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## DR. GRAHAM SAYS INSPIRING WORDS AT DANIELS RE-UNION

Former Senator and University  
President Discusses World  
Subjects at Wanchese

Dr. Frank Graham, former president of the University of North Carolina and now United Nations representative to Pakistan and India, made the annual Daniels Day family reunion address here Sunday afternoon to approximately 500 members of a clan, an event which brought relatives and friends from this and many states. Melvin Daniels of Wanchese presided and introduced the speaker.

Others taking part in the program held in the church between 4:30 and 6 o'clock, prior to the big picnic spread were: J. Harrison Daniels of Baltimore, who traced the history of the Daniels family from 1630 in New England to Roanoke Island in 1951. The Baltimorean has recently published a book on the family and is now planning to bring out a subsequent issue tracing the Daniels' from 1951 to date.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Daniels and family of Raleigh were among the guests. It was his father, the late Joseph Daniels, who aided in establishing the annual reunions here several years ago. Frank is advertising manager of News and Observer.

Also having a speaking role in the lengthy program was Mayor Archie Daniels of Draper.

Dr. Graham touched on a touchy subject during the talk—the Supreme Court's segregation decision—but the distinguished and internationally known humanitarian got his point on the need for wisdom, as well as good faith, across to those gathered here.

Complete text of Dr. Graham's speech follows:

This place, this Daniels family reunion and this Methodist Church of Wanchese, on Roanoke Island, remind us of the beginnings of our country, the value of the family, the meaning of America and the need of freedom and peace in this imperiled world.

This place, historic Roanoke Island, upon which Sir Walter Raleigh stumbled, became a stepping stone to the English speaking people to both the American Union of States and the British Commonwealth of Nations. Virginia Dare, celebrated again yesterday in The Lost Colony of Paul Green as the first English child born in America was the hopeful fulfillment of an old family in a new world who carried across dangerous seas the ancient heritage of a little island to the fresh hopes of a vast continent.

The Pilgrim families, clinging to their religious piety in an adventurous voyage across the northern ocean to wintry shores, made Plymouth Rock the foundation stone of local self-government in America. The tobacco growers on the banks of the James River in old Virginia, in order to bargain collectively with the London Company, founded the first representative assembly in the new world. The Baptists in Rhode Island, the Catholics in Maryland and the Quakers in Pennsylvania embedded religious freedom in the structure of America. In North Carolina, the men of Halifax first authorized an American colony to join in the Declaration of Independence.

The standard of religious liberty, political self-government, free enterprise and national independence, raised aloft in faith and courage on this continent, still lies its flag free and high in the modern world.

This Daniels family reunion on Roanoke Island serves to emphasize the meaning of the family as the oldest and most important institution in human history. The two oldest continuous civilizations, India and China, which have endured all the ups and downs, wars, and crises of more than 6000 years from most ancient to modern times, have been based on the joint family and the rural community.

In the present abundance and affluence, haste and waste American life there are developing poles and trends which may undermine the adventurous spirit and endurance of our historic heritage, its strength and humane hopes.

This family reunion serves to remind us of the need to preserve and advance the equal rights and opportunities of the families in the farms, the families of the business people, and the families of the industrial worker, who altogether make up the main sources and hopes of that family called America. "A. E." Russell, the fish poet observed that the great See GRAHAM, Page Seven

## ODD FELLOWS PLAN REVIVAL OF HISTORIC DARE CO. LODGE

Some 40 Former Members of  
Virginia Dare Lodge No. 3 to  
Reactive Suspended Unit.

The historic Virginia Dare Lodge, No. 3 Independent Order of Oddfellows is to be reactivated this month, according to James S. Elliott of Alliance, Ohio, representing the Sovereign Grand Lodge. Mr. Elliott concluded arrangements in Manteo this week, whereby some 40-odd former members will join in reviving the lodge, which suspended shortly after World War II.

The Lodge, which was established in Manteo some 60 years ago, has had many ups and downs. It continued fairly active until a fire in Manteo about 20 years ago burned out its hall and equipment. Shortly afterward it was revived, and flourished awhile, but finally went down about ten years ago, following the death of some of its oldest and most active members. Many of those remaining, affiliated with an Elizabeth City Lodge. The Grandmaster in N. C. at this time is Baxter F. Finch, attorney and Judge of Statesville. The lodge was founded in Baltimore 137 years ago. It now maintains 63 homes for aged people and orphans, spending four and a half million dollars annually for this purpose. It maintains an orphanage at Goldsboro.

## EXAMPLE OF NEED FOR AN AIRSTRIP ON HATTERAS ISLAND

Buxton on Cape Hatteras, Aug. 23.—Lacking an adequate landing strip upon which Governor Hodges' borrowed aircraft could set down the inhabitants of this island and the Governor General of their neighboring island of Bermuda 432 miles to the southeast had to content themselves with waving at each other at 2:45 Sunday afternoon, which both did with vigor and enthusiasm for several minutes before the Governor's golden-winged aircraft climbed and headed westward toward Raleigh.

It was all done according to arrangement of the preceding afternoon when Commander E. E. Johnson, whose Seventh Battalion of the Navy's Seabees, with detachments deployed both here and on Bermuda, extended to Sir John Woodall, Governor General of Bermuda, a hearty invitation to come and visit the detachments stationed here. The Governor General had already visited the detachment engaged in the installation of a Naval Facility on his island.

Nothing, the Governor General assured the Commander, could possibly give him more pleasure, since Cape Hatteras is the nearest piece of dry land to his Crown Colony. "We have so much in common—nothing but the Gulf Stream between us and I've always heard of it. We have about the same climate—and we know and like your people who have been stationed with us. But I am not sure what Governor Hodges' schedule is for tomorrow. Maybe we can fly over it anyway."

After canvassing the day's schedule and considering the possibility of borrowing a helicopter for the morning, it was decided that the best that could be done was to fly over, circle the Lighthouse and the Naval installations, and the Point of the Cape which points now almost directly toward Bermuda, just across the Gulf Stream.

"Tell Mrs. White and the boys at the Coast Guard station and my other friends on the Island we'll just have to wave to them this time and wish they had a landing strip down there," Governor Hodges said regretfully, and to the Deputy Secretary of the Interior Felix Wormser, who was coming down for the day he added, "Mr. Secretary, I hope you will see that my message is delivered."

Secretary Wormser, who with Mrs. Wormser and Allyn Hanks, Mrs. Hanks and their son Bill, came down for the day, delivered the message and participated in the hand waving as the Governor's plane circled low above the lighthouse. Secretary Wormser had just experienced his first ride along the surf, from the Point to the Lighthouse, when the air visitors arrived. He made that trip, with Mrs. Wormser, in a Navy jeep piloted by Commander Johnson.

Earlier the Secretary's party had been guests of Commander Johnson at lunch in the Officers Mess of the Seabee camp. The Commander's daughter, Miss Jacqueline Johnson, and Mrs. Virginia Austin, with whom she is staying See NEED, Page Seven

## BISHOP WRIGHT TO BE AT FORT RALEIGH SUNDAY



THE RIGHT REVEREND THOMAS H. WRIGHT of Wilmington, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of East Carolina, will be guest minister at The Lost Colony Sunday worship services in Waterside Theatre at Fort Raleigh on Roanoke Island August 26.

Special choral music will be rendered by The Lost Colony choir under the direction of Dr. Elwood Keister, in charge of the drama's music this summer while on leave from his similar duties as musical director of East Carolina College in Greenville. James Good will be at the console of the organ.

Bishop Wright is no stranger on the Dare Coast, or in Lost Colony circles. He has long been a member of the board of directors of The Lost Colony and in this connection his duties include that of chairman of the Lost Colony Religious Services Committee.

## HATTERAS CO-OP MEMBERS TO MEET AT BUXTON SEPT. 1

The annual meeting of the members of the Cape Hatteras Electric Membership Corp., the electric co-op which serves the seven villages of Hatteras Island will meet Saturday night of next week, Sept. 1, at 7:30 p.m. in the High School building. Reports will be made at this time and nine directors elected.

## MRS. LOUVENIA O'NEAL DIES MONDAY AT WANCHESE

Mrs. Louvenia Farrow O'Neal, widow of the late George A. O'Neal of Buxton, and a native of Avon, died Sunday at 7:10 a.m. at the family residence at Wanchese. She was 75 years old. She was the daughter of the late Sarah Maria and John Farrow of Avon. She is survived by a son, Randolph of Wanchese, a sister, Mrs. Malinda Gray of Buxton; a brother Rev. John A. O'Neal of Manteo; and by five grandchildren. She was a member of the Buxton Methodist Church.

The body was taken from Twiford Funeral Home Wednesday to the residence where funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m. by Rev. Alvin Price of the Assembly Church, and Rev. C. L. Warren, Methodist pastor. Burial was in Cudworth Cemetery.

## 100 MILES AN HOUR SPEED ADMITTED BY 2 IN COURT

Numerous Cases Tried by Dare  
Recorder Tuesday; Two  
Held For Robbery

Speeds of more than 100 miles per hour figured in trials of two young men held for reckless driving, and who were fined by Judge W. F. Baum in Dare Recorders' Court in Manteo, Tuesday. James M. Tuggle of Charlotte, who led officers a merry chase on the beach at 102 miles per hour admitted his guilt, and boasted that officers would never have caught him had his motor been working good. He was fined a total of \$100 and costs, and given a suspended sentence of six months.

Leonard Perry Bump of Hoosick, N. Y., a 17 year old sailor was showing off in a Cadillac in Manteo Monday night, and took off down the highway at 100 miles per hour. He said he would rather spend his 60 days on the roads, than to pay the \$100—even if he had the money. So he was sent on to prison.

Two cases in court were brought by the employment Security Commission charging fraud. Harry W. O'Neal of Ocracoke, father of some ten boys, was found guilty See COURT, Page Six

## SOMETHING NEW IN WORLD OF MUSIC

Premiere of Opera "Trista" to be  
Presented in Manteo, August 27th

A premiere performance of "Trista" a one act opera, will be presented in Manteo High School auditorium on Monday evening, August 27, by members of The Lost Colony cast. The book and lyrics of the opera are by Elizabeth Lay Green, wife of the noted playwright Paul Green of symphonic drama fame, and the music by Charles McGraw of Troy, N. C., who will be piano accompanist for the performance.

The "Trista" story is about a witch girl in early Colonial America and takes place on the seacoast of North Carolina during the same era of the Salem witch trials when superstition was rife.

Martin Gerrish, the John Borden and male lead of The Lost Colony, is directing the opera and singers taking part in the cast are: Jan Saxon of Charlotte; Margaret McLarty, Kings Mountain; Hal Furr, Charlotte; Dan Pressley, Gastonia; and Harley Streif of New York. A trio of neighbors is sung by Russell Link, Marjalene Thomas and George Trautwein.

Charles McGraw, who plays Uppowoc in The Lost Colony cast, is directing the ballet choreography of the opera and the dancers include Karen Wentworth, Sylvia Zinnenblatt, Myrna Charles, David Julian and Bill Dissler.

Designing sets and in charge of lighting are Charles Josey and William Casstevens of Lost Colony technical staff. Bob Swain is stage manager and Irene Smart has designed the costumes.

McGraw has successfully produced a choral-ballet for which he wrote the music for "Job" at the St. Louis Municipal Opera and the Amato Opera House in New York, receiving excellent reviews at each place.

## FINAL WEEK OF THE 1956 SEASON BEGINS TUESDAY

Paid Attendance To Lost Colony  
To August 22, More Than  
32,000

By AYCOCK BROWN  
Manteo. — Unless the weather changes, more than 10,000 persons will pay admission to see Paul Gren's symphonic drama The Lost Colony, during the final 10 performances of the 1956 season. More than 32,000 persons had seen the show during the first 45 performances of the current season, or through Wednesday night this week.

"We base our estimate on averaging 1,000 persons each night during the final ten nights from previous seasons," said General Manager Dick Jordan. "The last week of the season comes each year just after the tobacco markets have opened in Eastern North Carolina. From the rural areas, as well as nearby metropolitan areas such as Norfolk, come the big crowds as the final performance of the year approaches."

On Wednesday night, this week, the attendance was 1,100 persons. Only one performance during 1956 has been rained out. Last year there were several rain or storm-outs as result of a wet July and a hurricane-harassed August.

"While we are not expecting to break any attendance records this year, we should, if current fair weather continues, be well ahead of last season when the final performance is presented on Sunday night, September 2, or Labor Day eve," said Jordan.

Another encouraging note expressed by Manager Jordan was the fact that The Lost Colony is financially in good shape as result of this season's operation.

He urged all persons who plan to see The Lost Colony, with its new actors of 1956 and a somewhat 'new look' in performance technique, to attend the show this week, before the final performance on Sunday, September 2. He emphasized that the 32,000 persons attending so far this season represented paid admission, and did not include Roanoke Island Historical Association memberships, of which almost 700 were sold, or complimentary passes issued to members of the press, radio and TV and their families.

## WILLIAM MCKINLEY PRICE AVON VETERAN, DIES AT 60

William McKinley Price, 60, son of B. B. Price and the late Mrs. Sarah Jane Meekins Price and husband of the late Mercedes Farrow Price, died at 9 a.m. Wednesday after three months illness, in the Marine Hospital, Norfolk. He was a lifelong resident of Avon, a member of the Methodist Church, veteran of World War II and a retired Coastguardsman.

He is survived by two sons, William M., Jr., of Boston and Selby U. Price of Avon, by a daughter, Mrs. Alice Gray of Avon. By two brothers, George Price of Avon and Rev. Alvin W. Price of Wanchese, and by a sister, Mrs. E. P. Lorency of Norfolk.

The body was taken by Twiford's Funeral Home in Manteo to Avon, for funeral and burial Thursday.

## TWO GOVERNORS SEE MANY INTERESTING POINTS IN DARE ON AUGUST 18TH OBSERVANCE

Governor Hodges Takes Bermuda Guests on  
Flight Over Hatteras and Ocracoke Following  
Visit to Lost Colony and Elizabethan Gardens,  
and Ceremonies on Virginia Dare's Birthday.

By AYCOCK BROWN

Following a tree planting program at Elizabethan Garden Saturday, a visit to Alpheus W. Drinkwater at his Drinkwater Folly later, then enjoying a bountiful lawn supper at Roanoke Garden before appearing on the stage of Waterside Theatre to pay homage to the memory of Virginia Dare, America's first child of English parentage born in the New World, Governor and Mrs. Luther H. Hodges and their guests, had a busy morning on Sunday before taking off for Raleigh via private plane, at 2 p.m. The flight was over Hatteras Island and Ocracoke in order to give the visitors a view of the National Seashore Park.

The guests, Lt. General Sir John Woodall, Governor of Bermuda and that island's military commander in chief and Sir Stanley Spurling, were much pleased with their visit to Roanoke Island and the Dare Beaches area.

On Sunday morning, following a busy Saturday afternoon the Governor's party visited the Wright Brothers National monument, attended a religious service at St. Andrews-by-the-Sea at which the Rev. Peyton Williams, rector of Christ Church and St. Luke's Episcopal churches, Norfolk delivered the sermon. Next they saw the Bodie Island section of Cape Hatteras National Seashore Recreational Area. Of particular interest to Governor Hodges were various phases of sand fixation projects in the Nags Head-Bodie Island sector, each of which North Carolina through his cooperation had sanctioned or sponsored.

### Attend Celebrations

Governor and Mrs. Hodges left the Democratic Convention in Chicago early Saturday morning via commercial airliner for Washington, where he met his distinguished Bermuda guests and they flew to Roanoke Island aboard a private plane, arriving here shortly after noon. Governor Hodges told news and radiomen at the Manteo airport that in addition to the official ceremonies in which he and his guests were scheduled to take part that he also wanted to give them an opportunity to visit various sites of historical significance here on the Dare coast. He added: "And I am also very anxious for them to meet Alpheus W. Drinkwater before we leave tomorrow for Raleigh."

Following luncheon at The Carolinian where Mrs. Lucille S. Purser was their hostess, the party returned to Roanoke Island to take part in a Virginia Dare day ceremony at the Elizabethan Garden, sponsored by Roanoke Island Garden Club.

Mrs. Sam Mitchell of Greenville, district head of the Garden Club of North Carolina, after words of See OBSERVANCE, Page Six

## FERRY SERVICE ACROSS SOUND TO OCRACOKE IS PROMISED IN A YEAR

Ocracoke Island, whose charm has been its isolation, soon will be just a ferry boat ride away for tourists and their cars.

The State Utilities Commission issued a franchise for the new ferry service last week to Arthur W. Daniels of Charlotte. He will operate Cedar Island.

Daniels, a native of Carteret who spends much of his time there now on business, was the commander of a submarine chaser during World War I, the Commission said. He proposes to use ferries approximately 150 feet long, 40 to 50 feet wide and capable of carrying as many as 28 cars at a time.

The Commission said he will furnish as many boats and trips as public demand requires and observed he showed conclusively he had the financial ability to deliver, but it said he will need about a year to get his boats, build docks and start service.

The mainland terminal at Cedar Island will lie at the end of US 70, about 15-20 miles northeast of Atlantic. On Ocracoke the ferries will connect with a section of US 158 now under construction on the island.

Ocracoke now is served by a boat operated out of Atlantic by J. M. Saunders Jr. and Ansley O'Neal. It carries passengers, freight express and mail but does not carry cars and trucks.

## OREGON INLET JOB SET UP TO GO IN LATE FALL MONTHS

Col. Rowland, District Engineer  
Getting Ready to Construct  
\$57,000 Project

Wilmington, August 22. — The long-awaited Oregon Inlet improvement project on the State's Outer Banks has been scheduled to begin late this year, according to a report by Col. H. C. Rowland, Jr., the Corps of Engineers' District Engineer here.

Colonel Rowland said the District had been allocated \$570,000 for dredging a channel 14 feet deep by 400 feet wide about three miles long across the bar and through the gorge to Pamlico Sound.

From the three-mile point, a channel (Old House Channel) 12 feet deep and 100 feet wide will be dredged for seven additional miles to deep water in the sound.

The work in the 12-foot channel is set to begin December 1 with the remainder to start next March. The 14-foot portion will require the use of a sea-going hopper dredge because wave action and generally rough water prohibit the use of a pipeline dredge in open waters.

The allocation does not include funds for the 6-foot channel to Manteo or for jetties to stabilize the inlet channel.

Three additional new-work projects are scheduled to get underway within the next several months, the report points out.

A sum of \$179,000 is on hand now for a channel 12 feet deep and a basin 12 by 200 by 900 feet at Engelhard in Far Creek. This job consists of some 500,000 cubic yards of dredging and is set to begin next January. Far Creek has a current depth of seven feet.

Two waterway developments in Carteret County are scheduled to begin in early November. Plans call for an entrance channel 6 by 60 feet and a basin of the same depth and 100 feet wide by 600 feet long at Marshallberg. The basin will start in Sleepy Creek and extend eastward on lands owned by R. W. Neal, Irvin Moore, Mrs. J. B. Jackson and Mrs. Leah Hancock. A total of \$27,000 has been received to complete this work.

Harkers Island, the second of the Carteret projects, is scheduled for two channels—one at the east and one on the west end. They See INLET, Page Six

## GULF STREAM FISHES COME CLOSE INSHORE IN DARE COAST AREA

Kitty Hawk.—Gulf Stream fishes, species which normally are found only in the warm offshore blue waters have been coming close in shore recently here along the Dare coast.

On Tuesday S. J. Richards, Jr., of Pittsburgh, Penna., surprised many persons here on Kitty Hawk beach when he cast for a bluefish from the beach and brought in a one pound dolphin.

During the past week end, Billy Brown, mate aboard the cruiser Phyllis Mae, reported catching several frigate mackerel.

Capt. Chester Tillett, skipper of the Spur, brought in some dolphin on the week end from just beyond the offshore bar of Oregon Inlet. Usually dolphin are caught much farther away, near the western edge of the Gulf Stream some 30 miles southeast of Oregon Inlet.

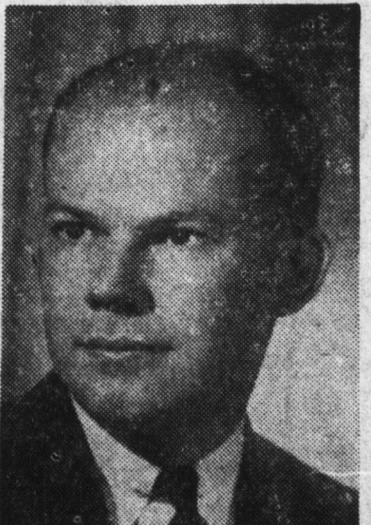
Willie Newsome of Hatteras who keeps check on all sportsfishing in his area, reported that more king mackerel (or cero) had been taken in the immediate vicinity of Hatteras Inlet this year than from offshore where king mackerel are usually caught — near the outer edge of Diamond Shoals and the edge of the Gulf Stream.

Another sluggish warm water fish, one of the oddest looking creatures that swims, the ocean sunfish or mola mola, have been caught in the surf and close to shore in other years. This season only one has been reported hooked. It was released and not landed, by an angler fishing aboard the Jerry, Jr., a cruiser skippered by Capt. Omie Tillett.

## NAGS HEAD CONVENTION TO HEAR TALKS ON HEART DISEASE AND CANCER



DR. GEO. C. ANLYAN



DR. J. V. WARREN



DR. GEORGE C. HAM

The annual meeting of the First Medical District in Nags Head August 29 will hear talks by three leading medical specialists on cardiovascular disease and cancer. Dr. George C. Ham, Chief of Psychiatry at the University of North Carolina, will speak on the psychological factors in heart and blood vessel diseases; Dr. James V. Warren, Professor of Medicine at Duke and Chief of Medical Service at the VA Hospital in Durham, will outline recent advances in the knowledge of coronary artery disease; and Dr. William G. Anlyan, Assistant Professor of Surgery at Duke, will discuss some pitfalls in the recognition of cancer.

Members of the arrangements committee for the meeting are Doctors Archie Y. Eagles of Ahoskie and Allie McLeod Stanton and Leonidas P. Williams of Edenton. Sessions will start at 4 p.m. at the Shrine Club in Nags Head and will include a social hour and buffet supper. Meeting at the same time will be members of the First District Medical Society Auxiliary, which has arranged a program for doctors' wives.

The First District is composed of nine counties: Bertie, Chowan, Camden, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Hertford, Pasquotank and Perquimans. In addition to physicians from this area, doctors of the Norfolk area have been invited to attend the meeting. An attendance of about seventy-five medical men is expected.