 is being presented at the various meetings by the organization's secretary and treasurer and by Lawrence L. Swain, chairman of the executive committee. The report gives all details about the publicity and promotion activities of the manager and news director as well as the financial report showing how the money was spent and how it is planned to spend the proposed budget of \$14,000 during the coming fiscal year.

BOARD BACKS SWAIN FOR HIGHWAY POST

Commissioners Recommend Manteo Man as Commission From First Division

The recent campaign begun by Dare Register of Deeds suggesting Lawrence L. Swain of Manteo for Highway Commissioner from the First Division in which Dare County is situated, got well underway Tuesday when the County Board gave its earnest approval.

Mr. Swain, who is noted as a liberal worker for public causes, is now a member of the County Board, head of the Tourist Bureau, and active in many civic, religious and fraternal affairs. He has a penchant for public service, and finds flavor in political affairs, and a political future.

He is a native of Washington County and has lived in Dare for the past 20 years where he operates the Manteo Laundry and represents the Jefferson Standard Life Insurance Co.

STATE'S BIGGEST FERRY BOAT FOR OREGON INLET

A 3-Motored \$75,000 Vessel To Carry 24 Cars To Go Into Service Next Season

The biggest automobile ferry yet operated in North Carolina is planned to be built soon and put into service across Oregon Inlet by next season. It will be built of wood, having three motors, and will carry 24 cars. It will be more than 100 feet long, and plans for it will soon be made by a naval architect and bids let for its construction.

The boat was approved last week by the State Highway Commission on recommendation of Commissioner H. G. Shelton of Tarboro.

The present two boats have become completely inadequate for the traffic that has resulted from wide advertising of Hatteras Island and the completion of the new road. A further increase in business has resulted in the diversion of traffic from Ocracoke Island, which also has been the result of the new road, which gives the people of Ocracoke and their visitors, the quickest and easiest way of travel save flying.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR MRS. REBECCA M. PAYNE

Funeral services for Mrs. Rebecca Meekins Payne, 71, who died Wednesday of last week, were conducted at 2:30 Saturday afternoon at the Wanchese Church of God, Rev. D. B. Lawrence officiating. Hymns sung were "Some Golden Daybreak," "Ready" and "When I Have Gone the Last Mile of the Way." Burial was in the Garrison cemetery at Wanchese. Pallbearers were Herbert Midgett, Charles Roadcap, Ira Stowe, Will Barnett, John Herbert and Roscoe Gallop.

MANY GROUPS ENDORSING APPEAL FOR BRIDGES OVER U. S. HIGHWAYS 64 AND 264

Board of Commissioners, City Aldermen, Civic Clubs All Favor State Owned Bridges, Although Tolls May Be Charged; Appeal Will Be Taken to Governor Scott Soon.

Boards of County Commissioners, Town Boards, and civic clubs throughout the Southern Albemarle, this week endorsed an appeal for the construction of state owned bridges over Alligator River and Croatan Sound. Preferably free bridges but bridges at any rate, even if they must be toll bridges.

Under the last appeal, there remains no reason for the State Highway Commission to longer defer the building the bridges, and no cause for complaint from other sections of the state that the investment is too great for this comparatively small but long forgotten region.

The appeal to Governor Scott and the Highway Commission asks first for two toll-free bridges; second, if not granted, for two toll bridges, and third, for even one bridge, with or without tolls.

In Washington, N. C. the Beaufort County Board Tuesday endorsed the appeal. Likewise the Belhaven town Board Tuesday night, as well as the Belhaven Rotary Club.

The Rotary Club of Engelhard gave its endorsement last week, and Tuesday, the Hyde County Board of Commissioners added their endorsement.

On the same day, the Commissioners of Dare, Tyrrell and of Washington Counties also added their endorsement.

Dr. W. T. Ralph of Belhaven is Chairman of a Committee of ten people who will present the appeal to the Governor.

LOST COLONY CHORUS PRESENTS FINAL CONCERT

The final concert of the summer season was presented Sunday afternoon, August 31, at four o'clock in the Manteo school auditorium, by the Lost Colony Chorus with a small but appreciative audience attending. Opening with "Alleluia" by Randall Thompson by the entire chorus, the program continued with "Alto Rhapsodie" by Johannes Brahms, with Helen Reitmeyer, contralto, as soloist, ably supported by the bass and tenor sections of the choir. Franz Engle accompanied at the piano.

The song cycle "In a Persian Garden" by Liza Lehmann followed. Soloists were Marjalee Thomas, soprano; Anne Wynn, contralto; George Vassos, tenor; and Ralph Burrier, bass. Helen Reitmeyer was accompanist.

The song cycle was followed by the "Liederslieder Walzer" by Brahms, by the entire chorus with a duet accompaniment by Franz Engle and James M. Hart; and the program was brought to a close with a group of spirituals.

Ralph Burrier, music director for the Lost Colony, and head of the music department of the Roanoke Island School of Fine Arts, under whose auspices the chorus functioned, conducted the afternoon's program.

Proceeds of the afternoon's concert were donated to the fund for Music in Hospitals, which is sponsored by the National Federation of Music Clubs. The program was sponsored by the Roanoke Island Music Club.

STATE FAIR LIVESTOCK SHOW IS "BIG LEAGUE"

A livestock show, offering \$27,145 in premiums and labeled "big league" by Dr. D. W. Colvard, head of the Department of Animal Industry at N. C. State College, is scheduled as a part of the 85th State Fair to be held in Raleigh October 14-18. Competition "open to the world," but with special classes for North Carolina exhibitors, is planned in all four breeds of dairy cattle and in the Hereford and Aberdeen-Angus breeds of beef cattle.

"Prospective livestock exhibitors should immediately obtain a copy of the free 1952 State Fair catalog," Dr. Colvard said. This is available upon request to Manager, State Fair, Box 1388, Raleigh. "There are many changes since last year, all approved by the Livestock Advisory Board," Dr. Colvard pointed out, "and entries must be made an official printed forms which are attached in the back of the Fair catalog."

SEASON'S BIGGEST DAY AT LEARY'S SUNDAY, SEPT. 7

"Sadie Hawkins Day" Expected to Draw Crowds Larger Than Any Year Previous

"It was a big day the first year," said W. K. Leary, speaking about the opening season's "Sadie Hawkins Day" in 1949. But each year has been an improvement, with more prizes, and consequently, more fun for all.

"Sadie Hawkins Day" this year will be Sunday, September 7, with the first game starting at 12 noon. Bingo will be played until every prize has been given away.

Such prizes as mixers, dinnerware, luggage, an outboard motor, a bicycle, jewelry and hundreds of other valuable prizes will be given to the winners. A G. E. television will be given the winner of the last game.

"Sadie Hawkins Day" draws hundreds of people from distant places in North Carolina and Virginia and other states, every year, to play for such valuable awards as mentioned. No increase in prize will be made—double cards still 10¢.

There is only one way to sum it all up—and that's the way Leary does—"A day of fun, for young and old." It should be—it always has been.

ARCHIE BURRUS PLANS BEACH TOURIST COURT

Manteo Merchant To Begin Construction of 20 Rooms On Lower Nags Head

Archie Burrus, Manteo merchant, is planning to build five units of four rooms each, as the beginning of a modern tourist court on lower Nags Head. This will be the first court of brick construction on the beach, and is expected to cost more than \$50,000 for the first units.

Ivey Daniels of Wanchese will be in charge of construction.

The court will be located about a half-mile north of the junction of U.S. 158 and the Hatteras highway.

FAMILY DESERTER IN HYDE BREAKS JAIL

Ellis Gibbs, notorious deserter of his family, who had been under a court order to pay \$10 a week for the support of his wife and eight children living in Ponzer, Hyde County, broke out of jail and escaped last week. He had refused to pay and had been living in Norfolk but was apprehended when officers took him off a tug boat on which he was working when it recently came into Hyde County waters.

This time he has not been found.

NEW DENTIST ON BEACH AT KILL DEVIL HILLS

Dr. Wallace F. Mustian, for the last 15 years has been in General Dental practice in Durham, North Carolina. During this period he was on the Senior Attending Surgical Staff of Watts and Lincoln Hospitals in Durham and was chief of Oral Surgery and Dental Surgery. Previously, Dr. Mustian practiced Dentistry in Norlina. Warrenton for the 15 years immediately after graduation from college.

Dr. Mustian is a native of Warren County. He is a veteran of World War I. He graduated from the University of Maryland in Baltimore and North Western University of Chicago. He is married to Miss Emily E. Long of Valdese, N. C., and they have three children; all married and away from home.

The Mustians have built an all weather and season Ranch Type Home on the Ocean in Kill Devil Hills and a separate office building on the Highway. Dr. Mustian will maintain open offices on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday during the entire year. The Mustians are Methodist. Dr. Mustian is a member of the Lions Club and of the American Legion. He is also a member of the Local, State and American Dental Associations.