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## A NEW DOCTOR ESTABLISHED IN MANTEO IN FEARING'S MODERN MEMORIAL CLINIC

Building Open Today Provides Vicinity With Unexcelled Medical Facilities, As Dr. W. W. Harvey Jr. Begins Practice; Building Designed Under Approval of State Authorities.

After a year or more without a resident physician in the town, Manteo now has a doctor and he is housed in a completely new and modern building with the best of facilities. Dr. W. W. Harvey Jr., a Duke graduate, son of a physician, opened his new offices today in the handsome Memorial Clinic now being completed by the Fearing Brothers of Manteo. Dr. Harvey comes to Manteo from the large Grady Memorial Hospital in Atlanta, Ga.

Dr. Harvey is a native of Greensboro where his father, Dr. W. W. Harvey practices medicine. His wife is the former Margaret Nelson of Portsmouth, Va. and she is the cousin of Mrs. Nelson Cheers, wife of Attorney Thos. Cheers of Manteo. Dr. Harvey, in addition to his work at Duke studied Gynecology and obstetrics at Baton Rouge, La. and finished a residency in general practice and surgery in Atlanta. Dr. and Mrs. Harvey are residing in the new cottage of Mrs. Isabel Warren at Sunnyside, near Manteo.

The clinic is a brick building, on Main Street back of the Fort Raleigh Hotel, and is particularly attractive and well-arranged inside. It has a thermostatic controlled temperature regulating system for summer and winter, has a large waiting room and receptionists room. Two bed rooms for patients, and also a three-bed ward; kitchen, X-ray room, nursery, two consultation rooms, examining rooms, emergency room, labor room, laboratory and supply room. The necessary rooms are finished in ceramic tile, and the interior ceiling with fire resistant materials.

This structure has been leased to Dr. Harvey and is subject to his management and control. Plans for the building were drawn by W. W. Tarkington of Manteo, after extensive surveys made of other clinics in towns of similar size in North Carolina and Virginia, by Keith Fearing Jr., druggist, and his father, the late M. K. Fearing, who died two weeks ago, while looking forward to the completion of this structure so greatly needed in the community. Before the building was constructed, the plans were submitted for approval to the N. C. Medical Care Commission in Raleigh and the building erected in accordance with the Commission's specifications.

Erection of this building and the establishment of a doctor in Manteo has long been considered a prime essential in a locality with a large transient population during the heavy summertime tourist season. Visitors prefer the assurance of adequate medical care, when they travel. The assurance in Manteo now, of complete medical facilities can prove a tremendous asset to the community in the further source of comfort it will give those who live here, as well as those, who look forward to making their homes here.

Dr. Harvey's office phone is number 11. It began to be busy long before he got his office set up.

### TO OPEN BIDS ON ALLIGATOR RIVER BRIDGE TEST PILING

Bids will be opened on July 30th by the State Highway Commission for the driving of test piling across the Alligator River where it is proposed a bridge be built. The sum of \$20,000 was provided by Governor Hodges from state funds last year to make a survey for this bridge. On the basis of reports from this survey and the pile driving job, estimates of the cost of the bridge will be made. It has been clear for some time that traffic will demand the construction of this bridge. It will of necessity be built because of the needs of coastal bound travellers from all sections of the state. It will be as vital as some of the short cuts blasted through solid rocks in the mountains at a cost of a million dollars a mile.

Yet we have state officials, who trading upon the impatience of local people for early construction of the bridge, suggested to us that we accept a toll bridge, and agree to pay toll for generations until the tolls pay for the bridge. We have local people who peddle this same theory of "selling us down the river," whereby the peo-

### JUDGE GIVES NOTICE INCREASE OF 150% IN FINES AUGUST 1

School Fund Tuesday. Shares in Heavy Week End Activity on Dare Coast.

People who get public drunk and make spectacles of themselves on the highways in Dare County are going to share in the general increase of prices which prevail these days. They must pay more for their folly. Judge W. F. Baum in Dare Recorders Court Tuesday gave notice that he would, beginning August 1, raise his standard fine for this offense from \$10 to \$25.

Those who may be interested in getting under the wire, and have this sort of good time which appeals to some people, have only 11 days left to take advantage of the old low rate. The following defendants Tuesday paid \$10 and costs for this offense: J. P. Stevenson, and Louis Bowling of Nags Head; and Frank A. Spencer of New York City.

Tuesday's court was one of the biggest and most profitable sessions this year, yielding more than \$700 in fines for the school fund. The cases resulted from activity of highway patrolmen and the unusually heavy traffic on the week end.

The court collected \$400 in fines from persons convicted of driving drunk. A fourth appealed to Superior Court where juries usually acquit them after a long and expensive trial. These cases are as follows: Appeals: Julian Clark of Bayside, Va. convicted and fined \$100, represented by Frank Aycock of Elizabeth City. Paid up and went their way: Alden H. Berry of Buxton; James F. Hasty, Manteo; George E. Warren of Dunn and Samuel McCleese of Manteo. McCleese was fined \$25 more for driving with no operator's license.

For speeding at 55 miles in a 35 mile zone the following were fined \$20 each and costs: George D. Felton of Scotland Neck; Joseph F. Meekins, Elizabeth City; Charles F. Smith, Burlington, also charged for passing at an intersection, an extra \$5 and costs; Jonathon Johnson of Elizabeth City.

Sheldon Midgett White, and Smith White and Geo. Jacob McCleese were found together drinking in a car, and charged with possession of raw non-tax-paid whiskey, for which each paid \$10 and costs.

Carlton T. Brooks of Elizabeth City had no operator's license and improper equipment on his car. He got a 60-day suspended sentence and paid fines of \$30 and costs.

Tine Willis Jr. of Hatteras, up on three counts: improper plates, \$5, careless and reckless driving \$25, speeding \$10 and costs. F. L. Peele paid \$5 for using improper plates.

James Burton Daniels, following too close, \$5 and costs. Wm. B. Waddell Jr. of Wilson, driving 60 mph in 25-mile zone, \$25 and costs.

Ervin Marshall Ballance of Poplar Branch \$10 and costs for speeding. Tommy W. Ellis of Tyner, driving too close, \$5. Terry Lee Holmes of Edenton, speeding, \$15 and costs.

ple of these northeastern counties who would then be the only people in the state thus discriminated against, and penalized for use of roads essential to their progress and development—not to say livelihood.

We welcome expressions from those who would sell their people "down the river." We would like to present such views as they think will support any argument why the people of this region should be forced to take less than other people take, since all are now paying the same triff for use of highways.

### SHOWER FOR BRIDE

Mrs. Barron Daniels, recent Manteo bride, was honored at a miscellaneous shower at the home of Mrs. Fred Wescott on Friday evening, July 13. Games and refreshments were enjoyed by the honoree and the friends who called during the evening.

### SPEAKER AT LOST COLONY, ECC NIGHT FRIDAY



Paul Green's symphonic drama The Lost Colony will present the first in a series of special nights during its current season at Waterside Theatre on Friday, July 20, when East Carolina College of Greenville, N. C., will be honored. Speaker at the ECC night will be Dr. John D. Messick, president of the college since 1947 who is pictured above at his desk. His brief talk will come during a pre-performance program that will also feature a musical prelude by East Carolina singers in the Lost Colony chorus, directed by Dr. Elwood Keister, and also the introduction of ECC officials and distinguished alumni who will be attending. Among the group of distinguished alumni will be Clifton Britton of Goldsboro, director of the famous history mystery by Green, which has outlived all other outdoor dramas. Students and alumni are urged to attend this special performance of The Lost Colony, according to James W. Butler, alumni secretary who will emcee the pre-performance program. Dr. Messick, the speaker of the evening, is a native of South Creek, Beaufort County and attended Elon College, University of North Carolina and New York University to receive his various degrees and doctorates. He is one of the outstanding educational leaders of North Carolina and has been active in educational, welfare and fraternity organizations for many years. (ECC Photo)

### COMMANDER PAYNE VISITS OLD FRIENDS AT GULROCK



COMMANDER ALTON W. PAYNE, USN recently spent two weeks at his boyhood home, Gulrock, and saw most of his old friends who are living. He was with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Warren B. Payne. Cdr. Payne was an Engelhard HS graduate in 1936, taught for a term at Beulahville, and worked as business manager for a Charlotte chemical company. In July 1941 he entered the Navy at Atlanta, Ga., attended elimination flight training school, and was sent to Naval Air Station, Jacksonville, Fla. He won his gold wings in August 1942, being commissioned an ensign. During World War II he served in Scouting Squadron No. 38, SAS Unit II, where he was second in command. He subsequently served as communications officer, Naval Air Station, Trinidad, BWI, attended General Line School, Monterey, Calif.; served as Intelligence analyst in office of Chief of Naval Operations, Washington; officer in charge of Helicopter Squadron II, detachment one; Air Operations Officer USS Aircraft Carrier Antietam; and recently assistant operations and planning officer, Naval Air Station, Brunswick, Me. On July 20th, he will report for duty at San Diego, Calif., as Executive Officer, Helicopter Anti-

### BIG DAY PLANNED FOR NEGROES AT FORT RALEIGH

Noted Negro Singer to Be On Program on Friday, July 27th

Bill Landford, nationally known Negro singer of Portsmouth, Va., a member of quartets that recorded such hits as "Gospel Train is a-comin'" and "Remember Me," also "Above My Head," and "Praise the Lord and Pass the Ammunition," which were distributed by RCA-Victor and sold in the millions, will be guest star during a pre-performance program in Waterside Theatre on Friday night, July 27, when The Lost Colony presents its annual Negro Citizens' night.

As a member of the Golden Gate Quartet, and other groups, he has also sang with Benny Goodwin and Count Basie and for two years John Hammond got the singing organization on CBS from coast to coast. Later Landford organized his own quartet the "Southern Sons" and was a radio feature over Charlotte's WBT until illness of one of the members made it necessary to break up.

Professor S. D. Williams of East Carolina Teachers College in Elizabeth City, who for the past several seasons has taken the leading role in Negro Citizens' night at The Lost Colony, will not be present this year but he is working with The Lost Colony's manager in making arrangements for the special program which will precede a full scale performance of the drama on July 27.

### NEWS OF REBEKAHS

Officers of Manteo Rebekah Lodge No. 52 are urged to attend a practice meeting Friday, Aug. 3rd at 8 p.m. at the lodge hall.

State officers of the Rebekah Assembly of N. C. will be visiting Manteo Lodge Monday, Aug. 6th. A supper in their honor will be at the Reef Restaurant.

It is requested that all members interested in attending this supper, contact either Mrs. Lessie Davis or Mrs. Dan Cannady by Friday, Aug. 3rd. It is important to know how many plates to prepare.

submarine Squadron 8. He is married to the former Joyce Hollingsworth of Kenansville, N. C., and they have three children, Holly, Alton Jr., and Susan.

### SPECIAL PROGRAM FOR EAST CAROLINA COLLEGE TONIGHT

Dr. John D. Messick, president of East Carolina College and Alumni Secretary James W. Butler of Greenville will be among the principals taking part in a special East Carolina College night at The Lost Colony on Friday night, July 20, when special music will be presented at a pre-performance program by Dr. Elwood Keister, director of music at ECC and also director of The Lost Colony Chorus.

Locally, arrangements have been made to entertain alumni and students of East Carolina between 3 and 5 p.m. at the Community Building in Manteo. The afternoon party featuring tea and refreshments has been arranged by ECC Alumni Goldie Meekins, Pat Butler and Doris Bonner and a large number of local residents are serving on the entertainment committee.

In addition to Dare residents and visiting students and alumni of the Greenville college, all members of the Clifton Britton directed cast of The Lost Colony and members of the Lost Colony company will also be guests during the afternoon party. Britton, who has distinguished himself as director of the drama and also his Goldsboro High School Goldsmackers is an alumni of East Carolina as are many other members of the company and cast.

For the convenience of those attending the party Friday afternoon, tickets will be available at the Community Building at a special \$2 rate which will entitle the holder the privilege of occupying a special reserved seat that would normally cost \$2.50.

### NEW COMMANDER OF POST NO. 25, AMERICAN LEGION



TRUXTON E. MIDGETT of Kitty Hawk, popular retired Coast Guardsman, church and community leader was elected Commander of Fort Raleigh Post No. 26 at the Community building in Manteo, succeeding Carlos Dowdy of Kitty Hawk who was elected Chaplain. Other officers elected are: J. W. Davis, of Wanchese, First Vice-Commander; Charlie Perry of Kitty Hawk, 2nd Vice Commander; Pennell A. Tillett of Kitty Hawk, Adjutant; Alex Davis, Wanchese, Finance Officer; Will Barnett of Wanchese, Sergeant at Arms; J. M. Vannote of Manteo, Service Officer. About 25 members attended, and they heard a talk by Rev. Alvin Price, Pentecostal minister of Wanchese, and response by the new commander, dealing largely with religious experiences.

### CAPE HATTERAS PARK STRUCTURES DEFY HURRICANES

By DAN MORRILL  
A new trend in architecture is featured in bath houses and recreational buildings of the Coquina Beach "day use area" of Cape Hatteras National Seashore at Bodie Island near Oregon Inlet. The buildings under construction, scheduled for completion in August are as different from the old English wattle and daub type of structures Sir Walter Raleigh's colonists built at nearby Fort Raleigh during the late 16th Century as day is from night.

Workmen have just erected the massive laminated shade structures made of fir and red cedar specially fabricated in St. Paul, Minnesota. Here the firm of Shanaberger and Daniels, general contractors, are erecting the building at Coquina Beach at a cost of approximately \$78,000.

The unique design of the shade structures was conceived by Donald Benson, NPS architect, who received a nation award for his creation. It is unlikely that anything less than a tornado will change the modern designed buildings at Coquina Beach. They are designed to withstand hurricane winds up to 100 miles an hour without so much as lamming a dent in the laminated braces of the shade building.

The day use area at Coquina Beach is one of several attractions completed or under construction in the 70-mile long Cape Hatteras National Seashore between Nags Head and Ocracoke Inlet at present.

One of the first added attractions in the region was the Museum of the Sea in a former keepers' house at Cape Hatteras Lighthouse on Hatteras Island. Acquisition of Oregon Inlet Fishing Center as part of the NPS holdings was next and Toby Tillett who has the Center under lease for 10 years states that he has spent some \$30,000 on harbor work and other improvements. Access roads have been built on Bodie Island leading to the day use area and the lighthouse and a natural history museum is soon to be opened in a former light keepers house. In cooperation with the Navy, a new scenic parkway to the Point of Cape Hatteras is being built and former Navy Base piers at Ocracoke, now CHNSRA are being repaired.

### DESMOND ROGERS HEADS LIONS CLUB OFFICERS

Paul Little, Past District Governor, Speaker at Ladies Night; Phil Sawyer Reports on Miami Convention

Ladies night and installation of officers made a big affair of the meeting Tuesday night of the Manteo Lions Club. The dinner was served in the community building with more than 50 people attending. The speaker for the evening was Paul Little of Elizabeth City, past district governor, who made a talk and installed the new officers. Mrs. Little accompanied him. Also present were Mr. and Mrs. Phil Sawyer of Elizabeth City. Mr. Sawyer, who is president of the Elizabeth City club, and zone chairman, spoke interestingly on the recent Lions International convention in Miami, Fla. Other out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Jennings and Ellis Bell of Elizabeth City; and Carroll P. Carter of Potomac Valley, Washington, D. C. Manteo visitors were Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Harvey, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Chesley Midgett, Jr.

New officers installed were president, Desmond Rogers; first vice-president, Wayland Fry; second vice president, M. K. Fearing, Jr.; third vice-president, Willett Tillett; secretary, H. A. Creef, Jr.; treasurer, R. D. Sawyer, Jr.; lion tamer A. H. Ward, Jr.; and tail twister, Ellsworth Midgett, Jr. New directors are Ralph Umphlett and Edwin Midgett.

### CROWDER C. DAVIS IS NEW MEMBER OF DARE COUNTY FHA COMMITTEE

Crowder C. Davis of Wanchese has become a member of the Farmers Home Administration county committee in Dare County, it was announced this week by the county FHA supervisor's office in Swan Quarter. Mr. Davis' appointment became effective July 1. The other two members of the county committee, which determines the eligibility of local farmers who apply for Farmers Home Administration loans, are Clarence R. Tillett of Wanchese and Paul Midgett of Manteo.

He was succeeded by George R. Ross, a native of Randolph County, on May 1, 1949, who was Governor Kerr Scott's selection for the post. During the campaign after which Scott was elected Governor of North Carolina Etheridge had given his wholehearted support to Charles M. Johnson, Scott's opponent.

Though he is now 78 years old, See ETHERIDGE, Page Seven

On 78th Birthday, A Distinguished Dare County Man Can Count Nearly Sixty Years of Public Life in State.  
R. Bruce Etheridge Soon to Observe an Anniversary, After Long Enjoyment of Many Honors and Confidence of His Homefolks.

### By EARL DEAN

Dare County's favorite son, Robert B. (Uncle Bruce) Etheridge will be 78 years old on the last day of July. And he's going back to Raleigh next week and next January to represent his county in the State Legislature where he first served 53 years ago.

Historians at some future day will marvel at the long political career of this genial gentleman from Dare County who has served his county and State ably and well for more than half a century.

Etheridge was born on July 31, 1878, the son of the late Van Buren and Matilda Etheridge. His father was for 35 years or more keeper of Nags Head Coast Guard Station.

He was graduated from Trinity College in June of 1899 and in July of the same year was elected superintendent of the Dare County schools, a position he held until 1907 when he became cashier of the Banks of Manteo which he helped organize.

Meanwhile he represented Dare County in the General Assembly in 1903 and 1905 and was in the State Senate in 1907. His early legislative career was interrupted then until 1929 and he again returned to the Legislature as he did in 1931 and 1933.

He held his position with the Bank of Manteo through the years and in addition branched out into other local affairs serving as postmaster at Manteo for eight years and for a few years as clerk of Superior Court in Dare County. He and the late Theodore S. Meekins opened a realty and insurance business in the early 1920's. Their business association lasted until Meekins' death in 1953.

In addition to this he held political positions for years as Democratic chairman for Dare County, then as a member of the State Democratic Executive Committee, which he now holds. He also has served as Superintendent of Schools in Dare County.

He married Elizabeth Webb, a Chowan County school teacher, in 1908, and they had two children. Webb, who died while in the Merchant Marine service during World War II, and Mrs. Matilda Inge, who has taught for many years in the schools of the state and now is a member of the Manteo school faculty.

When he accepted the appointment as director of the N. C. State Department of Conservation and Development at the beginning of the Ehringhaus administration in 1933, he asked for a leave of absence from his job at the Bank of Manteo.