

NAVAL HOUSING UNITS OPENED WITH CEREMONY

Dignitaries Take Part In Impressive Event At Cape Hatteras Unit

Residents of Hatteras Island especially were invited to the house-warming of the \$400,000 Capehart Housing project built for the U. S. Naval Oceanographic Facility at Cape Hatteras Wednesday, June 24, and they joined in the unique event by invited guests from off the island.

Lt. Cdr. James Toner and his staff worked several weeks on details of the affair, which began at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of Wednesday, June 24th with the cutting of a ribbon across the newly paved driveway of the housing project, which covers several acres of ground just north of the facility.

Brief addresses were made by Navy officials and by others. Many visitors from Manteo, including 84-year-old Alphaeus Drinkwater, Capt. Samuel K. Wilson, Deputy Public Works officer from headquarters of the 5th Naval District, Norfolk, attended. Governor Luther Hodges sent his regrets at his inability to be present, since he is now on a Russian tour.

Guests were taken on guided tours of the Facility and the housing project. A model Navy home was shown. The Navy facility was begun just four years ago this month and has been completed at a total cost of about twelve million dollars.

Because of the nature of its responsibilities there has been heretofore little mention of the Navy's installation on Hatteras Island. The rigid secrecy has not been relaxed as to what goes on but the place has grown to be big enough and finished enough to where it can receive and welcome visitors and to these the Commander and his crew issued a hearty invitation.

MRS. ALTON WILLIAMS 49, AVON NATIVE IS DEAD

Mrs. Edna Smith Williams, 49, died at a Portsmouth hospital Saturday June 20. She was native of Avon, and had been a resident of New Bern for eight years. She was a daughter of Lonnie W. Smith and the late Ella Simpson Smith.

She is survived by her husband, Alton T. Williams, of New Bern; two daughters, Mrs. Boyce Midgette of Garner, N. C., and Mrs. O. G. Gray, Jr., of Avon; three sisters, Mrs. Georgia Simmons of New Bern, Mrs. Beatrice Kilpatrick of Fitzgerald, Ga., and Miss Smith of New Bern.

The body was taken by Twiford Funeral Home, Manteo, to St. Johns Methodist Church, Avon, for funeral services at 1:30 p.m. Burial was in the family plot at Avon.

Funeral services were conducted at St. Johns Methodist Church at Avon of which she was a member, Monday afternoon at 1:30 by the Rev. Mr. Blevins, Presbyterian minister from New Bern, assisted by Rev. T. D. Goodwin and Rev. W. D. Barkley.

"Face to Face" was sung by the choir and a solo "Someday He'll Make it Plain to Me," was sung by Mrs. Bonita Williams. Mrs. Erving Gray accompanied at the piano.

The casket was covered by a pall of white carnations and gladioli.

Active pallbearers were Harrison Meekins, Percy Williams, Walter Smith, James Scarborough, Chauncey Meekins, Moody Meekins.

Mrs. Williams was a well-loved citizen of Avon and she will be greatly missed by her many friends for her kindness and wonderful personality.

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effort which was far beyond the scope of anything undertaken in more recent years.

The late R. C. Evans, owner of the old Roanoke Hotel, turned over the entire first floor of the establishment, including the lobby and dining room, for use as a workshop. Between fifteen and 20 women, all volunteers, assembled daily in the old hotel and for several weeks were engaged in preparing the costumes. The North Carolina Historical Commission had secured copies of the original John White drawings just a short time earlier, and authentic costumes were designed. In addition to the costumes for the English colonists, more than 100 costumes were made for adults who were to take the parts of Indians. These were made of dyed outing, which gave the finished costumes the appearance of having been made from animal skins. Approximately 75 wigs were made in the workshop for Indian women using strands of untwisted rope dyed black.

Meanwhile, Roanoke Island men, also working without pay, were engaged in building props for the show. An entire Indian village, patterned after the original Roanoke Indian village shown in the John White drawings, was constructed on the shore near Fort Raleigh, with Horace Daniels of Wanchese, Horace Dough, and Wynn Dough among those taking part in the work.

Adam Etheridge loaned the company a large shad boat, and with the help of Tom Basnight and others it was converted into a sixteenth century vessel, complete with sails. During the filming of the moving picture the boat was anchored off Fort Raleigh, and with the aid of a small engine, actually brought colonists to the landing area.

The script for the silent movie, and the captions, were written by Mabel Evans (Jones), who was then serving as Superintendent of Dare County Schools, and Miss Elizabeth Grimbald, director of the Inter-City Theatre Arts Company of New York.

The picture opened with a single scene in England, in which two boys, Sir Richard Grenville and Sir Walter Raleigh (played by Ralph Davis and Hughes Hoyle) sat by the edge of the sea and listened to tales of far off places by an old sea captain, played by the late Captain Jeff Hayman. The scene then switched to the landing on Roanoke Island, and the remainder of the five silent reels depicted events at Fort Raleigh and the Indian village. Many of the scenes are said to have been quite similar to those in the modern Lost Colony symphonic drama.

Actually filming was begun in early September, and for several weeks the entire cast of more than 200 people assembled at the fort in the early morning and remained until late afternoon each day. Manteo residents made the daily trip on a State fisheries boat provided by Theodore S. Meekins. Others came on foot or horseback, or in carts or wagons, while a few chugged up the sand trails in model T Fords. Some brought picnic lunches or sandwiches, though others invariably forgot to and spent most of the afternoon wishing they had.

Cast members came from as far distant as Wanchese, and there was hardly a home on the north end of the island which did not supply at least one actor, while in many the entire family donned costumes and took parts.

In the course of the production the supply of grease paint was exhausted and one of the men who took the part of an Indian claims he slept in his grease paint for seven straight nights; first in the house with the rest of his family, later on the porch, and the final night out in the barn.

The hero of the moving picture

was Ananias Dare, played by Ralph Pool, now a newspaperman in Norfolk. He will return to the scene of his initial acting triumph Saturday afternoon. As in the modern show the leading female character was Eleanor Dare, played by Mabel Evans. Virginia Dare, a lifelike doll in the modern symphonic drama, was a six-week-old baby in the 1921 movie, the part being taken by Eloise Emery, now Mrs. J. E. Casper of Elizabeth City.

Important parts were taken by Dr. R. B. Drane, Episcopal Minister of Edenton, who played the priest; and a Dr. Horton of Raleigh, who was John White.

Percy Meekins, now living in Wanchese, D. C., was Simon Fernando, and will return Saturday for the Dare County day program. Tom Etheridge was Chief Manteo, and Balfour Baum was Chief Manteo's son.

Among these taking the parts of colonists and Indian men, many of whom will be on hand Saturday to be interviewed on stage by TV's LaVerne Watson, were Ernest E. Meekins, Leo Midgett, D. Victor Meekins, Ras Wescott, R. Bruce Etheridge, A. W. Drinkwater, D. E. Evans, L. D. Hassell, Willie Wescott, Wynn Dough, J. B. O'Neal, R. B. Lennon, John Wilson, Horace Dough, Worden Dough and Elmer Midgett.

Women in the 1921 cast included Mrs. Leo Midgett, Mrs. Mary Mann Evans, Mrs. Angus Miller Midgett, Fannie Etheridge, Louise Meekins, Mary Basnight, Martha Dough, Mabel Hassell, Doris Jones, Lorena Miller, Juanita Miller, Holland Wescott, Hettie Wescott, Mrs. Tom Basnight, and Mrs. Moncie L. Daniels, Sr.

The above names were taken, for the most part, from a faded document, signed by all cast members, in which they agreed to work in the production without pay. Many names, no longer legible, have not been included, and of course a number of the women have long since married.

When the picture was completed four copies were made for distribution. These copies were then sent by the State Board of Education and were shown in all North Carolina schools in which electricity had been installed. In addition a Model T was fitted out in such a manner that the generator could provide power to run the movie projector, and in this manner the pictures literally toured the state, and were shown in many areas where moving pictures had never been seen before.

One result of the picture was that people throughout the State became aware, many for the first time, of the importance of the historical shrine on Roanoke Island; and the interest kindled at that time led later to the Paul Green Lost Colony, now starting its 19th year.

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live forever in association with the memory of his progressive and vigorous tenure of office.

The Oregon Inlet Bridge will play a mighty part in enabling the Cape Hatteras National Seashore to be the ultimate attraction envisioned by Lindsay Warren, when he began its instigation in Congress thirty years ago.

It has been quite aptly said by one of his compatriots in this year's legislature, that one of these bridges should be called the Lindsay Warren Bridge.

The Oregon Inlet project will give to Hatteras Island a tremendous opportunity for a broader economy, whereby ours may hope to become the most intensely interesting and most popular ocean resort area on the Atlantic Seaboard.

Ultimately it will pave the way for a road the entire length of the Carolina coast. The rehabilitation of the long barrier reef known as Core Bank, southward from Ocracoke Inlet, will make possible the construction of a road to Cape Lookout. Under the steady hand of Governor Hodges, whose vision and affection for this coastland and its needs has inspired many others, the legislature has recently appropriated \$600,000 to start the initial work on this great undertaking.

It may seem somewhat ironical that announcement of the intention to build these eastern Carolina bridges should fall just at the time when the Governor is in Russia, on a tour of several weeks. He's an awful long way from home, but the people are thinking about him back home plenty.

Temporarily, to aid the great flow of traffic now going to Hatteras and Ocracoke Islands, a ferry service is being planned to begin Labor day, between Ocracoke and Carteret County. A vessel for this purpose is under construction in Norfolk, to cost a half million dollars financed through the vision of the Taylor Brothers, the four philanthropic sons of Sea Level whose genius has won them fabulous success in the business world.

While the news was shaping up about the bridge projects in Raleigh this week, the Taylor Brothers were there in conference with the Highway Commission with plans for the ultimate operation of this service by the State of North Carolina.

of the whole situation is beyond the grasp of many people, and are staggering to the imagination of some-even, who are best informed.

It seems fitting indeed that the announcement should come from a man who is the son and namesake of a distinguished father, the late Governor and U. S. Senator, J. Melville Broughton, whose love and sympathy and understanding, grew within him, during many years of visiting this coastland while on summer vacations. When he ascended to high office, he immediately removed the tolls from ferries, and made plans to build Alligator River and Croatan Sound Bridges during his administration, projects which to his great disappointment, were interrupted when America was plunged into World War II.

It is most appropriate too, that the man who has done more things of consequence for his district than any other man, always motivated by love for the land, and an unselfish nature devoid of craving for credit or applause, should still be a mighty factor in bringing about this week's important events.

It will long be remembered, when there was only this newspaper's lone voice weakly rising in this coastland in protest against some of our desperate people reduced to the shame of begging for toll bridges, if nothing else, that Mr. Warren came to the rescue, and his prestige won wide audience for his mighty blast against the idea of the people selling themselves under the bondage of tolls, a burden which the people no other place in the state had to bear. His objection came at an opportune time, during the 1957 legislature. Talk of toll bridges died down. When Governor Hodges mentioned the possibility of tolls as a means of providing bridges quicker, Mr. Warren boldly challenged the idea during the dedication ceremonies of the Seashore National Park at Bodie Island in 1957. Governor Hodges never again mentioned toll bridges for our people. His keen mind was quickly aware of our needs and possibilities, and ever since, he has given encouragement to the cause which was nearest to the hearts of the people. Without his good will and encouragement at this time, it is not likely so important an announcement could have been made by young Melville Broughton yesterday afternoon.

To Cost Over \$7,000,000

The estimates of cost, for Alligator River, four and a half to five million dollars; Oregon Inlet three million dollars.

The Highway commission instructed the engineering department Thursday to proceed with plans for both bridges, and bids will be asked on the Alligator River bridge during the coming fiscal year. Bids on Oregon Inlet will be asked as soon as Army Engineers have given the go ahead, with relation to the fixed channel that is estimated will be completed July 1, 1960.

The Commission Thursday also authorized construction of a new bridge across Cape Fear River at Wilmington during the coming year. Estimates are indeterminate pending the location of the project, but the cost may run between six and ten million dollars.

It was a unanimous decision of the Commission Chairman Broughton said, and tremendous weight had been given the presentation made by Mr. Warren and the eight other legislators who presented a united front for the two bridges.

Beside Chairman Broughton, other members of the Commission are E. L. White, Ralph Howland, Fletcher H. Gregory, Jr., Ralph L. Howland, Cutlar Moore and J. Lee White. The Director of Highways is W. F. Babcock.

Campaign on For Inlet

The campaign for the final work at Oregon Inlet is underway, and has been going on for some weeks. Dr. W. W. Harvey, Jr. of Manteo, Chairman of the Dare County Waterways Committee said yesterday, he is inviting Senators Ervin and Jordan, with Congressman Bonner to visit Dare County soon, to see if extra effort can be made to speed up the project, so there will be nothing to stand in the way of the Highway Engineers. One hope Dr. Harvey ventured is that perhaps an additional emergency appropriation might be obtained to establish the Inlet channel. Two weeks ago, he conferred with Mr. Bonner and House Speaker Sam Rayburn on this project. The Engineers already have funds available, something close to a million dollars to dredge a 14-foot channel through the inlet, and plans have been made to let a contract for this work in the spring.

Congressman Bonner, Thursday by long distance telephone gave assurance to the Dare County officials that he would go to bat for anything that would speed up the completion of the project, and he is arranging a visit of the several officials who have been invited to Dare County at an early date.

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His legislative assignments in Raleigh are like wine in his veins. He is invigorated by the renewed associations with the many faithful and treasured friends who have become his since he

COMES HOME TO BEGIN NEW BOATING VENTURE



COMMANDER WARNER MINOR

USN, retired is back to his adopted county and is beginning a new venture, chartering his handsome and roomy yacht, the Rebound III during the summer session. Cdr. Minor, who is a native of Texas is the husband of the former Nina Midgett of Rodanthe, and they have two children. In 1957 he retired from the Navy, his last assignment the command of the Training Center in Oklahoma City, and the couple have been living in Florida the past two and a half years. Cdr. Minor entered the service as a seaman apprentice in 1931, spent most of his time on repair ships and destroyers, went down with the Utah when the Japs bombed Pearl Harbor in 1941. He spent the war in salvage operations and deep sea diving; did duty in Japan with technical intelligence; tested atomic bombs at Bikini.

Commander Minor may be found aboard his boat, tied up near the west end of the Roanoke Sound Bridge, or he may be reached through Dyke's fishing Center, Phone Manteo 209-W1. Mrs. Minor is the daughter of Mrs. Lurania and the late George W. Midgett of Rodanthe; and is a niece of the late Capt. John Allen Midgett and C. P. Midgett of Nags Head hotel fame.

first went to Raleigh 52 years ago as State Senator. He served 17 years as the head of the Department of Conservation and Development, (1933-50) and his friends multiplied rapidly. Since his retirement from this post he has continued to represent Dare in the House, and had served eight terms prior to 1933. He has been Co. Supt. of Schools, Clerk of the Court, Manteo postmaster eight years, Bank Cashier 26 years; member of the State Dem. Exec. Comm. 31 years. Last July on his 80th birthday his fellow citizens gave a rousing celebration in his honor, and presented a handsome silver service to Mrs. Etheridge and himself.

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team work with a good leader to carry the ball. Fortunately we had a master hand in Lindsay Warren. He was the first one to show us plainly the true situation, and the best approach to overcome it; and I know that the Oregon Inlet bridge, because of his many years of interest in the seashore park, is really nearest to his heart. I think one of these bridges should be called the Lindsay Warren Bridge," he said.

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project of the kind which affects our two neighbor counties of Tyrrell and Dare, and I believe this achievement will do more to unite us as a team than anything else. Our whole future depends on standing shoulder to shoulder, one working for the other. We can get anything we need in this coastland if we will forget to worry about who will get the credit. What does it matter who gets the credit, just so we get the things we need?"

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when all of us agreed for Mr. Warren to be our spokesman. He is a most amazing man; never promising, never bragging, never complaining at anybody, and never worrying about who is going to get the credit. I know some people get the idea that a new road diverts business, but on the other hand the overall increase in business is going to be profitable for all of us, when these bridges are built."

PARK COMMISSION TO MEET AT NAGS HEAD

The N. C. Seashore Park Commission is to hold a meeting at Nags Head at 2 p.m. Friday of this week. William P. Saunders, Director the Department of Conservation and Development is chairman. Governor Hodges, who has gone to Russia will not be able to attend.

The meeting will be at the Arlington Hotel. Other members of the Commission are Aycock Brown,

BONNER BRINGS MORE TO FISH IN OREGON INLET

Congressman and Steamship Officials Find Fishing Good on Week-End

For the second week in succession, Congressman Herbert Bonner found extra good fishing for blues at Oregon Inlet, Friday and Saturday. The party stopped this time at Parkerson's Hotel, which was the first hotel on the beach to specialize in sportfishing accommodations, and is famed for good food.

The week before Mr. Bonner brought with him to Oregon Inlet, Speaker Sam Rayburn, and Congressman Ben Jensen of Ia., Ohio. This week his party included Congressman Ben Jensen of Ia., who as ranking member of the Senate sub-committee on Public Works, joined hands with Mr. Kerwin to aid Mr. Bonner to get through the appropriation for the Oregon Inlet channel.

There were a dozen or more members of this latest fishing party, including Rep. Wm. Mailiard of Calif; Senator John Butler of Md., T. P. Bartel, Vice-President Lyke SS Co.; Col. N. M. Brinson, R. J. Thompson of Moore-McCormack Line; Col. N. M. Brinson, vice-pres. American President Lines; and others, including attorneys and steel company officials. Most of this group have visited Dare County fishing points several times before.

RAYMOND RAINS DIES

CHAPEL HILL—Raymond R. Rains, 54, died Wednesday afternoon at his home. He was executive secretary of the North Carolina Association of CPAs.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Irene Smart Rains of the home, one daughter, Mrs. Margo Morrissey of Redondo Beach, Calif., one stepdaughter, Mrs. John McDonald of Chapel Hill, his mother, Mrs. Minnie B. Rains of Daytona Beach, Fla., one sister, Mrs. Marion Fleuhr of Daytona Beach. Mrs. Rains is related to several Manteo families. Aunts are Mrs. H. A. Creef and Mrs. Mary O'Neal. And uncle is Orlando Burrus. Mrs. Rains has been the costumer for the Lost Colony for many years.

Miles Clark, Ben Dixon MacNeill, Julian Oneto, Theodore Rondthaler, Amos R. Kearns, Cecil Morris and Eugene Simmons.

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Frank Sims Jr., Charlotte, Guy T. Ward, Winston-Salem; Sam Livelace Wilson; Hector Lupton, Edenton; I. G. Dailey, Yanceyville; H. W. Rothrock, Enfield; Donald E. Shuford, Hickory and Clinton Elks, Greenville.

EARL G. MANN, MOTEL OPERATOR DIES SATURDAY

After a sudden illness of two days, Earl Glenn Mann, 50, died in a Baltimore hospital Saturday. He was born at Mashoes, the son of the late George W. and Hattie Partridge Mann and had been a resident of Manteo 29 years at the time of his being owner and operator of a motel on Roanoke Island. Previously, he had been operator of a hunting lodge, commercial fisherman and tugboat engineer.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Nora Mann; two brothers, Max Mann, Alexandria, Va. and George Mann of Nags Head; four sisters, Mrs. S. C. Harris of Alexandria, Va., Mrs. C. H. Sizer, So. Norfolk, Va., Mrs. Clyde Ward, Avon and Mrs. Robert Hydeman, Detroit, Mich.

Funeral services were conducted Monday at the Twiford Funeral Home in Manteo by Rev. C. W. Guthrie of Wanchese. Burial was in Manteo cemetery.

Funeral services for Mr. Mann, were conducted Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the chapel of the Twiford Funeral Home by the Rev. C. W. Guthrie, retired Methodist minister, assisted by the Rev. Cecil Davis, pastor of the Roanoke Acres Church of Christ.

A solo, "No One Ever Cared For Me," was sung by the Rev. Mr. Davis and a duo composed of Miss Rachel Hooper and Mrs. Cecil Davis sang "Whispering Hope." Mrs. Dallas Tillett accompanied at the organ.

The casket was covered with peach glads, easter lilies and fern.

Active pallbearers were George Powell, Allen Mann, Jr., Frank Cahoon, Ralph Umphlett, Victor Meekins and Edwin Midgett.

Burial followed in the Manteo Cemetery.

PIONEER THEATRE MANTEO, N. C. SATURDAY, JUNE 27 JON HALL in "FORBIDDEN ISLAND" SUNDAY: MONDAY DEBBIE REYNOLDS in "THE MATING GAME" TUESDAY: WEDNESDAY "AT WAR" starring DEAN MARTIN and JERRY LEWIS THURSDAY: FRIDAY CHILL WILLS in "SAD HORSE" with DAVID LADD CUT OUT AND SAVE

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