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## PHOOEY TO YOU, DARE OFFICIALS TELL TAXPAYERS

### THREE DAYS TO HONOR THE MEMORY OF HATTERAS ISLAND HEROES OF THE SEA SHAPE UP

An Interesting as Well as Spectacular Program Will Do Honor to the Men of the Coast Guard Service, With a Memorial Program at Fairhaven Church Led by Capt. Roy Bishop, USN, Chaplain of the Atlantic Fleet.

RODANTHE, July 28.—The twin communities of Rodanthe and Waves are looking forward to a glorious celebration beginning Friday, August 12 and extending through Sunday, when more than 50 veterans of the old Life Saving Service and several hundred of the Coast Guard will be honored in elaborate ceremonies.

Chairman W. W. Edwards said no effort nor expense will be spared to make this a memorable event. A luncheon will be given the old Life Savers, and other notable guests. The Elizabeth City High School band is expected, along with other invited guests, to do their drills and furnish music for the big day, which is Saturday, the 13th.

Visitors are expected to begin pouring into this village about noon on Friday, and housing accommodations are being arranged. The first events will be boxing matches Friday night to get things warmed up a bit.

Ceremonies will begin promptly at 10 o'clock Saturday with music and the invocation by Rev. A. E. Tyson, pastor of the Fairhaven Methodist Church. A. H. Gray will make the welcome speech. Representatives of the County Board of Commissioners will be by Melvin Daniels, the Clerk to the Board. Numerous invited guests heading up the Coast Guard, the Park Service and public officials, will be presented. David Stick of Kill Devil Hills will recite some of the great deeds done by the old Life Savers of the vicinity. Congressman Herbert C. Bonner will make the principal speech honoring the veterans.

Spectacular and exciting drills will follow the lunch hour. First is a beach apparatus rescue drill, which will be done by retired men of the service. They will show they have not become too rusty to come to aid in time of need, despite their years away from the beach. This drill will be followed by a demonstration of latest methods as done by helicopter from the Elizabeth City Coast Guard Air Station. Then there will be a capsizing drill by men of the shore stations of the Coast Guard, where they upset their craft, climb on top and back to safety in the sea.

Swimming races are planned, fishing contests are in the making, and there may be a beauty contest. There will be a dance on Friday. See HONOR, Page Ten

### THESE ARE NAMES OF OLD TIME LIFE SAVERS

The committee for celebration for the Coast Guard at Rodanthe August 12-14, have received the names of the following men who have served at some time in the old Life Saving Service, which was consolidated with the Coast Guard in 1915. These men will be invited as honor guests at Rodanthe, August 13th:

DAVIS LITTLETON GRAY, and ARTHUR V. MIDGETT, Waves, N. C.

W. Bembury Miller, Eugene G. Gray, James W. Scarborough, Nelson Gray, of Avon, N. C.

Clarence P. Brady, Nasa F. Jenette, Warren Midgett, Bernice R. Ballance, Cyrus H. Gray of Buxton, N. C.

Charlie S. Styron, of Hatteras,

Marchant Meekins, Claude Jones, Edward W. Etheridge, Walter Otis Dough, Washington Franklin Baum, Christopher Columbus Midgett, Samuel Alonzo Stowe, Otho C. Ward, Clyde Hassell, W. Van Lewark, Roscoe Burris, Sr., of Manteo, N. C.

Joe Etheridge Midgett of New York.

Arthur J. Fulcher, 3118 Cottage Toll Road, Norfolk, Va., Jess M. Rogers, 804 E. 26th St., Norfolk, Va.

Request is made that names of all former veterans of the Life Saving Service be sent to the Chicamacomico Committee, P. O. Box 75, Rodanthe, N. C.

### MOSQUITO PARTY'S AMPHIBIAN CRAFT IS SUNK AT SEA

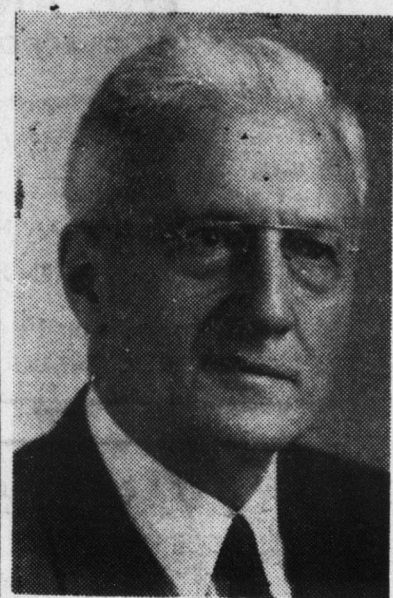
Modern Vehicles Fail Sometimes; This One The Coast Guard Pulled Out of Soak

Hatteras, July 28.—Three members of the staff of the Institute of Coastal Studies of Louisiana State University, engaged on a research project for the office of Naval Research and the National Park Service in this area whose amphibious vehicle, borrowed from the Army by the Navy Department for their use, sunk with them off here this week, were rescued and after thirty hours unremitting work their seven-ton vehicle was located and hauled ashore by members of the crew of Cape Hatteras Group of the U. S. Coast Guard.

Officially it has not been determined why the amphibian valued at \$10,000 went down in 12 feet of water and 150 yards off-shore abreast the Hatteras Lifeboat Station but it is generally conceded that professors are a somewhat absent-minded species and they neglected to note the fact that small craft warnings were flying.

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### RABBI TO PREACH AT LOST COLONY ON SUNDAY



RABBI F. I. RYPINS of Temple, Emmanuel, Greensboro, will be guest minister at a fifth of a series of Lost Colony season Sunday worship services at Waterside Theatre Sunday morning, July 31, at 11 o'clock.

A native of Nebraska, Rabbi

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### MANY INCREASES IN DARE BUDGET; REVENUE FALLS OFF

Indications Are That Overspending Has Been Going On, and Will Still Go On

The budget in Dare County for the current fiscal year, shows sharp increases in most departments. Largest gain is in the Sheriff's office, which is \$2,290, bringing the cost of this office up to \$18,170.

Substantial increases in salaries for all the workers in the welfare department a \$300 increase in salary for the Recorder's Judge; an increase of \$1,200 for holding elections; an increase in salaries in the health department are all coming.

The amount of \$21,880 is set up to cover interest and payments on county bonds, and this is a savings of \$440 as the bonds grow smaller. Oddly enough this saving will not help, for the same amount has been added to the Tax Supervisor's office, increasing that budget \$440 and bringing the cost of the office of \$8,800. Register of Deeds office increased \$1,930.

A \$469 increase has been given the Veterans office. The office of County Accountant shows a \$410 increase; the Clerk of Court, \$110 increase. Few departments show decreases.

Last year's budget was originally set at \$198,949.60, but during the year, without any prospect of new income, the Board kept adding expenditures. The budget on May 15 had then expanded to \$209,025.47. As of May 15, the anticipated revenue had fallen short by some \$30,000.

This year the Board has anticipated it will get an income of \$254,000. It will have to get, in addition, enough to cover last

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### TAX INCREASE DUE IN TOWN OF MANTEO ALSO

Taxpayers in the town of Manteo may expect an increase in their taxes this year. One increase of 13 cents is contemplated by reason of the new \$11,000 fire truck recently purchased, and the town is faced with the necessity of installing sewage pumping facilities to cost about \$5,000. The tax rate last year was 80 cents on the \$100.

The total value of property in the Town of Manteo as appraised by the Dare County tax board is \$2,639,960, a sum in excess of the entire valuations in Dare County a few years ago. The county valuation is now more than 17 million dollars and increase in some years by a million dollars.

The Dare Commissioners this week put on a special levy on Roanoke Island of 13 cents to apply on the purchase of the fire truck.

### IN A NEW JOB WITH DISTRIBUTING FIRM



ELMER R. DOWDY, for the past twenty years teacher of vocational agriculture, has resigned his position with the Hillsboro High School to enter private business.

Mr. Dowdy has accepted a position as Southeastern States regional manager for the Jones Food Supplement Company of Compton, California, international distributors of "Abundavit", a food supplement, for people.

Mr. Dowdy is a native of Currituck County, a brother of L. L. Dowdy of Harbinger and T. G. See DOWDY, Page Ten

### QUARTER MILLION DOLLAR BUDGET SET UP IN DARE

Commissioners Plan to Spend \$253,886.10; New Motto: "Dam the Voters, Go Ahead With Jails."

The theme slogan of the Commissioners of Dare County this week seemed to be "dam the voters, go ahead and build jails." On Monday they adopted the proposals voted down by the people earlier this month, and plan to go ahead with building a jail at Manteo, and at Buxton.

The county budget this year is set at \$253,886.10. Budgets in most of the county departments were increased. They provided to increase the tax rate from .90 cents to \$1.15 throughout Dare County. They will increase the tax rate on Roanoke Island from \$.95 to \$1.33.

The Commissioners appointed Raymond Basnett, Charlie Williams Jr. and George Fuller to pick a site for the Buxton jail. The Board requested the Board of Education to give them a site on the old school grounds at Buxton for this purpose. They appointed Commissioners E. P. White and James W. Scarborough a committee to work with the Navy on the mosquito control project.

They voted the sum of \$25,000 to buy a 350 to 500 foot strip of the Brinkley farm at Manteo, containing ten acres, for a site for a proposed high school. They voted \$15,000 to buy a site for a school at Kill Devil Hills. Commissioner Scarborough declined to vote on these items. He merely abstained from expressing an opinion.

They voted to give F. B. Gaskins back \$22.74 penalties assessed on taxes. They set up \$2,300 for the Dare County Tourist Bureau and \$200 to aid the celebration at Rodanthe, honoring the Old Life Savers. They asked the Highway Commission to improve three roads at Avon and one at Buxton leading to the home of J. S. Turner.

### PRES' OF NEGRO BANK TO ADDRESS "COLONY" VISITORS

A Full Day's Program For Negro Citizens at Fort Raleigh Pageant Today (Friday)

By AYCOCK BROWN

An address by J. H. Wheeler, president of the Mechanics and Farmers Bank, Durham, N. C., and choral music by the Norfolk Staters, a 30-voice Men's Glee Club of the Norfolk Division of Virginia State College, will highlight the annual Negro Citizen's Day program at Paul Green's symphonic drama The Lost Colony here on Friday night, July 29, it was announced today by General Manager R. E. Jordan.

Jordan stated that Dr. S. D. Williams, president, Elizabeth City State Teachers College had cooperated in arranging the program of Negro Citizens Day which is an impressive annual event of The Lost Colony since the drama's beginning in 1937.

Dr. Williams stated that a local housing committee to help care for those planning to come down and stay overnight included the following: Lloyd Meekins, chairman, Joe Tillett, Delilah Simmons, Agatha Gray, Marshall Collins and Kelly Golden.

Management of The Lost Colony has announced that the National Park Service would permit Negro citizens into the National Historic Site throughout the day on July 29, without charge and the Lost Colony management has stated that picnic facilities will be available on the spacious Lost Colony Parking Lot adjacent to Fort Raleigh.

Dr. Williams stated that the pre-performance program featuring the address by the noted Mr. Wheeler and the singing by the Norfolk Staters would begin inside Waterside Theatre at 7:30 o'clock. The Lost Colony performance, which is reported by critics to be better than ever this year will begin at 8:15. There will be no reserved seats on Friday and all tickets for all races will be \$1.80 and 90 cents.

### NANCY GORDON SHOTS CELEBRITY



NANCY GORDON, Manteo, member of The Lost Colony cast is shown shooting a picture of "Deacon" Andy Griffith, former Sir Walter Raleigh of the drama who has during the past two years soared to fame with his recordings, television and stage appearances. While vacationing on the Dare coast last week with his wife Barbara and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Griffith of Mt. Airy, Andy made a guest appearance at The Lost Colony during intermission on Saturday night. In addition to making the Lions (it was Lions International Night at the show) roar, he made the audience of more than 1,000 persons split their sides laughing. (Aycock Brown Photo)

### PATROLMAN'S ACTIVITIES MAKE SCHOOL FUNDS GROW

Increasing Court Docket From Traffic Cases in Recorders Court Yields Fines

The Dare County school fund is growing rapidly, the result of traffic cases brought for the most part by Highway Patrolmen into Recorder's Court. Judge Baum had a lengthy session Tuesday.

LeRoy Bowser was fined \$50 for driving at 75 mph; also \$25 for reckless driving, also costs, and will lose his driver's license.

Shelby Ray Pellett of Virginia Beach failed to appear to answer a reckless driving charge, and George Crocker, tourist court operator at Nags Head, forfeited a \$50 bond he signed for the defendant.

A charge of reckless driving against Phillip Perkins Johnson of his offense was not on the high-Creswell was dismissed, because way, but on a motor court. A charge of careless driving against Mrs. Susie Malco was dismissed.

Eugene Norman, colored, of Currituck, was fined \$15 and costs and given a 30-day suspended sentence for assaulting Allan Gillard, operator of a negro dance hall at Duck. A similar charge against Jerome Lindsay and Roosevelt Moore was dismissed.

Deputy Sheriff Darrell Daniels of Wanchese brought his first traffic case into court. Jethro Payne, Jr. was fined \$25 and costs. He was charged with driving after his license had been revoked, and with driving 60 mph in a 30-mile zone.

William M. Cox, charged with

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### LOST COLONY CAST PAYS HOMAGE TO CLIFTON BRITTON

Clifton Britton of Goldsboro, where he is director of the nationally-famous Goldsmasquers, was honored by members of The Lost Colony cast following the Tuesday night performance of the drama.

Britton, who has been with The Lost Colony for nine seasons, for four of which he has been active director, has not had a vacation in some 10 years. From his outstanding work at the Goldsboro School each year he has come directly to Roanoke Island to take over his important duties with The Lost Colony. But this year he will take a vacation, and that is what caused a lot of homage-paying to him on Tuesday night.

After the audience on Tuesday night, largest of the season for a Tuesday night, had left the theatre, Britton in the light control tower, looked stageward and saw all of his cast assembling. Jim Byrd, lighting technician, grabbed him by the arm and said, "We had better go down there and see what is happening."

Upon his arrival on the stage Britton soon learned what was happening. The cast and company of The Lost Colony was giving him a party, a party which consisted, in addition to good wishes for his vacation, of sandwiches and punch.

And then, from the cast, a gift was presented. This was a Jim Pace water-color of Jockey Ridge which someone had learned that Britton admired and wanted to purchase recently, but couldn't because it was already sold. (He did not

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### LET THE HURRICANES ROAR.



HERE at the right of the picture is the newly completed radar tower of the Hurricane Warning Center in process of activation by the U. S. Weather Bureau at Hatteras. So sensitive is the antenna perched at the top of the 65-foot tower that "it can see a duck landing on the water five miles away." It can also reach out into the center of a hurricane 300 miles away and take its secrets—its velocity, direction, and the power of its winds.

At the left is the balloon building from which twice daily the meteorologists in charge of the station send aloft, sometimes reaching an altitude of 91,000 feet to send back by radio news of what sort of weather it encounters. At the center of the picture is the main building of the weather station. This year the state will be ready for hurricanes with this most powerful tracking equipment in the world.

Photograph by Ben Dixon MacNeill