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FEDERAL FUNDS MAY BECOME AVAILABLE FOR BEACH REPAIRS

All Seashore Highway Group to Meet at Carolinian Hotel Thursday, April 26th

Col. Harry Brown, who has been appointed by Governor Hodges to work on the problems attendant upon beach erosion will be present at a meeting of the All-Seashore Highway Association which is scheduled for Thursday, April 26 at the Carolinian Hotel at Nags Head. The meeting will start at 3 p.m.

The Dare County Commissioners have been invited to attend this meeting. The parley is set to follow up the problems resulting from recent ocean storms, which caused abnormal erosion on the entire coast. In hope of obtaining Federal aid to combat erosion as well to fight mosquitos, a movement to declare the Dare Coast a disaster area was initiated by the Nags Head Chamber of Commerce and has been endorsed by resolution of the Dare County Commissioners.

Should the Dare Coastline be declared a disaster area, it will be eligible to receive a considerable allotment of Federal and state funds sets up for rehabilitation purposes.

Abnormally high tides and winds last week, while not so high as those prevailing in the Norfolk area, and stronger than those south of Oregon Inlet, pushed a large amount of sea water over the bank of the beach, resulting in flooding of the highway in the Kitty Hawk-Kill Devil Hills area. The resulting condition makes a demand for more drainage and more control of the mosquito problem which followed. Water from the highway has drained off finally, but great inconvenience and some damage to property resulted in the meanwhile.

HALLETT PERRY ANNOUNCES FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER

Hallett Perry of Kitty Hawk, who filled the office of County Commissioner from Atlantic Township for four years, 1949 to 1953, has filed as a candidate for this place. Already in the race were J. L. Murphy of Kill Devil Hills, M. M. Meekins and Orville Baum of Kitty Hawk. This four-cornered race is expected to create much interest. Capt. W. H. Lewark, the incumbent, withdrew this year, due to illness.

E. P. White of Buxton is unopposed as Commissioner from Hatteras township. J. W. Scarborough of Avon is opposed by Newcomb Midgett of Waves for Commissioner from Kennekeet township.

Commissioner Lawrence Swain of Manteo is unopposed for this office from Nags Head Township, and Chairman C. C. Duvall of East Lake has no opposition to represent the Mainland District on the county Board.

ONE CONTEST EDUCATION BOARD IN DARE COUNTY

Only one seat on the Dare County Board of Education will be contested in the primary. James W. Davis of Wanchese, well-known community leader is opposing R. O. Ballance of Manteo, who is the incumbent member of the Board from Nags Head township.

H. E. Best of Stumpy Point did not file for renomination, and this post is sought by Leland Wise of Stumpy Point who will not have opposition.

Elwood Parker of Kill Devil Hills did not file for renomination as the Board of Education member from Atlantic township. Mrs. Susie Briggs of Kitty Hawk has filed for this place, and will be nominated without opposition.

W. L. Scarborough of Hatteras Township, and Ellis Gray of Kennekeet township filed for renomination, and they are unopposed.

FIVE IN RACE FOR DARE BEACHES SANITARY BOARD

R. E. Jordan, Pat Bayne of Nags Head, Oscar Sanderlin, W. H. Smith of Kitty Hawk, and C. A. York of Kill Devil Hills have filed for the office of Commissioner of the Dare Beaches Sanitary District. Mr. Jordan is now chairman of the Commission and Mr. York one of its members.

C. J. Gilly, a carpenter employed by the York Construction Co. has filed for constable's job in Atlantic Township. A constable serves papers, usually for a justice of the peace. The only justice of the peace in the township now is Bill Anderson, appointed by the late Governor Umstead.

BARBERSHOP QUARTET MAKES HIT BOOSTING JAMBOREE



A VALUABLE ADVERTISING FEATURE for the Pirate's Jamboree, which begins Friday of next week is the Barbershop Quartet, although it would be hard to imagine a barber letting them stay around for very long. This group consists of John Long, of the Bank of Manteo, Julian Oneto of the Carolinian Hotel, Ralph Swain, Grocer and Lawrence Swain, County Commissioner. During the past week they have made many public appearances including radio and TV where they appeared on Greenville and Petersburg stations. Photo by Aycock Brown.

MURL P. TWIFORD DIES AT WANCHESE SUDDENLY

Murl Preston Twiford 56, died suddenly at Wanchese Sunday morning at 2:30. His death occurred while his wife was away in a Norfolk hospital where she has been seriously ill for several weeks. He was a fisherman, had been living at Wanchese about six months, and was a native of Stumpy Point, son of Raynor R. and the late Mrs. Annie Payne Twiford. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Lessie Payne Twiford, a son, Lester; three daughters, Mrs. Russell Jordan and Mrs. Essie Boyd of Norfolk and Mrs. Elizabeth Midgett of Stumpy Point; three half brothers, LaVerne, Buren and Delbert Twiford; two half sisters, Mrs. Will Tillett of Manns Harbor and Mrs. Shelby Brinn of Great Bridge. He was a member of the Stumpy Point Methodist Church.

The services were conducted at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Stumpy Point Methodist Church by Rev. A. L. G. Stephenson, assisted by Rev. Alvin Price. Burial was in the community cemetery.

The church choir sang "Near to the Heart of God," "Jesus is Always There," with Mrs. Gertrude Wise at the piano. Pall bearers were Ira Payne, Randolph Payne, Hildred Golden, Bob Midgett. The casket was covered with a pall of pink gladioli, white carnation and fern.

"Shall we gather at the River," was sung at the grave.

H. C. BONNER SPEAKER TO NORFOLK MARITIME GROUP

Representative Herbert C. Bonner of North Carolina was speaker for the 500 guests of the 36th annual meeting of the Hampton Roads Maritime Association in the Monticello Hotel April 19th.

GOOD CATCHES PREVAIL ON DARE MAINLAND



EAST LAKE, Manns Harbor, Mashoes and vicinity on the Dare Mainland always yield good catches for fresh water sportsmen. One of the most frequent anglers devoted to this section is a Guilford County man, Hermon D. Rew who lives on Route One, Box 216, McCleansville, N. C. The picture shows Mr. Rew with his brothers on the past week end, with a catch of bass and pike made while stopping over at the Croatan Motel. As may be noted, many of these fish are pretty big ones and must have put up a big fight. — Photo by Stan White.

ENEMY OF MOSQUITOES SEEKS WEAPONS OF WAR



ROBERT KENNETH GUNN, the District Sanitarian for Dare and Currituck Counties finds a large part of his task calls for the checking of those establishments which handle food, particularly in the summertime. But having been serving Uncle Sam a long time he has developed a warring instinct, and in civilian life, it is directed toward mosquitos. He is a sworn enemy of mosquitos, thinks they are the greatest drawback to our happy coastland and he hopes that somebody will provide the means of developing an all-out attack against them this summer. Mr. Gunn, with his wife and young daughter live at 409 Broad St., Manteo. He came on this job in April last year. He is a native of Napoleon, Ohio, where his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ortes E. Gunn live on Route 2. Military service interrupted his college career at Bowling Green State University, but he returned and graduated with a

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VICE-PRESIDENT TO SEE LOST COLONY SCENES

Nixon Will Present Awards to Oratory Final Winners in New York on Monday, May 7

By JIM MORTON (Special to The Coastland Times) Washington, Apr. 19. — Vice-President Richard Nixon accepted an invitation today to present the 1956 Freedom of Speech awards to top winners in the perennial youth event sponsored by New York Journal-American at the Metropolitan Opera House in New York City. A feature of the Oratory Finals this year will be acts from the Lost Colony, the Roanoke Island mystery of history, which has the distinction of being the longest-lived outdoor drama of its kind in the world.

The patriotic spectacle culminating in five months of competition in oratory in which thousands of high school and college students took part will be held on Monday, May 7.

Scholarships of \$1,000 each will be awarded, with the famous silver statuettes that were established by the Hearst Newspapers 14 years ago to cultivate in the minds a clearer appreciation of the Free Speech guaranty in the First Amendment.

Headed by top industrialist Brig. Gen'l. David Sarnoff, a panel of 12 college and university presidents will select the 1956 award winners. Sarnoff for many years headed the Radio Corporation of America. In his early years, he was in the wireless telegraph work at Cape Hatteras.

In his acceptance the Vice-President NIXON, Page Five

ARGENTINA STUDENT SPEAKS TO ROTARY

Ernesto Esquer of Argentina, a Rotary exchange student, was guest speaker at the local club's meeting on Monday night. Special guests of the club were Rotary Anns, wives of the local Rotarians.

Introduced by President Wallace McCown, Esquer of Argentina gave some insights on life in his South American country and comparisons as he saw conditions in America.

"My country has friendly relations with both the United States and Russia," he said, and added, "that's like loving God and the devil at the same time."

When he came to this country he told fellow American students how Argentina was no longer a revolutionary country and said, "What happened? Nine days later there was a revolution and the Peron government was overthrown."

He spoke of the steaks in Argentina, which cost 30 cents as compared to \$3 for those of equal quality in America. He failed to mention that with Peron exiled steaks in Argentina are now considerably more than 30 cents.

Esquez was accompanied to Manteo by Chris Colley, a Wake Forest student.

During the meeting Dick Jordan read a message from Jim Morton relative to Vice President Nixon's role in the oratory contests at the Metropolitan Opera House in New York on May 7, an event which will feature scenes from The Lost Colony.

DARE MEN AWARDED \$15,000 CONTRACTS TO REPAIR DAMAGE

Dare County men were successful bidders last week on \$15,000 worth of work, when contracts were let by the county commissioners for drainage and diking work to be paid for from funds appropriated as a result of last summer's hurricanes.

To Sam Liverman of Colington went the contract for improvements in Kitty Hawk at a price of \$3,223.13. Mr. Liverman recently did the drainage project at Kill Devil Hills, paid for with Civil Defense money.

The Manns Harbor and Lake Worth projects will be submitted a second time for bids, those being received were unsatisfactory. Ray Lewis of Manteo got a contract at \$6,149.90 for work at Stumpy Point. The work on the west side of Roanoke Island west of the Negro settlement will be done also by Mr. Lewis, for \$3,887.

For rebuilding the dike which protects the village of Avon from sea damage, and which was torn down by storm last year, Stetson & Daniels of Wanchese got the contract at \$1,943.

SOUTHERN ALBEMARLE MEET NEXT WEDNESDAY AT CRESWELL 11 A. M.

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Southern Albemarle Association has been called by the President, Melvin R. Daniels of Wanchese, to be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, April 25th, to discuss the proposed Alligator Bridge and other matters in Creswell.

The group will be guests of the Commissioners of Washington County at a luncheon in the school lunchroom at 1 p.m. Specially invited are the Senators from the Second District and County Representatives.

In his letter of notice of the meeting, Mr. Daniels says: "We feel reasonable sure that the Alligator River Bridge will be built in the near future but let's not take anything for granted and keep working."

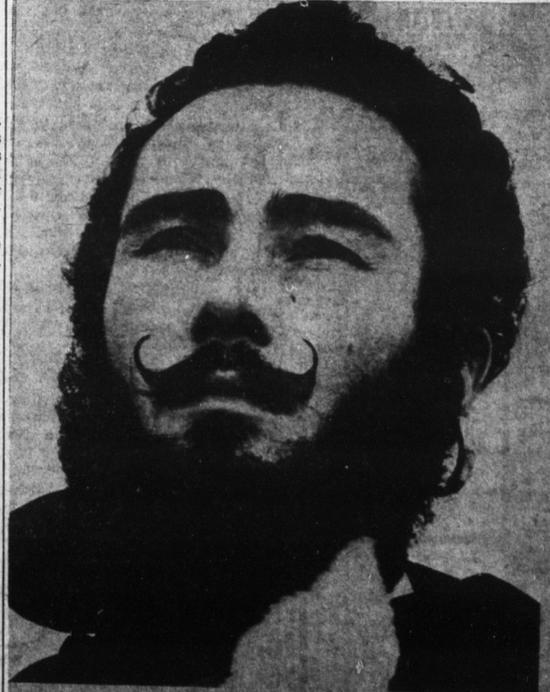
UPWARDS OF 200 ATTEND MASONIC DINNER SATURDAY

Upwards of 200 members of the Masonic Lodge of Manteo and Wanchese, with wives and guests, met for a turkey dinner Saturday night at the Shrine Club rooms on Whalebone Beach.

District Solicitor Walter Cohoon of Elizabeth City, who has several times spoken at these meetings, was the principal speaker. He was introduced by Melvin Daniels, Treasurer of Wanchese Lodge.

Members who attended said the affair was enjoyable, and the address by Mr. Cohoon informative.

HERE'S ANOTHER BEARD WHICH IS OUT OF THIS WORLD



BEHIND THIS dandyish, carefully cultivated beard, grown especially to order for the Pirate Jamboree next week, is the pleasant face of John Donahoe, the brisk assistant manager of the Beacon, Nags Head's new de luxe motor court, which was built the past season by George Crocker of Norfolk. The picture is by Dan Morrill of the Island Studio, Manteo.

FRIDAY APRIL 27 TO OPEN PIRATE JAMBOREE WITH BIG FISH FRY, HATTERAS VILLAGE

Invitations Out for One and All To Come to Second Annual Pirate's Festival On the Dare County Coast, Lasting Three Days with Events at Hatteras, Nags Head and Roanoke Island.

HERE'S THE MAN OF MANY FACES



DAN MORRILL is a man who makes many faces, on photographic paper. Our readers have been noticing many of his excellent photographic portraits in these columns this year. Mr. Morrill is the operator of the Island Studio, located opposite the Fort Raleigh Hotel in Manteo. A visit to his studio is interesting, always, if only to view the many beautiful pictures displayed in his lobby.

SELECTION OF PIRATE KING AND QUEEN SAT.

Most colorful pre-Jamboree event held on the Dare Coast to date will take place Saturday night April 21, at Dare County Shrine Club when hundreds in costumes will compete for the regal titles of king and queen of the Pirate Jamboree. These regal honors last year went to lovely Sara Alford of Manteo and Oscar Sanderlin of Kitty Hawk. Dancing will be a feature of the evening of entertainment and proceeds from admission charges will go towards defraying the mounting Jamboree costs.

Immediately following the dance a bus load of pirates will leave for Petersburg with scheduled stops enroute to advertise the vacation season launching event. In Petersburg between 12:30 and 12:45 o'clock on Sunday a special show, similar to the one presented in Washington via television last Sunday, will be featured on Station WXEX-TV.

By AYCOCK BROWN
Nags Head.—Carolina's north-eastern coast vacation season will be launched during the second annual Dare Coast Pirates Jamboree during three days of celebration beginning Friday April 27 and ending Sunday April 29. Presented last year as a more or less experimental festival the event gained widespread popularity which resulted in sponsors planning another Jamboree along the same pattern and covering all of the territory included in the region known as the Dare Coast, a fabulous sector of North Carolina's legendary Outer Banks.

The schedules of events will begin at Hatteras on Friday where the program including fishing contests, Coast Guard life saving drills, crowning of beauty and buccaneer royalty, the world's biggest salt water fish fry, beach buggy races and Ocracoke Boy Scouts exhibiting their banker ponies, will be held for the most part on the exact spot of beachland where the late General Billy Mitchell based bombers while proving that surface craft were vulnerable to bombing attacks from airplanes back in September 1930, when he sank the battleships New Jersey and Virginia. The Ocracoke Scouts, only banker pony mounted troop in the world, will come to Hatteras Island from their island village nearby where Edward Teach, the notorious pirate Blackbeard, was run down and killed in 1718. The Jamboree festivities at Hatteras will conclude with a colorful waterfront carnival and dance.

On Saturday, the following day the program moves up the Outer Banks to the Nags Head, Kill Devil Hills and Kitty Hawk area. A full day of activity beginning with a nationally sponsored model plane contest at Kill Devil Hills National Monument, marking the spot where the Wright Brothers flew the first airplane in 1903 will begin at 9 o'clock and continue through 2 p.m. Other morning events include a treasure hunt for children, and the unveiling of a 464 pound blue marlin, second largest caught in the United States last year and music by Elizabeth City High School Band with its colorful pirate costumed majorettes at Kitty Hawk. This will be followed with a Pirate Landing Party from Kitty Hawk Bay, led by the king and queen of piracy who will be chosen at a pre-Jamboree Pirate Ball at Nags Head on April 21. The afternoon schedule of events includes a jeep obstacle race across the slopes of Jockeys Ridge at Nags Head, a great mountain of sand which has the distinction of being the highest coastal dune along the Atlantic or Gulf Coast. Soon after the obstacle races thrilling jolopy races along the Nags Head surf are planned. On Saturday night the most colorful social event of the 3-day Jamboree will be the Grand Pirate Ball in Nags Head Casino at which the buccaneer royalty will be crowned.

On Sunday morning, concluding day of the Spring vacation season launcher religion will have its role when Dr. Sylvester Green, vice-president of Wake Forest College, Winston Salem, will preach in the Lost Colony's Waterside Theatre at Fort Raleigh on Roanoke Island, site of English-speaking America's spiritual beginning in 1584 during the Elizabethan Era of Sir Walter Raleigh. And following the religious services, promptly at 12:15 o'clock the first of 20 speedboat races will begin in Manteo's Shallowbag Bay harbor on Roanoke Island. The speedboat classic is sponsored by the local boat club and is nationally sanctioned.

Pre-Jamboree events began on Friday, April 13, with a Pirate Street Dance in Elizabeth City, under the sanction of that city's municipal council and mayor. On Saturday evening, April 14, in the Carolinian Hotel here on Nags Head Manteo Rotary Club's bearded pirate quartet, challenged six other quartets in a Barber Shop Song Show. On Sunday, April 15, first in a series of pirate motorcades and television shows began, the first to Washington, N. C., with others scheduled for Norfolk and Petersburg, Va.

Since January, many of the See JAMBOREE, Page Eight