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IT'S GOING TO BE AS GOOD AS WE'RE WILLING TO MAKE IT.

The year 1954 has come in and when the resolutions have all been made, and just about everybody is back at their accustomed tasks, is a better time to sum up things. As a good old friend who had lived long and wisely used to say, "We will live until we die."

Which means, that since we are here and all of us wish to stay here, it is up to us to keep on living, and make the best of everything. So times in 1954 are going to be as good as we are willing to make them.

Old people used to tell us if they couldn't make two dollars, they would make one. They meant that tight times didn't stop them from working.

And old fisherman stopped into the office today, and said he was amused as well as disgusted with the younger fishermen who sat around the filling stations and loafed on rainy days, complaining that fishing is no good. "I asked them," he said, "if they had been out to see. When I was a boy, we went fishing weather or not. Sometimes we got fish, and sometimes we didn't, but we fished."

Now there is a generation of adult citizens who came up through a period when if things were a little difficult, it had been customary, to run to the Government for help. But in the days of our old fishermen friend, they didn't know how to do this, and they helped themselves.

Courage, energy and self-reliance can still do the same thing, and make the man happier for it. But somebody has to take the lead and encourage the populace in it.

We believe 1954 will be a good year for those who are willing to work. It's going to be more and more a buyers' market, and naturally, as purveyors we must make good. Those of us willing to give value received should get along all right. Those not willing to work, but who wish to run to the Government for help may be disappointed.

We think it is going to be a good year in 1954. Naturally there is some dismay among the postmasters, who think the Republicans will try to get them out of office. Of course they will. Didn't they try to get the Republicans out, and isn't it how they got in; the spoils of politics is part of the game, and they have no right to expect better. Those who live by the sword will die by it, says the Bible.

But let us cast aside the fears of politics. We will live until we die. Let us make the best of it as well as the most of the year 1954. We've all got a little gold mine on this coast if we stick to it and work it. We won't get any gold by sitting around and moaning, or running around the country complaining about our fears.

EAST LAKE PERSONALS

Nina Basnight and Lonnie Ambrose motored to Columbia Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Mann of Portsmouth, Va., spent the Christmas holidays here with Mr. Mann's mother, Mrs. Sina Mann. Mrs. Mann accompanied them home.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Davidson of Norfolk visited old friends here recently.

R. T. Smith and Nina Basnight were in Engelhard Saturday.

Mrs. Annie Everett, Mrs. Belva Alexander, Mrs. Ida Hassell and Joe Noonan, Jr., of Norfolk spent New Year's day here visiting relatives and friends.

Mrs. Amy Jordan and children have returned to their home in Norfolk after spending some time here with Mrs. Jordan's mother, Mrs. Annie Twiford.

Miss Geneva Twiddy has returned home after spending the Christmas holidays in Elizabeth City with relatives.

Roy Basnight and Revere Sawyer were in Engelhard Saturday where Revere received medical attention.

Mr. and Mrs. Richie Harrison of Norfolk spent Sunday here with Mrs. Harrison's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ambrose.

Reid Basnight and Leo Twiford motored to Stumpy Point on business Friday.

DUCK PERSONALS

Mrs. Orville Woodhouse and son, Larry, Mrs. Harold Woodhouse and Miss Chris Aydlett of Grandy, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Midgett and son, Morgan, of Waves spent Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Midgett.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Midgett attended a New Years party at the home of Mrs. Orville Woodhouse of Grandy Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Whitson of Norfolk spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Whitson.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Perry and family of Kitty Hawk and Mr. and Mrs. Foster Spruill of Norfolk were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Spruill.

Mrs. Holland Beas, Mrs. R. C. Beas, Mrs. Flora Smith, Mrs. Johnie King were in Manteo, Saturday.

Mrs. Carrie Beas and Edmond Rogers were in Manteo, Thursday.

L. E. Beoman, Ralph Beoman, Bill Spann, and Mr. Parker, all of Norfolk spent Friday here hunting with Edmond Rogers.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Hines and son of Virginia Beach spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas King, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis King and family of Norfolk spent the week

AVON PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. James Clifton and daughters of Broad Creek Village visited Mrs. Clifton's mother, Mrs. Kate Scarborough over the week end.

Lt. and Mrs. Manson Meekins and children of Norfolk visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Meekins and Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Williams during the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Esther Whitlock of Norfolk is spending some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John N. Scarborough.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Sterling and boys, Ronnie and Donnie, have returned to their home in Norfolk after spending the holidays with Mrs. Sterling's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Gray.

Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Gray and family of Portsmouth are spending some time at their home here.

Mrs. Edna Price of Hertford spent a few days here recently with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. David Russell, Jr., and son of Norfolk are spending a few days with Mrs. Russell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Meekins.

Mrs. Wilma Hill and son, Dennis, are visiting Mrs. Hill's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Gray.

Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn Williams and children of Norfolk spent a few days with Mrs. William's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Gray.

Dewey Scarborough, who has been a patient in the Marine Hospital, Norfolk, is convalescing at his home here.

Moody Meekins, who is employed in Norfolk on an Oil Tanker is visiting his family here.

Mr. and Mrs. Damon Meekins and daughter, Gracie, of Camptella is visiting Mr. Meekins' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Left Meekins.

Garnet Gray, who is employed in Raleigh spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Gray.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Gray and children of Broad Creek Village spent a few days here recently with their parents.

Mrs. Elsie Sawyer and son Bobby, have returned after spending a few days in Riddle, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Mason and son, of Morehead spent the holidays with Mrs. Mason's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henderson Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Amblick Price and daughter, Gloria, of Princess Anne spent the week end with his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Noah Price.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Tolson and family are visiting Mrs. Tolson's brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Gray.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. King, Sr.

GREAT INTEREST IN HISTORY SHOWN IN TYRRELL CNTY

Columbia. At the first regular meeting on January 4, of the Tyrrell County Historical Association, which was formed during September permanent officers to fill the positions according to the bylaws were elected.

Sam S. Woodley, was elected as president; Mrs. Julian H. Swain, secretary; H. S. Swain, v-pres.; and Phil L. Spruill, treas. During the formation period the position as treasurer was held by Father T. A. Williams but due to his departure from Columbia on Jan. 15th, he was unable to succeed himself. The association rendered hearty thanks for his services and other aids.

W. S. Tarleton of the State Historical Society, who is now employed on the restoration of the old Collins home at Lake Phelps in Pettigrew Park, also a member of the program committee outlined some projects and method of securing and handling of these projects; Viz: Survey and collection of records and papers, Church papers and records, personal and family papers, Newspaper and magazine articles, Books. Survey of old buildings, including dwellings, schools, churches, mills, bridges, barns, etc. Survey of old furniture, tools and other objects of household and other use. Survey of old cemeteries, to locate, photograph, chart, and copy inscriptions on old headstones. Museum, probably the acquisition of a building, and fit up to the association's purposes, suggested study of museums elsewhere, getting suggestions from the Hall of History, and to seek out things to be placed into same.

At the suggestion of Mrs. C. P. Mitchell, Jr., members were asked to see the president at the close of the meeting outlining to him preference as to the teams to serve on in order to carry out these projects.

Mrs. Blanche W. Cohoon, chairman of the Museum and Library committee, reported that the committee had several old buildings in mind suitable for this purpose. Mrs. R. S. Knight, Jr. reported the addition of six new members. On motion by Mrs. J. C. Meekins, the secretary was asked to publicise the activities through newspaper medium.

Mrs. Wilma Midgette remains ill at her home here suffering from a severe cold.

Boyd Cahoon returned to Boston Saturday after spending the holidays here with his mother, Mrs. Doll Cahoon.

Mrs. Janice Butler arrived home Friday from Germany, where she has been with her husband for ten months. Lt. Butler will join his wife here after receiving his discharge from the Air Force.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Meekins of Camden, N. C., spent the week end here with Garland Meekins.

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Mrs. Claudia Dale and son, Gus, visited Mrs. Jimmie Meekins and Garland Meekins a few days recently.

Mrs. Bill Seigrest and son, Billy, are spending some time in Norfolk with her husbands parents.

Mrs. Cora Twiford and daughter, Mrs. Grace Golden, are spending the week in Norfolk on business.

Mrs. Tom Wise spent Sunday here with her mother, returning to Norfolk where she can be with her husband who remains quite ill in Kecoughtan Hospital, Hampton, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Hooper spent the week end in Norfolk with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Boomer.

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John Zachary and Catherine O'Keefe of Norfolk spent Sunday with Mrs. Florine Hooper.

Mrs. Susan Hooper of Manns Harbor spent Thursday and Friday with her sister, Mrs. Frances Hooper.

HATTERAS MYF JOINS BUXTON IN WATCH SERVICE

The Methodist Youth Fellowship of the Buxton church was joined by the young people from Hatteras and the adults from both churches in a watch service at the church on New Year's Eve. Recreation and refreshments were enjoyed in the Sunday School room from nine until 11 o'clock, and the worship service was held in the church from 11 until 12, being concluded by a communion service conducted by Rev. Dan C. Meadows.

Those participating in the worship service were Frieda Midgett,

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STUMPY POINT NEWS

Mrs. Judy Payne has returned home from Norfolk where she has been visiting her children.

Zion Mason and Rupert Payne of Norfolk were here hunting this week.

Mrs. Vera Payne, Mrs. Edith Payne and Dale Payne spent Monday in Greenville, S. C., where Dale is getting a physical check up.

Mrs. Geraldine Anderson and children, Tracy, Lois and Gail of Norfolk, spent New Year's holidays with Mrs. Horace Hooper.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wise, Jr., and son, George, spent the week end here with Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Wise Sr.

Geo. Wise and Mrs. Wise and Eddie Leigh Hooper spent Sunday and Monday in Norfolk.

Bernice Payne spent several days in Norfolk recently with Miss Gladys White, who accompanied him home for a short stay.

Mr. and Mrs. Tracey Hooper and girls, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Hooper and son and John Hooper of Buxton spent the week end here with relatives.

Mrs. Estelle Wood of Norfolk visited her daughter, Mrs. Lou Hooper Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Hooper of Elizabeth City spent the week end here with relatives. Archie returned home with his father to enter school there.

Capt. and Mrs. Kipling Wise, USN, have returned from Chicago, Ill., where they visited friends. Capt. Wise and family are making their home in New London, Conn.

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president of the Buxton MYF: Peter Finnegan, Mrs. Aubrey Rollinson, Charles Lamm, Irvin Styron, Victor Rollinson, Lloyd Scarborough, Jr., Betty Rollinson and the pastor, Mrs. Olive Peele was pianist.

PEARL WILSON BRIDE OF NELVA LEE CAPPS

Miss Pearl Joyce Wilson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Wilson of Manteo, and Nelva Lee Capps, son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Capps of Princess Anne, Va., were married in a quiet ceremony Saturday afternoon, January 2, at 2:30 o'clock, at the home of the bride's parents. The vows were spoken to Rev. Frank B. Dinwiddie, who used the ring ceremony. Decorations were white gladioli and white lighted candles. As a benediction Mrs. Frank B. Dinwiddie sang "The Lord's Prayer".

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a light blue suit with luggage tan accessories and a white orchid. Her sister, Mrs. Ephey Priest, was matron of honor and wore a light pink suit with luggage tan accessories and a purple orchid.

R. J. Capps served as his brother's best man.

Out-of-town guests included the bridegroom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Capps and their daughter, Erma Jean; his brother, R. J. Capps; his cousin, Miss Becky Malbon, all of Princess Anne, Va. Approximately 30 friends were present at the wedding.

On Saturday evening the bridal party was entertained at a cake cutting by the bridegroom's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Malbon, at their home in Princess Anne. Immediately following, the couple left for a wedding trip through the Blue Ridge mountains in Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. Capps are making their home in Manteo, where the bride is employed by the Norfolk and Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Co. Mr. Capps, who is in the Coast Guard, is stationed at Nags Head.

WANCHESE PERSONALS

Misses Shirley Daniels, Laura Daniels and Jacky Forehand have returned to E.C.C. in Greenville after spending the Christmas holidays here with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Baum and baby of Norfolk were week end visitors of their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. George Payne of Stumpy Point spent Sunday here with Mr. and Mrs. Willie Etheridge, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Eastman Forbes and daughter, Ruth, were visitors in Elizabeth City Saturday.

MANNS HARBOR NEWS

Harry Carter and Ormand Lee Mann have returned to Camp May, N. J., after spending several days leave here. They were accompanied by their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Huff Mann, and Mrs. Guy Mann.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Thomas have returned to their home in Blacksburg, Va., after spending some time here with Mrs. Thomas' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Midgett.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Pinner left Monday for Augusta, Ga., where they will visit Mrs. Pinner's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Coplan and her mother, Mrs. James Allen Butler, of Laurel, Mississippi, who is also visiting in Georgia.

Miss Wanda Burrus has returned to Meredith College to resume her studies after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Burrus.

Mrs. Donald Green and daughter, Carol Ann, have returned to their home in Elizabeth City after spending last week here with Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Beasley.

Dalton Mann has returned to ECC, Greenville, after spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Mann.

Lt. and Mrs. Carl Mann, Jr., and children, Carl Stanley, Judith Faye, and Carol, left this week for Washington, D. C., from there they will go to Ft. Smith, Arkansas. The Manns have been visiting their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Mann.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Armstrong and children, Linda, E. H. Jr., Betty and Billy, have returned to their home at Virginia Beach after spending last week here with Mrs. Armstrong's mother, Mrs. W. S. Pinner.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Mann of Henderson were guests during the week of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Mann and family.

BUXTON P.T.A. MEETS IN SCHOOL TUESDAY

The P.T.A. of Buxton had its January meeting Tuesday.

Mrs. Hooper, president, presided. Mrs. Cynthia Rollinson led in devotions and Mrs. Olive Peek played the piano.

At the business meeting improvements for the school were discussed and doors are to be made. Plans for Valentine party. All mothers are urged to meet Monday, Jan. 11 at the school to help with the preparations and make this affair a success.

A Houlton our State Park representative showed various pictures of National Parks and gave a brief talk as the slides were shown.

Refreshments of home made layer cake was served to all with hot coffee. Those furnishing cakes for this meeting were Mrs. Odessa Gray, Mrs. Blanche Midgett, Mrs. Paula Fulcher.

The Girl Scout troop furnished baby sitters for this meeting. Misses Barbara Hooper and Betty Gay Rollinson chosen for this month.

Gaskill have returned to their home after several days away. Mr. Gaskill, who is employed by Hassell and Creff Motor Co. in Manteo, has been attending a three-day school for mechanics in Charlotte and Mrs. Gaskill has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Lida Bridges, in Raleigh, En route home they visited Mr. Gaskill's mother, Mrs. Betty Gaskill, in the Albemarle Hospital.

Mrs. Betty Gaskill is seriously ill in the Albemarle Hospital, Elizabeth City. Her daughters, Mrs. Desmond Rogers and Mrs. John Ward of Manteo, have been at her bedside most of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Glenn

60 SECONDS OF WISDOM By Fred Dodge

TEXT: "Don't make excuses - make good." Elbert Hubbard

A mid-westerner was sitting on the beach watching a fair and stout bather enjoy herself in the surf. He knew nothing of tides and did not notice that each succeeding wave came a little closer to his feet. At last an extra big wave splashed over his shoe tops. "Hey, there!" he yelled at the fair, fat bather, "Quit your jumpin' up and down. D'yuh want to drown me?"

How ready we are to blame the other fellow for a short-coming of our own. Without thinking we try to excuse ourselves for the embarrassment we feel by putting the blame on someone else or something else. To make excuses is easy. Almost everyone does it - excepting successful folks. If they make excuses at all, they make excuses for the other fellow, and accept the responsibility for error themselves. If we would spring to the defense of others as swiftly as we make excuses for our short-comings, this would be a happy world, indeed.

BUXTON PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Gibbs of Buxton had as their recent guests Mr. and Mrs. George Staley of Rolesville, Larry Gibbs of Columbia and Eddie Hubbard of Baltimore, Md.

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