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ELECTION DAY IN KILL DEVIL HILLS ON THIS SATURDAY

Many People in Large Area Want
Out From Dare Beaches Sanitary District

It's election day again, Saturday, Sept. 10, in the Dare Beaches Sanitary District at the expense of Dare County, in order to give a large number of people a chance to get out of the District. Voting will be all day at the Kill Devil Hills town hall. A registration has been held, and a hearing was held Thursday to rule on challenges of some of the voters who it was alleged were not bona-fide residents of the area.

The entire area of the town of Kill Devil Hills and that part of Atlantic township north of the town would pull out of the district if the issue carries. Then would be left only the smaller portion of the district which lies below the town's south boundary, or Nags Head proper.

In the new registration, much interest was shown, and 238 persons registered. Of these, 133 were residents of the town; 60 lived north of the town, and 45 south of the town. Residents of the Kitty Hawk area, or northern portion wish to be relieved of a .11 tax rate. In Kill Devil Hills town a 3 cent rate is paid. In Nags Head 11 cents.

Fire equipment has been bought and housed on both ends of the beach, named Kitty Hawk and Nags Head. The town had its own fire Department.

Twenty registrants had been challenged by Orville Baum, Mrs. W. N. Davis, Mrs. Elizabeth Smith and Mrs. Ted Wood who wish to keep things as they are. The other side had not challenged any registrants. The hearing was scheduled for Thursday. Saturday is voting day.

OLD HYDE COUNTY RECORDS ARE BEING PRESERVED ON FILM

Project Now Underway Expected
to Be of Historical as Well
as Material Value

Hyde County is fortunate in never having suffered any serious losses of records from fire or other causes. More than a third of the 100 counties have not been so fortunate and as a result, invaluable records, administratively and historically, have been forever lost. Because of the serious losses which have occurred, and will continue to occur, State and county officials have for a number of years studied plans for the preservation of our county records. As a result of these studies, it was determined that microfilming provided the most economical and satisfactory answer to the problem.

With the enthusiastic support of county officials throughout the State, the State Department of Archives and History sponsored legislation in the 1959 General Assembly which would provide funds for a program of inventorying the records of each county in the State, and repairing as necessary and microfilming for security purposes all records classified as permanently valuable. Such records include, among others, deeds, real estate maps, marriage records, court minutes, judgment dockets, wills, estates records, and minutes of the various county agencies.

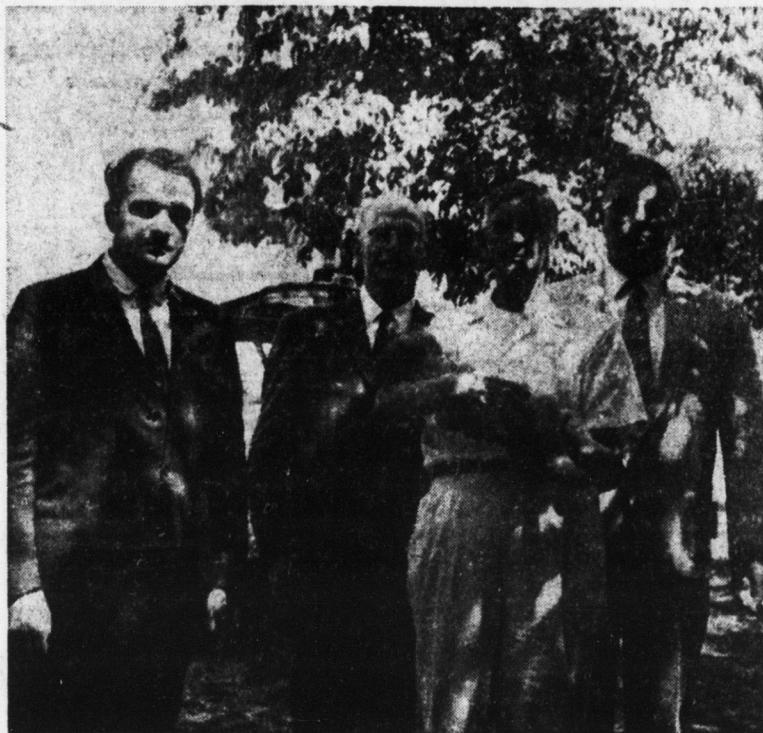
The proposed legislation passed without opposition and became law (G. S. 121-5.1). The Department began operations in the counties in August of 1959 and by the end of August, 1960, had completed nine counties, mostly the older counties along the eastern seaboard.

During August 23-25, a complete inventory was taken of the records in the various Hyde County offices. During that period older records were inspected and a few in need of repair were taken back to the Department's repair section where they will be restored by lamination and rebound by a commercial binder, after which they will be returned to the county.

On August 31, the work of microfilming the permanently valuable records began. This work is being done in the courthouse and the records are replaced in their customary storage place as soon as they have been microfilmed. It is anticipated that it will require six or seven weeks to complete the work. Security copies of the film will be stored in an air conditioned vault in the Department in Raleigh. In the event of destruction or loss of any of the original records in the future, page copies or microfilm copies may be procured from the Department. After the counties have been completed, it is planned to come back and microfilm up to date the newly created.

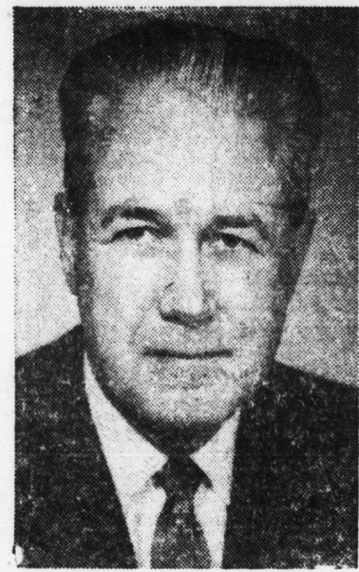
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THE OLDEST AND YOUNGEST AT CHURCH PICNIC



ROANOKE ISLAND BAPTIST CHURCH had a big day Sunday, observing its 152nd anniversary with an outdoor picnic, followed by a song program. In this picture is shown, from left to right, the pastor, Rev. J. W. Godwin, Rev. H. B. Hines of Sanford who held the pastorate longer than any other man; Alpheus W. Drinkwater, 85, the oldest living member, and Rev. Frank Dinwiddie, the pastor of the Nags Head Church which was organized by the Roanoke Island church. Mr. Drinkwater holds in his arms the seven weeks old son of Mrs. Pearl Capps, who is a great grandchild of his cousin, the late Capt. Adam Etheridge. An estimated 300 persons attended the picnic, which brought home many former residents.

ROTARY DIST. GOVERNOR TO VISIT MANTEO CLUB



The Rotary Club of Manteo on Monday evening, September 12 will be host to James M. Bates, governor of the 771st district of Rotary International, who is making his annual official visit to each of the 39 Rotary clubs in his district. He will address the local club and confer with President Robert F. Gibbs, and committee chairmen on Rotary administration and service activities.

Mr. Bates is vice president and actuary of the Home Security Life Insurance Company in Durham, North Carolina, and is a member and past president of the Rotary Club of Durham. He is past president of the Inter-Club Council, past chairman of the Shawnee District of the Boy Scouts of America, and past chairman of the all-important budget committee of the Durham United Fund. He was elected as a district governor of Rotary International for 1960-61 fiscal year at Rotary's 51st annual convention in Miami-Miami Beach, Florida, U. S. A., in June of this year. He is one of 267 district governors supervising the activities of more than 10,600 Rotary clubs which have a membership of nearly 500,000 business and professional executives in 116 countries throughout the world.

Work is now being completed on the new modern central office system which goes into use on October 16, 1960.

MANTEO BAPTISTS PLAN PICNIC SEPTEMBER 9th

The Rev. M. J. Davis from the Lafayette Baptist Church, Fayetteville will be the guest minister in the Manteo Baptist Church for the morning worship. Rev. C. W. Guthrie of Wanchese will be in the pulpit for the evening worship hour.

The Manteo Baptist Church will enjoy the annual family picnic on the church grounds Friday, Sept. 9 at 7 p.m. Every member of every church family is urged to attend. No finer fellowship can be experienced than at these gatherings—Don't disappoint us, Mrs. W. R. Pearce says.

HATTERAS MAN IS 90

Alonzo J. O'Neal, oldest resident on Hatteras Island celebrated his 90th birthday Monday, September 5 with Open House for his relatives and friends. Mr. O'Neal resides with his daughter, Mrs. Lora Willis.

RECORDERS COURT BUSINESS DROPPING AS SEASON CLOSURES

Labor Day Week End Cases Produce More Than \$600 in Fines in Dare Court

The business of Dare County Recorder's court took a tumble from the usual \$1,000 and \$1,200 gross fines, weekly, when the Labor Day week end business was closed out. Fines totaled approximately \$620 Tuesday.

Moses Peterson of Manteo was ordered to pay his mother's doctor bill, the court costs and a \$25 fine. He was charged with assaulting his mother, Edna McCleese, with a flashlight, resulting in serious injuries.

T. B. Wood of Edenton, charged with driving while intoxicated, was found guilty of reckless driving and fined \$25. Donnie A. Williams of Frisco, F. H. Reber of Nags Head, W. C. Dunning of Murfreesboro, Thos. Warren of Spring Lake, N. C., were each fined \$25 for public drunkenness.

H. D. Bondsack of Highland, Calif., was fined \$40 for driving after his license had expired, and for speeding. J. W. Hodges, 19, of Norfolk had no driving license, and was speeding and was fined \$35. The \$50 bond of E. B. McQuarter of Yorktown, Pa., was ordered forfeited when he failed to appear.

Preston Stallings of Jamesville had given four bad checks on the South Banks in the total of \$135.88. Was required to pay court costs after making good the checks.

J. W. Lee of Manteo allowed an unlicensed operator, Norfleet P. Lee to drive his car. Each were required to pay \$25 and court costs. See COURT, Page Five

LOST COLONY HAD GAINS IN SPIE OF A RAINY AUGUST

Had 1,751 More Paid Admissions Than During Last Year Late Report Shows

By AYCOCK BROWN
Despite the rainiest August in several years the Lost Colony drama, under management of J. Sib Dorton during the 1960 season ending Sunday, showed a five percent increase in paid attendance over 1959.

"A total of 35,866 through box office ticket purchases, paid admission to see the drama presented for its 20th season in Waterside Theatre here during 1960. This was a total of 1,751 more paid admissions than last year, or an increase of approximately 5 percent," said Dorton.

The foregoing total does not include 866 persons who saw performances of The Lost Colony through membership in Roanoke Island Historical Association, sponsors of the show. Mrs. O. Max Gardner, Selby, N. C., is chairman of the association. The memberships ranging from \$5 to \$100 includes season ticket privileges. Approximately \$10,000 in memberships were sold this year which aided materially in production of the show for its 20th season beginning June 25.

The national membership drive was under the leadership of Mrs. Fred Morrison, Washington, D. C. Mrs. Emmett Winslow was in charge of the solicitations in North Carolina, with county and area chairmen giving time and support. Dorton stated that of 63 performances scheduled this year three were totally rained out, with See LOST COLONY, Page Four

BEAUFORT CO. ROTARIANS ELECT DIST. PRESIDENT



DR. W. T. RALPH, prominent Belhaven citizen and dentist, was elected President of the 773rd Rotary District, which numbers 43 clubs in eastern N. C. southward from Belhaven. Supported by the Washington club and put forth by Belhaven-Pantego, his home club, Dr. Ralph was the winner over Dr. W. L. Woodard of Beaufort who is also one of the district's most popular Rotarians. Dr. Ralph, many times Mayor of Belhaven, has been president of his club, and served on all club committees. He is expected to be a delegate to the International Convention in Tokyo

COAST GUARD APPRENTICE



RAYMOND E. WHITE, III, Seaman Apprentice, USCG, son of Mr. and Mrs. Erwin White, Jr., of North Little St., in Manteo, N. C., graduate of Manteo High School. Will report to a petty officers' school at the Coast Guard Training Station in Groton, Conn.

COLINGTON TO GET DITCH CUT WITHOUT LOCAL CONTRIBUTION

The same Dare County Board member who so vigorously opposed spending public money on community ditches as being unlawful, this week favored the letting of a contract to build one in his own bailiwick. Commissioner Stick, changed opinions before the priels, and favored deepening Colington Ditch, which the citizens considered too crooked and too shallow.

At the request of the Board of Commissioners to enable county funds to be spent on such projects, a bill was passed in the General Assembly last year that such funds could be spent not from ad valorem tax money, but other unappropriated money, provided local interests had contributed a sum equal to half the cost.

In this instance, the Colington project is being dug at a cost of \$950.78, and none of the 140 people of the island have been required to contribute. The low bid was by Stetson and Daniels of Wanchese. One other bid in the amount of \$1,320.50 was submitted by Sam Liverman of Colington.

The ditch is to be dug 20 feet wide and six feet deep.

An effort to get a drainage mosquito control drainage ditch dug at Rodanthe at a cost of \$800 has failed because easements have not been signed by three of the intervening property owners. The committee that had agreed to get the signatures to the rights of way had not done so by Tuesday. Commissioner Edwards had been authorized by the Board to issue proposals on the job, only when easements had been completed.

It is considered a complete waste of money to dig ditches when one or more property owners could immediately fill such ditch across his land whereby a worse problem than before would be created by a pool to catch stagnant water. Upwards of \$100,000 of Hurricane relief funds were spent in Dare County some four years ago, which so far See COLINGTON, Page Five

WANCHESE HARBOR FISH FRY PROGRAM PLEASES HUNDREDS

Bonner Recites Difficulties; Admiral Colmar Mentions \$25,000 Worth of Beacons Built

Speaking before some 500 people gathered at Wanchese Monday, Rear Admiral Peter V. Colmar, Commander of the 5th Coast Guard District said the Coast Guard has recently completed \$10,000 worth of aids to navigation in the channel leading to Manteo, had another \$15,000 worth in process of construction, and also would establish a radio beacon at Oregon Inlet.

Admiral Colmar was presented by P. D. Midgett, Jr. of Engelhard, a native of the Wanchese community, whose citizens staged a celebration honoring Congressman Herbert Bonner, for his efforts in Congress in achieving the one and a half million dollar dredging job by the Corp. of Engineers.

Prevented at the last minute from attending, Col. R. P. Davidson, District Engineer was represented by L. P. McDuffie, chief of the Engineering division of the Wilmington office. He was accompanied by D. A. Gardner, chief of the operations division. Mr. McDuffie told of the many complexities in finally establishing the location of the channel. He was presented by Dr. W. W. Harvey, Jr. chairman of the Dare County Waterways Committee.

The address of Welcome was by Melvin R. Daniels, Register of Deeds of Dare County and one of the promoters of the project. Victor Meekins, chairman of the County Board of Commissioners presided.

The only thing lacking to complete the project Meekins said, was the public dock on the new harbor that had been pledged by the county board, and which was a prerequisite to getting the government funds for the project. Private donations had provided money to buy a docksite, and the state had agreed to surface an access road to it, Meekins reported, and read a list of contributors to the land as follows:

Public acknowledgement was made of the financial contributions to the fund to buy land for a public dock on the Wanchese Harbor during 1959. The names included Virginia Electric & Power Co., First and Citizens National Bank, Norfolk and Carolina Tel. & Tel. Co., Miles Clark, Sanders Co., Industrial Bank, all of Elizabeth City; Ben Dixon MacNeill of Buxton; Taylor Johnson of Virginia Beach; O. L. Baum of Kitty Hawk; W. R. Deaton of Kill Devil Hills; Fearings, Inc.; A. H. Ward, Jr.; Roanoke Oil Co.; M. L. Daniels Oil Co.; Wescott Bros.; Oregon Inlet Fishing Center of Manteo; Chief Wanchese Packing Co.; James Griggs; Mack Etheridge; H. L. Davis; Willie Etheridge and Willie Etheridge, Jr.; Wayland, Billy and Harry Baum; W. C. Tillett; Ralph Tillett; Elton Gallop; Roscoe Gallop; R. H. Vanderslice; Jesse Etheridge; Richard Tillett; Edmond Wright; George and Arnold Daniels; and Victor Meekins who provided the land for harbor extension at a cost of several hundred dollars.

Numerous political leaders and other friends present were recognized. These included county representatives or nominees as follows: Dick Lupton of Hyde, Dr. J. M. Phelps of Washington, Walton Griggs of Currituck, C. D. Ferrell of Pasquotank, M. K. Fearling, Jr. of Dare, Mayor H. T. Davenport of Columbia, Mayor W. H. Potter of Beaufort, Senator Elton Aydlett, and Lorimer Midgett of Elizabeth City, Senator and Mrs. Elbert Peeler, Jr., former Senator Robert Cowan, Ray Goodman and Charles Sale, all of Williamston; R. K. T. Larson of Norfolk News-papers, Robert F. Gibbs, Supt. Cape Hatteras National Seashore, Walter D. Perry and Major J. L. See HARBOR, Page Five

NAGS HEAD TEAM IN NEW JERSEY TOURNEY

Six men from the Dare Beach will leave Wednesday of next week for Atlantic City, N. J., to participate in the Greater Atlantic City Fishing Tournament beginning Thursday the 15th. There will be about 65 teams entered in the contest, of which Nags Head was second place winner last year. Those scheduled to go are as follows: Bob Preston, president of Nags Head club and W. A. Williams of Nags Head; W. N. (Bud) Rose of Kitty Hawk and John Weaver of Kill Devil Hills, plus two others who have not announced definitely.

Nags Head's tournament will be held October 13-14-15, and indications are for the largest group in several years to be present.

WASHINGTON PARTY VISITING ELIZABETHAN GARDENS



MR. AND MRS. FREDERICK WARREN, with their twin daughters, reading from left to right—Linda, white suit and Sandra, of Washington, D. C. visiting the Elizabethan Gardens on Roanoke Island Saturday. Mr. Warren is a consulting engineer, member of the firm Pickard-Warren-Lowe Associates in Washington. Mrs. Warren is a daughter of the late Marvin McIntyre, who for eight years was appointment secretary of President Franklin Roosevelt, and who got his newspaper start on the Asheville papers, always calling North Carolina his second home. Linda is a junior at Hood College, Frederick, Md. She was a class mate of Myra Morrison at National Cathedral school. Sandra is a junior at Goucher College, Baltimore. Next is Mrs. Warren, and finally Mr. Warren.—Staff photo.

BRIGGS ELECTED TO C OF C PRESIDENCY AT WEDNESDAY MEET

Tom Briggs of The Croatan Hotel, Kill Devil Hills, was elected president of Nags Head Chamber of Commerce at the organization's early September meeting at the Outer Banker Restaurant on Wednesday night. Ben Ivey, owner-operator of the Outer Banker was elected vice president.

Mrs. Elizabeth Smith of Virginia Dare Hardware at Kitty Hawk was re-elected treasurer and Miss Sarah Halliburton was re-elected executive secretary of the organization.

Briggs succeeds George Crocker of Beacon Motor Lodge who had headed the Chamber of Commerce for the past term and a half. "He has served with distinction," said Julian Oneto, former president, "and under his leadership the Dare Beaches area has received much publicity and promotion."

Ivey succeeds Ted Woods as vice president.

Both Miss Halliburton, the executive secretary and Mrs. Smith, the treasurer, were highly praised for their work in the interests of the Nags Head Chamber of Commerce.

Later this fall there will be a general meeting of all memberships. Date of that meeting will be made by President Briggs at an early date.

KILL DEVIL PEBBLES AIRLIFTED TO JAPAN FOR BIG OBSERVANCE

When the town of Kill Devil Hills showed a lack of interest in the shipment of sands from the first flight site to Japan where the Japanese will celebrate their 50th anniversary of their first powered flight this year Mayor R. H. Cook made a personal project of this opportunity to get international publicity for the area made famous by Orville and Wilbur Wright on December 17, 1903.

On Thursday this week a U.S. Air Force plane from the Tactical Air Command, Langley Field, Va., landed at Manteo Airport, was met by representatives of Mayor Cook who transported them to Kill Devil Hills where pebbles, not soil (due to an agreement between Japan and the U.S.A. that no soils would be transported from one nation to the other) packed in an attractive chest was turned over for the airlift to the Oriental site of another famous "first flight" occurring in 1910.

The chest of pebbles from Kill Devil Hills was addressed to Kiyoshi Goko, President, Japanese Aeronautic Association in the Hikokan Building, Tokyo. With it went a package of North Carolina pine tree seeds for the planting of a forest at the site of the first Japanese flight of an airplane 50 See PEBBLES, Page Four

INTER-CITY ROTARY MEETING PLANNED COLUMBIA SEPT. 20

Picnic to be Held for Belhaven, Manteo, Engelhard and Plymouth Visitors

An inter-city Rotary meeting is to be held in the form of a picnic dinner at Columbia on Tuesday, Sept. 20 at 6 p.m. Visitors from nearby clubs are expected. There will be a series of such meetings including the Manteo, Belhaven, Plymouth and Engelhard clubs.

Two months ago a similar series of inter-city meetings were conducted between Columbia, Engelhard and Belhaven. Belhaven is in the 773rd District, while the other clubs are in the 771st district.

Dr. W. T. Ralph of Belhaven has recently been elected the District Governor for the 773rd district. District Governor for the 771st district is Jim Bates of Raleigh.

CHANGING NUMBERS ON PHONES IN HYDE EFFECTIVE OCT. 16

Kenneth Wilkinson, manager for Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company, in Belhaven, stated today that a group of telephone people will soon begin work in Engelhard and Swan Quarter to change the number plates on each telephone for all subscribers in these areas. The new plate will display the new seven numerals which make up the new numbers.

Wilkinson reminded us that these new numbers are not to be used until after 2:01 a.m., October 16, 1960, at which time the central office equipment and all relative facilities will be changed to coincide with the new numbers. After this change, it will necessitate dialing seven numbers to reach subscribers in your own exchange. The change will also enable customers to dial their own long distance calls, on a station to station basis, without the aid of a long distance operator.

Work is now being completed on the new modern central office system which goes into use on October 16, 1960.

A new directory has been prepared listing all the new numbers along with the pertinent information pertaining to "Direct Distance Dialing" and will be delivered to each telephone subscriber just before the change.

RALPH TILLET, FAMED AS WANCHESE ARTIST; MERCHANT, DIES THURS.

Ralph Elverton Tillett, 76, famed for his self-taught artistry in oils, long time merchant and leading citizen of Wanchese, died at 12:15 a.m., at his home Thursday morning after a two-week illness. He was the husband of Mrs. Mabel Tillett and the son of the late Joseph Gideon and Matilda Etheridge Tillett. He is survived by the son, Ralph Tillett, Jr., a daughter, Mrs. Ralph Meekins, both of Wanchese, and by a half-sister, Mrs. W. C. Tillett, and by six grandchildren and one great grandchild. He was a member of the Methodist church and the Red Men.

Funeral services are not complete. The body was taken to Twiford Funeral Home in Manteo.