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## FIRST FLIGHTS BY A MACHINE ARE ADMITTED

Thursday's Ceremonies Enjoyed  
on 56th Anniversary of  
Wright's Achievement

Of course man didn't fly, as the fun-makers proved Wednesday night at their dinner at the Carolinian Hotel, but the machine the Wright Brothers made did get off the ground under the guidance of the Wrights 56 years ago, and this anniversary was celebrated Thursday the 17th, both at the site of the flights—Kill Devil Hills, and at a dinner at The Carolinian at 1 p.m.

In the morning program, emceed by David Stick, prayed for by Rev. Robert W. Turner, spirited up by the Elizabeth City High School Band, and welcomed by Mayor R. H. Cook of the Town of Kill Devil Hills, the crowd witnessed terrific proof of the power of flight founded by the Wright Brothers. U. S. Air Force planes roared overhead in contradiction to Wilbur Wright's statement 56 years ago that the airplane would not be commercially profitable in a thousand years.

Presented and speaking briefly were Elbert Cox, regional director of the National Park Service; Levin Culpepper, Mayor of Elizabeth City; Grady Miller, President of the N. C. Aero Club which flew here in force; Rep. Herbert C. Bonner, who with Lindsay Warren made the Wright Memorial a reality; and Herb Kaulish of the Air Force Association. Wreaths betokened the interest of the city of Dayton, Ohio; the County of Dare; the N. C. Aero Club and the State of N. C.

Wade Marr, President of the Kill Devil Hills Memorial Society presided at the luncheon at the Hotel; invocation was by Rev. G. F. Hill of Elizabeth City; the welcome by Melvin R. Daniels; many special guests were presented and Congressman Bonner and Elbert Cox made talks. Principal address was by Rear-Admiral Peter V. Colmar U.S.C.G., Commandant of the Fifth District in Norfolk.

Officers of the society are Wade Marr, President; Victor Meekins, Vice-President; C. S. Meekins, Secretary-Treasurer.

## ERROR IN HISTORY IS DETECTED ON MARKER

HATTERAS.—Drastic editing with a blow-torch will be necessary before the cast-iron historical marker set up beside the Hatteras Inlet ferry slip becomes a thing of pride to native residents of the Island who inherit their history and, on occasion, make it. So far the new marker, set up under the direction of the State Department of Archives and history has occasioned only jeers.

In bold black cast-iron letters the marker says that two miles south of that point is the site of two Confederate forts, Clark and Hatteras, erected to guard the entrance to Pamlico Sound and that the forts were destroyed by Federal naval bombardment on the 29th day of April in 1861. The marker is evidence of the Archives' awareness that the 100th anniversary of the Civil War approaches.

Two miles due south of the point where the marker has been set up in a firm concrete footing would land the explorer well off shore in the Bight of Hatteras where the charts show a depth of 58 feet of water. The site of the two forts, still identifiable, is west of the ferry slip. The Outer Banks, after rounding the point of Cape Hatteras, runs east-west.

North Carolina did not leave the Union until three weeks after the date indicated on the marker. State troops did arrive at the Inlet on May 10th. Work of building the two forts was begun early in June and they were surrendered, after heavy bombardment, on August 29th. Protests have been lodged with C. C. Crittenden, director of Archives. He has not replied but a member of his staff has stated that the matter will be looked into.

## SANTA CLAUS FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, MANNS HARBOR

For two evenings this week-end children will have a hilarious time at Manns Harbor, when Santa Claus will appear at the Manns Harbor Sports Center. He will arrive at 4 p.m. on Friday, the 18th and will stay until 8 p.m. He will appear again on Saturday at the same time. It is the first time he will have made a public appearance on the mainland at a store loaded with toys as in this store which is operated by Mr. and Mrs. Stanford White. They are now showing the greatest display of toys ever assembled in this area.

## HATTERAS ISLAND WITNESSES MORE HISTORY ON T-V

Westinghouse's Fourth Episode  
Now Showing; Available For  
Other Groups

BUXTON.—Fourth of Westinghouse Broadcasting Company's series of twelve episodes of the Civil War entitled "Search for the Monitor" was broadcast over the company's nation-wide network last month and the half-hour film is showing on Hatteras Island this week through courtesy of the company, William Kaland, its program director and Lt. Cdr. James F. Toner, commander of the U. S. Naval Base at Cape Hatteras.

Navy, Coast Guard and National Park Service personnel and other residents of the Island who co-operated in the staging of the show here 14 months ago, including Hallas Foster of Hatteras, whose boat was chartered for the exploration, have been invited by commander Toner to see the show, run off nightly in connection with his station's regular movie service. The film was presented by the company to Ben Dixon MacNeill whose book, "The Hatterasman," was used as basis and background for episode.

Announcement of the series of television broadcasts has been made in page advertisements in most of the major national magazines and the showing of it here has been eagerly anticipated, especially by those who took part in its production. None of the Westinghouse stations normally reach this area but the series has been widely commented upon by letters received here. On the way to the first showing Mrs. Toner received a note from her brother in California who had witnessed the show in his home.

Associated with Mr. Kaland in the production on the series is Roy Meredith, well known author and producer who owns most of celebrated Brady photographic plates of the Civil War. Brady photographed the Monitor and its crew before its departure from Brooklyn Navy Yard where it was built. These and other photographs of the period are brought to life in the production.

Kaland and Meredith came to Cape Hatteras just after the October hurricane last year, bringing with them a truck load of photographic equipment, photographers and divers. Weather was unpropitious during most of the two weeks they remained here but they worked manfully against heavy odds. The picture begins with a magnificent shot of the Lighthouse and it is one that should become a rarity; it was done just after the storm ripped the roof from the See HISTORY, Page Twelve

## LINDSAY WARREN TO BE HONORED WHILE ALIVE



HON. LINDSAY C. WARREN is to be honored by having the Alligator River bridge bear his name, the State Highway Commission so decreed this week. Despite Mr. Warren having made both public and private protests against it, the citizens of his district persisted in urging that the bridge be given his name. Tyrrell and Dare, the two counties the bridge connects, and the six-county Southern Albemarle Association unanimously asked this honor be given him. Even the News and Observer which opposes giving the names of living people to monuments, says: "Lindsay Warren so well deserves all the honors that the state can pay him . . . the most fitting name for this bridge is the Lindsay Warren Bridge . . . Lindsay Warren is a living exception to the rule that living people should not be so honored. . . his bigness does not require a bridge or anything else to prove it."

The Highway Commission, like all those who are grateful for his unselfish public service know that he needs nothing to prove it, but they like to prove that they, themselves, are deserving and grateful and believe in the justice of recognizing true merit and worth.

## TO PUBLISH EARLY ON CHRISTMAS WEEK

Correspondents and advertisers are urged to mail all material for publication next week at least one day early. This is in order that we may print ahead of schedule, thus allowing time for distribution before Christmas day.

Season's greetings will be extended by area merchants in the issue of December 25.

## FOR 26 YEARS THIS HYDE CO. MAN HAS BEEN SANTA CLAUS

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Tunnell who have been Santa Claus for the children of Hyde County for twenty-six years will be on the route again on "Thursday, December 24," so boys and girls get on your winter togs and be ready to receive him.

With his helpers, which include Pratt Williamson, Jr., now home for the holidays and other volunteer helpers plus Santa, the schedule will be as follows: arrive at Fairfield between 8:30 and 9:00 o'clock, will remain there one half an hour. From there the group will go by north side to Engelhard, will arrive there about 11:30 o'clock, remain there 1 hour. From there the procession will go through Middleton and Nebraska then on Route 264, starting at Lake Landing to Swan Quarter arriving between 3:30 and 4:00 o'clock.

The float will be complete with a Christmas tree decoration of every kind, loud speaker and music. Santa Claus will pass out fruit and candy and—oh! well just be on hand to see what fun is in store for you. And enjoy the gesture made by "Durward" to make you know there is a Santa Claus.

## LIONS EAT TURKEY; TALK DANCE, SCOUTS. CALENDARS, ADJOURN

Manteo Lions Club held its regular meeting Tuesday night, were served pre-Christmas turkey by the caterer, Mrs. Raymond Westcott and were urged to support the dance scheduled this Saturday under club auspices. It will begin at 9:00 p.m. at the Shrine Club, Nags Head; tickets are available from all Lions and entitle the holder participation in door prize drawings.

It was announced that Douglas Crutchfield would be transferred soon, and had tendered his resignation as Scoutmaster of the local Sea Scout unit. This group has been under sponsorship of Manteo Lions since begun two years ago. Mr. Crutchfield, who is connected with West Virginia Pulp and Paper Co., will soon be moving to Summerville, S. C. He and his family have been popular members of the community, and the loss will be regretted. However, the Lions will continue support of the troop, with a successor to Mr. Crutchfield to be announced soon.

Community birthday calendars will be ready for distribution soon.

## UNITED SERVICE FOR CHRISTMAS IN SWAN QUARTER

Light of Bethlehem To Be Presented  
By Churches Of  
Swan Quarter Township

The Light of Bethlehem is the Christmas candlelighting service to be presented by the churches of Swan Quarter township in the Methodist church in Swan Quarter Sunday evening December 20, at 7:30 P.M.

The following people will take part in the candlelight service: Mrs. Joe Lupton, Mrs. B. W. Williams, and Mr. Dan Baucom are the Readers; Rev. Robert Bundy, Rev. James McKenzie, and Rev. Macon Spencer are the participating ministers; Emily Lou Cahoon, Gloria Jean Smith, Linda and Glenda Cahoon, Connie Brown, Lois O'Neal, Betty Jane Harris, Christine Harris, Judy Carawan, Diana Sadler, and Caroline Gaylord are the angels who light the candles; Mr. and Mrs. Bundy, Mrs. Joe W. Lupton, Marion Wheeler, and Sue Gaylord will render duets and solos.

The 25 voice choir is of members from Soule, the Presbyterian church, the Pentecostal Holiness, Swan Quarter Baptist, Swan Quarter Christian and Providence churches. Mrs. Joe Lupton is directing the music with Mrs. W. G. Harris as organist.

## FAIRFIELD MAN COMPLETES C.G. BASIC TRAINING



DENNIS W. ARMSTRONG, USCG, USCH, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Armstrong, of Fairfield, North Carolina, has completed 13 weeks of basic training at the U. S. Coast Guard Receiving Center, Cape May. He entered the Coast Guard last Sept. He will report to the 14th Coast Guard District for further duty.

Before entering the Coast Guard he attended East Hyde High School, at Engelhard.

## TO GO TO GERMANY



PVT. RAYMOND L. GIBBS, son of Mrs. Latham Gibbs of Norfolk, formerly of Swan Quarter has completed eight weeks of basic training at Fort Jackson, South Carolina. He is now receiving advanced schooling on guided missiles at Fort Bliss, Texas. After a ten-day furlough he will go to Germany where he will complete two years of service.

## AN INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENT NEXT YEAR AT HATTERAS

Competing Teams From Several  
Foreign Countries Scheduled  
June 12 to 16

By AYCOCK BROWN  
HATTERAS.—Under the sponsorship of Hatteras Marlin Club, an international Blue Marlin Tournament will be held in the big game fish-famous waters off Cape Hatteras next summer, it was announced by Charles F. Johnson, tournament chairman.

Dates for the sportsfishing event which will bring competing teams from several foreign countries and many big game fishing centers of the United States have been officially set for June 12-through June 16. The tournament will be sanctioned by the International Light Tackle Tournament Association and the International Game Fish Association with participating invitations going to teams affiliated with those organizations.

Governor Luther H. Hodges whose interest in big game fishing and its development along the North Carolina coast is honorary chairman of the forthcoming event. Bounce Anderson, Managing Director of Hatteras Marlin Club will be vice-chairman.

"The tournament, first of its kind ever held along the North Carolina coast will follow the Bahama Island's Cat Cay tuna tournament on May 23-June 3," said See TOURNEY, Page Twelve

## ANOTHER BANK IS STRONGLY OPPOSED BY MANTEO BANK

Much Interest In Hearing In Man-  
teo Monday Before Bank-  
ing Commissioner

Strong opposition was offered Monday before a large crowd which filled the courthouse in Manteo on the proposal of a group of 150 Dare County citizens to establish the "Peoples Bank of Dare," to enlarge the area's banking facilities. The hearing lasted three hours.

The Bank of Manteo, which has been alone in the field for 52 years, had four attorneys and numerous citizens to appear in its behalf to argue that the facilities are adequate and the banking commission should not permit another bank to come in.

The hearing was held before Ben Roberts, Banking Commissioner, Deputy Commissioner Frank Harrelson of Raleigh, and C. I. Taylor of FDIC, Richmond. Representing the proponents of a new bank were J. Melville Broughton of Raleigh and W. H. McCown of Manteo.

Attorneys representing the Bank of Manteo were Willis Smith, Jr., and James Dorsett of Raleigh, Thos. 'Chears Jr., and Wallace R. Gray of Manteo.

Speaking in behalf of the new bank were Mrs. Mabel E. Jones, R. Bruce Etheridge, Archie Burrus, Ward Daniels, Jesse E. Baum, J. L. Murphy, R. D. Owens, Roy Westcott, Roland Sawyer, M. L. Daniels Jr., David Stick.

Those who spoke in behalf of The Bank of Manteo were Mrs. Lucille Winslow of Nags Head, Rany Jennette of Buxton, W. S. White of Manns Harbor, G. T. Westcott, W. C. Foreman, Gaston Mann, Bobby Owens, Geo. Crocker, W. B. Fearing, and Frank Turner, and W. R. Pearce.

The group supporting a new bank contends there is ample need for another lending agency, in that several times more money is borrowed away from home than is loaned by the Manteo Bank, which has about three quarters of a million loaned out, while twice as much is loaned in Dare County from three sources in Elizabeth City alone. More than this sum, they contend, is borrowed from other sources.

The Bank of Manteo, naturally wishes to remain alone in the field. It has been a prosperous bank, as Dare County has grown in recent years, it pays good dividends, and with only \$50,000 in capital stock, it is valued at five times as much in reserves, undivided profits, real estate etc. The Bank itself, is worth more than the entire property valuation of Dare County at the time the bank began business, and Dare's property valuation has grown to more than 30 million dollars.

## MANTEO BAPTISTS PLAN SPECIAL SERVICES FOR THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

Special Christmas services will be observed at the Manteo Baptist Church on Sunday, December 20th. The morning message, by the pastor, Rev. W. E. Cholerton, will be "A Christmas Story." A service of Christmas Song will be presented at 7:30 p.m. The message, "Night Over Bethlehem," will be very brief, and Christmas music will fill the hour. There will be several selections by the Adult and Youth choirs of the church, and much congregational singing of carols.

On Monday night the Sunday School entertainment will be presented at 7:30 p.m. This will be a bright hour beamed especially to the children, but for all.

The Christmas Pageant, presented annually in front of the church, will be much the same manner as last year. Many of the members of the church will be having a part in it, either in drama or in music; and they offer it as their contribution to the spirit and understanding of Christmas for the whole community. As many as can do so are invited to share in any or all of these activities.

## WANCHESE ASSEMBLY OF GOD NEW CHURCH TO GO IN SERVICE

Sunday, Dec. 20th will be a happy day for the members of Wanchese Assembly of God Church which will go into full use with the morning services. The new brick building is one of the most imposing religious structures in the county and represents a tremendous amount of labor and generosity on the part of this group. On Tuesday, Dec. 22 at 7:30 p.m. the Christmas program will be presented in the new building. The public is invited to all its services. The old church is to be used as an educational building. Rev. Carroll Daniels, a native of the community is the pastor.

## UNCLE DUCK FROM DUCK WRITES: Warns of Hazards to Holiday Happiness and Begs Highway Caution and Commonsense

Dear Mr. Editor:

The older I get the more jittery I become on the approach of any Holiday, and more particularly the Christmas season which seems to touch more deeply the hearts of young and old than any other time of the year. It's because people have got so careless nowadays when they get in a car, and too many times cast away all caution and commonsense.

I wish I could plead with our people to think about the awful grief that is going to befall some old mothers and fathers this year. Maybe some of them will be waiting for their children to get home after a long absence when the cruel news comes that death has taken them on the road. Gone forever will be those to whom they gave a lifetime of patient love and care.

And there will be some who will be sitting home happy in the memories of the delightful holiday visit after the sadness of parting, and then this happiness will be blasted when news comes that their children never got to where they were going. Some will be returning to school to continue their studies.

Some will be going to visit other loved ones, or returning home to resume their daily tasks—all of them with pleasant memories, and gratitude in their hearts for the bounty of the season, and the goodness of their loved ones and friends.

Some of these people will be instantly killed because of their own carelessness or through the violent recklessness of others who have no concern for the rights and safety of their fellows on our roads. Some of them will die lingeringly, some will live many years, disabled, crippled, suffering a miserable life, maybe a burden on

loved ones who can ill afford to carry it.

Wives will lose husbands; husbands will return to homes where no longer the wife will be there to charm it, and to comfort his life and to fulfill her sublime mission for her little ones. There will be little children, who after these holidays, whose life will contain only a vague but ever unhappy memory of the bitter loss that clouded their babyhood.

Think, how more people have been killed as a result of automobile wrecks than have died in all our wars. Think of the millions wasted in cars destroyed and what this money might have done for education, or for diseased or destitute human beings.

How can anyone who claims to have normal intelligence persist in the reckless use of our highways so expensively built for the enjoyment and safety of our people?

And yet it seems with all the pleading and the warning and all the suffering and grief that has come to our land, very little has come in the way of improvement in the behaviour of the man at the wheel.

There seems to be no end, Mr. Editor, to the slaughter in the face of all the horrible examples and the lessons we see every day. Five people have been killed in Dare County this year. Who knows who will be the next one?

See DOCK, Page Twelve

## MANTEO POSTOFFICE OPEN SATURDAY AFTERNOON

To facilitate handling Christmas mail, the Manteo postoffice will remain open Saturday afternoon until 5:30. It has customarily been closing around noon.