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CROATAN BRIDGE CONTRACT TO BE LET ON TUESDAY

September 7th to Be Opening Date of Project Important to This Area

Raleigh.—The State Highway Commission has called for low bids on 30 projects in 29 counties involving 250.34 miles of road improvements.

The letting will be held in Raleigh, Tuesday, September 7. The Highway Commissioners will meet two days later on Thursday, September 9, in Raleigh to review the low bids received.

One of the major projects in the September 7 letting is the Croatan Sound Bridge on US 64 between Manns Harbor and Manteo. Plans call for a bridge which will be 14,265 feet in length and have a 24-foot wide clear roadway. The 2.7-mile long bridge will be built on concrete piles and caps with steel beams and a concrete floor and rails for the superstructure. The big bridge will have a fixed span across the navigable channel which will provide at that point a vertical clearance of 45 feet and a horizontal clearance of 80 feet. Highway engineers have already driven test piles for determining the length of the concrete piles. A maximum work limit of 450 working days has been set.

Two big jobs in the west are the Reidsville bypass and the Lincolnton bypass. In Rockingham County, plans call for 5.3 miles of grading and structures from a point on a 20-foot wide paved county road, running northeast crossing US 158, NC 87 and NC 14 and bypassing Reidsville to a point on US 29, south of the Virginia State line. In Lincolnton, a job calls for 4.04 miles of grading and structures in the relocation of NC 150 around Lincolnton.

A big job in Alamance-Guilford involves 20.47 miles of paving the relocation of US 70 from US 421 to NC 49 and connection from US 70 and US 421 to beginning of Ivey Street project in Greensboro.

In Johnston, US 301 will be relocated for 11.9 miles. The project calls for 11.9 miles of grading and structures from the Johnston-Harnett County line, easterly through Four Oaks to intersection with US 701.

Also of interest locally are the following projects to be built: Dare — 0.9 mile of muck excavation and hydraulic embankment in the relocation of US 64 from a point on Manns Harbor-Mashoes Road about six miles southeast of Mashoes, east to Weir Point (Approaches to proposed Croatan Sound Bridge).

Martin-Washington—On US 64 widen existing bridge over Welch's Creek between Jamesville and Plymouth.

ATKINSON FINDS LIFE INTERESTING AT McHENRY

Robert H. Atkinson of Manteo, now with the National Park Service at Fort McHenry near Baltimore, Md., is probably finding his duties as Superintendent of this National Monument more exciting than while in his similar post until last year at Fort Raleigh. The Baltimore newspapers give big accounts of the doings in the vicinity, and of the various ways in which the cities shows off the attraction to its visitors. During the month the National convention of the Marine Corps League and its Auxilliary were presented a Star Spangled Banner by Mr. Atkinson. It was on Fort McHenry that Francis Scott Key wrote our National Anthem. September 12 is Maryland Defenders Day, and again the Fort will figure in the exercises, led by the Cutter Ingham of the Coast Guard, an organization in which Mr. Atkinson served during World War II. Mrs. Atkinson was the former Roxie Etheridge of Manteo.

CANCER CLINIC

It has been announced this week that the first cancer clinic of the fall will be held Friday, September 3rd, at the Health Center in Elizabeth City. Registration will begin at 1 p.m. According to Mrs. W. W. Finlator, clerk, priority may be obtained by writing the cancer clinic at Elizabeth City. Those appearing for an examination are requested to take their own robe or housecoat with them.

DARE MAN IS HONORED BY ACCOUNTANTS



CORLETT W. BURRUS, formerly of Hatteras was recently elected President of the Tidewater Chapter of Accountants for the ensuing year. This Chapter embraces Norfolk, Portsmouth and Suffolk and is a large organization. Mr. Burrus, who is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Burrus of Hatteras is married to the former Rebecca Gaskins, daughter of Mrs. Caddie Gaskins and the late Urias Gaskins of Cape Hatteras. He is a member of the auditing firm of Cootes and Burrus.

FISHING BETTER THAN PAR OFF HATTERAS AREA

Hatteras—Despite stormy weather last week end, Gulf Stream fishermen were having better than average luck in waters off the coast of Dare County during the month of August.

Count of sailfish and white marlin was lost during the middle of the month when the big blue marlin started hitting. From Hatteras and/or Oregon Inlets during a 10 day period of mid-August six giant blue marlin ranging from 165 to 425 pounds were landed by anglers skipping bait for the big fish.

In addition to the billfishes, plenty of dolphin, larger than average in size, some of which went to 35 pounds each, wahoo, the largest a 56 pounder, amberjack ranging from 18 to 30 pounds, false and true albacore, little tuna and other varieties were landed. Those who have followed Gulf Stream fishing along the North Carolina coast are unanimous in their belief that this has been the greatest summer of all for blue water fishing. More billfishes have been landed from Oregon Inlet southward to Southport than in any other previous year, and it has been the same story for other varieties, especially dolphin and amberjack.

Gulf Stream fishing usually continues good until mid-Autumn or later, but as the season advances, there are fewer days when the sea is satisfactory for operating offshore than during the summer months. The best catches of big fish, as matter of fact have in the past been made during September or October. The national record for blue marlin last year was taken off Hatteras on September 19, and off Wrightsville sailfish were taking lures well into October.

JONES' BIG EVENT THIS SUNDAY, SEPT 5

Inquiries from Distant States Received Regarding the "Day They Give It All Away"

Jones' Bingo is having their "Sadie Hawkins Day" Sunday, Sept. 5, and Manager Joseph V. Shesser expects the largest crowd ever at the annual event. He said this week that inquiries about the "day they give it all away" have been received from places as distant as Mississippi, Alabama, Pennsylvania, Georgia and many of the northern sea-coast states. According to the letters received, those people are scheduling their vacations so they will be at Nags Head for the event.

Shesser announced that playing will begin at 12 noon and continue until every prize in the stand has been awarded to someone. Many large prizes are in store throughout the day, with televisions and a radio-phonograph combination as grand prizes.

SPEEDING CASES HIGHLIGHT DARE COURT TUESDAY

Cases Handled Are All Traffic Violations Except One Game Case

Speeding cases highlighted the regular session of Dare County Recorder's Court held Tuesday by Judge W. F. Baum. With the exception of one game violation, all the cases handled were traffic violations.

Aldridge Curles submitted to a charge of allowing another person to use his driver's license and paid a \$25 fine and costs. Thomas J. King, Jr., who had attempted to use Curles' license, submitted to the charge of operating a motor vehicle without a license and paid a \$25 fine and costs.

D. F. Crane pled not guilty to hunting game out of season and without a license, but was found guilty by the court. He appealed the case to Superior Court.

Bernard L. Zeiman, charged with speeding 55 m.p.h. in a 35 mile m.p.h. zone, submitted, and paid a \$20 fine and costs.

C. Franklin Minick submitted to the charge of speeding 48 m.p.h. in a 35 m.p.h. zone and paid a fine of \$13 and costs.

James Richard Vitt paid a \$5 fine and costs after submitting to following another car too closely on the highway.

Calvin Ellis Doub submitted to speeding 70 m.p.h. in a 35 m.p.h. zone and paid a fine of \$35 and costs.

Henry Vaughn Skinner, charged with speeding 50 m.p.h. in a 35 m.p.h. zone, submitted and paid a \$15 fine and costs. Delma O. Golden submitted to failing to stop at a stop sign and paid a \$5 fine and costs.

TOWNS SHARE IN STATE FUNDS FOR STREET UPKEEP

The State Highway Commission last week announced allotments for funds to incorporated towns and cities from funds divided under the formula of the "Powell" bill. Allotments for towns in the Southern Albemarle Area are as follows: Belhaven \$10,278.71; Columbia \$3,579.84; Kill Devil Hills \$6,399.91; Manteo \$2,420.03; Bath \$1,331.79; Aurora \$2,868.36; Roper \$2,956.14; Creswell, \$1,575.34; Plymouth \$14,622.11.

This money will make available some needed street repairs, and in some instances a few newly paved streets.

This money comes from a half cent a gallon share of the State's gasoline tax for the fiscal year past. Total allotted in the state this year \$5,390,897.20.

MISS FEREBEE GETS A MASTER'S DEGREE



New Orleans, Aug. 28 (Special)—Miss Miriam E. Ferebee, Manteo, received the master of social work degree from Tulane University at the annual summer school graduation exercises. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Ferebee of Manteo.

Dr. Robert M. Lumiansky, newly appointed dean of the Tulane graduate school, was principal speaker for the exercises.

TIDEWATER ANGLERS MAKE BIG CATCH

They Used Spot Tail Lures and Fished Near Wanchese

Wanchese.—When the speckled trout began taking their lures, Fred Edwards and Claude Rogers of the Tidewater Anglers Club of Norfolk, really reeled them in here on Sunday afternoon. In an hour or less they brought in 44 trout, each weighing one pound or more.

This was the best trout catch made by any two anglers fishing the weakfish famous waters off Wanchese this year. Edwards and Rogers were using a modified version of the Woods Spot Tail Lure. Last year in approximately the same waters these two anglers and other members of the Tidewater Anglers Club here in October for the annual Surf Casting Tournament at Nags Head, took time off for trout fishing and caught several dozen big fish, using the same kind of lure.

Trout or weakfish angling has been better than average in the vicinity of the Roanoke Island-Nags Head highway bridge and at the little bridge a half mile eastward over a reach of the sound during the past several days. Most of the better catches have been made with artificial lures.

Various types of lures have See CATCH, Page Eight

SURF FISHING TOURNEYS SOON FOR DARE AREAS

Events of Much Interest In Both Sept. and Oct.

Two surf fishing tournaments will be held on the Dare coast during the Autumn of 1954. First on schedule will be held late in September in the Rodanthe-Waves area under the sponsorship of the communities Civic Club headed by Woodrow Edwards.

For the Rodanthe-Waves area this will be the first three day surf fishing tourney, although last year prizes were offered by A. H. Gray and associates for the largest fish taken in the surf between Rodanthe and Salvo, a distance of six miles. Waves is half way between the two localities.

Working with Civic Club President Woodrow Edwards in preparation for the tourney, of which dates will be announced later, are R. D. Owens, Don Merrill, Zeke Midgett, A. H. Gray and others. They formulated plans for the tournament at a meeting of the Civic Club on Mirlo Day, August 16. (Mirlo was the British steamship which was torpedoed and sunk by a German submarine during World War I. A Coast Guard crew from Chicomaco Station made a heroic rescue of crew members of the burning vessel.)

Nags Head Tourney

The annual Invitation Inter-Club Surf Fishing and Open Individual Tournament sponsored by Nags Head Surf Fishing Club under auspices of the Association of Surf Anglers Clubs, has been set for October 22-24, it was announced today by Major J. L. Murphy, Mayor of Kill Devil Hills and secretary-treasurer of the sponsoring clubs.

"We believe we have picked the right week end for the best surf fishing," said Major Murphy. "Up to 20 or more clubs and dozens of individuals have indicated they would attend the tournament, which is our third annual event of its kind."

Valuable prizes will be offered for biggest fishes taken in each of the coming contests it was stated.

ROANOKE ID. GIRLS AND BOYS LEAVE FOR SCHOOL

Roanoke Island will be well represented at various colleges throughout North Carolina when the fall terms begin soon. Among those planning to leave next week or shortly thereafter are the following: Woman's College, Greensboro, Carolee O'Neal, Edna Bruce Dowdy, Sally Alford and Betty Rae Rogers of Manteo, and Margaret Jean Tillet of Wanchese; Greensboro College, Greensboro, Maxine Scarborough and Patricia Baum of Manteo; East Carolina College, Greenville, Robert Ballance, Jr., Carlisle Davis, William Wescott, Jack Cahoon, Steve Basnith, Jr., of Manteo; Jacqueline Forehand, Shirley Daniels and Laura Jean Daniels of Wanchese; N. C. State College, Raleigh, Webb Etheridge, Quentin Bell, Wade Nixon, Jack Marshall, Danny Mann, Harry Johnson and Monica Lee Daniels III of Manteo; Meredith College, Raleigh, Annie Laurie Kee of Manteo and Wanda Burrus of Manns Harbor; University of N. C., Chapel Hill, Jack Burrus of Manteo and Archie Tillet of Wanchese; Campbell College, Buies Creek, Lois Pearce of Manteo.

Raymond Wescott, Jr., of Manteo, Edwards Military Institute, Salenburgh.

BUXTON SOLDIER TRAINS AT CAMP GORDON

Camp Gordon, Ga. — Pvt. Leighton Avner Quidley, son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Quidley, Buxton, N. C. has completed eight weeks of basic training at the Camp Gordon Replacement Training Center.

During his basic training he received instruction in infantry tactics and weapons, and other subjects designed to prepare the individual for his military duties. Upon completion of these first eight weeks, the trainee is ready to continue infantry training or to attend one of the Army's many specialist schools located throughout the country.

Located at Camp Gordon, in addition to the Replacement Training Center, are the Signal Corps Training Center and the Provost Marshal General Center.

HURRICANE "CAROL" SKIRTS COASTLAND MONDAY NIGHT LEAVING LITTLE DAMAGE

Weak Spots in Beach Result in Road Wash-outs; Building Walls Blown Down at Nags Head; Highway Forces Restore Traffic in Short Order, and Ferries Maintain Schedules.

BISHOP WRIGHT TO PREACH HERE SUNDAY



THE RIGHT REVEREND THOMAS WRIGHT, bishop of the Diocese of East Carolina of the Episcopal Church, will be the guest minister at the final Lost Colony worship period of the current season at Waterside Theatre.

In a letter to General Manager Dick Jordan this week, the widely known Bishop stated that his sermon topic Sunday would be "The Need for a World Christianity".

Bishop Wright is a resident of Wilmington, N. C. He has a rich theological background. For many years he has been a member of the Board of Directors of Roanoke Island Historical Association which sponsors the Lost Colony.

In addition to the sermon by Bishop Wright which will be in the form of a Harvest Home meeting of old England, the Lost Colony Chorus under direction of Nena Williams with James Litton at the organ will be musical features.

ELLSWORTH BURRUS, 85, HATTERAS LEADER, DIES

Elmer Ellsworth Burrus, 85, retired merchant and hotel operator, died Saturday in Norfolk at the home of his son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Corlett Winston Burrus, Sr., 300 Avon Road, after a long illness.

A native of Hatteras, N. C., and a resident of Norfolk for three years, Mr. Burrus owned and operated the Atlantic View Hotel which he built at Hatteras, until his retirement a few years ago, when he sold it to W. Gibson.

Mr. Burrus had been a merchant most of his life, and at one time was in business in Elizabeth City. He operated a store at Hatteras before building the hotel.

He was one of the most highly esteemed citizens of Hatteras, and his friends were many.

Besides his son, he is survived by one grandson, Corlett Winston Burrus, Jr., of Norfolk.

The body was taken to Hatteras, where funeral services were conducted Monday at the Methodist Church, of which he was a member, at 1 p.m. The body lay in state at the church two hours prior to the services. Burial was in Quidley Cemetery, at Buxton.

Funeral services for Mr. Burrus were conducted Monday afternoon at 1:00 o'clock in the Methodist Church at Hatteras. Rev. Dan Meadows pastor, officiating. A solo, "Someday He Will Make It Plain To Me" was sung by Mrs. Virginia Austin, "Face to Face" was sung by Mrs. Rosa Gray, Mrs. Cleinice Gray, Mrs. Charlotte Ballance, Mrs. Lizzie Austin, Mrs. Maud Austin, Mrs. Kate Burrus, Mrs. Maud Job, Mrs. Violet Austin and Mrs. Virginia Austin. Mrs. Lillie Peele accompanied at the console of the organ.

The casket was covered with a pall made of white Glads, white Carnations, lavender Easter Lillies, aster and ferns. Pallbearers were, Leonard Gaskins, Scotty Gibson, Damon Gray, Ullyses Peele, Ray Gray and Murray Styron.

Biggest damage to the Walter Raleigh Coastland from Hurricane Carol which swept along the Coast of N. C. Monday night was to the pocketbooks of those who entertain tourists. Threat of a hurricane caused the greater part of beach visitors to depart in search of higher land away from the Coast. Hundreds cancelled their hotel reservations.

When the storm finally got to Dare County late Monday night, everybody had prepared for it, so far as was feasible. Worst damage was from heavy rains which flooded every depression, which included the low-graded beach roads. Rains under the force of the winds tested a few windows and roofs. Washouts in the Hatteras Highway occurred in several places. By First Ferry, maintenance engineer George Mack of Edenton and Supervisor Thomas were on the job, finding the first bad washout near Pea Island Coast Guard Station on Hatteras Island. Within three hours, they had brought men and equipment to the scene and through masterful effort traffic was going through. Similar work was done all along the line.

A new concrete block building, whose walls had been run for Daniels Building Supply at Nags Head, had no braces and it collapsed under the force of the strong northeaster. Damage may amount to several thousand dollars.

Damage in the Hatteras area was negligible, but the Wilmington area 200 miles away suffered considerable damage with the loss of some ocean fishing piers and isolation of Topsail Beach, a considerable resort that has boomed nearby since the war.

Continuing on its way up the Atlantic Coast, the storm took toll on Long Island, but did its worst in the New England states where 48 people lost their lives and hundreds of summer homes were demolished. The property lost is reported in the millions of dollars. While storms are looked upon with much concern in Coastal Carolina, none of them so far back as memory of man runs, have ever inflicted staggering blows of this kind.

Big loss to Dare County occurred in business that was discouraged right at the end of summer season, when it was both flourishing and promising. Many people cut short their vacations and ran away from the storm. Likewise were fishing boat men and guides worst hit, for business was not only lost during the several days while the storm was brewing, but due to rough waters for some days thereafter fishing was poorer.

However the Labor Day week end is expected to be a big one in Dare because so many people, faced with the opening of schools, and the demands of fall business will endeavor to enjoy one last fling at the seashore and their trips along the coast from Kitty Hawk to Ocracoke.

TAR HEELS AFLOATERS PLAN WASH'TON CRUISE

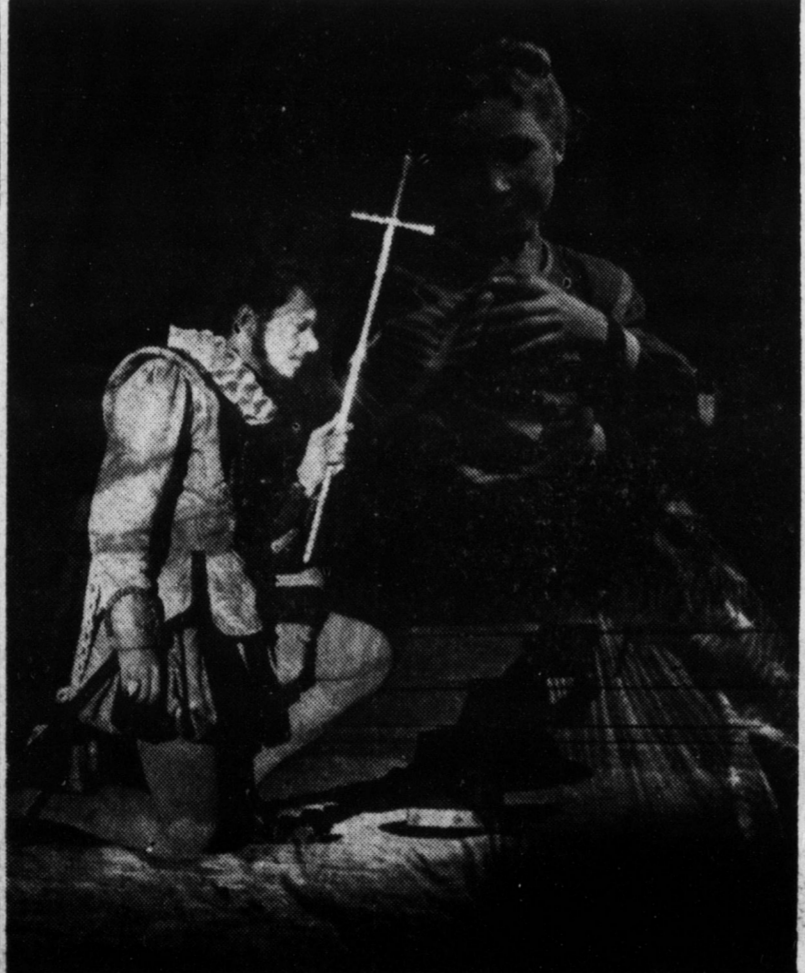
The Washington, N. C. Yacht and Country Club on the Pamlico River will be the rendezvous point for the annual Tar Heels Afloat Labor Day Cruise, Sept. 4-6.

Commodore Joe McCotter of Washington announced that pleasure boat skippers will rendezvous there not later than 5 p.m. Saturday, September 4. A dinner and dance at the clubhouse that evening will launch the week end festivities.

On Sunday, the entire flotilla will cruise up the Pamlico River to Washington, which was America's first community to be named for the Father of our Country, and return later that afternoon.

The traditional TEA banquet will be held at the clubhouse on Sunday evening. Edmund H. Harding, Washingtonian and famed philosopher-humorist, will be master of ceremonies. Each year, Tar Heels Afloat cruises are held on Memorial See CRUISE, Page Eight

LOST COLONY SEASON ENDS SUNDAY, SEPT. 5



THE LOST COLONY, which suffered setbacks in attendance this year, will end its 14th season in Waterside Theatre on Sunday, September 5. Attendance will be lower this year than last and this is partly due to several rainouts or partial rainouts and the fact that Hurricane Carol, which passed offshore Monday, had resulted in a general evacuation of summer residents along the beach and stopped many from coming to the coast during the early part of the week. Booking for tickets for the drama this week end have been up to normal and two or three thousand will be added to the slightly more than 42,000 that had seen the show through Wednesday, it was believed by drama officials. The above photo, a prize winning montage by Carol Martin of Greensboro, was designed to show the finale of Act I, featuring Sir Walter Raleigh, and Eleanor Dare and Virginia, at the end of Act II. (Martin Photo)