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CONSIDERING AN ADDITION DARE CO. COURTHOUSE

Commissioners Hear Requests for Budgets Tuesday; Other Business

The Dare County Commissioners Tuesday considered the proposition of adding more rooms to the Dare County Courthouse, and instructed that a firm of Raleigh architects be consulted. The county has about \$50,000 recently received from the sale of some lands, and which some people are anxious to see spent for this purpose.

The Board made adjustment on several tax matters and requested of the State Highway Commission consideration of certain harbor improvements at Stumpy Point.

Wallace R. Gray, young Manteo attorney was appointed manager of the property at the Manteo Airport, effective July 1 at a salary not to exceed \$100 per month, with Lawrence Swain to work with him as a representative of the Board. Mr. Gray succeeds D. V. Meekins who had asked to be relieved.

The Board heard requests of Department heads for the new county budget. Figures were presented for Farm Agency program at \$1,495 and for the home agent 1,526. The County Health officer was requested to make his budget small. Figures are not given. The school budget is not shown yet.

The Cavalier Motor Court was requested to remove a sign at Nags Head which by mistake had been erected in a street. A half page advertisement in the State Magazine was bought at \$96.50. The A. D. Barney acreage at Caffees Inlet was adjusted at 329-16/100.

THOMAS R. WILCOX BURIED AT WANCHESE

Funeral services for Thomas Wilcox, who died in a Norfolk, Va., Hospital Sunday, May 30, were conducted Friday afternoon, June 4, at 3 o'clock in the Wanchese Methodist Church, by Rev. C. W. Guthrie, pastor, assisted by Rev. Henry V. Napier, pastor of the Manteo Baptist Church.

"Unanswered Yet" and "Goodnight and Goodmorning" were sung by Mrs. James Gaskill and Walter Gaskill. The church choir sang "The Cross Is Not Greater." They were accompanied on the organ by Mrs. Dallas Tillett.

The casket was covered with the American flag.

L. V. Gaskill, H. O. Bridges, S. B. Tillett, Earl Willis, Alec Davis and Wilber Daniels served as pallbearers.

Burial followed in the Cudworth Cemetery.

ROANOKE ID. BAPTIST CHURCH HAS BIBLE SCHOOL

Daily Vacation Bible School started for a week's session Monday morning at the Roanoke Island Baptist Church near Manteo. The school is under the direction of Rev. Frank B. Dinwiddie, pastor of the church, with Mrs. Wynn Dough as assistant. All children have been invited to attend.

NEW DIRECTOR FOR DARE COUNTY LIBRARY

Monday, June 15th, W. J. B. Cruse will take over the direction of the Dare County Library.

The librarians have been working very hard to get moved into the new quarters before his arrival. The additional two rooms have provided a reading and reference room, a children's room, and, with addition of new shelves, the congestion in the main room has been very much relieved.

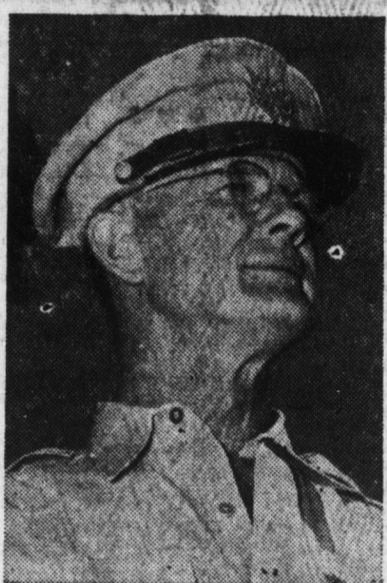
A cordial invitation to visit the library and get acquainted with Mr. Cruse is extended to everyone. There are a lot of new books too.

Mr. Cruse graduated June 1 from the University of Kentucky, Lexington, Ky., with a major in library science.

WINS SCHOLARSHIP

Miss Carolee O'Neal of Manteo was the winner this spring of the annual scholarship awarded by the Manteo Woman's Club to be applied on the recipient's further schooling. Miss O'Neal, who was the salutatorian of the Manteo senior class of 1954, plans to attend WCUNC, Greensboro, for a one-year business course.

BIG JULY FOURTH FOR OCRACOCKE IS PLANNED



MARVIN W. HOWARD

Plans are underway for another big celebration on Ocracoke Island on July 4th, and this year a total of \$185 in prizes will be awarded at 4 p.m. at the conclusion of the exercises, according to Marvin W. Howard, chairman of the Ocracoke Civic Club. The program calls for a pony penning at 10 a.m.; a parade at 2 p.m. Ocracoke's Fourth of July programs usually attract much interest and draw large crowds, and in other days was the official opening of the summer season, which now begins much earlier. In fact, Ocracoke to a large extent, is an all-year resort. Our readers will welcome further details soon about this affair.

BLUE MARLIN DOCKS OPEN IN HATTERAS

Hatteras.—One of the most modern facilities of its kind ever erected on Hatteras Island is the new restaurant and other facilities with appeal to big game fishermen at the Blue Marlin fishing docks. On Wednesday morning this week, the new restaurant was scheduled to begin operations, according to Walter Wilkins of Norfolk, here to see the completion of the facilities.

Wilkins is associated with Capt. Edgar Styron, widely known big game fishing guide in the operation of Blue Marlin Fishing Docks. Location of the docks are on the harbor front back of the old U. S. Weather

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MANTEO SCHOOL FINALS BRING LARGE AUDIENCE

Dr. John D. Messick Speaker; Seniors Leave Much-Needed Gift to School

Speaking before a capacity audience in the Manteo school auditorium on Friday night, June 4, Dr. John D. Messick, president of East Carolina College, Greenville, brought an inspiring message to the seniors.

He spoke to them on the challenge that life presents to them in the world of today, and urged them to meet the challenge with clean minds, hearts and bodies; and to strive to keep themselves untouched by worldly temptations.

Dr. Messick was introduced by Wayland Fry of the Manteo faculty. Diplomas were awarded by principal Adrian O. Ayers. Robert Ballance, Jr. gave the invocation; Harry Johnson, president of the senior class, extended the welcome; and Patricia Baum closed the evening's program with a benediction.

Receiving their diplomas were Ernestine (Sally) Alford, Robert Ballance, Jr., Janet Basnight, Patricia Baum, Quentin Bell, Donald Bliven, Jack Burrus, James Daniels, Jerry Daniels, Carlisle Davis, Charlotte Davis, Edna Bruce Dowdy, Ann Etheridge, Webb Etheridge, Lottie Gallop, Linda Gaskill, Harry Johnson, Barbara Jones, Annie Laurie Kee, Daniel Mann, John Krider, Jr., Margarene Midgett, Carolee O'Neal, Meriet Simpson, Margaret Jean Tillett, Louise Marie Wescott, and William Wescott.

On Thursday night, at class night exercises, the following awards were made by principal Adrian O. Ayers: valedictory award, Annie Laurie Kee; salutatory award, Carolee O'Neal; scholarship award, Shirley Midgett; tenth grade student; girls' athletic award, Edna Bruce Dowdy; boys' athletic award, Robert Ballance, Jr.

Gift to School

The parting gift of the senior class to the school was a set of flags, an American flag and a North Carolina state flag; and a screen for the school's movie projector, both of which are

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GRADUATE AT UNC COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES



WOODSON B. FEARING, left and RAMON PARKER, right, both of Manteo, were among the graduates at the University of North Carolina at the 160th commencement exercises this week in Chapel Hill.

Young Fearing received a bachelor of science degree with a major in radio. He and his wife, the former Betty Cox, are living near Manteo and he will be employed in Manteo for the time being. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Fearing of Manteo.

Young Parker is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leon C. Parker of Manteo. He received a bachelor of science degree with a major in chemistry. His mother attended the commencement exercises in Chapel Hill; also his sister, Mrs. Durwood King of Norfolk; and his aunt, Mrs. Mildred Taylor of Norfolk.

THIRD BILLFISH OF SEASON BOATED OFF HATTERAS ON SUNDAY

Hatteras.—Third billfish of the season to be boated off Hatteras this year was landed Sunday by E. W. Harrington, 305 Hardy Street, Norfolk. His fish, a sail, was the second sailfish of the season to be taken in the Gulf Stream off this fish famous Outer Banks town.

On May 31, Douglas Mann of Montclair, N. J. landed the first sail. He was fishing with Capt. Edgar Styron aboard his new Gulf stream cruiser the Twins II. Later in the week from aboard the same boat and with the same skipper, N. W. Bacon of Richmond hooked and landed the first marlin of the season. The marlin weighed 70 pounds and first reported as a white marlin, observers who saw the fish declared it was a small blue marlin.

Harrington's sailfish was landed while trolling from aboard Dr.

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NEW TELEPHONE SYSTEM LATEST TYPE ON BEACH

Dial System Now Functioning Satisfactorily; Cost Quarter Million

The recently completed dial telephone installation has been functioning satisfactorily since June 1. The Carolina Telephone & Telegraph Co. of Elizabeth City has invested upwards of a quarter of a million dollars in making this service possible.

Housed in a modern brick building, the equipment is of the newest type, and operated automatically without manual operators. The building will have an air conditioning system. It is built of dual walls with an air space to off-set condensation. It is fire proof in type.

Many miles of multiplex wires were strung in cables along the beach, so the system would serve

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FERRY TRAVEL TO HATTERAS JUMPS AHEAD OF COMBINED ALLIGATOR-CROATAN ROUTES

Oregon Inlet Ferry Carries Total of 6,333 Vehicles in Month of May; 972 More Vehicles Than Used Both Other Ferries in Dare County. New Craft To Be Commissioned This Month.

Oregon Inlet ferry traffic during the month of May was almost as great as the combined traffic handled by ferries operating over Croatan Sound and Alligator River, according to information received in Manteo by Cape Hatteras National Seashore Recreational Area officials from District Highway Commissioner Emmett Winslow of Hertford. The difference in the total for the Inlet ferry and those operating across Croatan and Alligator was 972 vehicles.

Mr. Winslow reported to the Land Acquisition Office of National Park Service in Manteo that 6,333 vehicles, 3,130 bearing N. C. license plates and 3,203 non-resident license tags, crossed Oregon Inlet.

In comparison, 3,876 North Carolina licensed vehicles, and 1,236 non-residents crossed Croatan Sound to total 5,112 cars and trucks during May and a total of 2,193 crossed Alligator River during the month. Only 399 vehicles using the ferry facilities of Alligator River on U. S. 64 were foreign or non-residents, according to the license tags checked.

Due to the increase in traffic, State Highway and Public Works officials established additional schedules on June 5, five days ahead of the date advertised for increasing the service on winter schedules.

Traffic was heaviest on Memorial Day week end when so many persons thronged to the Dare Coast that operators claimed business was better than Fourth of July week end last year.

Mr. Winslow also stated that the new converted landing craft designed for ferry service on Oregon Inlet, to help maintain the 18 or more round trips daily during the summer months would be placed in service on June 19. Previously it had been announced that the additional ferry would be in service on or about June 15. In the meantime, the old Barcelona, a wooden ferry is helping maintain service with the present converted landing craft on the 18-round trips daily between Nags Head and Hatteras Island. The newer large ferry is expected to be in commission late this month. A third boat of the same type is being made ready as a standby craft for this run.

An increase in traffic over Croatan Sound, and Alligator River will be noted during late June and until Labor Day, as the Lost Colony gets underway for its 14th season.

Some observers believe that traffic over Oregon Inlet, will continue to be greater during the current summer than over Croatan Sound, especially for non-resident vehicles bringing tourists and vacationists from everywhere to the National Seashore.

MRS. EMMA GRAY DIES AT STUMPY POINT

Mrs. Emma Wise Gray, wife of John Grandy Gray of Stumpy Point, died at two o'clock Saturday morning at the home. Mrs. Gray had been in failing health for some time but her death was sudden. Funeral services were conducted Sunday afternoon at the home by Rev. A. L. G. Stephenson, pastor of the Stumpy Point Methodist Church. Burial was in the Stumpy Point cemetery.

Mrs. Wise is survived by her husband; one son, Dallas Gray; two sisters, Mrs. Cecil Midgett and Mrs. Dick Best; one half-brother, George M. Wise; one half-sister, Mrs. Monroe Midgett; and several grandchildren and great grandchildren, all of Stumpy Point.

RECEIVES PROMOTION

According to word received last week in Manteo by Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Rogers, their son, Aubrey has recently been promoted from the rank of lieutenant to the rank of captain in the U. S. Army. Capt Rogers is serving in Europe, having been there for several years.

2 DARE NATIVES WIN PLACES AT HEAD OF A BANK

Manns Harbor and Wanchese Scions Recognized in Elizabeth City

Lorimer W. Midgett, Elizabeth City insurance man was this week named president of the Industrial Bank and will succeed Miles Clark who resigned because of other business interests.

Melvin Daniels, Jr., who has been the bank's cashier, was elevated by the board of directors to the position of executive vice president. He will succeed C. B. Morrisette, who resigned on the orders of his physician.

Midgett replaces Clark on the board of directors, and Wayne W. Massey, Sr., replaces Morrisette. Charles Ward, Sr., was named vice president and other members of the board are W. P. Skinner and Martin Simpson, Jr.

Lorimer W. Midgett was born at Manns Harbor and is the son of Mrs. Matilda M. Hudgins and the late Brad Midgett, but grew up in Elizabeth City where he has resided many years. He has served in the Legislature and is a well-known insurance man.

Melvin Daniels, Jr., is the son of Dare County's Register of Deeds and Mrs. Melvin Daniels of Wanchese, and was formerly connected with the State Department of Revenue before going with the bank two years ago.

Midgett said a new cashier will be announced in the next few days. It will be an Elizabeth City man, he added.

The bank, which makes installment loans, now has assets totalling \$2,003,869.75. It is a member of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

A. D. TILLETT FUNERAL TUESDAY; KITTY HAWK

Alphonso D. Tillett, 73, retired from the Coast Guard Service for 21 years died June 5 at Marine Hospital, Norfolk. He was one of the best known and most highly respected citizens of his community. His funeral was conducted Tuesday, at 2 p.m. and burial was in the Austin Cemetery at Kitty Hawk. Services were conducted by Elders of the Primitive Baptist Church of which he was a member. Elder J. P. Tingle, the pastor; Elder G. G. Trevathan of Pink Hill; and Elder A. B. Ayers of Williamston.

Mr. Tillett is survived by his wife, Mrs. Leonora L. Tillett; a daughter, Mrs. Harry L. Hamilton of Sea Level; three sons: N. A. of Kill Devil Hills, Bera A. and Alton C. of Kitty Hawk; a brother, W. L. Tillett of Kitty Hawk; four sisters, Mrs. Mary Love Perry, Mrs. Ella O'Neal and Mrs. Jennie Beasley of Kitty Hawk, and Mrs. Bristow O'Neal of Manteo.

He was the son of the late Almira Hayman and Benjamin Tillett of itty Hawk.

MANY FRIENDS ATTEND SHOWING AT CROATAN

Many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Griggs of the Croatan Hotel, Kill Devil Hills, were present Sunday afternoon, June 6, to witness the unveiling of Dean Cornwell's painting of the first flight. The picture was hung in a prominent place in the hotel lobby and a profusion of summer flowers was used for decoration in both the lobby and dining room.

Fred Harvey of the Goodyear Company of Akron, Ohio, for whom the picture was painted, was present to attend the unveiling. He was accompanied by Mrs. Harvey and their daughter, both of whom assisted in receiving guests.

In the dining room punch and hors d'oeuvres were served from a long table centered with an arrangement of red carnations. Music was furnished by one of the boys employed at the hotel, who both played the piano and sang throughout the afternoon.

ENTHUSIASTIC CROWD VIEWS PAINTING AT CROATAN HOTEL SUNDAY AFTERNOON



THIS FAMOUS PAINTING COMMEMORATING THE 50th anniversary of powered flight has come to a permanent resting place in the lobby of the Croatan Hotel at Kill Devil Hills, and was the scene of a pleasant party attended by many people Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Russell Griggs, hosts. Mayor J. L. Murphy of Kill Devil Hills made appropriate remarks of welcome and ample refreshments were served by the hosts.

The painting was done by Dean Cornwell, a well-known New York and London artist, for the Goodyear Company, and has been widely reproduced throughout the world in connection with the first flight celebrations.