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BREAK-INS POINT UP NEED FOR BEACH POLICE SERVICE

Losses Sustained Every Year By Cottage Owners a Challenge to Dare Officials

The growing need for establishment of a competent system of police service on the Dare Beaches, with men trained in the business of finding evidence and apprehending criminals continues to be pointed up year after year. Last week a further series of break-ins occurred, and many items were stolen, but as is usual in these instances the thefts are not discovered until many days afterward, and the few shreds of evidence that would aid in finding the criminals have been lost.

Sheriff Frank Cahoon reports this week the following cottages broken into, most of them on the northern end of the beach: Dr. W. C. Webb, Ashland, Va. several bottles of whiskey stolen. W. P. Manley, Hopedale, Va., breaking and entry; Ed Talmadge, Petersburg, Va., two spinning reels missing.

Dr. John Norfleet of Suffolk, Va. reported missing from his home, a small table radio, an electric clock, four spinner reels, two reels two pairs pants, two pairs shoes, canned goods, and a bolt-action 22-cal. rifle.

The vast amount of investment in property on the Dare beaches, much of it unprotected through the winter months, brings to the county treasury, the most of its tax income. Its owners feel that they should be given some service by the county, inasmuch as the taxes they pay is all gravy, in that these property owners do not make use of the schools, nor eat up the welfare fund. They pay heavy, however, to support these departments. But never has Dare County provided competent police service; there is not employed in Dare County today any person with aptitude or skill in modern police methods and none of its officers have had training in this important profession.

MRS. GARNET LENNON, FORMER TEACHER AND POSTMASTER DIES

Mrs. Garnet Etheridge Lennon, who on October 1 was 87 years old, died at the family residence, Sunnyside, Roanoke Island at 9 a.m. Sunday morning after a long illness. She was the daughter of the late Matilda Tillett and Van Buren Etheridge and a lifelong resident of Roanoke Island. She was the widow of the late William Pollard Lennon, a prominent citizen of Roanoke Island for a lifetime. Surviving her are two sons, R. E. Lennon of Manteo, and Dr. William E. Lennon of Federalburg, Md.; a daughter, Mrs. Isabel Warren of the home; two grandchildren, Mrs. Francis Wright of Wilmington, Del.; and Lt. W. E. Lennon of Stewart AFB, Newburgh, N. Y., seven great-grandchildren; a brother, R. Bruce Etheridge of Manteo.

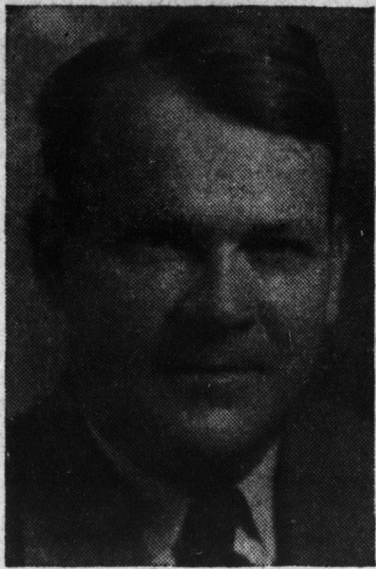
She was educated in the schools of Roanoke Island, and attended the Elizabeth City Academy in 1885-86; became a teacher on Roanoke Island, was later postmaster at the Skyco office, which was discontinued more than 40 years ago. She was a member of the Manteo Baptist Church, and funeral services were conducted Tuesday at 2 p.m. by Rev. W. E. Cholerton, the pastor, and Rev. L. A. Aitken, the Methodist pastor. Burial was in the Van B. Etheridge family burial plot at the homeplace of Hon. R. Bruce Etheridge.

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m. Tuesday by Rev. W. E. Cholerton, pastor of the Manteo Baptist Church, assisted by Rev. L. A. Aitken of the Methodist Church. Hymns: "The Old Rugged Cross," and "Abide With Me" were sung by L. L. Swain, John Long, Mrs. Burwell Evans and Mrs. Beatrice Brickhouse, with Mrs. Rennie Williamson at the organ. Many flowers were sent for this funeral. Pall bearers were Robert Ballance, M. L. Daniels, Jr., George Powell, Edward and Roy Wescott and Willett Tillett.

LIGHT DOCKET IN DARE RECORDER COURT TUESDAY

A light docket made short work for Recorder W. F. Baum in Manteo Tuesday. J. C. Strickland of Oregon Inlet, paid \$10 and costs for driving 40 mph in Manteo, the arrest by Policeman Dan Cannady. R. L. Jones Jr., for having no chauffeur's license, using wrong license plates, and using dealers plates, paid a total of \$40 fines and costs. H. O. Bradshaw, failing to stop at stop sign, \$5 and costs. H. Thacker of Durham for fishing without a license, \$10 and costs.

HEADS OF SAA NAMED AT ENGELHARD LAST WEEK



DR. W. T. RALPH
Vice-President
Beaufort County



M. L. DANIELS, Jr.
Vice-President
Dare County

THESE MEN, with five others were elected to head the Southern Albemarle Association last week. Pictures are not available of Earl Topping of Hyde, the Vice-President to succeed W. W. Watson; of W. H. Darden of Plymouth, the Vice-President succeeding H. W. Pritchett, for Washington; of W. J. White, the new president, nor of B. S. Courtney of Martin and Harry Swain of Tyrrell.

Mr. White, who was named president again this time, has served as president before, as well as several terms as Vice President; Mr. Daniels of Dare succeeds himself, as does Mr. Courtney for Martin, and W. M. Darden of Plymouth, all of whom have served as Vice-presidents. Dr. W. T. Ralph of Beaufort has served previously as President, having been unanimously elected when Beaufort County joined the association in 1952.

Mr. White, a faithful member of the Association who has missed none of its meetings, succeeds Leon Ballance of Engelhard, the retiring president.

Mrs. Borden McClees of Columbia was elected Recording Secretary. M. A. Matthews, as Treasurer, has held the office since 1935.

The meeting at Engelhard was considered highly successful last week. It pointed up a promising field of endeavor for the Association to press forward in from now on. An address by Wayne Copening, agricultural agent of the Wachovia Bank of Winston-Salem recited inspiring examples of progress that had been made by a group of rural counties in the northwest, united in an effective movement to develop small industries geared to the agriculture of their area.

The visiting delegates at Engelhard were well fed on seafood at the Poparena. Renewed endorsement was given to the bridging of Alligator River and Oregon Inlet. At the behest of Woodrow Edwards of Waves, who spoke in favor of the Oregon Inlet bridge, aided by Melvin Daniels of Manteo, this project is definitely a major part of the SAA's road program.

The welcome was delivered by W. W. Watson, retiring Hyde County Vice President.

R. SELDEN BARNETT, HE SURVIVED GREAT GRIEF BUT HAS NOW GONE ON

Robert Selden Barnette, 57, commercial fisherman, died Saturday morning at his home at Wanchese, following an illness of two weeks. A son of John and Mary Ann Payne Barnette, he was a lifelong resident of Wanchese, a member of its Assembly of God Church.

Survivors are his wife, Mrs. Nellie Crank Barnett; four daughters, Mrs. Earl Thompson of Farmville, N. C., and Miss Dixie Ann Barnett, Miss Joan Evelyn Barnett and Miss Lottie Faye Barnett of Wanchese; four sons, John Howard Barnett, Jesse Thomas Barnett and Roger Darnell Barnett of Wanchese and Donald Everett Barnett of the Coast Guard; two sisters, Mrs. Lessie Twiford and Mrs. Nellie Payne of Stumpy Point; a brother, Will Barnett of Wanchese and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday at 3 p.m. in the Assembly of God Church, Wanchese by the Rev. Carroll Daniels, pastor, assisted by the Rev. Ernest Etheridge. Pallbearers were Willie Etheridge Sr., Ward Daniels, Ivy Daniels, Willie Daniels, Sterling, Paul and Malcolm Daniels. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Mr. Barnett lived to survive the greatest personal family tragedy ever to occur on Roanoke Island. While he was away fishing, his home burned in the early morning hours, back in 1932, and with it his wife, Ellie, and four small children burned to death. Some time later he married Miss Nellie Crank of Stumpy Point; they have reared four children, and he lived to see several of them married, and grandchildren by some of them. He has gone from his toil at the age of 57.

AN ORGANIZATION TO RAISE FUNDS FOR 4-H SCHOLARSHIPS

Mrs. Leo Midgett and M. K. Fearing Jr. Launch New Group Sponsored by Farm and Home Clubs

At a meeting Wednesday night in Manteo, further plans were made for the work of a committee to assist in raising funds for the state-wide project, 4-H in action.

Mrs. Leo Midgett is now the County chairman of this movement, with M. K. Fearing Jr. co-chairman. Mr. Fearing, Dr. Wallace Harvey, Frank Cahoon, A. C. Thompson and M. L. Daniels Jr. will canvass the business houses and clubs for the cause. Mrs. Carl Nunemaker of Nags Head is treasurer and Mrs. Doris Bonner of Manteo, secretary. Others attending the meeting this week were Mrs. Fran Cullis, County Agent; Mrs. C. A. York of Kitty Hawk, Mrs. Eddie Reber, of Nags Head, Mrs. Harry Baum of Wanchese, J. L. Rea, County Farm Agent; D. V. Meekins and Miss Sarah Halliburton.

The state-wide plan to raise funds embrace the hope that a sizeable income may be developed whereby many scholarships may be given to deserving young people, to finance 4-H camps and support other causes essential to the program. A better outline of the program is contained in a recent booklet: "4-H in Action." We quote:

"Our 4-H club programs have long recognized that individual excellence is worthy of praise and admiration. Not content to be only 'average,' youngsters are encouraged to demonstrate their skill and See 4-H, Page Eight

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES IN MANTEO SCHEDULED

The following schedules for the Basketball tournament at 7:15 each time in the Manteo High School new gym has been announced. Nov. 21: Primary girls, Primary boys, Shooters vs. Hatteras Hots. Methodist Women vs. Business Women; Shriners vs. Lions. December 12th, Primary girls, primary boys, Winner of Shriners-Lions game to contest Firemen.

The referees are Donnie Twyne, Jack Cahoon, Pete Overton, Jack Wilson.

On Nov. 21st, Mrs. Ward's 5th, and Mrs. Ballance's 5th and 6th grades will put on a Civic Basketball tournament. On Dec. 5th, Mrs. Wescott's 4th and Mrs. Meekins 6th will do likewise.

On November 29th, the "Top Hat" Fund raising dance will be held. Teachers, Tarkington, Bowman, Mavrommattis, and Hendricks, grades 9th through 10th.

METHODISTS IN MANTEO PLEDGE THIRD OF \$18,000

After a month of intensive preparation, the Mt. Olivet Methodist Church in Manteo will hold the "Kick Off Dinner" for all team captains and workers in the Campaign for Christian Higher Education on Friday night, November 15, at 6:30 p.m. in the Educational Building of the church. Lay Chairman, Wallace McCown, announced that over 40 men of the church, and the general committee of 11 persons are expected for the dinner. The campaign goal of \$18,000 had been 33% subscribed on Wednesday morning, it was stated by the chairman; and a 70% achievement was anticipated by the date of the Kick Off Dinner. Special gift and advance gift workers, under direction of E. E. Meekins, had been enthusiastic in their first reports of the drive.

A complete effort in contacting every church family, and interested members of the community is planned, beginning with the Kick Off Dinner. Sunday morning, November 16th, in a specially designated program on "Christian Higher Education," committee members and workers will dedicate themselves to a successful program for the local church. Monday, Wednesday and Friday of next week, November 17th, 19 and 21st, workers will hold dinners at the church, reporting their progress, and contacting additional prospects each night.

The Manteo Church had a large attendance at the Conference Rally in Raleigh; over 30 in attendance at the District Rally in Elizabeth City; and approximately 100 persons from the Dare Sub-District gathered at local Loyalty Dinner on last Thursday. Every organization of the church is engaged in making the local drive, described by Bishop Garber, as a "one in a generation" effort for new Methodist Colleges for Eastern North Carolina, an outstanding success.

NOVEMBER ON THE BANKS By MARVIN W. HOWARD Continued From Last Week

We know and feel assured that "nothing can stop the gentle hand of progress" but since this part of America is to become part of the National Park Service, it will still remain in its infant form (except for people) as it was several hundred years ago. Therefore if the laws which are a part of progress and result from increasing population and the variety of minds in our human element, do not become too stringent, then, and then only can we ever hope to retain any part of that rich heritage with which we are so bountifully supplied, that is nature without change, freedom and a chance to stroll along the hunting paths to enjoy the crisp November days, free. A chance to meditate, on the other hand to reap the harvest of better things and better economical living, with the coming or advent of perhaps several small businesses and the ingress and egress of numerous people which will expand over the years we would perhaps wish for the National Park Service.

Enter The Wildfowl

November brings along the wild-honkers, the black ducks, teal and a few other species, such as the American widgeon, or bald-pate, the buffle-head, brant and others that add spice to our days afield. Along the surf can be seen people casting for the Red-Drum, and as we watch the excitement a young lady in fishing togs reels in a 30 or 40 pound drum. The sands whipped up by the north winds, like snow, sail along across the beach, over the high water mark and is deposited in the rolling sea.

As one rides along the beaches, birds like the willett, godwit, yellow-leg and other varieties feed as the sea rolls down. Along the openings or draws on the sand hills or browsing on briar or bamboo one can see cattle, which have been a part of this free country for years. In the woods and high marshes now, the wild horse is also browsing on the briar leaves and other flora.

A cotton-tail scampers across the open spaces and the vision. Wild domestic cats hunting birds or field mice are occasionally seen creeping slowly along, fat, shiny and sleek in their winter coats.

A few sheep, the only remnants of a large flock, full of dirty wool, having not been sheared in ages, scamper in excitement across the foot hills as the hunter rounds a hill and jump shoots a dove. The dog gets the dove, delivers it to hand. The hunter pauses and wonders what the changes of the next few years will really bring. Along the reefs in the sound visible to the hunters on the hills is

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A FAVORABLE AUTUMN HAS ENCOURAGED TRAVEL AND AIDED COASTLAND FISHING

Many Delighted With Balmy Weather and Clear Days While Others are Hopeful For Changes to Usher in the Wildfowl Season Monday Morning, Nov. 17 in Fine Style; Geese and Ducks on Outer Banks in Great Numbers.

The Coastland has thrived on the balmy weather, with clear skies, which have prevailed for several weeks, and business has continued good at many motels, and other places of business most accessible to the fishing areas. Now those who love wildfowl hunting best of all are hoping come Monday Nov. 17th, weather will become somewhat rough to encourage good shooting conditions.

There are few shooting places to accommodate hunters on the Outer Banks, other than at Ocracoke Island. Only three or four on Hatteras Island operate, and the only place giving an entire package deal now in operation is Mirlo Beach Lodge at Rodanthe where reservations are reported much greater than in any other year. Mack Etheridge's place at Wanchese, Walter Perry's Cherokee Inn at Kill Devil Hills are the only other Dare County places listed with the N. C. Travel Bureau as caterers to this business.

There are several guides however, who take out hunters, but they usually board at other places. In the Currituck County area, there is a great number of places accommodating hunters, for in this county, wildfowl shooting constitutes a big industry.

Due to the great number of fowl, and the interest now being shown by hunters, it is expected this will be one of the biggest seasons ever.

Mattamuskeet Hunting

That great lake in Hyde County known as Mattamuskeet, legendary, fabulous in its recent history, source of great cash income, is having more attention than ever before directed to it this season. By reason of the vast number of wildfowl which come to it, it has become the foremost mecca for hunters on the Atlantic seaboard.

Reports from all sources which cater to these people indicate a 25% increase in bookings already for hunters in the first week of the season which will open Monday, November 17th.

The snow geese arrived at Pea Island National wildlife refuge just south of Oregon Inlet early Thursday, Aycock Brown advises. Many swan have arrived also.

Like the swallows which return to Capistrano the California mission town on St. Joseph's Day, March 19 each spring, the first snow geese arrive, according to tradition, dating back to 1918 on Armistice Day or November 11 each year.

This year the rare greater American snows arrived on schedule from their Arctic Circle nesting grounds. Before the end of November 10,000, or possibly 15,000 or about half of the world's total population of Greater American Snow Geese will be at their winter feeding ground in the national wildlife refuge created for them on a 12 mile stretch of the Outer Banks between Oregon Inlet and Rodanthe in 1938.

Tradition on the Outer Banks is that the snow geese begin their migratory flight northward again on Old Christmas which at Rodanthe, nearest community to the refuge is celebrated on January 5. The swallows of San Juan Capistrano, if you are interested, begin their southbound migratory flights to Latin American countries, according to legend, on October 23 each year.

Cannell Bass Center

Cape Hatteras at this season of the year is the center of channel bass surf fishing along the Atlantic Coast, as rugged fighters are being caught daily, southwest to Ocracoke Inlet northward to Avon, Salvo and Rodanthe.

A dozen topping 50 pounds each have been taken during the past two weeks.

On November 3, John Twatchman of Ardmore, Pa. brought in a 62 pounder on 20 pound test line—potentially a new world's record for that test line. This week Mr. and Mrs. Harry Clark of Stone Harbor, N. J. collaborated to bring in a 59 pounder, not eligible for contest entry because two persons had a hand in landing it. A Coast Guard Chief, C. W. Silvers, stationed here caught a 57½ pounder on the past week end and there have been many others taken in the 40 to 55 pound class.

A 55-pounder was landed on Tuesday by Mrs. Natalie Becker of Springfield, Pa. at Cape Hatteras.

SUCCESSFUL DAY BY HOMEMAKERS HELD RODANTHE

Tri-Community Club Hostess to Home Clubs of Dare County November 5th

A successful and enjoyable Fall Federation meeting of Dare Home Clubs was held at Chicamacomico Restaurant, Rodanthe, November 5th. The scheduled speaker, O. B. Copeland of State College failed to show up, but there were many other features to make a full schedule, Mrs. Fran Cullis, Home Agent reports.

President of the Federation is Mrs. Virginia Davis of Wanchese; Mrs. Hubert Guthrie of Manteo is Vice-President; Mrs. Lewis Mann, Secretary and Mrs. C. A. York, Treasurer.

The Tri-Community Club of Rodanthe-Waves-Salvo was hostess. Mrs. John Herbert gave the address of Welcome; the devotional was by Mrs. Edgar Perry of Kitty Hawk; reading of minutes by Mrs. Lewis Mann of the Nags Head Club; treasurer's report by Mrs. C. A. York of the Kitty Hawk Club. Presentation of certificates by Mrs. Cullis was as follows:

Eight year perfect attendance, Mrs. Curtis Toler of Kitty Hawk. Six years, Mrs. Leo Midgett, Manteo; five years, Mrs. Hubert Guthrie of Manteo; four years, Mrs. C. A. York, Kill Devil Hills; two years, Mrs. Millicent Mann, Nags Head and Mrs. Pauline Oden, Hatteras; one year, Mrs. Harry Baum, Wanchese; Mrs. Betty Midgett, Waves; Mrs. Mary Perry, Kitty Hawk; Mrs. Eugenia Wescott, Manteo and Mrs. Louise Guilley, Kill Devil Hills.

Program covers were silk screened by Mrs. Virginia Davis of Wanchese, County Council President. The club receiving check of \$5 for having highest number of points was Rodanthe-Waves-Salvo with 1,021 points. The Nags Head Club received a gavel for having over 100% perfect attendance of their club members at the Fall Federation.

Book Review Certificates went to Mrs. Catherine Austin, Frisco; Mrs. Leona Midgett, Manns Harbor; and Mrs. Sherman Twiford, Manns Harbor. Advanced Book Review Certificates to Mrs. Joyce Gray, Buxton; and Mrs. Leo Midgett, Manteo.

Honor given to Mrs. Sherman Twiford for making 3 dozen cookies for the Craft School held in August.

MRS. LENORA H. TILLETT OF KITTY HAWK IS DEAD

Mrs. Lenora Harris Tillett, 73, died Monday afternoon at 5 o'clock in the U. S. Public Health Hospital, Norfolk, following an illness of two months.

She was a faithful wife and mother, reared an upstanding family, and of her it may be said, her children may rise up to call her blessed.

She was a native and lifelong resident of Kitty Hawk, widow of Alphonso D. Tillett and a member of the Primitive Baptist Church at Kitty Hawk.

She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Harry Hamilton of Sea Level; three sons, N. Avery Tillett of Kill Devil Hills, B. Allen and A. Clay Tillett of Kitty Hawk; nine grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

REV. W. D. CHARLTON'S WORK TO APPEAR IN UPPER ROOM

Rev. W. D. Charlton, former pastor of Mt. Olivet Methodist Church and author of a recent book, "By These Things Men Live," has just been informed that the widely known devotional magazine, The Upper Room, will publish his meditation, "The Marks of a Mature Christian" in a forthcoming issue. Mr. Charlton had an article in The Upper Room, July 1956.

Since leaving Manteo in November, 1948, Mr. Charlton has served churches in Goldsboro and Fayetteville, N. C., and is currently minister at Enfield, N. C.

Issued in 32 editions, The Upper Room is read by an estimated ten million persons daily. The bi-monthly magazine is published in Nashville, Tenn., and is translated into many foreign languages and in Braille.

UNCLE DOCK FROM DUCK WRITES: Bring In Some Money for the Working Man By Restoring Confidence Here for Investors

Dear Mr. Editor:

About this time every year there is a great outcry about nothing to do to make any money. It seems to get worse every year. People who own lots on the beach don't seem to be in a hurry to build, and you know that is what a lot of our people have been living on for several years. It turns loose money with carpenters, painters, bricklayers, contractors and concrete men, and they spend money with the stores and it all helps out.

Now many people who have a little money and who are willing to invest because they like to have summer homes on our beach have changed their mind about building. They say there is too much uncertainty and doubt; too much risk that it will entice the county officials to raid them with high taxes. Folks who come to our beach like to know their property and family are safe when they are gone, and they complain because there is no police protection and the county employs only police officers with neither experience, knowledge or training, and consequently nothing is done to stop the constant break-ins and continued loss of valuable property.

We folks who need work to do, hope something will be done toward restoring the confidence of investors in Dare County. Our county officials have got to stop hi-jacking 'em for unreasonable taxes and wasting the money without providing reasonable police protection. Our investors are tired of seeing not enough competent and reliable men holding office who have got backbone and guts to be fair, square and above-board. They are tired of seeing the county run by indifferent men who leave control up to one or two individuals who are ignorant, incompetent, and consider nothing but their own little selfish world. Instead of properly attending to the job they are elected for, they just have to meddle and mess up everything else but what they ought to

put their time on, and whose only creed is "rule or ruin."

Now we find them weeping and wailing, splitting their shirt to say who will be chairman of the next county board. Why should they be so all-fired anxious to dictate the chairman? There can be only one answer, they are afraid of an honest accounting, or they are afraid more people will find out how incompetent they are, or they are afraid some of their gravy will be cut out, and they shorley have been on a gravy train a long time.

I think Mr. Editor that it isn't much of a compliment to any man to be the chosen candidate of this bunch. The mere fact that they back him is an insult, for they thereby mark him as a man they think don't know anything about the work and that they can control him. And God help us if this old See DOCK, Page Eight

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