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HIGHWAY CHAIRMAN GOES TO FOLKS TO HEAR FERRY CASE

Improvement of Harassing Ferry Service To Be Sought By Commission, Evans Tells Group

Speaking to some 275 citizens of Hatteras and Ocracoke Islands assembled in the high school at Buxton Monday night, Merrill Evans, State Highway Chairman said he had come to make payment on Governor Sanford's campaign promises to bring the highway commission closer to the people. His decision had been made following a request from citizens for a hearing from some 200 people who wanted to come to Raleigh to ask for improvement of Oregon Inlet ferry service.

Not receiving the desired response from the Board of County Commissioners, a group of some 150 people met Saturday night, to organize an effort to get some attention to the ferry problem, which is considered costly indeed, as well as harassing in time lost waiting for boats. Neither of the Island's two commissioners attended; the group organized a Hatteras Island Betterment Association, turning to a former Commissioner, Woodrow Edwards for leadership. Mrs. Ormond W. Fuller was made Secretary.

A telephone call to Mr. Evans resulted in his promise to come to Hatteras to a meeting at 5 p.m. Monday, at which time 275 people came out, including several citizens from Ocracoke who had to stay overnight, in all about 810 persons were interested.

Mr. Edwards presided at the meeting which lasted nearly 2 hours. He set forth the objectives sought by the citizens who had assembled on Saturday night.

They wanted more dependable ferry schedules, a boat kept overnight on the South side of Oregon Inlet so that schedules could begin simultaneously from either side, a change in the management of the ferries; the employment of more competent men to operate the boats, and service extending from early morning until midnight. The ferry has always operated during daylight hours; the ferry crews have always contended it is not safe nor practicable to cross the inlet at night. Outer Bankers being mostly boatmen themselves have contended any boatmen competent to operate during daylight hours can safely cross at night, particularly in clear weather, now that the channel is well marked, and they claim the problem is no greater than on Croatan Sound and Alligator River where at both places night boats have been operated for several years.

In fact, Chairman Evans saw for himself that night boats can operate, for on his instructions, a boat was waiting on the South Side of Oregon Inlet to take him back Monday night so he could be in Raleigh Tuesday morning. This boat, made the first night trip without event, the night being clear, and the beacons flashing. It was piloted by Capt. Pam Gallop, who has worked on the Oregon Inlet ferries longer than any other man. Supt. John Wilson himself, and Luther D. Midgett one of the older Pilots was aboard the boat.

Among those who spoke in favor of the objectives of the Hatteras Island citizens were Nelson Midgett of Waves, who spent 29 years in the vicinity, operating boats for the Coast Guard and who stated that there is no greater problem attending night service at the Inlet than at other places where it is operated; Asa H. Gray merchant of Waves; Highway Patrolman D. S. Skiles, who along with others said more time was consumed waiting for boats to arrive or depart than in actual crossing, although the crossing, is now 40 minutes long; W. W. McCoy, Supt. of the Island's electric light system pointed out how better service could contribute to the efficiency and economy of operation for this system, and prevent great hardships; William Gibson, hotel operator of Hatteras also questioned the manner in which schedules are being maintained. In addition to others from Hatteras Island, Charlie McWilliams, Ocracoke mail carrier and E. S. Wahab of that Island, spoke with vigor on the need for improvement in service, in that Ocracokers, having first to cross Hatteras Inlet when Northbound, are doubly penalized by being delayed at Oregon Inlet.

Mr. Evans talked frankly to the group, he pointed out that he had recently come on the job, and was trying to familiarize himself with these and many other highway subjects. He said plans are under consideration to create a Division of Ferries to supervise all the ferries in the state, and pending completion of the Alligator River bridge, the man at the head of it, an engineer who has been selected would be stationed in Manteo. Mr. Evans was accompanied by Division MEETING, Page Seven

GRATEFUL NEIGHBORS PAY HONOR TO A GOOD NURSE



A girl who came out of New Jersey some 13 years ago, the wife of a Kitty Hawk citizen, in a few years has endeared herself to all the people of the community by her good works, her unselfish service, and a genuine spirit of dedication to the needs of the suffering. Mrs. Marie Perry, wife of Colonel Perry, didn't come as so many strangers usually come, setting about taking over the community's affairs, seeking appointments and elections with titles of doubtful honor. She didn't tell the folks in her new home what they must do. See MRS. PERRY, Page Seven

COMMANDER WISE RETIRES; ENTERS PRIVATE BUSINESS



COMMANDER KIPLING W. WISE, native of Stumpy Point, retired March 1, has entered into the employ of the EDO Corporation, and his headquarters will be in the RCA building in Washington, D. C. Commander Wise is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Wise and during his Navy career, he specialized in the responsibilities of commanding the responsibilities of commanding four destroyer type ships. His last tour of duty was with the office of the Chief of Naval operations in Washington, where he will continue to make his home. Mrs. Wise is the former Mary Alcox of Norfolk. They have two sons.

CHARLES B. PERRY DIES AT SPOT TUESDAY NIGHT

Charlie B. Perry, 48, died suddenly Tuesday night at his home in Spot, Currituck County, where he had lived the past four years. He was the son of the late Mary L. Tillet Perry and Charlie B. Perry, of Kitty Hawk, where he was born Aug. 15, 1912 and lived most of his life. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Fannie Spruill Perry; two sons, Earl Stanley and James Harvey; two daughters, Miss Virginia Perry all of the home, and Mrs. Jack Riddick of Elizabeth City; three sisters, Mrs. Olive Hayman and Mrs. Ernest Pugh of Kitty Hawk, and Mrs. Jack Shannon of Manteo; one brother, Cal Perry of Kitty Hawk.

He was employed by the State Highway Commission, and was taken sick Tuesday morning, and sent home by his doctor to rest. During the past year, his mother, Mrs. Mary L. Perry of Kitty Hawk; and his father-in-law, J. H. Spruill of Duck, both died.

Funeral services were conducted at the graveside in Austin Cemetery at 2:30 p.m. Thursday, by Rev. Horace Lee McLaurin, pastor of the Kitty Hawk Methodist Church.

HOME FROM HOSPITAL

Mrs. Edmond Nelson of Kill Devil Hills has returned from Norfolk General Hospital where she was a patient for several days.

HATTERAS ISLAND FIRST CUB SCOUT GROUP ORGANIZES

Hatteras Island has observed another "first", the first Pack meeting of a Cub Scout unit.

The newly organized pack, Cape Hatteras 176, met at the Cape Hatteras School February 23rd. Present were 27 solemn lads, their beaming parents and friends Mrs. Ben Williams, president of the sponsoring organization, the Parent Teacher Association, expressed her appreciation at seeing the Pack a reality. Eugene Trautwein, district scouting supervisor of Elizabeth City, spoke briefly on the important role scouting performs in a community towards training future leaders.

The blue-and-gold clad boys participated in the program and later received pins were as follows: from Avon. Den 1 Percy Williams, Michael Williams, Crouse Gray, Lloyd Wright, Charles Gray, Carol Price, Stanley Meekins, Robert Gray; from Waves, B. R. Scarborough; from Buxton, Den 4, Bruce Stamey, Wayne Rollinson, Johnny Davis, Preston Harris; from Hatteras, Den 2, Ricky Skiles, Timothy Midgett, David Burrus, Allen Burrus, Michael Peele, Jeff Oden; from Hatteras, Den 3, Sargeon Stowe, Mark Oden, Lyle Robinson, Edgar Stovron, Douglas Meekins, Wayne Miller, Ted Midgett and Allen Fagley.

The opening ceremony of the Pack meeting was conducted by Den 2; Den 4 presented a skit, "Rocket to the Moon"; Den 1 led a singing service; Den 3 gave the living circle as a closing ceremony.

The Pack's Cubmaster is Jess Stamey, Buxton, commissioner is Elwood Gray, Avon; secretary-treasurer, Stockton Midgett, Hatteras. Den mothers are Mesdames Charles Williams, Avon, Jess Stamey, Buxton, and Myron Stowe and Carlos Oden, Hatteras.

Others who have ably assisted in organizing the dens are Mesdames Elwood Gray, and Percy Williams, Avon; Guy Padgett, Buxton. D. S. Skiles and Miss Lucy Stowe, Hatteras.

TO CONDUCT REVIVAL



REV. ALVIN ORMOND of Bailey, N. C. who will conduct a revival program March 6 through March 10 each evening at 7:30 p.m. at Mt. Olivet Methodist Church in Manteo. Mr. Ormond has recently returned from service in Texas where for many years he was in evangelistic work. He is a son of the late Rev. J. M. Ormond who for several years was minister of the First Church in Elizabeth City, and later was an executive with the Duke Foundation in Durham.

CHURCH LEADER, FORMER BUXTON PASTOR; SCHOOL PRINCIPAL DIES SUDDENLY

The Rev. Andrew Sterling, 48, superintendent of North Carolina Assemblies of God, had a fatal heart attack after preaching a sermon in Atlanta Sunday night.

A funeral service was held in his home church in Dunn, N. C. the Glad Tidings Assemblies of God Church, Wednesday at 10 a.m. Burial was at Buxton Thursday in the family cemetery of his wife's home.

A native of Scotland, he came to the United States in 1929, attended Akron University, and was a graduate of the Central Bible Institute, Springfield, Mo.

He began his ministry in 1937 and served churches at Edenton and Cape Hatteras. In 1945 and 1946 he also was principal of Cape Hatteras schools.

He was named North Carolina district superintendent in 1946. During his tenure the denomination grew from 11 churches to 80.

Survivors include the widow, Mrs. Doris Jannette Sterling; a daughter, Mrs. Rick Guttery of Morehead, Miss.; a son, Andrew Baxter Sterling of Dunn, and two brothers and two sisters of Glasgow, Scotland.

MANTEO LIONS CLUB HELPS THE LOST COLONY



ONE OF THE FIRST CONTRIBUTIONS to the Lost Colony as Roanoke Island Historical Association launched its drive for money to rebuild Hurricane Dama-damaged Waterside Theatre and to resume operation of the drama during its 21st season beginning on July 1 this year was \$1,000 from Manteo Lions Club. Alvah Ward, club president, left, presented the check to Manager J. Sib Dorton of the drama and present at the time was E. Ralph White, Jr., Clerk in District 31-J Governor of Lions International.

In addition to seeking funds from clubs, firms and individuals, The Lost Colony is this week launching its annual membership drive with the money derived from this source being used to make preparations for starting the show on July 1. Manteo Lions Club is one of the smallest in the state, and also one of the most aggressive, the gift being proof of this. (Ayecock Brown photo)

RETIRED EDITOR DOING BOOK ON "LOST COLONY"



NORFOLK — A reporter who talked his way past an armed guard to cover one aspect of the Lindbergh kidnaping case retired Jan. 31, after 40 years in the newspaper business.

He is Ralph I. Pool, a scholarly and jovial member of the Editorial staff of The Virginian-Pilot.

In his retirement Pool plans to complete exhaustive research on the early history of Roanoke Island and then write a book on the ill-fated lost colony. In connection with this project, Mr. Pool spent considerable time in Dare County this week. He has always been a loyal and helpful friend of the region, and well rooted in the area, having come from a prominent Pasquotank County family. One of his uncles was a judge on the Alabama court of appeals. He died last year. His grandfather Miles was a longtime employee of the Treasury Department.

Pool began his career as a school teacher. A native of Pasquotank County, N. C., he graduated from Elizabeth City High School and edited the first magazine published by the school. He finished his education at the University of North Carolina and then spent three years as a school teacher in Pasquotank and Chatham counties.

World War I interrupted and Pool joined the Field Artillery. Afterward, he was principal of Fork High School, Pasquotank County for two years.

During this period, Pool had been serving as editor of the Elizabeth City Herald. It was this work that led to his decision to switch careers.

When the Herald closed its doors he accepted a position on the news staff of The Daily Advance where he was employed for about a year before becoming state editor of The Virginian-Pilot in 1922. He had also done considerable work on The Independent, owned by the late W. O. Saunders.

Pool returned to Elizabeth City in 1925 as associate editor of The Daily Advance, but was back on the news staff of The Virginian-Pilot three years later. In the interim he has held numerous positions, giving him a diversity of experience few newspapermen enjoy today.

His interest in that early Dare County saga goes back to a state See POOLE, Page Seven.

SWAN QUARTER YOUTH OBSERVES THE FFA EFFORT

National F. F. A. Week Feb. 18 thru Feb. 25th. was celebrated throughout the nation by 9,000 different chapters. Swan Quarter shares in the recognition of one of America's great organizations.

North Carolina has more than 23,000 members enrolled in the Future Farmer's of America with a record breaking labor income of over \$6,500,000 from Supervised Farming Activities last year. Swan Quarter's part of this figure was approximately \$9,000 earned by its 35 members. The Chapter supervised Farming Program consisting of: corn, beans, feeder pigs, breeder hogs, gardens, and dairy calves. This Supervised Farming Program is owned and carried out by the students with supervision from their advisor. The interest of the chapter lies in trying to develop a better agriculture by applying the information and material learned in the classroom to actual farming situations. The Swan Quarter Chapter is also interested in the development of livestock. The Chapter plans to add two pure bred Hampshire gilts to a chapter pig chain. This type of project is conducted to help students get started in hog business.

The Chapter has taken an active part in all federation meetings and activities. Last year the chapter tied for the 1960 over all banner for total points received during the year. Other honors received by the chapter and some of the members was a Superior rating awarded to the Chapter at the State F. F. A. Convention held last summer in Raleigh. The Chapter had 10 members to qualify for the Chapter Farmer degree and one for the State Farmer degree. Twelve members were initiated as greenhands.

This year the Chapter has elected as its officers: Joseph Cahoon, president; Jimmy Dunbar, vice-president; Glenn O'Neal, secretary; Hal McGee, reporter; Joe F. Sadler, Treasurer; David O'Neal, Sentinel and Robert A. Smith, advisor.

The Swan Quarter FFA Chapter joins the other 425 local chapters of this state in a salute to national FFA Week.

SWAN QUARTER GOES OVER TOP IN THE BLOOD QUOTA

One hundred and eight persons reported to blood center. Of this number 138 units of blood were obtained. The quota was 75 pints. This completes the quota for 1961.

Workers for blood center were: Walter Bishop, county chairman; Mrs. Dan Willis, Day chairman; Mrs. Kathleen Gurganus, co-chairman; Mrs. Macon Crede, Mrs. L. B. Tunnell, Mrs. Gervis Sadler, Mrs. O. E. Sadler, Mrs. R. W. Berry, Mrs. Keith Dunbar, Mrs. Kenneth Dunbar, Mrs. D. L. Berry, Mrs. Muri Swindell, Mrs. Gilbert Tunnell, Mrs. John H. Swindell, Mrs. Robert Bundy, Mrs. Marvin Swindell, Mrs. Arien Swindell, Mrs. W. W. Wheeler, Mrs. Ray Rodefer, Mrs. Bill Miller, Mrs. Gaston Sadler, Mrs. Dick O'Neal.

COMPLETES BASIC WORK WITH U. S. MARINES



JACK LEE WOOD, son of Mrs. Elma Etheridge Wood of Manteo and grandson of Mrs. Josephine Etheridge, also of Manteo, has recently completed his basic training with the U. S. Marines, having been stationed at Parris Island, S. C., and at Camp LeJeune. He is now home on 30-day leave, after which he will return to Camp LeJeune. He will leave there on April 12 from Brooklyn, N. Y., and from that point will be sent for duty in Naples, Italy.

GOLF COURSE PLANNED ON ROANOKE ISLAND TRACT

Construction of a "Pitch and put" golf course was started on Roanoke Island properties of Dr. W. W. Harvey by Ball and McCuiston of Morehead City this week.

It will take about one month, with good weather prevailing, to complete the 18-hole course, the fairways and greens of the facility will be ready for use by June 1, when the summer vacation season begins.

A "pitch and put" golf course is the type many wealthy estate owners have constructed on their properties for private use and practice. Smaller than a regulation course, the fairways will be from 125 to 135 yards in length and the green will be somewhat smaller than those of regulation courses.

To be known as the Roanoke Island Golf and Country Club the "pitch and put" course will be located on 15 acres of Harvey property north of U. S. 64 between the east approach of Croatan Sound bridge and Drinkwaters Folly. It will be open to the public and charges will be made for green fees.

Philip K. Ball, landscape architect of Ball and McCuiston is here to design and supervise the construction. Bulldozers were scheduled to be on the scene Thursday morning to start clearing the fairways.

"This course is expected to be a fore-runner of a larger and regulation size golf facility in this area," said Dr. Harvey.

Previously in years gone by there were indications that golf courses would be constructed on Roanoke Island and Southern Shores, but none ever actually materialized.

NEW COASTLAND MASONIC LODGE GOING STRONG

Has Membership of 75 and a New Hall Almost Out of Debt; Large Eastern Star Membership Aids

Buxton—Cape Hatteras Lodge No. 698 A. F. & A. M. established here about six years ago, is looking forward with enthusiasm to paying off its indebtedness this year. Before it was a year old, plans began for construction of a lodge hall, and it is now housed in a masonry building 30 x 60 feet, two stories high, which contains lodge hall on the second floor and has kitchen and recreation rooms on the first floor.

During the growth of the lodge, an Eastern Star Chapter has been organized and it now has close to 100 members, and through numerous social affairs they have raised much money to aid their Masonic brethren in paying for the new building. Presently head of the Eastern Star Chapter is Mrs. Edna Barnett, Worthy Matron, and W. W. Edwards, Worthy Patron. Mr. Edwards at this time is also Worshipful master of the Masonic Lodge. Other officers of Cape Hatteras Lodge are James Rollinson, Sr. Warden, William Gibson, Jr. Warden; C. P. Brady, Treasurer, and W. L. Scarborough, Secretary. The two latter have held office since the lodge was organized. Appointive officers of the Lodge are Fulton Scarborough, Senior Deacon; Clarence Jenette, Junior Deacon; Ike Jenette Sr. Steward; Jarvis Barnett, Jr. Steward; and E. P. White, Tyler.

The Worshipful Master pays high tribute to the loyal and effective contribution to the success of the lodge, given by the members of the Eastern Star, and to the dedicated and efficient service of Secretary Scarborough. The first Master of the Lodge was C. P. Gray, followed by Anderson Milgett who served two terms, and in succession A. H. Gray Jr., Raymond Bassett, T. S. Midgett Jr., and R. A. Job have served as masters.

The lodge has held numerous schools of instruction, and has been host to some district meetings; and its enthusiastic members never fail to attend Grand Lodge sessions in Raleigh or elsewhere. It is invariably represented at all district meetings. Mr. Edwards calls Secretary Scarborough the backbone of the Lodge because of his efficient book work, and collection efforts.

Being a new lodge, Cape Hatteras Lodge has perhaps the youngest average members of any lodge in the area, save a young lodge like Manteo. The oldest members of the lodge are Mr. Gray, Capt. Brady, and Richard Dailey, and two of its most faithful and revered members died since it was originated. Davis Littleton Gray, and Newcomb Milgett, both of Waves passed away during the past two years. The lodge was organized when some 20 members demitted from Wanchese Lodge deeming it important to set up a meeting place more easy to reach. An estimated equal number of the fraternity living on Hatteras Island continue to hold their membership in Wanchese and other lodges. Several have waited to see if the new lodge would succeed, some felt great loyalty to the first lodge, but Cape Hatteras Lodge continues to grow because it gets all the young new candidates of the area, including Ocracoke Island.

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE MEN UNDERTAKE CREMATION JOB

Efforts have been made for the past several days to cremate the carcass of a 47-foot whale which floated ashore near the Hatteras-Ocracoke ferry docks recently.

The burning job is being conducted under the supervision of NPS Ranger Jess Stamey of the National Seashore. The carcass is on property about one mile south of Hatteras village that is under jurisdiction of the National Seashore.

To accomplish the cremation job a truck load of old auto tires are being used to start the fire each in the oily carcass. The operation on occasions has created considerable smoke, and when the wind has blown from the southeast, the odor of it all has been wafted into the village.

Burning or cooking whales and porpoises is not exactly new along the Outer Banks. Trying blubber from sea mammals was one of the first known industries for residents of the area back in the days when whale and or porpoise oil was in demand as fuel for illumination or for lubrication purposes. The industry was abandoned long ago, and no one in recent years had bothered to cook blubber—until the National Seashore authorities started their current cremation job.