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NEWLY FORMED CORPORATION STARTS VIGOROUS PROGRAM ON BEACH MOSQUITO CONTROL

Charter Signed and Flown to Raleigh Thursday; Group to Sell Shares at \$100 Each to Purchase Plane and Begin Work at Once; Enthusiastic Response Shown on Dare Beaches in \$10,000 Campaign.

At a meeting of interested business men and women of the Dare Beaches, Nags Head, Kill Devil Hills, Kitty Hawk, at Jockey Ridge Restaurant on Wednesday, July 13th, plans were made for immediate incorporation of a stock corporation for the purpose of control of mosquitoes on the Dare Beaches. Shares of the corporate stock are being subscribed for at \$100.00 per share, and application for a corporate charter was flown to Raleigh on Thursday morning. The capital of the corporation will be used for the acquisition of a suitable plane and spraying equipment, and the materials and supplies to begin an immediate campaign against the mosquito problem on the beaches. Every effort is being directed toward beginning operation of the program within a week or ten days. Incorporators of the "Dare Mosquito Control Corporation" were P. J. M. Bayne, W. H. Smith, Jr. and Paul L. Gray. Upon receipt of the corporate charter, a meeting of the stockholders will be held to elect officers and Board of Directors to govern the corporation, and to employ the personnel to carry out the program. It was pointed out by the incorporators that cottage owners and interested citizens would be requested to invest in the services of the program even though they did not become stockholders, and also that persons could purchase the \$100.00 shares jointly if they so desired. The corporation plans to begin operation upon a subscribed stock issue of 100.

Only three days of effort out of the initial backers, a meeting held most every night, the movement gained headway like a snow-ball rolling down hill, and rolled up support rapidly too. Several hundred dollars were immediately donated and more pledged.

P. J. M. Bayne was chairman of the meeting held at his restaurant at Nags Head Wednesday night. Among those attending this See MOSQUITOES, Page Five

EDISON MIDGETT RISES IN SERVICE AT AN EARLY AGE

Young Cape Hatteras Native Now In Command of 83-Foot Patrol Boat at Ocracoke

Ten years ago, when he was 16 or so, Edison Midgett was about as promising a printer's apprentice as ever worked in a print shop and the Times Printing Company was looking forward to years and years mutually profitable experience with him.

But the call of his blood was in him and he left to join the U. S. Coast Guard, but first for a seasoning hitch with the Merchant Marine until the service of his choice could take him aboard. He had to be 17 to get joined up and right after his 17th birthday he joined.

Two weeks ago young Midgett took command of the eighty-three footer based at Ocracoke and assigned to the Cape Hatteras Group of the Coast Guard. Four weeks earlier he had been promoted to the grade of Chief Bos'n Mate, one of the youngest men ever to make the grade in the service during peace-time.

Chief Midgett is the great-grandson of one of the legendary stalwarts of the service, the late Capt. Benjamin Dailey who, with his entire crew, was the first man in the Coast Guard to be awarded the Gold Lifesaving Medal shortly after the decoration was established by the Congress. His leadership rescue of the crew of the steamship Williams off Big Kinnakeet station in December, 1884, is one of the great tales of a great day of the surfman.

Midgett came to Cape Hatteras Station two years ago as BMIC and under both CWO Cyrus Gray and CWO Harold Glynn, group commanders, proved himself. His competence as a boatman was spectacularly proved a year ago when he handled the rescue of the crew of the Omar Babun just north of Chicamocomico. He made the run from Cape Hatteras station to the scene of the wreck, a distance of 27 miles, in forty minutes flat after the first radio signal was See MIDGETT, Page Eight.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE AT KITTY HAWK PRESENTS CLAIMS

Many Reasons Cited In Favor of New High School Now Being Sought For This District

The following letter has been sent to this newspaper with request for publication, to set forth the arguments of the citizens of the Kitty Hawk School District in behalf of the campaign for the new high school in this community:

The decision of the County Board of Education to construct a new high school at Manteo is much more than just another step in the statewide program of school consolidation, and because of the great concern of the residents of our school district we feel obligated to bring the facts to the attention of the public. They are listed, in order, as follows:

1. The existing Kitty Hawk School was constructed in 1924 through a special tax levy in the Kitty Hawk School District.

2. When all the schools in the State were taken over by the counties the Kitty Hawk School was taken over by Dare County, but the indebtedness on the school was not.

3. From the time the county took over the Kitty Hawk School until Gov. Scott's fifty million dollar statewide bond issue for special school construction was approved, Dare County made no major investment. See SCHOOL, Page Four

WHOPPING INCREASE IN TOURIST TRAVEL TO HATTERAS ISLE

National Park Service and Other Promotion Has Developed Record-Breaking Number of Tourists

The result of advertising by the National Park Service, the Dare County Tourist Bureau and other agencies has resulted in record-breaking travel to Hatteras Island during the July 4 week end. More than 11,000 visitors came to the Cape Hatteras National Seashore Area. The tremendous gains by leaps and bounds during the past three years indicates that another three years will demand a bridge, three years will demand a bridge, for the capacity of ferry boats to handle the traffic will be impracticable if not impossible.

Yet in spite of all the tide of dollars that has poured into Hatteras Island, bringing income to investors and employment to local people, there are people now and then so dense as to discount the value of this new income which is proving a life-saver to take up the slack left by dwindling commercial fisheries, and the remains of a once profitable Coast Guard service.

The figures, announced by Allyn F. Hanks, Superintendent of the Cape Hatteras National Seashore, show the traffic counters recorded the following:

"Visitation to Cape Hatteras National Seashore Recreation Area over the recent holiday week end, July 2, 3, and 4 to 4 o'clock p.m., based on automatic traffic counters and periodic observations, reveals an estimated 11,620 visitors entered the area in 3,757 vehicles. See INCREASE, Page Five

FISH FRY FOR DISTRICT MASONS NEXT WEDNESDAY

Wanchese Masonic Lodge will be host to a district meeting with a fish fry at the Shrine Club, Nags Head, starting at 6:30 Wednesday, July 20th. Earlier, beginning at 4 p. m., a meeting for officers will be held with Grand Master C. H. Pugh of Gastonia present to discuss the year's program.

This announcement is made by District DGM R. O. Ballance of Manteo, who was appointed at the grand lodge meeting in Wilmington, April 21.

The First Masonic District includes Shawboro, Camden, Hertford, Gatesville, South Mills, Elizabeth City, Coinjock, Wanchese, Manteo and Buxton.

PAUL GREEN TO HELP AUG. 18 OBSERVANCE



PAUL GREEN, author of The Lost Colony, shown here at the microphone on the stage of Waterside Theatre as the drama opened its 15th season, July 1, is taking an active role with the Garden Clubs of North Carolina in making plans for the dedication of Elizabethan Gardens here on August 18. The dedication of the gardens, where erection of the statues, masonry work and initial landscaping activity is taking place under the supervision of Albert Q. Bell for the E. W. Reinecke Company is taking place, would tie in with the annual Virginia Dare birthday observance of The Lost Colony. A list of distinguished guests, officials of the United States, Great Britain and also the State and national garden clubs will be present, for the all day occasion culminating with a special performance of The Lost Colony during the evening of August 18. R. E. Jordan, manager of The Lost Colony and Aycock Brown, manager of Dare County Tourist Bureau were in Raleigh, Thursday (July 14) to attend a meeting of Garden Club officials and Paul Green in connection with completing plans for the big observance on August 18. (Photo by Aycock Brown)

DISTRICT GOVERNOR TO VISIT MANTEO ROTARIANS



The Rotary Club of Manteo will be host Monday night, July 18th to Dr. H. Broadus Jones, Governor of the 278th District of Rotary International, who is making his annual official visit to each of the 39 Rotary Clubs in this district, which extends from Burlington and Yanceyville eastward to the coast. He will address the Club in its regular dinner session at 6:30, and confer with president Wallace H. McCown, Secretary Ernest E. Meekins and committee chairmen on Rotary administration and service activities.

Dr. Jones is head of the English department of Wake Forest College. He was graduated from Wake Forest College, and received the Master of Arts and Doctor of Philosophy degrees from the University of Chicago. He is a charter member of the Rotary Club of Wake Forest, which was organized in 1937, is a past president of that club and past secretary.

He was elected District Governor of Rotary International for the 1955-56 fiscal year at Rotary's Golden Anniversary Convention in Chicago last June. He is one of 238 district governors supervising the activities of some 8,700 Rotary clubs which have a membership of 414,000 business and professional executives in 92 countries and geographical regions throughout the world.

"Wherever Rotary Clubs are located," President McCown stated See ROTARY, Page Eight

OCRACOKE MAN WINS SEAT IN PRINCESS ANNE COUNTY

Robert S. Wahab Jr., a practicing attorney at Virginia Beach, won the nomination Tuesday for commonwealth's attorney in Princess Anne County in a hotly contested campaign. His vote was 6,576 against James E. Heath's 4,189.

RAPID PROGRESS ON IMPROVEMENT TO MILL CREEK

Party from Engineer Corp. Visits Oregon Inlet and Manteo, and Discusses Projects

In an atmosphere of good will and encouragement, several Dare County citizens met Wednesday afternoon in Manteo to discuss with Col. R. L. Hill of the Wilmington office of the Corps of Engineers, the probable early improvement of the channel leading into Wanchese, sometime in the fall, for which funds seem now to be in the bag. This project has had vigorous backing stemming out of the movement begun in the Wanchese Ruritan Club and aided by Congressman Herbert Bonner.

Col. Hill's party also discussed the status of the Oregon Inlet project which has been approved by Congress, but which has not been successful in getting funds appropriated for the work. Several thousand dollars have been raised and spent by interested parties, and by Dare County in various attempts to get the appropriation through Congress. There is some hope that it may be gotten in the 1957 budget if vigor and consistent effort can be financed and continued.

Accompanying Col. Hill to Manteo were men from his office, including D. A. Gardner, Chief of Operations Branch; W. F. Fowler, Chief of Harbors and Waterways Branch, and M. E. Wester, Comptroller. Roanoke Island citizens attending the meeting were Mayor See PROGRESS, Page Eight

K. HAWK WOMAN ENJOYS LONG TRIP TO WEST COAST

Mrs. Gertrude Baum of Kitty Hawk recently motored to Seattle, Wash., with Mrs. Pat Jordan. The latter was enroute to Kodiak, Alaska to join her husband, who was recently transferred to the Naval Base there.

They visited in Seattle with Mr. and Mrs. Larry Koziel and son Robin, Mrs. Koziel being Mrs. Baum's granddaughter. Mrs. Baum spent two weeks there sight seeing by semi-cruiser; traveled down the West Coast to San Pedro, Calif., and visited a week with cousins there, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Mehler, where they motored to Tijuana, Mexico, for a full day of sight seeing and saw many beautiful fruit farms and flowers in profusion. After a very nice visit with the Mehlers, Mrs. Baum traveled by bus via Houston and Galveston, Texas to Norfolk, then at home to Kitty Hawk. The trip in all was a very pleasant one and it took over a month to go and return.

WASTEFUL DARE JAIL PROPOSALS SNOWED UNDER

Voters By Two to One Saturday Express Disapproval of Costly Scheme to Waste \$85,000.

By a vote of almost two to one, some over 600 voters went to the 16 voting places in Dare County Saturday, and expressed their disapproval of the plan to spend \$85,000 on jails at Manteo and Buxton. Even Hatteras Island, where the \$5,000 jail was to be built, went against the measure by better than two to one. Only Buxton and Avon gave it a majority, while Hatteras, Rodanthe and Frisco went against it.

The measures carried in only two other precincts, namely Manns Harbor and East Lake. Heaviest majorities against the proposals were at Wanchese, Hatteras, Duck, Rodanthe, and Kill Devil Hills. It didn't even carry at the Manteo box. Colington tied on the Buxton jail.

To hold this election, the people of Dare County had to pay more than \$1,300. This added to the \$700 already paid on the architect's account for drawing plans for the Manteo project, makes \$2,000 that has already been pistaway for nothing.

In addition there are numerous legal and incidental costs to run up the total somewhat higher.

Commissioner James Scar See ELECTION, Page Five

FORT RALEIGH GARDENS OPEN ON AUGUST 18

Officials Met Thursday at Raleigh to Plan Dedication Ceremonies

Paul Green, author of "The Lost Colony," and officials of the Garden Clubs of North Carolina will meet in Raleigh Thursday, at 1 p. m. to complete plans for the dedication of the Elizabethan Gardens at Fort Raleigh on Roanoke Island August 18. High ranking national and international figures in addition to officials and members of the State's Garden Clubs will be present for the dedicatory ceremonies which will be held on the actual site of the project.

Work on the gardens has been moving forward at a rapid pace recently under the direction of Albert Q. Bell, of Manteo, superintendent of building for the E. W. Reinecke Company, contractor. Innocenti and Webel, of New York, designers of the gardens, and officials of the Garden Clubs of North Carolina visited the site recently.

The dedicatory ceremonies will find the Jock Whitney Estate statuary erected; several of the garden walls finished or nearing completion, and initial landscaping completed. The statuary, gift of the Whitney Estates, are valued at more than \$100,000.

In connection with the dedicatory exercises, "The Lost Colony" will present a special performance on the night of August 18, in memory of Virginia Dare, first child of English parentage born in the New World. August 18th, 1587 was her birthdate.

The Thursday meeting was held at the Sir Walter Hotel.

Mrs. J. L. Murphy of Kill Devil Hills left Thursday to attend this meeting.

DOGS AND DUCKS CAUSE RIFT AMONG NEIGHBORS

Mrs. Viola J. Short of Avalon Beach heard a gun go off twice, the yelp of a dog, and her own pet came howling home. She looked out and saw her neighbor Norman P. Smith with a gun in his hand and a frown on his face. She brought the subject before Judge Washington Baum in Recorder's court Tuesday.

The defendant avowed he shot at the dog in defense of his ducks while they were being greatly disturbed by Mrs. Short's pet. He paid a fine of \$10 and court costs.

Willard W. Whitson of Coinjock was exposing his glorious manhood publicly at the Nags Head casino. He paid a fine of \$25 and costs.

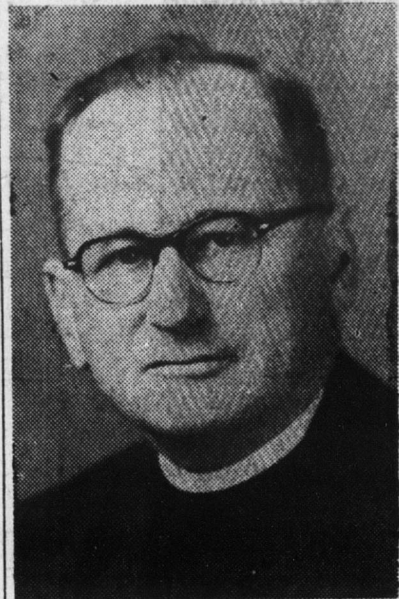
R. R. Carter and R. E. Walker of Rocky Mount, allowed the game warden to find them with undersized fresh water fish. Each paid a fine of \$5 and costs.

Speeders were fined as follows: William A. Gregory of Coinjock, Fred Cecil Geer of Elizabeth City, and David Richard Brisson each paid \$15 and costs for traveling 50 mph in a 35-mile zone, at Nags Head. Arthur McClain Meekins of Stumpy Point paid \$20 for traveling at 55 mph.

BINGO PROPERTY OWNERS GET LUCKY BREAK IN RULING BY JUDGE MORRIS SATURDAY

Restraining Order Made Permanent in Hearing at Currituck; Appeal Not Expected in Case Closing Three Bingo Games at Nags Head; Equipment Was Ordered Confiscated and Defendants Will Pay All Costs and Attorneys

GUEST MINISTER AT LOST COLONY SUNDAY



THE REV. J. FRANK DAVIS, D. D., pastor of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Wilmington, N. C., will be guest minister at the third in a series of Sunday services at The Lost Colony Season at Waterside Theatre on Sunday morning, July 17, it was announced today by General Manager Dick Jordan.

The Rev. Mr. Davis has announced that his sermon topic will be "The Secrets of Christian Courage."

Music will be provided by The Lost Colony Chorus under the direction of Nena Williams with Hedley Yost at the console of the great Lost Colony organ.

The guest minister is a native of Bessemer City, N. C. He was educated in Hickory High School, Lenoir Rhyne College and later attended the Lutheran Southern Seminary, where he received his B. D.; the University of South Carolina where he was awarded an M. A.; and later at Yale Divinity School, New Haven, Conn. and Union Theological Seminary, New York. He received his D. D. from Lenoir Rhyne College in 1955.

Before his present pastorate he was in the pulpits of Lutheran Churches at Kannapolis, Concord, Shelby, Gastonia, New York City, and Augusta Ga. He is very active in religious circles, holding key posts in several Protestant organizations.

SALE FOR SUPPORT OF BLIND TO BE HELD NEXT WEEK

Manteo Lions Club Sponsoring Sale of Blind-Made Products, Friday, Saturday

Fred Wescott, president of the Manteo Lions Club, announced today that the club will sponsor a "home industry sale" of blind-made articles on Friday and Saturday, July 22 and 23 in front of Fearings, Inc., in Manteo. The bazaar of blind-made articles will consist of household and beach items made by blind people in their homes. All of these articles are hand made.

Members of the local Lions Club will assist Miss Sudie Cox, home industry counselor, who is in charge of the bazaar. Articles for sale are non-profit making. The blind person receives all in excess of cost of materials for his labor. Prices are in line with other merchandise of equal value. You will find a high standard of quality is maintained with all merchandise offered for sale, according to Mr. Wescott.

There are 70 odd active home-bound workers in Eastern North Carolina. Dare County has two actively producing cases in its number. Home-bound cases in Eastern North Carolina produced and marketed more than \$3,500.00 in 1954.

Home industry sales are sponsored jointly by the North Carolina Commission for the Blind and the local Lions Clubs. Mr. Wescott reveals that the home industry program of the North Carolina Commission for the Blind is a branch of the rehabilitation division for the home-bound blind, to give adjustment, to employ, to supply income supplementing See SALE, Page Eight

Undoubtedly a long sigh of relief went up in Currituck Courthouse around noon Saturday from three owners of property in which Bingo games had been operated, when Judge Chester Morris, while ruling against the games, announced that he would not order confiscation of the property, which he could have done under the law. He did say the equipment would be confiscated, and that in dictating his order, he would stipulate the defendants give bond in sufficient sum to pay all costs, as well as reasonable attorneys fees for the plaintiffs.

Judge Morris made permanent a restraining order served some two weeks before against G. T. Westcott, R. B. and Gertrude Lennon, Gaston B. and Ella Mann, whose buildings had housed three bingo games. The games were operated by Mr. Wescott, by Al Mater and Mr. Lennon, and by Gene O'Donnell for H. W. Jones.

The order was brought at the instigation of several church groups and signed by Mrs. Virginia Wescott and Mrs. Marjorie Wescott of Manteo. They were represented by Martin B. Simpson Jr. of Elizabeth City.

The courtroom was more than half filled with spectators from Wanchese, Manteo, Kitty Hawk and the beaches; including many operators and former workers of the bingo games.

Judge Morris expressed regret that he had to pass on this case, and he said some of the men in See BINGO, Page Eight

HAYMAN CLAN TO MEET JULY 24 AT MANNS HARBOR

Morning Sermon To Be By Native Son, Rev. L. D. Hayman; Picnic Dinner; Public Invited

The annual re-union of the Hayman Clan which is one of Dare County's important events will be held this year on Sunday, July 24th at the Manns Harbor Methodist Church. The regular date has been changed to the fourth Sunday in July, for several reasons. First it makes possible the attendance of many who cannot otherwise attend. Second, it enables Rev. L. D. Hayman's usual sermon to be heard at a time when it can have larger attendance. For Mr. Hayman is a popular man. Now residing in retirement at Southport, he is a native of Dare County.

Through the kindness of Rev. A. L. G. Stephenson, the pastor, and his official board, the clan has been granted full use of the church for this annual occasion.

The Clan head expresses his appreciation to Rev. A. L. G. Stephenson, the pastor, and his congregation for this generous courtesy. In return the Clan, through its president, is extending invitation to Rev. Mr. Stephenson and his people to share with and in all the several parts of the program during the day.

The general outline of the program for the day will follow along these lines. All visitors and members of the clan are invited to gather for the Church School hour which is ten a. m. and worship with the local Sunday School and leaders for this hour. Registration book for clan members will be open in time for each member to register. Also the visitor's book for others to register. At eleven o'clock, Rev. L. D. Hayman, president of the Clan will preach the annual sermon to the Clan and all visitors. Following the morning worship, the picnic dinner for all will be served on the grounds of the church. Following the dinner hour and get-acquainted-period, See CLAN, Page Eight

6,000 FEET OF BRIDGE

Col. R. L. Hill of the Corp of Engineers, Wilmington advises that the new highway bridge being constructed across Croatan Sound, North Carolina, has now progressed westerly from Weir Point on Roanoke Island to a point 6,000 feet from the shore.

All mariners are urged to exercise caution when navigating in the vicinity of floating plant engaged in construction of the bridge.