

THE COASTLAND TIMES

PUBLISHED WEEKLY IN THE INTEREST OF THE WALTER RALEIGH COASTLAND OF NORTH CAROLINA

VOLUME XX — NO. 32

MANTEO, N.C., FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1955

Single Copy 7¢

CHOOSES PARTNER, PROFESSION, ENTERS BUSINESS IN RALEIGH

Richard Bell, Manteo Boy, After Extensive Training Has Office In the Capital

By AYCOCK BROWN
When Dick Bell and Jim Godwin were classmates at State College in the late 40's they may have started plans to become associated in landscape architecture and site planning.

After receiving their B. S. degrees in landscape architecture at graduation in June 1950, each went their different courses. Then, five years later, they returned to Raleigh and are now in business there.

James (Jim) Beckman Godwin was born in Richmond, Va., six days after the Armistice of World War I, in 1918. He graduated from Suffolk (Va.) High School in 1937 and went to work immediately with the Virginia Department of Highways. In 1941 he entered the Army in February 3 as a private and before his discharge in 1946, he was a Captain of Infantry with considerable overseas duty in the Eastern Theatre of Operations. From June, 1946, until August, 1947 he was a student at the University of South Carolina. In September, 1947, he entered North Carolina State and before graduation four years later he was to serve as chairman of the Honor Council for the School of Design. He married Rebecca Cade, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Cade of Sanford.

Richard (Dick) Chevalier Bell, was born in Elizabeth City on April 10, 1928. After graduation from the high school there in 1945 he entered State College. It was only natural that Bell would be interested in landscape architecture. His father Albert Q. Bell, British-born and the son of the late Albert Ernest Bell, had inherited a love for growing flowers and plants and landscaping from his father. They had been associated in the nursery business at Elizabeth City, before his father moved to Roanoke Island where he was to design and build Waterside Theater for the Lost Colony to establish Roanoke Gardens.

Military training at State resulted in a commission as 2nd lieutenant in the organized Reserve Corps for Dick Bell in 1949 and in February 1954, he was promoted to first lieutenant in the Organized Reserve Corps. During summer holidays between 1945-50, Dick Bell had worked with his father in connection with constructing and maintenance of Waterside Theater and also assisted in the planning of Mountain Theater at Cherokee, of which Albert Bell was designer. In Raleigh from 1949 until his graduation young Bell did part-time work with the campus engineer at State.

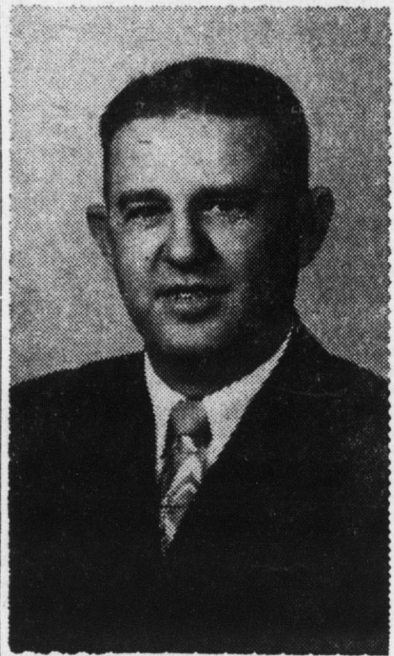
Since his graduation, Jim Godwin gained his experience in construction phases of landscape architecture in the office of R. D. Tillson, landscape architect and engineer at High Point. He became an associate in that firm in 1953 and in High Point he worked on some 15 or more housing projects, several cemeteries, subdivisions and parks.

Among some of the major projects he has worked on included the E. I. duPont de Nemours May plant at Camden, S. C.; the Celanese Corporation of America's Cel-River plant at Rock Hill; Burlington Mills Corporation's Neuse River plant at Wake Forest; Western Electric Company's Lexington Road plant in Winston-Salem and the General Electric Company's Asheboro plant.

Site improvement work projects which included grading, utilities, drives, walks and landscape designs on which Godwin worked have been located in several North Carolina cities from Wilmington to Winston-Salem and many points between. Site lay-out work has included such projects as the Moses H. Cone Memorial Hospital, Greensboro, Friends Meeting House, High Point, Chapel Hill cemetery, City Park Pool and bathhouse, Burlington and also the Presbyterian Church there, and several other jobs including many school grounds in North and South Carolina cities.

Bell's Training
Since his graduation Dick Bell has had unusual experiences. First he had worked from 1950 through September, 1951, in the office of Simonds and Simonds, landscape architects of Pittsburgh, Pa. In the meantime, in competitive examinations, he won the Rome Prize Fellowship in Landscape Architecture. One is awarded each year primarily on the basis of design ability, personal integrity, ability to cope with all facets of the pro-

AVON NATIVE PASTOR WANCHESE ASSEMBLY



ALVIN W. PRICE, retired Coast Guardsman, now serving the Wanchese Assembly of God Church as pastor. He is a native of Avon. He is also Presbyterian for the six churches of the Outer Banks.

PORPOISE PATH PARALLELS PLANE ON OUTER BANKS

Cape Hatteras Flier Usually Finds The Fish In Ocean All Going His Way

By FRANKLIN M. COCHRAN
Buxton. — Knowing absolutely nothing about the habits, haunts and inner character of the Porpoise, I feel that I can speak freely. To me, they seem friendly. They may have the blackest hearts of all the fish in the sea. Being mammals, like us, this might well be. They always seem to be smiling or grinning, and playful. Anyway, I like 'em.

Lately, off Cape Hatteras can be seen the phenomena of fishes flying, although they aren't flying fishes. They're baby porpoises and their mother's are teaching them, of all things, the fine art of breathing.

A porpoise, as all porpoise lovers know, has a rather nasty habit of bumping. This would be apt to get anything but another porpoise a punch in the snout, but it is their way of manifesting either affection or anger. The oomph behind the bump is calculated to measure the amount of emphasis needed to suit the occasion.

Naturally, with a new-born baby porpoise, a careful, somewhat loving little bump will at first suffice to get him out of the water and into the air, where he can take himself a helping of the breath of life. For, believe it or not, he requires from the start, the very same air we breathe, minus the smog, to sustain life. For the porpoise is: "A warm-blooded mammal that suckles its young on milk and would drown if it did not frequently rise to the surface of the sea to breathe air."

The baby porpoise, of course, does not understand all of this, never having read the encyclopedia, hence the name of "bumpy."

Just about every species of fish that swims in the sea has been caught at some time or another off the beaches of the Outer Banks. Even the sawfish and the headfish Game fish and pan fish are plentiful. When the season runs out on one species, two or three other varieties arrive in time to steal your bait. But they're all fickle and seasonal—except old "gand-dancer," the porpoise. He stays with me all year.

When you are flying alone and the ocean is glassy-smooth and there's no sign of life on sea or shore, its lonesome. Then a porpoise cuts the surface, making a graceful ripple. Another one makes a smooth, surfacing maneuver, and then another. You can follow their track as they dive and surface, dive and surface. Sometimes the whole ocean is alive with the creatures.

And what do you know, they're all going my way!

MRS. ANNIE L. MEEKINS, 77, BURIED AT AVON THURSDAY

Funeral services for Mrs. Annie L. Meekins, 77, who died at her home at Avon Wednesday morning, were conducted Thursday afternoon at 1 o'clock by the Rev. L. Sigbee Miller of Elizabeth City. Burial was in the family cemetery. Mrs. Meekins was a native of Hyde County, the widow of W. L. Meekins, and a member of the Assembly of God Church at Avon. She had lived at Avon since early girlhood. Surviving are three sons, Otis and Damon E. Meekins of Norfolk and Earl Meekins of Orian Beach, Fla.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCHES IN DARE LAUNCH PROJECT

Monday Night, February 7th, To Be Observed in Joint Meeting At Buxton

Six Assembly of God churches on the Outer Banks will join 400 other churches of this faith Monday night, February 7th at 7:30 p.m. to launch one of the faith's greatest projects, "Mission U. S. A.," according to Rev. A. W. Price who is Presbyterian for the Cape Section, and who will preside over this meeting which will be held at the Buxton church.

Mr. Price, a native of Avon is at present pastor of the Wanchese Assembly of God Church. There will be 400 such rallies at the same time in this movement, he says.

Assemblies of God church people from the Cape Section (Outer Banks), which include all villages, will gather at the Assembly of God Church, Buxton, for one of nearly four hundred simultaneous rallies, to launch the denomination's new home missions program; Mission U. S. A. Every organized group of the Assemblies of God will be represented at this rally. Pastors of the local churches, Rev.'s Walter Whitaker, Ocracoke; H. C. Dew, Hatteras; Alice Austin, Frisco Robert Rayle, Buxton; Lester Jarrett, Avon, and Louise Rountree, Salvo, will present needs for home missions support in order to aid the all-out effort to evangelize the unreached cities of the United States with this gospel. Other home missions leaders will announce the cities in this state where the Assemblies of God wish to open new churches in 1955. Immediate goal of the new program Mission U. S. A. is to establish 1,000 new Assemblies of God Churches in the United States during 1955. In the United States the denomination has now 7,870 churches with 465,674 members. The denomination supports 746 foreign missionaries and has nearly 5,000 native pastors in foreign countries. Two hundred and four home missionaries work in the United States among the deaf, the Indians, foreign language groups, in industrial areas, and among men and women in prisons. During 1954 five hundred and twelve churches were added to the denomination. The Assemblies of God is one of the fastest growing church school denominations. In order to reach the 1955 goal of 1,000 churches special plans have been laid to double the church extension work. Pastors are pledging their churches and support to "mother" new efforts. That is, they will shoulder the expense of getting a new church started and supervise its activities until it becomes established. In some places two or more churches are "adopting" projects in other communities. Evangelists of the denomination are pledging themselves to give of their services without financial support to help pastors who are opening new churches.

5-MOS.-OLD CHILD FOUND SMOTHERED TO DEATH IN BED

Infant at Stumpy Point Dies at Home of Uncle, W. M. Monette, Wednesday

Matthew Hammond Monette, Jr., five-month-old son of M. H. Monette, U. S. N.; and Mrs. Christine Monette died early Wednesday morning at the home of Mr. Monette's brother, W. W. Monette, of Stumpy Point. The baby was found in its crib by Mrs. W. W. Monette where it had been smothered by a quilt. The child either had pulled the cover over his head or had worked his way under the cover. Besides his parents, the child is survived by a paternal grandfather, Will Monette of Maysville, and a maternal grandmother, Mrs. Layman Hinkle, of Rochelle, Illinois. The child's home was Pollocksville, N. C., but he and his mother were visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Monette at Stumpy Point. The child's father is with the U. S. S. Leary, which is reported to be in the Mediterranean Sea.

The child was born August 20, 1954 at the Naval Hospital at Portsmouth, Va., while his father was stationed at the Naval air base at Weeksville.

ROANOKE ISLAND BORN BOY N. Y. POLIO VICTIM

Mike Hazen Having Hard Struggle to Regain Use of Muscles in Corning, New York

A Dare County native, Mike Hazen is a victim of polio in a Corning, N. Y. Hospital fighting an uphill battle but winning praise because he shows he is a man. The 12-year-old boy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Hazen, was born on Roanoke Island at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Hazen on the Croatan Sound shore. He was recently the subject of an article, illustrated with a photograph, in the Corning Daily newspaper.

He has been in the hospital since October 20th. Fortunately his parents carried polio insurance which help on his expenses paid in part by the national Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

Mike's misfortune should point up to us the good work of the foundations, and demand our contributions to this drive.

Here is the kind of life Mike has to go through in the hospital each day:

Morning—out of chest respirator and placed on rocking bed at 7 a.m.; morning cart including having hands and face washed in preparation for breakfast provided with assistance at 8 a.m.; short rest period after breakfast; partial bath, massage with mineral oil over entire body, body alignment and pillow supports to extremities, 9 to 10 a.m.; rest, nourishment and reading, holds book and reads by self, 10 a.m.; hot packs on chest and right leg for 30 minutes, followed by whirlpool treatment and active and passive exercises by physiotherapist and nurse at 11 a.m.; rest

See BOY, Page Four

A GLIMPSE INTO "OLD BUCK'S" DRESSING ROOM



"OLD BUCK" is a fabulous beast who always appears at Rodanthe during the night of the Old Christmas celebration. The appearance of this grotesque animal has occasioned much hilarity, and delighted children. For several years the task of getting Old Buck ready has fallen upon John E. Herbert, a goodfellow and retired Coast Guardsman. The picture by Dan Morrell shows Mr. Herbert in his workshop, touching up Old Buck, as Mrs. Herbert looks on. Mrs. Herbert is a daughter of the late Capt. John Allen Midgett who was always out front and enjoyed the Old Christmas event, January 5th.

DARE COUNTY WOMAN HAS 81ST BIRTHDAY SATURDAY



MRS. ALETHIA SANDERLIN SAWYER, who until 16 years ago had been a lifelong resident of East Lake, observed her 81st birthday at a party attended by all her children, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Bernice B. Mann in Portsmouth, Virginia, where she has made her home for the past four years. She is still hale and retains much of the claim that made her one of the belles of her community 60 years ago. Her husband was the late M. D. Sawyer, a leading citizen of East Lake and Dare County official who died 17 years ago, and following his death, Mrs. Sawyer closed her old home and went to live with her children, following a busy life as wife and mother and leader in community and church affairs.

See MRS. SAWYER, Page Four

COMMANDER BEACHAM HAS NEW ASSIGNMENT

Kitty Hawk Officer in Charge Of Air Anti-Submarine Squadron at Quonset, R. I.

Quonset Point, R. I.—Cdr. Shelton Ray Beacham, USN, 36, son of Mr. and Mrs. Shelton B. Beacham of Arlington, Va. and Kitty Hawk and the husband of the former Miss Martha D. Vaughn of Jacksonville, Fla., became commanding officer of Air Anti-Submarine Squadron 31 at a full-dress inspection and change-of-command ceremonies here January 21 by relieving Cdr. Samuel M. Shelton, USN, 37, who was ordered to the Armed Forces Staff College in Norfolk, Va.

Cdr. Beacham reported to the Quonset Point, R. I. based squadron from the staff of Commander Operational Development Force, Norfolk, Va., where he had served since 1952 as Air Anti-Submarine Officer. Prior to that assignment he was Inspection Officer at the Naval Air Station, Norfolk, Va. in 1950 and 1951.

Cdr. Beacham, who is a native and permanent resident of Kitty Hawk, started his Navy flight training in November, 1939, after spending three years at Wilson Teachers College, Washington, D. C. During the pre-war years he served as a flight instructor, and as a World War II fighter pilot participated in the invasions of Bougainville, Treasury Island, Green Islands, New Britain, and Babaul. After the war, he attended the Navy's Combat Information Center School and later served on its staff. As a result of this background, he became staff CIC officer for a Pacific Fleet Hunter/Killer Group, Carrier Division 15, in 1948.

His decorations include the Distinguished Flying Cross, Four Air Medals, the Purple Heart, and the Navy Unit Citation.

Cdr. and Mrs. Beacham have two daughters, Martha Ray, 10, and Dolly Elizabeth, 9, presently attending Carleton Oaks School in Norfolk, Va.

JAMES L. GASKILL, 79, DIES AT OCRACOKE HOME

Ocracoke, Feb. 1.—James Lunley Gaskill, age 79, died this morning, February 1st, at his home here. He was found dead in bed by his son, John Gaskill. Funeral services were held at the home at five o'clock this afternoon, with Rev. Whitaker and Rev. Hale officiating. Burial was in the family graveyard. Mr. Gaskill was the last of his generation of Gaskills, his brothers Ben Gaskill and Bill Gaskill have predeceased him. He is survived by two sons, J. L. Gaskill, Jr. and John Gaskill, both of Ocracoke; three daughters, Mrs. Felix Fleig of Newport News, Virginia, Mrs. Nora Bruce of Texas, and Miss Polly R. Gaskill of Raleigh; and five grandchildren, Felix and Mary B. Fleig, James Barrie and Joseph Wayne Gaskill, and Lucy Gale Bruce. Mr. Gaskill served in the Spanish-American War and was for many years in the U. S. Coast Guard, living the latter years of his life retired in the Coast Guard Service.

J. B. ANDERSON DIES AFTER 17 YEARS IN BUSINESS IN DARE

Popular Kitty Hawk Merchant Had Made Unusual Success; Passes Away Monday

James Buck Anderson, 70, one of the most popular and successful businessmen of Dare County died 3:45 Monday afternoon in the Elizabeth City Hospital after an illness of five days. He had been in business in Kitty Hawk for 17 years and last year moved into a fine new store, one of the best in this section.

He was a native of Martin County, and resided in Elizabeth City, before moving to Kitty Hawk, where he worked for the Toxey Grocery Company for 26 years and operated an electric appliance dealership. At the time of his death he was more or less active in the Anderson Store and cottages at Kitty Hawk, nominally, he had retired two years ago, leaving the active management in the hands of his son, but Capt. Jim was always around, and often sought by many friends.

Mr. Anderson was the son of the late Nannie Bradley and James Anderson and the husband of Lula J. Anderson. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Elizabeth City.

Mr. Anderson's death followed the death of his only sister by three weeks.

Besides his wife, he is survived by one son, William James Anderson, of Kitty Hawk; one brother, Jodie Anderson, of Elizabeth City, and one granddaughter, Anna Gay Anderson, of Whiteville, N. C.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday at 3 p.m. at the Twiford Funeral Home in Elizabeth City by the Rev. W. W. Finlator, pastor of the First Baptist Church. Rev. Howard James, pastor of the First Christian Church assisted. Burial was in Hollywood Cemetery.

Active pall-bearers were Traf-ton Robertson, D. Walter and Frank Harris, L. L. Winder, A. G. Small and Shannon P. Smith. Honorary pall bearers: Wayne Massey, Dr. Julian Selig, Cecil Garrett, W. E. Griffin, H. C. Lawrence, A. Ray Toxey, Andrew J. Bailey and S. Harry Johnson.

THE MARCH OF DIMES REPORT FOR MANTEO

Mrs. Raymond Wescott, March of Dimes Chairman in Manteo has reported the following contributions: Manteo Baptist Church individual cards, \$34.11; Methodist Church \$56.20; Methodist Men's Class \$25.00; Miscellaneous contributions \$8.95. Nags Head area \$60.15. Business firms \$197.00. Manteo Rebekahs \$22. Manteo Masonic Lodge \$15. V. F. W. Auxiliary supper, \$35; "Human Fly" \$25.00. Total \$478.41.

A benefit basketball game will be held Saturday, February 5 at eight o'clock, admission 20 and 40 cents. High school girls will play, followed by a feature game, Longies vs. Shorties, starring well-known six-foot-and-over men about town vs. the five-footers with special suits to match the occasion. A warning to anyone hanging red flannels on the line—they might be borrowed for the game. Anyone wishing to make special contributions are asked to contact Nevin Wescott, local treasurer or call Mrs. Raymond Wescott.

All persons having received cards from the various local churches are requested to return these to Mrs. Leo Midgett for the Baptist Church; Nevin Wescott, Methodist; Mrs. Brown Etheridge, Roanoke Island Baptist Rev. A. C. Noe, Episcopal; and Merle Meekins, Assembly of God. House to house calls will be made Sunday, the 6th at one o'clock to close the activities of the Committee. This will be done for those who can run for those who cannot walk.

MRS. EMMETT ROLLINSON 80, DIES IN FRISCO SUNDAY

Celinda W. Rollinson, 80, died Sunday afternoon at her residence in Frisco, Hatteras Island, following an illness of nine months. She was the daughter of Thomas and Annie Fulcher and a member of the Frisco Methodist Church. She is survived by her husband, Emmett Rollinson, of Frisco; a daughter, Mrs. Ella Ramson; four sons, Ellis Rollinson, of Norfolk, Charlie Rollinson, of Frisco, Edith Rollinson, of Woodbury, N. J., Christopher Rollinson of Port Arthur, Texas, and 11 grandchildren. The body was removed to the Twiford Funeral Home, Hatteras.

A GLIMPSE OF THE IMPORTANCE OF OREGON INLET AS A FISHING CENTER



COMMERCIAL FISHING boats tied up at Oregon Inlet docks give a glimpse of the importance of this port in the livelihood of numerous families in Eastern North Carolina. Of the 75 or more vessels regularly docking there for nearby-ocean fishing, will be found represented Hyde, Pamlico, Carteret, Beaufort, Dare and other counties. This photo is by Aycock Brown.