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W. VA PULP AND PAPER COMPANY FILES PETITION

Asks Confirmation of Title to 150,000 Acres Timberland

West Virginia Pulp and Paper Company filed a petition here today asking the Dare County Superior Court to register and confirm its title to land it now owns and operates in Dare County, in accordance with the North Carolina Torrens Law.

The action involves around 150,000 acres of timberland acquired by the company last year from Dare Corporation, of which Fred N. Maloof was once president and chief stockholder, and others.

William Ernst, Jr., of Manteo, manager of the paper company's North Carolina woodlands, said that a detailed description of the lands, along with maps, was filed with the petition. This description is based on an accurate survey of the land carried out during the summer and fall to establish boundaries and locate corners.

Before the court can confirm the company's title to the land the law requires that all persons or parties owning or interested in land adjoining that of the petitioner in such an action be given an opportunity to appear before the court to present exceptions to the title.

As a result, approximately 500 notices from the court will be served on individuals or parties who own adjoining land or have an interest in property adjacent to the paper company's lands.

In addition to private property owners, the list to be served by Sheriff F. M. Cahoon and his deputies includes the State of North Carolina and several of its subdivisions, such as the State Highway and Public Works Commission, the State Department of Conservation and Development, and the State Board of Education; Dare County and some of its subdivisions, including the Board of Education, and several institutions, including churches.

"The notices which will be handed out will be published in this paper," said PETITION, Page Eight.

DANIELS TO RUN PLYWOOD DIVISION OF WELDON PLANT

Nags Head C of C Secretary Will Retain Property Interests on Beach

Nags Head.—Hal Daniels moved to Weldon, in Halifax county, this week to become manager of the plywood division of the Weldon Veneer Co. His family will go to Weldon in the next few weeks.

Mr. Daniels has been at Danville, Va., since Christmas, taking some special training for his new position. The company, which makes veneer and plywood, is largely owned by his brother-in-law, who persuaded him to enter the work.

"We are sorry to leave Dare county," Mr. Daniels said, "but we cannot pass up this opportunity."

A native of Dare county, Mr. Daniels returned in 1943 to establish interests on the beach. He owns cottages which he will retain, with B. M. Hedrick in charge of rentals.

Last season, Mr. Daniels was employed at the Carolinian. After the season closed he established a beach protective business, in which he inspects beach property for absent owners. Arrangements will be made to carry out his contract for this winter.

"We made a nice start on that," Mr. Daniels said, "and I hope someone else will carry it on next winter."

Mr. Daniels has also been secretary of the Nags Head Chamber of Commerce since its establishment three years ago. He will resign that post.

Mr. Daniels is married, his wife being a former home demonstration agent in the county. They have two small children, Laura, who prefers to call herself Mary, and John Wesley.

WANCHESE MAN TAKES E. CITY BANK JOB

Edward C. Green, native of Wanchese, and President of its Ruritan Club, has taken the post of Assistant Cashier of the Guaranty Bank & Trust Co. of Elizabeth City. He has been with the Bank of Manteo for the past four years. He also worked with the N.C. Revenue Department for two years prior to going with the Manteo bank. He is a former President of the Manteo Lion's Club and adjutant of the Fort Raleigh Post at Manteo. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Green of Wanchese. He and Mrs. Green expect to establish a home in Elizabeth City soon.

OIL PAINTINGS TO BE SHOWN IN FORT MUSEUM

By AYCOCK BROWN

Student groups coming to the birthplace of English-speaking America in ever increasing numbers each spring and history-minded tourists and vacationists visiting the Dare coast throughout the year will soon see on display in Fort Raleigh Museum on Roanoke Island a complete collection of paintings of the New World's first pictorial record from original water colors by John White almost four centuries ago, it was announced this week by Robert Atkinson, superintendent of Fort Raleigh National Historic Site.

To be placed in the Museum during early February under the direction of Museum Administrator Paul Hudson of the Richmond regional office of the National Park Service will be 19 oil paintings by Sidney King, an outstanding artist of Tynor, Virginia. The King paintings are exact duplicates (except in permanent oil) of White drawings and water colors executed between 1585 and 1587 during the Sir Walter Raleigh directed expeditions to Roanoke Island, it was stated.

White as cartographer accompanied the 1585 expedition under the command of Governor Ralph Lane in the role of artist and map drawer. When the 1587 expedition returned with colonists who were to attempt a permanent settlement here, White had been commissioned by the then ruling Queen Elizabeth and Sir Walter Raleigh as Governor over the group. It was the events of the latter voyage which resulted in America's most baffling history-mystery, the disappearance of the settlers before relief ships returned and the story of these various incidents are now re-enacted each summer in Paul Green's internationally famous symphonic drama "The Lost Colony," which this year begins its 13th season on June 27.

Visitors Welcome
There is no charge of admission to tourists, vacationists and school groups visiting Fort Raleigh Historic Site and the Museum where the new paintings are to soon be added to a large collection of relics and historical documents of the Elizabethan era, in which the site originally featured, which are already on display.

"For many years most of the tourists and students of history came during the summer season," said Atkinson. "Now they come during each month of the year and from all parts of the world. During the spring months many North Carolina and Virginia school groups come to the Dare Coast, to visit not only Fort Raleigh but also Wright Brothers National Monument, birthplace of modern aviation at nearby Kill Devil Hills."

A. G. JAMES DIES IN ELIZABETH CITY

Had Many Friends in Dare County, and Visited Often on Nags Head Beach

Arthur Gilbert James of Elizabeth City died at the Albemarle Hospital Tuesday morning at 12:30 o'clock.

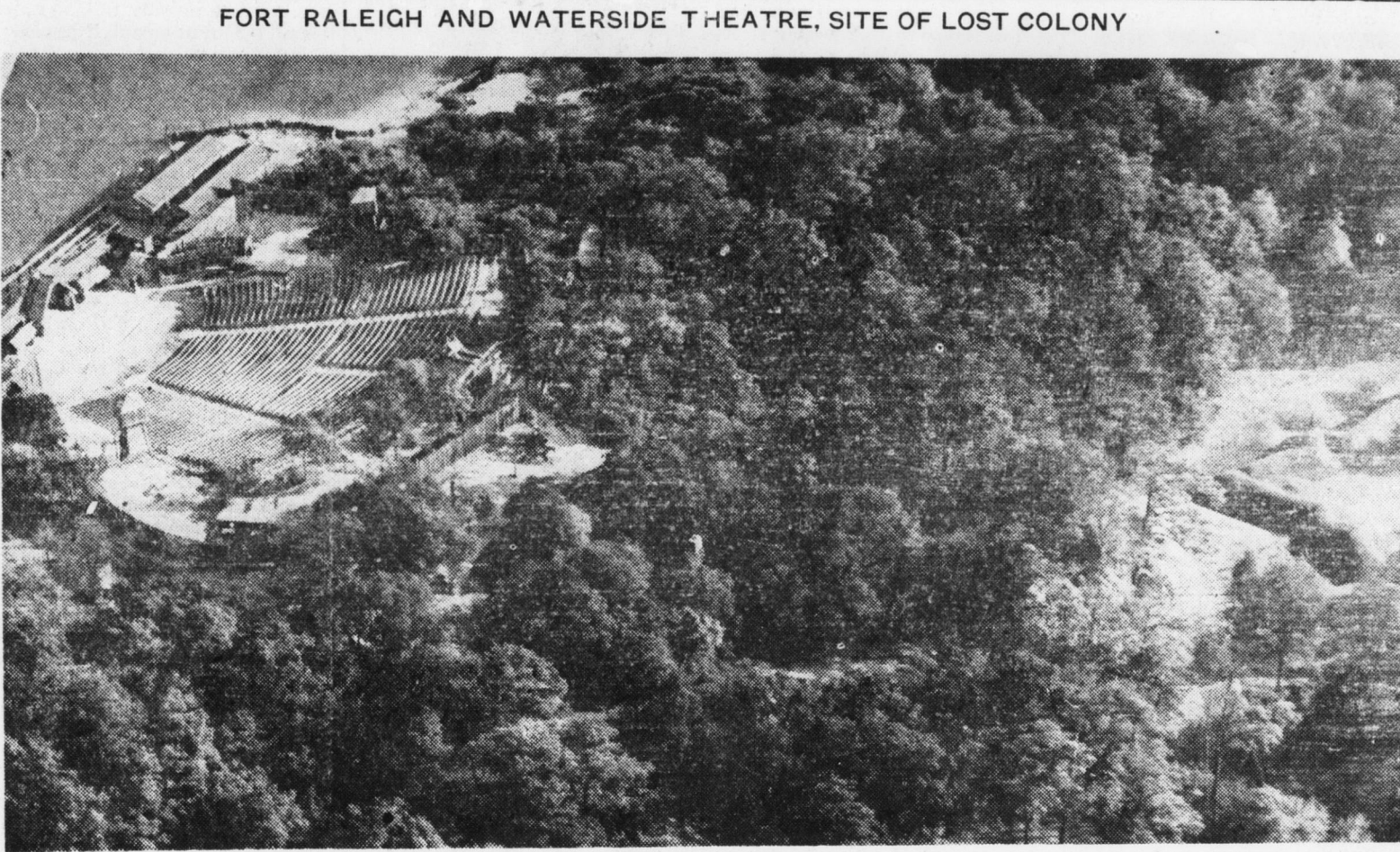
He was born in Matthews County, Va., Oct. 6, 1876, but has been living in Elizabeth City for the past 67 years. He was the son of the late Thomas Arthur and Ella Green James, and husband of Mrs. Lula May Spence James.

He was the owner of the Bright Jewelry Company of Elizabeth City. He was with the firm of Louis Selig for 30 years and then was made manager of the Bright Jewelry Company in 1925, a position he held until becoming owner 15 years ago. He was a member of the First Methodist Church of Elizabeth City, a member of the Eureka Lodge of Masons No. 317; was Past High Priest of Cherokee Chapter No. 14; was past Commander of Griggs Commandery No. 14; was a member of Tyrian Counsel No. 19 and served as secretary and treasurer of all of these organizations for 25 years.

After the meeting the road officials met with a group from Hatteras, who discussed the possibility of getting some help with neighborhood roads. The Hatteras group was led by M. L. Burrus, who was accompanied by eight other men from the Hatteras area.

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HISTORIC FORT RALEIGH, where Paul Green's symphonic drama, "The Lost Colony" is presented each summer, and where famous paintings are soon to be exhibited in the museum. Large numbers of tourists are now visiting this location during the winter months, instead of just during the summer, as in former years, and the paintings described elsewhere in this paper will add another interesting note to the already fascinating historic lore on exhibit.

HERBERT SADLER HOST TO ROAD GROUP JAN. 30th

Hyde Chairman to Have Meeting at Swan Quarter on Widening of U.S. 264

A meeting has been called by Chairman E. O. Arnold of the Roads Committee of the Southern Albemarle Association which is working for the improvement of U.S. Highways 64 and 264 at Swan Quarter at 11 a.m. on Friday, January 30th, at which time they will be dinner guests of Herbert Sadler, Chairman of the Hyde County Board of Commissioners at O'Neal's Hotel. Mr. Sadler is a member of this committee which has as its objective now a campaign for the improvement of the narrow-shouldered 16-foot road U. S. 264 between Swan Quarter and Belhaven.

Expected at this meeting will be Mrs. Scott Topping and Allen D. Swindell of Pantego, Dr. W. T. Ralph of Belhaven, Victor Meekins of Manteo, Mr. Arnold of Roper, E. A. Williams and H. L. Sadler of Hyde. Other members from Tyrrell, Washington and Martin are being invited.

The condition of this narrow road was brought to the attention of the Southern Albemarle meeting Wednesday at Engelhard by Victor Meekins and brought forth much comment from various persons present as to the need for a wider road, particularly in Hyde County, where the shoulders are too narrow for parking, and the road is bordered by a canal on each side. It was reported that there is heavy hauling in the Hyde County area on large trucks laden with logs, lumber, grain, fish and oysters, beside passenger buses, school buses, and many wholesalers' trucks.

WANCHESE RURITANS HAVE DISTINGUISHED VISITORS

Highway Commissioner Henry F. Shelton; District Engineer W. N. Spruill, Division Engineer George Mack; and Wilbur Daniels were visitors at the annual meeting of the Wanchese Ruritan Club last Friday night. Mr. Shelton, Mr. Spruill and Mr. Mack received thanks for their efforts toward road improvement in Wanchese and other parts of Dare County. They were introduced by Melvin R. Daniels, past president of the club, and each expressed himself as glad to do as much as possible in connection with improving the roads of the county.

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COMPLETES COURSE



Cape May, N. J.—Ivey M. Evans, Seaman Recruit, USCG, and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ivey H. Evans and the husband of Mrs. I. M. Evans of Manteo, is scheduled to complete the 12-week course of recruit training at the U. S. Coast Guard Receiving Center in Cape May, N. J., early this week. The course schedules the basic duties encountered as a member of the nation's oldest sea-going force.

KELLOGG SUPPLY BUYS OUT JORDAN BLOCK BUSINESS

C. W. Berry to Continue With Firm in Operation at Nags Head Location

Nags Head.—The Kellogg Supply Co., with businesses in Manteo and Kill Devil Hills, has bought the Jordan Concrete Products business here from R. E. (Dick) Jordan, now manager of "The Lost Colony."

C. W. Perry, who was employed by Mr. Jordan, will continue to operate the concrete block business, which is located next to the Newman Shell & Gift Co. He said the business would be expanded so that an adequate amount of blocks would be on hand at all times to take care of the customers' needs. The company, which now makes eight and four-inch blocks, corners and halves, will add six-inch blocks, which are becoming popular with builders.

Employed at the block plant, See KELLOGG, Page Eight

HOME CLUB TO HOLD PROGRAM IN MANTEO

Color Movie to Be Presented Tuesday, 27th at 2:30 P. M. in Community Bldg.

"Better Than Kings," a 28-minute color movie on Electrical Living will be presented Tuesday at 2:30 to the Manteo Home Club at the Community Building, according to Miss Mary Kirby, home agent. This movie will be presented by James F. Wellons, Jr., Rural Representative of the VEPCO. A demonstration will be made on conversion of oil lamps to electrical lamps. The public is invited.

MANY HYDE-DARE MEN DIRECTORS COASTAL GROUP

Three From Each County Elected Directors in New Bern Meeting Tuesday

By WADE LUCAS
NEW BERN, Jan. 20.—The General Assembly was asked here today to appropriate \$47,000 for an economic and engineering survey of Eastern North Carolina's inland ports and waterway facilities and for a "master plan" for their further development and greater utilization.

The request was made at the meeting of the recently-formed North Carolina Coastal Marine Council and will be laid before the State Board of Conservation and Development for action and transmission to the legislators at the board's mid-winter meeting in Raleigh next Monday. The board and the department were praised for their efforts to help develop the coastal resources.

In addition to asking for the survey, the council—which was formed last September at Belhaven by people representing 21 separate Eastern North Carolina communities—also requested that the engineering firm submit a "master plan" for development of industrial commercial fishing and recreational facilities. The council recommended in its unanimously-adopted resolution that the firm of Parsons, Brinckerhoff, Hall and McDonald of New York City be employed to make the survey.

A dozen speakers gave "heartily endorsement" to the proposal for a survey and the submission of a master plan for development of the coast's marine resources. Also endorsing the survey proposal and promising their full support to the plan to develop the coastal resources "to their fullest extent" were George R. Ross of Raleigh, director of the State Department of Conservation and Development, and Aubrey L. Cavenaugh of Warsaw, chairman of the water resources committee of C & D.

Ross pointed out that history was reversing itself here today in that around one hundred years ago Eastern North Carolina "pretty well controlled the political and economic life of the State" by reason of its water commerce and other factors.

"You helped build the railroads that helped develop our great Piedmont and other section," Ross said "and now in the words of former Rep. Marion Parrott, Lenoir County, you are asking for some of the help that you gave the other sections a century or more ago."

Ross suggested that the council look into the plan of asking the General Assembly for the estimated \$225,000 that is collected annually by the State in gasoline taxes on marine craft. Under present laws this tax is rebated if requested but Ross pointed out that only about \$75,000 of the sum is rebated annually. "You can well afford to make this sacrifice of \$75,000 to get working capital for development of your marine facilities," he added. William F. Patterson, secretary of the Washington, N. C., Chamber of Commerce, took what was considered a humorous jab at the General Assembly. See GROUP, Page Five

ENTHUSIASM HIGH AMONG SAA WED. AT ENGELHARD

Executive Committee Discusses Problems and Lunches at Engelhard Hotel

Despite the discouragements put in the way of bridges over Alligator River and Croatan Sound by some of those whose duty it is to represent the people and come to their aid, but who apparently are more concerned with personal considerations, there still was high enthusiasm among the more than 30 members of the Southern Albemarle Executive Committee which met at Engelhard Wednesday, and dined between sessions at the Engelhard Hotel.

The meeting was the first quarterly meeting for 1953 and was arranged by Leon Ballance, Vice-President for Hyde County, and presided over in morning and afternoon sessions by President Lawrence Swain of Manteo. Highlight of the meeting was a discussion of the problems confronting the movement for the bridges needed in this area, and the special committee of which Dr. W. T. Ralph of Belhaven is chairman, received the thanks of the group and was urged to continue with its efforts.

A report on the progress of Pettigrew Park was made by E. O. Arnold of Roper. Names of standing committees were announced by Mr. Swain. Telephone service in Hyde and Tyrrell rural areas came up for discussion and committee reports.

Speakers at the meeting included Dr. W. T. Ralph of Belhaven, C. W. Tatem, Mrs. Earl Cohoon, Mrs. Julian Swain, Mrs. Effie Brickhouse, W. J. White, all of Columbia; Melvin Daniels of Manteo; Warren Watson of Lake Landing, P. D. Midgett of Engelhard; Herbert Sadler of Swan Quarter; and others.

Aycock Brown of Manteo told See SAA, Page Five

SEA GANNETS APPEARING ON DARE COUNTY COAST

By AYCOCK BROWN

Kitty Hawk—Sea Gannets, one of the largest sea birds making annual visits to the Dare coast were seen flying near the surf here this week and Bill Henderson of Manteo Airport found one of the great birds in the surf between here and Corolla recently.

These large birds which sometimes have a wingspread of six feet from tip to tip usually spend about a month in local waters during the late winter as they make their migratory flights to the St. Lawrence River islands where they have breeding rookeries. Last year large numbers of these birds which had gotten in surface oils offshore floated into the surf to die on the beach.

Sea gannets are solid white except for black wingtips and a dash of yellow on their breasts. Sometimes in this locality they are mistaken for snow geese while in flight, but they usually do not fly in formation as the geese do. In ancient times sea gannets were called solan geese and some ancient writers reported that they were hatched from barnacles. The legend no longer exists as their breeding grounds in the St. Lawrence River Valley are visited annually by many ornithologists.

BEACH THIEVING TRACED TO FOUR IN ELIZ. CITY

Accidentally Discovered When Stolen Truck Was Recovered in South Carolina

Discovery of a stolen truck in South Carolina this week resulted in the apprehension of four persons charged with breaking in and stealing property from beach cottages at Nags Head. Three pleaded guilty in Dare Recorder's Court Tuesday, and a fourth pleaded guilty, and said he was too drunk at the time to recall what happened.

In jail in Manteo now in default of bond are T. J. Cooper and William Overton, while out on \$1,000 bail are Beulah Mae Burton, and Warren Tarkington. Overton is the one who pleaded not guilty. All are bound over to Dare Superior Court in May.

Two of the cottages mentioned among many broken into during the past year are those of Charlie Nash and the Twiford Funeral Home of Elizabeth City.

The case was broken when in response to a call put out by the highway patrol on January 11th, a truck was stolen from the Gary Steel Co. of Norfolk was picked up with Overton, Cooper and Harold Bell of Elizabeth City in Greenville, S. C. This truck was probably used in hauling loot from the cottages. The goods were traced after unraveling of evidence by the FBI and the SBI led the trail to the woman in Elizabeth City.

For some time, Sheriff Frank Cahoon and SBI Agent Walter Spence of Elizabeth City have been working on the vexing problem of the looting of beach cottages left alone and unprotected during the winter months. Breaking of this case may slow up the depredations for a while.

One other case was heard in Dare Court Tuesday. Harold B. Lennon was prosecuting witness against a Negro, Cleston Parker, a long time offender, charging Parker had assaulted him. Parker brought counter-charges alleging Lennon had first attempted to assault Parker. Judge Baum fined each \$10 and costs, gave them a 12 months road sentence, suspended on condition they not appear in court in 12 months.

POLIO 'LUNG' CASES NEED LONG CARE

A great many people in the United States are condemned to imprisonment each year although they have committed no crime. They are the iron lung victims of polio.

Although at one time a patient in an iron lung faced almost certain permanent confinement, the prospect for persons stricken during the past two years is considerably brighter, thanks to the March of Dimes.

Much progress in improving a patient's chances of liberation from breathing dependency is being made, according to a report by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

Survey of Patients
A spot survey of America's respirator residents revealed that of 260 long-term patients being treated at five respirator centers supported by the March of Dimes, 81 have been freed during the past two years from tank type iron lungs to other less-confining breathing devices. An additional 52 have been released from all types of artificial respiration, while all but 14 others enjoy prospects of at least partial liberation.

The survey also disclosed that the majority of respirator patients under 20 years of age were boys, while most of those between 20 and 39 were women. Medical authorities will hazard no explanation for this baffling statistic, the March of Dimes organization said.

Of every hundred polio patients living in respirators 15 have been confined for three years or longer, 13 for two to three years, while 16 have been respirator patients for one to two years, the report revealed.

16 Hours a Day in 'Lung'
The average iron lung patient spends 16 hours each day in his iron home. One out of four can rely partially upon a chest respirator or a rocking bed for a portion of the breathing assistance he needs.

While some of these cases, especially those who require 24 hour nursing service cost the March of Dimes as much as \$50 per day, the average is \$18 every 24 hours. A respirator weighs 600 pounds and, without extras See POLIO, Page Eight