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YEAR'S ABC STORE SALES \$336,015.30 IN DARE COUNTY

Two Stores Show Net Profit of \$36,671.57; Nags Head Sales Over 60% of Total

The audit of the affairs of the Dare County ABC systems for the year ending June 30, 1956, reveals that a net profit was made for the two stores of Nags Head and Manteo in the total sum of \$36,671.57. Of this, the Manteo store's profit was \$14,147.89. Of the profit of this store 15 per cent was paid by statute to the town of Manteo in the sum of \$2,122.18 for the past fiscal year.

Sales of the Manteo store represented only 38.58% of total sales. The total balance then due Dare County was \$34,549.34, and of this sum the ABC Board turned over to the county \$27,100, leaving a balance owing the county of \$7,449.34.

Actually the county got only half of the \$27,100, the other half being turned over to the Dare County Tourist Bureau for advertising and promotion purposes. This by special act of the legislature in 1957. But the purpose has apparently gone far afield, since the Tourist Bureau's activities are not concerned so with broad advertising of the county's interests, other than that of the sportfishing industry. Nearly all of the bureau's activities are confined to reports on sportfishing results. A multitude of other interests are completely overlooked.

The purposes whereby establishment of the ABC system was created, the people were told, would be for the benefit of schools and welfare. The net return the county now gets from the stores would barely run the welfare office alone.

The ABC audit report showed further, that on June 30th, the stores had inventory in the Manteo store valued at \$42,419.44 with insurance of \$21,000. The inventory of the Nags Head store was \$15,637 with insurance of \$24,000.

After deducting outstanding checks, the cash balance in the bank was shown as \$37,916.36 which with cash on hand totaled \$41,242.56.

Total sales for the year are shown at \$336,015.30. Cost of sales was \$240,200.61; Gross profit \$95,814.69. Operating expenses came to \$23,750.64; state beverage taxes \$33,392.48; reserve for law enforcement \$2,000, leaving a net profit of \$36,671.57.

GAIN IN ABC SALES AND GAIN IN COUNTY'S PROFIT

A large increase, in fact \$6,411.30 was revealed in sales in the Dare County ABC Stores in September of this year as compared with September a year ago. Sales in the month just ended totaled \$32,354.70.

This week, the county received its largest check in many a day. The Board turned over nearly \$3,000; to be exact \$2,911.92. Of this sum, \$1,455.92 had to be given the Tourist Bureau.

For the month of August and for the first time since the new ABC Board took over management of the system, there was a decline in volume, the loss being \$1,747.17, as compared with August of 1955. September brought it up in fine shape with a total gain of \$6,411.30.

It is an interesting study, to compare figures of ABC store sales, and to hear the reasons offered for gains or losses. Revelations may continue more interesting as time goes on.

SAILING REGATTA SCHEDULED FOR THIS WEEKEND

By AYCOCK BROWN
NAGS HEAD.—A seven-event sailing classic will be held in Nags Head-Manteo waters this week end on October 10, 11, when the first annual Carolinian Hotel and Anchor Club-sponsored Sailing is presented. Craft in six classes will be in the competition with Event No. 5 being a handicap race, it was stated by Julian Oneto, race chairman. There will be four large type boats, Jolly, Mobjack, Penquin and Hampton sailing on a course between Nags Head and Roanoke Island on Roanoke Sound. These events will start at 1 P.M. Saturday and 11:05 A.M. on Sunday.

Smaller craft, Sailfish and Frams will compete on an inside course in Shallowbag Bay at Manteo. Time of starting for the Sailfish and Frams events will be 1:25 P.M. Saturday and 11:25 A.M. Sunday.

A handicap race will begin at 1:20 P.M. Saturday and 11:20 A.M. on Sunday.

Regatta headquarters will be The Carolinian Hotel on Nags Head. Information on entries may be obtained from Julian Oneto, race chairman, at The Carolinian, Nags Head, N. C.

MANTÉO MAN GETS STATE YOUNG DEMOCRATIC OFFICE



KEITH R. MOORE of Manteo, is an active new resident in Dare, where he has been established in an office in the courthouse to assist the citizens of the area with state tax matters. Last week Mr. Moore, who attended the Young Democratic Convention in Asheville was named Chairman for the First District. Other officers for the area are Mrs. Elbert S. Peele Jr., Vice-Chairman of Willamston. Tom L. Jones, Murfreesboro attorney, is District Secretary and Treasurer. Mr. Moore, 28, is established with his family in the Ryder apartments in Manteo. The couple are High Point natives and they have three children. He has been with the State Revenue Department as a Deputy collector for five years, and has previously served in Mt. Airy, High Point and North Wilkesboro.

DR. WINSTEAD HAS MANIFESTATION OF HOMEFOLKS' LOVE

Remarkable Demonstration of Esteem and Affection Turned Toward A Faithful Servant

By CAROLYN LLOYD
BELHAVEN.— Approximately 750 people from Beaufort and Hyde Counties and the surrounding areas, as well as from as far distant as Asheville, gathered at the Belhaven Community Center on Monday to make the observance of "Dr. Ellis G. Winstead Day" one of the most outstanding events ever held here. The idea for the celebration began when a group of the doctor's friends suggested that he be honored at a community picnic on the day after his birthday, October 4, which marked the beginning of his thirty-first year of the practice of medicine in this area. The plans grew and grew as word of the proposed celebration got around, for everyone seemed to want to make some gesture of appreciation to the physician. All business establishments in Belhaven closed at 3:45 and both the Belhaven and Pantego schools dismissed early on the great day.

The program began at 4:30, when the Belhaven Band led the march to the Community Center, followed by Dr. and Mrs. Winstead riding in a convertible driven by Guy Shavender of Pantego. As the procession approached, the crowd was welcomed by John Rateliff, of Pantego, overall chairman of the affair. Dr. Winstead was escorted to an outdoor stage decorated as a patio with pines, garden furniture, and baskets of flowers sent by friends. W. W. (Bill) Bullock, one of the doctor's longtime friends, was master of ceremonies for the program, which followed a "This Is Your Life" theme. As the story of the subject's life unfolded, he was joined on stage by his wife and his daughters, Mrs. James Younce of Belhaven, and Mrs. Charles Clark of Greenville. His son, Ellis Jr., who lives in Atlanta, was unable to be present.

One by one, others who were identified with different phases of the doctor's career, were introduced. Mrs. Doris Windley, local nurse, read a part of the Hippocratic Oath, upon which Dr. Winstead has based his professional beliefs. Dr. John Cotten Tayloe, member of the famed Tayloe family which founded a hospital in Washington, spoke of the days when he and his brothers, Dr. Dave, Jr., and Dr. Josh, were young internes with Dr. Winstead at Tayloe Hospital. Mr. Bullock commented on the many trips over rough roads which he had shared with the doctor in the early days when he answered calls as far away as Dare County. John Radcliffe displayed the pocket watch and chain which the doctor wore for many years and which symbolized to many people the family physician. Two of the first children delivered by the doctor, Yettie Bullock Billups and Wilma Smith Thompson, went on stage to greet the doctor. "Bud" O'Neal presented to Dr. Winstead See DR. WINSTEAD, Page Twelve

BEAUFORT SCHOOL BOND ISSUE TOPIC BELHAVEN OCT. 14

P.T.A. Also to Serve Barbecue Supper Prior to Game Friday 16th

A discussion of the forthcoming vote on the school bond issue for Beaufort County will highlight the meeting of the Belhaven P. T. A. to be held on Wednesday evening, October 14, at the John A. Wilkinson School. Since many people do not understand the issues involved, they are urged to be present. Thoroughly informed men will be the speakers and they will answer any questions raised concerning the bond issue.

On Friday night, October 16, the P. T. A. will serve a barbecue supper in the school lunchroom prior to a football game between the Belhaven Bulldogs and the Chocowinity High School team. Plates will be one dollar for adults and sixty-five cents for children. Orders will be delivered on request. The proceeds will be used to meet the items on the year's budget.

MANN'S HARBOR HARBOR PROJECT TO BE SOUGHT

Growing Need for Deeper Water and Safe Anchorage on Mainland

A movement is shaping up to ask for a survey and report on developing an improved harbor to serve the Manns Harbor area on the mainland of Dare County. Commercial fishing interests of the village have been handicapped for many years ever since erosion took away the points of marsh which protected the creek long known as Manns Harbor.

The growth of Manns Harbor as a recreation center during the past ten years has brought about an uncomfortable crowding of the limited waterways facilities available and many citizens believe the situation will become desperate in a short time. Much interest has been shown in getting temporary relief for the small ditch originally built by the county during process of constructing a road.

The subject has been taken up with Congressman Herbert Bonner by Victor Meekins, chairman of the Dare County Board, who has promised his support in asking Congress to authorize a survey, and H. B. Hooper, County Commissioner from the mainland district of the county is assisting in assembling facts to support the movement.

As it has become rule and law with U.S. engineers that no federal harbor improvements will be made unless a public landing area is provided, Meekins said he had gotten assurances from Miles Clark of Elizabeth City and Carl Mann of Manns Harbor, that they would willingly give without cost from their holdings the required land to assure the project's success. He said also, that a public meeting would be called at Manns Harbor on Mr. Bonner's return from Europe sometime soon, which would be attended by Mr. Hooper and other county officials, whereby all the citizens would be afforded an opportunity to express their views, and on the other hand to explain the requirements which must be met.

BELHAVEN BAND IS LOOKING BACK ON ITS BUSIEST WEEK

Last week was a busy one for the Belhaven Band, which was celebrating its first anniversary under the direction of Bob Ellwanger of Greenville.

The parents of the band members ignored the threat of "Gracie" on Tuesday night and entertained with a dance for the young musicians and their guests. Each mother surprised her child with an anniversary gift.

A large birthday cake centered the refreshment table from which the hostesses served cupcakes, bottled drinks, and bubble gum. The cake was presented to Mr. and Mrs. Ellwanger.

On Friday evening, the band gave a concert in the John A. Wilkinson High School auditorium. Under the direction of Mr. Ellwanger, they played a variety of numbers which showed the great progress which the organization has made in a year. An added feature was the performance of three numbers by the "The Highbrows", an all-girl dance band from East Carolina College. No admission was charged but the appreciative audience donated \$86 dollars toward the purchase of part of the band uniforms. The only disappointment to the group was the small number in attendance.

DARE TOURIST BOARD CHAIRMAN PRESENTED A PLAQUE



Upon his retirement as chairman of the Dare County Tourist Bureau on October 1, J. Gordon Kellogg of Manteo was presented with a plaque by the Bureau for service in its behalf during the past year. Lawrence Swain of Manteo, one of the organizers of the Tourist Bureau (right) made the presentation as J. Melville Broughton (center) looked on. During an address at the annual banquet meeting of the Tourist Bureau Thursday night, Broughton reviewed the State's share in developing the Dare Coast-Outer Banks by constructing bridges and highways. He said the State Highway Commission planned to let contract for the proposed Alligator River Bridge on U. S. 64 in January 1960, and possibly let the contract for the proposed Oregon Inlet bridge later in the year, following progress of dredging projects planned by the U. S. Engineering Corps. Succeeding Kellogg as chairman of the Tourist Bureau board of directors is Ralph Swain of Manteo.—Aycock Brown Photo

TOURIST BUREAU SETS UP PLANS FOR NEW YEAR

Directors Plan Expenditures of \$20,000 With Wider Distribution of Folders

The Dare County Tourist Bureau directors have set up a budget for the coming year of \$20,920 for the operation of bureau activities. They expect to get \$6,420 from contributions of interested persons, and \$12,500 from County ABC funds, which is about \$1,000 more than the preceding year yielded.

The Bureau expects to spend some \$2,250 more on lithographed folders than was spent last year, when the outlay was \$750. The clerk's salary was increased from \$2,600 to \$3,000. A \$250 reduction was made in travel, and \$150 of the travel was set up for the Assistant's use. Total travel, \$1,350. Telephone was increased from \$450 to \$1,000. An additional item of \$600 for photographic supplies was set up. Office supplies were reduced from \$2,400 to \$900.

Aycock Brown, Bureau manager has been with it nine years, starting at a \$5,000 salary. The directors compliment his work, and point out his salary has been raised from \$6,500 after three years. The entire report of the Directors expresses a tone of deep satisfaction with the work, and intense optimism for the success of the new budget.

DARE TO HAVE SURF FISHING TOURNEYS ON OCTOBER 15-17 & 29-31

NAGS HEAD.—More than 40 teams have entered the ninth annual Nags Head Surf Fishing Tournament scheduled to be held here on the Dare Beaches, October 15-17, according to Bud Rose, secretary of the sponsoring club.

A second annual tournament will be held in the surf of Hatteras Island, October 29-31. Mrs. Kitty Lowerie, secretary of the Cape Hatteras Anglers Club, sponsor of the Hatteras Island surf classic is still receiving entries from teams.

Both tournaments will be held under the auspices of the international Association of Surf Anglers Clubs.

While channel bass is the most point-worthy fish taken during the tournaments here on the Dare Coast, any fish caught in the surf will help the teams win.

Information about the Nags Head tournament may be obtained from Bud Rose, Kitty Hawk, N. C., and about the Cape Hatteras tourney from Mrs. Lowrie at Buxton.

NAMED VICE-PRESIDENT QUALITY RESTAURANTS

Julian Oneto, who was convention chairman and toastmaster at the 13th annual meeting of the N. C. Association of Quality Restaurants held at the Carolinian in Nags Head last week, was elected a regional vice president in the group. The new president is M. D. Adams of Burlington who succeeds Frank P. Byrne of Wilmington. Winston-Salem was selected for the October 1960 annual meeting.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH



KATHERINE WASHBURN was voted the outstanding student of Manteo High School for the first school month. Such an honor is based on scholastic standing and contribution to school life in general. Kathy, as she is called, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. N. Leary of Manteo. The Leary's moved to the County in 1955 and Kathy attended Kitty Hawk School when she was in the eighth grade. Before that she had been in a private school in Gloucester County, Virginia. She entered Manteo High School in the ninth grade. She has made honor grades all the way through high school and is a member of the Beta Club. This year she is on the staff of the High School and is treasurer of the senior class.

CANCER DRIVE STARTS NEXT WEEK IN DARE

Crusade Chairman Announces Latest List of Workers Enrolled; Contributions Coming In

October 12-17 will be Cancer week in Dare County according to Mrs. Raymond Westcott, Crusade chairman. Today Cancer strikes one out of every four American families. 38 volunteer leaders are pledged to reach every family in their respective neighborhood or community with information on fighting the dread disease and give an opportunity for contributions to be made for funds to further the attack. 40 percent of the money collected stays in Dare County to assist stricken persons. This money is spent for drugs, dressings, sickroom equipment, transportation of patient to doctor for treatment and special nursing when necessary.

Community leaders acting as chairman and having still others assist them are: Wanchese, Mrs. Harry Baum; Manns Harbor, Mrs. Martha Craddock, Mrs. Hubert Ambrose and Mrs. Gloria Armstrong; Stumpy Point, Mrs. Cary Smith; East Lake, Mrs. Emily Smith; Kitty Hawk, Mrs. Stanley Sneed, Mrs. Louis Cayton, and Mrs. Ben York; Rodanthe, Mrs. Verde Watson; Waves, Mrs. Cedric Midgett; Salvo, Avon, Fred G. Gray, Mrs. Vesta Smith and Mrs. Lonnie Gray; Buxton, Mrs. Paula Fuleher, Mrs. Edna Barnette, Mrs. Carol Dillon; Frisco, Mrs. John Austin; Hatteras, Mrs. Wilma Gray, Mrs. Jean Foster, Mrs. See DRIVE, Page Twelve

TYRRELL BOARD ASKS BRIDGE BE NAMED FOR L. C. WARREN

Delegates Named to SAA Meeting November 4; 1958 Tax Settlement

COLUMBIA.—The Tyrrell County Board of Commissioners Monday passed resolution requesting that the North Carolina Highway Commission name the proposed Alligator River Bridge for Lindsay C. Warren, and to be so designated officially and permanently in his honor by placing a suitable tablet on its completion.

Julius A. Spencer was re-appointed by the board in conjunction with the Board of Education for a three-year term on the Tyrrell County ABC Board.

In compliance with request of the Rev. Herbert J. Bryan, permission was granted for use of the Agriculture Building each Saturday afternoon and night, and on Friday nights when available for a youth recreation center.

Tax collection report of 1955 taxes by Sheriff Clair E. Morris was accepted. Bond for the 1959 collections was accepted and new tax books were turned over to the sheriff.

Mrs. Julian H. Swain was appointed on the Tyrrell County Library Board for a two-year term to fill a vacancy made by the resignation of Mrs. Clair E. Norris.

The Tyrrell County Extension advisory board was presented by H. H. Harris, County Agent for approval, before confirmation by the Director of Extension.

List of delegates submitted by Harry P. Swain, Tyrrell County Vice-president of Southern Albemarle Association to meeting to be held in Columbia during November approved were: Harry P. Swain, Gerald W. Selby, B. Frank Alexander, Edward Davis, D. Webb Brickhouse, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cohoon, and Mrs. C. E. See BOARD, Page Twelve

PRESTON BASNETT, RETIRED FRISCO NATIVE DIES

Preston Basnett, 58, died in a Norfolk hospital Friday morning, after a six-months illness. He was a lifelong resident of Frisco, Dare County and was a son of the late Robert Wesley and Mrs. Ella Bonner Basnett.

He was retired from the U. S. Coast Guard and was a member of the Frisco Methodist Church. He had served at Ocracoke and in the Elizabeth City District office.

Surviving are one brother, Dewey Basnett of Frisco, two half-brothers, Raymond Basnett of Buxton and Lloyd Basnett of California; one sister, Mrs. Sadie Partin of Chester, Pa.; two half-sisters, Mrs. Sylvia Wilson of Oceana and Mrs. Elsie McKisick of New Orleans, La.

Mr. Basnett, as a candidate for County Commissioner in 1958 made a close run.

The body was taken by Twiford's Funeral Home to the residence in Frisco, and later to the Frisco, Methodist Church for funeral services Sunday at 1 p. m., by the Rev. Ray Sparrow, pastor.

VAST RECLAMATION OF SWAMP LANDS ATTRACT INTEREST

Hyde County's Roper Lands Given Publicity As New Owners Market Them

From time to time this newspaper has given publicity to several attempts that have been undertaken in Hyde County for the development of swamp and other cut over lands namely in the vicinity of Ponzer and Engelhard. One of the largest of these in now in process of development near Engelhard where the Pamlico Development Company began work more than a year ago under the direction of J. P. Smith to develop more than 70,000 acres.

Another development, larger in its entirety, has been going on near Ponzer for a longer period under the management of several owners. The largest of these tracts is under the eye of Harry McMullan Jr., a Washington attorney with New York associates. First attempt in recent years in the area was begun by Sel-Mal farms headed by two New York men, Otto Selgar and Harry Malch.

After getting the development underway, they sold out and went to other fields.

Associated with Mr. McMullan is a New York real estate promotion firm. These associates now control some 100,000 acres of the old Roper lands. These are being developed at the rate of 10,000 acres per year. Land formerly not worth \$3 per acre is now worth \$200.

New families are being brought into the area. The high cost of land in some of the central states has become a barrier to ambitious young farmers lacking sufficient capital to go into business. On a comparatively small investment, they can find in Hyde County sufficient acreage at a reasonable cost, whereby they may establish themselves in diversified agriculture in a moderate climate.

Recently, Norfolk Newspapers took note of this tendency for land development which now sprawls across northeastern North Carolina from the Pungo River to the Virginia line. As time goes on, there may be expected much more newspaper attention to this area which now offers much promise for the future.

HELD UNDER \$5,000 BOND FOR AGGRAVATED TRESPASS

Example in Court Reveals Costly Result of Coddling Youngsters With Tendencies to Violent Behavior

A striking example of the results of recorders court policy to encourage crime, through a long period of leniency came out this week, when Jon Arthur Williams and Charles Edward Wroten of Wanchese were sent to jail in default of \$5,000 bond to await trial in Superior Court at the end of this month for a case of aggravated and stupid vandalism. They are charged with having done more than \$500 damage to the new Lincoln of Martin Kellogg Jr., who is prosecuting attorney in the recorder's court. Both front and rear glasses were beaten out.

Some months ago tires on this car were slashed, but no apprehensions were made at this time.

Recently these youngsters were bound over in auto theft and other cases. For some years, they have been periodical offenders in the court. These and others have often got out lightly, getting suspended sentences, or like many others trusted for fines. Williams has served prison terms. They are charged now with attempt to punish Mr. Kellogg, an officer of the court. The judge didn't have an automobile. Each pleaded not guilty, demanded a jury trial, which throws the case into Superior Court.

In court this week, \$25 fines were assessed against 16-year-old drivers—Joyce F. Payne for driving without a permit; Phillip D. Tillett for reckless and careless driving. W. M. Umphlett of Manns Harbor, Francis E. Jellico of Kitty Hawk, \$5 each for ignoring stop signs. J. Ronald Parker, Portsmouth, speeding \$10. Spires S. Austin, Hatteras, reckless and careless driving \$25.

The case of Billy Gray of Avon, reported clocked by the patrolman at 110 mph, but charged with 85 mph has been continued to the 13th of October.

On Tuesday, Clayton Bowser charged with assault on Adelia Dozier, with a swing scythe, appealed from a sentence of 18 months on the roads, and went to jail in default of \$500 bond. Bowser pleaded not guilty.

Willie Spencer and Reuben Smith, each charged the other with assault with knives etc., in a contest over Louvada Latham; each pleaded guilty; each appealed the 12 months road sentence imposed.