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COUNTY BOARD TO SIT IN SESSION ALL NEXT WEEK

Tax Complaints From Atlantic and Nags Head Townships to Be Heard

The Dare County Board of Commissioners are going to spend next week in the courthouse. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday are to be wasted in hearing complaints from Atlantic Township about tax valuations. Thursday and Friday to hear people from Nags Head township.

Notices to the people who want to be heard are now just being mailed out. A vast number of property owners living out of the county will not get their notices until too late to be heard. And those who march on the courthouse are expecting little relief when their property has already been increased from three to five times its value on paper.

The Commissioners have finally figured themselves into a whale of of Stumpy Point, and husband of ducement to provide better equipa hole and the people of the county the former Miss Mary S. Allcox ment and service. in a worse one. They spent \$22,000 of Norfolk, Va., aboard the supto get the property valued by men port aircraft carrier USS Princewho apparently know nothing of ton, is taking part in "Strikex", a values. Valuations set appear to be U. S. First Fleet striking force botched up and reflecting the old exercise being held off the coast time influence of the dictators in of Southern California during the courthouse.

One citizen from Atlantic townwhole thing away, and try to for- into the operation. get the \$22,000. In carrying out the valuation he believes it will cost the county an additional \$22,000 to make it stick, not to USED IN TREATING speak of the ill feelnig that has been aroused and may last for DARE COUNTY MAN would be unable to continue as its years. The march on the courtsome unhappy people. Unfortunately the innocent often suffer worse than the guilty, and in the months to come the only two peothe citizens feel toward the offigood nature of Capt. Tillett could about his yard. ever put this fake across. The people know who brought the "exthis easy \$22,000.

Yes, WHO HIRED 'EM?

DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION IN DARE COUNTY SATURDAY

Convention in Manteo Set For 2 P.M.; Several Precinct Meetings

The Democratic County Convention will be held Saturday at the courthouse in Manteo at 2 p.m. according to County Chairman M. L. Daniels, which will give ample time for Hatteras Island delegates to return by ferry.

expected at Saturday's convention, that is developed by its people in these two years. This fuas meetings were held at several precincts last Saturday. Usually, of the precincts of the precincts. less than a third of the precincts hold meetings, and less than a third of them are represented at of the thing, who will develop the vision to grasp it, and who the county convention.

This situation indicates that no with the leadership of this district, this state and this nation appreciable amount of promotion to bring to bear on our problems the influence and the reactive and interested throughout us, waiting for us to utilize them and make them beneficial of Nags Head for tampering with the county.

The following reports have reached this newspaper concerning last Saturday's activities in the continue its development as the nation's playground. Every

Trent Precinct: At this precinct has a business establishment to serve the public must go in Frisco, the following are reported: J. H. Austin, Chairman, All of us must realize that no stone must be left unturned, Mrs. Odessa Wasili, Vice-chair-man; R. D. Basnett, Secretary; J. if we intend to go forward. And there is no hope for us un-L. Austin and U. L. Rollinson. less we keep going forward. There is no such thing as stop-Meekins, Chairman, Mrs. Cecil ping still or standing in our tracks. "Holding our own" is Midgett, Vice-Chairman; W. W. merely saying that we are getting nowhere, while a busy

ing held at usual polling place. tainly dropping behind.

P. A. Tillett holds over as ChairWe not only have to have a region that is attractive to Frank McGee, no operator's liman; Mrs. Nellie Perry, Vice-Chairman, Mrs. Mary Perry, Secremake it easy for them to get here. We haven't scratched the surface of our possiblities. In the next four years, we might. tary, committee incomplete because of declinations to serve.

Manteo Precinct: C. R. Evans, by working together, bring in new millions of visitors, and many new millions of dollars of investment. We have made re-elected chairman; Mrs. Mary Basnight, Vice-chairman; Robt. H. great gains in recent years, but greater gains may be ex-Midgett, Secretary; D. V. Meekins pected, and greater gains should come. Another four years

and Jack Tillett.

County chairman Daniels of Manteo reports that the precinct chairmen of the county up to last week were: Manteo, C. R. Evans; Head, Callie Parker; Kill Devil Hills, W. C. Foreman; Kitty Hawk, P. A. Tillett; Duck, Sol Whitson; Colington, Lewis Meekins; Mannor W. S. White; Stumpy Point, R. D. Wise; Mashoes, T. R. Midgett; East Lake, Lonnie Ambrose; Rodanthe, W. A. Meekins; Avon. O. G. Grave Ruxton F. B. Midgett; East Lake, Lonnie Ambrose; Rodanthe, W. A. Meekins; Avon, O. G. Gray; Buxton, E. P. and to listen to, people outside. We welcome their viewpoint. White Frisco, J. H. Austin, and We must meet them somewhere in between if we expect to Hatteras; F. L. Peele.

We know that we are limited in our own abilities and from Back Sound to Lookout Bight. The combined work totals about 275,000 cubic yards of material. Bids are scheduled to be opened May 29 in the office of the District Engineer.

STUMPY POINT OFFICER IN PACIFIC MANEUVERS



San Diego, Calif. (FHTNC). -May 5-9.

Nineteen ships, plus carrier and ship says he thinks it will be to land-based aircraft from 15 squadthe county's interest to throw the rons will take 12,000 personnel

house next week is going to make Some unhappy people. Unfortu-Near Manteo

Of more than ordinary interest ple who can be reached, will have is the news that a powerful new to bear the brunt and ill feeling "wonder drug" which went on the "wonder drug," which went on the cials. Capt. Pennell Tillett, the market last week for the first polite and obliging tax supervisor time, was also used in Dare Counand his hardworking young lady ty for the first time, the patient assistant are having the whole being Guy H. Lennon, a wellthing thrown on their shoulders known businessman whose many by the Board, and the Board wants friends will be interested in learneverybody told the fault is with ing that he is showing marked the people who did the work. We signs of improvement, and after a do not think all the diplomacy and critical illness is now able to walk

perts" to Dare County to pick up tal, Baltimore, where he had undergone examination and treata week, it is so powerful.

dirt unde discovered by Sir Walter Fleming, another sister, Mrs. Sadie Peele Stowe of Hatteras paid \$100 and the discoverer of Penicillin, and is of Pamlico; seven grandchildren costs.

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should see our business double.

WESTWARD, SOUTHWARD, NORTHWARD

(Editorial Comment)

to all the people.

Dare County's future income depends on our ability to

people once they are here, but we must use every means to

We know that everyone cannot see alike. Many people

view things only by the horizon which surrounds them. The

person who is content to remain always in one spot, who is happy in a little cottage, cannot so readily see nor care

The future of Dare County and it's neighbor counties as

MOSQUITO DISTRICT APPEAL HEARD BY COMMISSIONERS

May Join Other Counties in Con-trol Program; Civil Defense Discussed

Dare County may join other counties in the area, provided other other counties are willing to come in and help finance a mosquito control project. The Dare Commissioners Tuesday voted favorably on the proposition, which was presented by a group consisting of Dr. W. W. Johnston, District Health Officer; Clyde A. John of the U. S. Public Health Service of Savannah; and Sidney Usry of the State Board of Health. Nags Head Chamber of Com-

nerce representatives appeared before the Board to request that longer contracts, say for five years, be entered into for garbage Navy Cdr. Kipling W. Wise, son disposal on the beaches, whereby of Mr. and Mrs. R. Dewey Wise contractors would have more in-

The airport manager was requested to take note of the county's obligation to the Government in return for the valuable property donated the county, to see that the property is kept cleaned up and repaired, and particularly to fix Nags Head. up the Wescott graveyard which is on the property, and to stop the violation of this graveyard. Fred Trew, and Major J. L.

Murphy of Kill Devil Hills appeared before the Board in the interest of Civil Defense matters, head. He was requested to hold on a short time until someone could be found. It was agreed to send Major Murphy to Raleigh to see what he could learn about Civil defense.

nity has lost a valuable citizen. to give proper turn signals. She took part in many activities for the good of her neighbors, and week from Johns Hopkins Hospi- years a great friend of the sick.

ment for ulcers. He had been to borough Williams, of Dare County. ing young Ronald Cox. other hospitals, trying to find re- She was a lifelong resident, and This drug, which comes from the Mrs. Mabel Miller, and a sister, burg, Va. irt under oleander bushes, was Mrs. Mabel Farrow of Buxton, and For dr and eight great grandchildren.

NAGS HEAD WOMAN PRES. N. C. HOTEL ASSOCIATION



IRS. LUCILLE S. WINSLOW of Nags Head is president of the N. C. Hotel Association which will versary of its establishment. rold its 13th annual convention in High Point May 8-10. Registration beginning at 3:30 o'clock this Thursday afternoon in the Sheraton Hotel, convention headquarters. Maurice Puckett of Asheville is rice president of the Association two miles of road nd Kenneth Cross of Charlotte is secretary-treasurer. Mrs. Winslow is co-owner of the Carolinian at

ESCAPED CONVICT LOCATED IN CAMP AFTER 7 YEARS

Cases Off; Hears Numerous Traffic Cases

After nearly seven years, the scaped convict, Ira Barwick Jr., who broke into the Mary L. Midgett home at Skyco October 3, 1951, has turned up in the Curri-

Small fines of \$15 each were Persons within the armed forces

For driving drunk, Levin A

Fines of \$25 and costs for careless and reckless driving were assessed David W. Johnson of Virginia Beach, Harry C. White of Bayside, Va., Charles W. Carter, Portsmouth, Va., Ervin H. Gray 22, Somewhat larger attendance is well, is going to hinge in the next two years on the spirit of Avon paid \$35 and costs for no operator's license, improper lights. and driving on the wrong side of the road.

Five dollars each and costs were paid by Jerry W. Sawyer, Belcross for failing to yield right of are ready and in position to join in a spirit of cooperation way when entering highway from private road; John K. Pendleton, Elizabeth City for failing to give work is done to keep the party sources that are available for us-forces that are all about a turn signal, Roger C. Mihovich automobile of others, removing parts. Mihovich was one of five youths engaged in this activity, four of whom paid the small fines person who has land to sell, who has services to offer, who of \$5 each last week.

Jesse S. Mizelle of Elizabeth City paid the \$1 fine which covers fishing from a bridge

Five cases which had been pendng for nearly two years without the defendants having been brought into court were nol prossed with leave; James W. Matthews, Wanchese, no operator's license; Edwards, Secretary; Charlie Mid-gett and E. R. Midgett. world, ever and restlessly on the march, is passing by. The Earl T. Smart, Charlotte, speed-people or neighborhood in today's modern world content ing at 65 m.p.h.; Jas. C. Bryant, Kitty Hawk Precinct: No meet with the thought of "holding our own" are surely and cer- Manteo, improper equipment; Con-

MAINTENANCE DREDGING, AT AVON, OCRACOKE PLANNED

Wilmington, May 7.-Plans for maintenance dredging on four projects in the Outer Banks area were announced here Tuesday by the Corps of Engineers.

Col. H. C. Rowland, Jr., District Engineer, said invitations for bids are scheduled to be issued about

LAND TIMES

Low Bid Submitted by Monroe Contractor For Two Miles of Loop Road For NPS

P. Hultman announces the award to Dickerson, Incorporated, Mon-North Carolina of a \$108,367.80 contract for new roads and parking space on Hatteras Island. This was the lowest bid re-

tract will further develop the ADVANCED FLIGHT TRAINING Cape Hatteras National Seashore Area and is in line with the MIS-SION 66 program proposing preservation and adequate development of the National Park System by 1966 when the National Park Service will observe the golden anni-

The contract will complete the loop road at Cape Point as well as provide for access to the Cedar Glen Residential Area and Utility Court and boardwalks adjacent to the parking areas, comprising some

Stone base, bituminous surface with concrete curb, where needed, is specified throughout the contract scheduled for completion in 800 calendar days.

With the completion of this conract park visitors may leave the Museum of the Sea and have access to the bathing beach with ample parking, or camp at the re-cently completed Cape Point Camp-Mr. Trew explaining that he Recorders Court Strikes Old ground then continue on to complete the loop tour.

ONLY DAYS TO REGISTER FOR VOTING ARE THIS SATURDAY AND NEXT

which persons may register to vote Mr. and Mrs. Victor Meekins, tuck Co. prison camp, and he is in the Primary election on May Manteo, has been graduated from people of Dare County, but the BUXTON LOSES A FRIEND TO
THE SICK, MRS. J. A. GRAY

Mrs. Brittania Williams Gray, 676, wife of John A. Gray, died at 76, wife of John A. Gray, her home in Buxton at 5:05 Wed- appealed to Superior Court when by going to the usual voting place pilot. He has been re-assigned to ner home in Buxton at 5.05 Wed, applied a problem of the fine state of the fine state of the fine state of the fine state of the purpose of the purpose of the purpose of the fine state of the purpose o of registering voters.

imposed on Harvey L. Elliott of are permitted to vote absentee, active duty since June, 1954, and Mr. Lennon came home last for the good of ner neighbors, and imposed on last expenses as preas a nurse she had proved over the Norfolk and Dalton W. O'Neal of also some other persons as preis a former air police officer. He clause in the deed to provide a Rodanthe for celebrating at the scribed by law. It is the duty of went to Reese AFB last October, Mrs. Gray was the daughter of Nags Head Casino during Pirate's the Board of election to have bal- receiving 116 hours of flying trainthe late Marchant and Mary Scar- Jamboree by beating up and kick- lots ready in time to send to those ing, as well as academic and milipersons who request them, in suf-For being drunk on the high- ficient time for them to be retion. lief for his illness. When he came was a member at the time of her way, \$25 and costs were paid by turned on election day. It may be home, the hospital prescribed the death, of the Buxton Assembly of Wyman E. Farnsworth of Buxton. too late now for many persons to high school and was graduated new drug which calls for one dose God Church. She is survived by a W. T. O'Neal of Kitty Hawk and get their ballots if they are in for- from the University of North son, Raymond Gray, a daughter, James H. Burrage of Williams- eign countries or even distant Carolina in 1954, majoring in states.

CAPE HATTERAS JOB: COMMISSIONERS TWICE BROKE TO COST \$108,367.80 FAITH; ONCE WITH THE DEAD AND ONCE WITH THE PEOPLE

Acting Superintendent Gustaf Paid High Price for Inferior Jail Job; Never Have Given An Accounting of the Cost; Thumbed Nose at the Voters and Now Ask Them To Give Them A Vote of Confidence and Return Them to Office.

Mr. Hultman said that this con- MANTEO MAN COMPLETES



Reese Air Force Base, Tex. There are only two more days in First Lt. Roger P. Meekins, son of Strategic Air Command wing.

Lieutenant Meekins has been on

He is a 1948 graduate of Manteo See MEEKINS, Page Four

Back in 1954, Dare County had \$50,000 cash on hand remaining from the sale of that 680 tract donated to it in a generous gesture by the late David L. Lindquist of New York, Mr. Lindquist was arranging to give also 2,400 additional acres near Oregon Inlet when he was struck down before the tarnsfer could be executed. The county got a total of more than \$54,000 in cash for this land, every bit from Uncle Sam's treasury.

Some of the boys in the courthouse almost went wild about this cash. It was just too juicy a morsel to be stuck over there in the bank. Many efforts were conceived for spending it. Some citizens thought it ought to go to the schools; some wanted the county to establish a hospital, whereby the \$50,000 would have, with state and federal aid, constructed a \$200,000 hospital.

One man alone, Victor Meekins, was responsible for the county having this land, which can be proved by records and letters, and it came about by his friendship with the New York donor,-a long friendship which had resulted from a square deal done a taxpayer while Meekins was a county offi-

It was intended by the donor, that this land at sometime should missioners in building a jail not needed, and which called for an additional sum before the job is complete.

Meekins said he felt this keenly because on his say-so, the land trustee controlling its sale, and faith with a dead man was vio-

lated. But all this is material for a separate article. This article is to tell how public officials, in office See BOARD, Page Four

THIS APPRAISER TRIED TO CUT DOWN PROPERTY VALUES

Man Working For Dare County Commissioners Skipped Out at Midnight Leaving Wrecked House and Debts Due

A goofy looking red-headed young man with a Jap wife and three kids, who lived on the beach, skipped out of Dare County shortly after midnight on Friday three weeks ago, leaving the landlord with a wrecked house and a debt of \$52. Orville Baum, Kitty Hawk oil dealer was a little sharper, and got his money by attaching the car of Robert F. Hopkins, the man, who had been wandering about Dare County all winter, saying what the value of the property should be.

Hopkins, the goofy looking guy, was brought here from New Jersey for the Dare County Commissioners, along with the firm which employs him, Associated Surveys of 30-34 Howe Ave., Passaic, N. J. He calls upper New York state his home, but has only been back in the country from Japan since 1952. He brought home a Jap wife,

and they have three children.

He rented a house from Wilson Wright of Kill Devil Hills. He was represented by his employers, (who are being paid \$22,000 by Dare are being paid \$22,000 by Dare County,) as a being a man of fine character and wonderful knowledge and ability about property, although he had never seen Dare County before. And that is what the people got turned loose on them, and it is not surprising that with such a simple and reckless with such a simple and reckless greenhorn turned loose in Atlantic Township, its valuations shot from

about gitting hisself a lawyer, would invite me out to dinner and mention off-hand something about gitting together one of these days and talking about the bill.

And them fellers at the courthouse that sets the tax rate could stay in office from now on with that system. Instead of sending me a tax notice they could introduce negotiations leading up to a series of talks concerning the matter.

I'm in favor of putting our debt collecting system here at home on a international level. What's good enough fer them

Take SECOND BIG STURGEON

A sturgeon weighing 375 pounds, and attached his automobile to get some \$50 due. Mr. Wright had been trying to collect, having furnished him with \$52 worth of oil. On Friday evening he assured Mr. Wright he was replacing the oil. Sometime during the night, he skipped out, taking the house keys with him, and leaving the house wrecked up and smelling like a hog-pen from accumulated filth. One promise made by the commissioners has been made good. This season by these men, and third seen at Stumpy Point this season. Rarely does a season end without several of the big fish being taken.

UNCLE SAM FROM SYCAMORE WRITES:

DEAR MISTER EDITOR:

Looks like they're having a heap of trouble with them teenage mobs and school kids in Brooklyn. I come along in a day when a feller rolled his own cigarettes and his old lady rocked her own baby and I reckon I ain't fitten to comment on the matter. But in my time a stout switch from the nearest tree cured most of them teen-age dises. From all the publicity they give it, I reckon that tree that growed in Brooklyn was the only one they had around the place. Their teen-age mob trouble is probably on account of the short-

age of trees they got there.

It was a sad day fer American youth when they invented the safety razor and quit selling strops.

I see by the papers where Dulles is gitting a little worried about all that money Russia owes us and ain't paying. He says he's "considering bringing up the subject with Khrushchev in an effort to hasten the start of talks about repaying."

Now that's a system fer collecting debts that would suit even old Ed. Next to our system of giving money away to their foreign countries, our debt collecting syster with Russia is the best thing we got.

It shore would help relations,

fer instant, if the fell that owns the hardware store, instead of sending me a bill and hinting about gitting hisself a lawyer,

Russians ought to be good enough fer me and you.

I was reading in News Week magazine where some feller was predicting a heap of strikes and labor trouble this spring and summer. He allowed as how it could "upset the nation's economy." Now that's something I ain't worrying about. Most farmers operates all the time with their economy broke down. Mine has been broken down fer years. This feller goes on to say that we might be "facing a crisis." I can't recall a time in 30 years I ain't been facing a crisis. If I git a good price fer my stuff it don't do me no good. Some farmers is tickled pink to get fifty dollars fer a ten dollar calf, but fourth time I did it and didn't git home with no money, I seen through it. When you git high you pay high. What I'm-looking fer is the feller that started this dad-burned merry-go-round.

Another thing that's tending to upset the nation's economy is that we got a few folks scattered around the country that is trying to live within their income. The way the Guvernment has got things geared today, all them folks is doing is just trying to mess up prosperity.

Yours truly, Uncle Sam

TUMPY POINT FISHERMEN TAKE SECOND BIG STURGEON