

**MANTEO HIGH SCHOOL JUNIOR-SENIOR BANQUET**

The annual banquet and prom given by the Manteo High School juniors in honor of the seniors, was held Friday night, May 5.

The banquet began at 6:30 in the high school cafeteria. Using the Hawaiian theme, the room was decorated with fruit and other Hawaiian decorations. Each table was centered with a pineapple.

Members of the home ec class served the turkey dinner to the juniors, seniors, faculty and guests. Junior class president Dionne Tillet gave the welcome, and responding were Senior class president Buddy Boyce and the principal, A. A. White. The farewell was given by Billy Taylor.

Dare County Shrine Club was the setting for the prom beginning at 8:30. The Hawaiian theme was also carried out there, with a color scheme of black, shocking pink, and gold. Candles and nut-filled boats centered each table. The entrance hall to the club was decorated to resemble an Hawaiian garden, with bird cages, birds, and artificial orchids. Furnishing the backdrop were sea horses, starfish and fish nets, which also covered the windows and columns.

Participating in the floor show were members of the junior class and Jerry Cahoon, a faculty member, who sang one of the Hawaiian songs. Several of the girls presented a hula; these were: Rachel Morgan, Carol Miller, Dianne Smith and Willene Partridge. D'Andrea Midgett sang "Harbor Lights." Music for dancing was furnished throughout the evening by the Eddie Sample band.

Members of the school committee and the high school faculty served as chaperones.

**THREE FROM AREA AIDED IN RECOVERY OF ASTRONAUT**

**CAPE CANAVERAL (FHTNC)** — Participating in recovery operations for Navy Commander Alan Shepard, first U. S. astronaut, was the aircraft carrier USS Lake Champlain.

Serving aboard the carrier was William L. Midgett, hospital corpsman second class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Midgett of Manteo, and Herbert Gibbs, boatswain's mate first class, USN son of Mrs. Ella M. Gibbs of Engelhard. Also Steven Gassen, who's wife, the former Faith Hazen, and children, live in Wanchese.

The Navy recovery force, composed of both surface and air units, was deployed down the flight path from Cape Canaveral and was prepared to recover the spacecraft wherever it landed.

Actual recovery was made by a Marine helicopter which lifted Cdr. Shepard out of the water in less than five minutes and transported him to the deck of the aircraft carrier USS Lake Champlain, flagship of the down range recovery force.

**FROLIC THIS SATURDAY AT ROANOKE SCHOOL**

The Young Women's Working Club is sponsoring a "May Frolic" Saturday, May 13 on the Roanoke School grounds from 2 to 6 p.m. Games, cake bidding, sack races and other interesting events are programmed. Proceeds will benefit the YWWC club treasury, earmarked for school benefit.

**"JACK" SMITH REPLACES FRED P. JOHNSON**



**RALEIGH** — Fred P. Johnson, one of North Carolina's most widely known agricultural workers, has retired from active service.

In announcing his retirement as head of the cotton and engineering section of the N. C. Department of Agriculture's markets division, John A. Winfield, head of the division, also announced the appointment of H. A. (Jack) Smith to this position.

"Mr. Fred" Johnson had been with the department for nearly a quarter of a century, having first been employed by the late W. Kerr Scott, then commissioner of agriculture, to initiate a program of technical assistance to the state's cotton ginners.

"At that time 15 to 20 percent of the state's cotton crop was down-graded by what is known as 'rough prep' caused by poor ginning," Winfield said. "But at first many of the ginners were reluctant to accept outside help. Help was not urged on them, but word spread about improvements made at the few gins accepting Johnson's technical advice, and he soon became swamped with requests. By 1950 the percentage of 'rough prep' of the state's cotton crop had been reduced to one-tenth of one percent and has remained near that level ever since.

**GUEST PIANIST PRESENTS PROGRAM FOR MUSIC CLUB**

Craig Worthington of Ayden and Greenville was presented as guest pianist at the May meeting of the Roanoke Island Music Club last Saturday night, at the home of Mrs. Rennie Williamson in Manteo. For the third year Mr. Worthington delighted his audience with his renditions. Now a senior in Greenville high school, he plans to enter Duke University next fall. The program included: Polonaise in A Flat Major by Chopin; Claire de Lune by Debussy; Fantaisie Impromptu by Chopin; Intermezzo in C Major by Brahms; and Rhapsody in Blue by Gershwin.

Mrs. Sally Bardin was hostess and served punch and cookies, assisted by Mrs. H. F. Leatherman and Mrs. Louise Meekins. Mrs. Leo Midgett, club president, presided at the punch bowl.

Out-of-town people present included Mr. and Mrs. T. Wardell Worthington and Miss Kay Worthington of Ayden; and Mr. and Mrs. Thurman W. Worthington of Virginia Beach, Va.

**MRS. DILLON, TYRRELL NATIVE DIES IN ELIZ. CITY**

Mrs. Lillian Gray Dillon, 70, died Tuesday afternoon in Albemarle Hospital after a long illness.

She was a native of Tyrrell County and lived in Elizabeth City the last 35 years.

She was a daughter of Isaac and Mrs. Elizabeth Hollis Twiddy. She was a member of First Christian Church.

Surviving are her husband, Wyke N. Dillon Sr. of Elizabeth City; four daughters, Mrs. A. W. Owens, Mrs. Miles Roughton and Mrs. George W. Cullipher of Norfolk, Va., and Mrs. H. W. Serton of Rome, Ga.; three sons, William T. Dillon of Atlanta, Ga., Timothy Dillon of Chamblee, Ga., and Wyke N. Dillon Jr. of South Norfolk, Va.; two sisters, Mrs. Monteville Dillon of Columbia and Mrs. Joe Bundy of Washington, N. C.; 9 grandchildren.

A funeral service was conducted in First Christian Church Thursday at 3 p.m. Burial was in New Hollywood Cemetery.

**DEATH COMES ON SUNDAY FOR JACK BISHOP, AGE 71**

Jack Bishop of Yeatesville died Sunday night, May 9 in the Beaufort County hospital in Washington following an illness of one month. He was 71 years old.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the chapel of the Paul Funeral home in Belhaven with the Rev. W. B. Gregory, assisted by the Rev. Homer Styons, officiating. His nephews served as pallbearers.

Mr. Bishop was a lifelong resident of the Yeatesville community. He was a retired farmer and was a member of Bethany Methodist church and the Belhaven Masonic lodge.

Surviving are his wife Mrs. Bessie Harris Bishop; one son, Carrol Bishop of Raleigh, two grandchildren; three brothers, Muncie Bishop of Kempsville, Va., Bert Bishop of Plymouth and John Bishop of Yeatesville; and five sisters, Mrs. Bernice Payne of Walnut, Mrs. A. C. Gay of Fountain, Miss Bessie Bishop of the home, Mrs. Perry Turner of Plymouth and Mrs. Harold Bowen of Pinetown, Route one.

**MANTEO PERSONALS**

Mrs. Robert Morgan, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. J. D. Earle, left Friday to return to her home in Dayton, Ohio. Mrs. Earle had as her guests for the week end Mrs. C. O. McCain and Miss Lynda McCain of Washington, D. C.

Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Harvey, Jr., and son, Wallace III and their twin daughters are spending this week in Asheville, where Dr. Harvey is attending a meeting of the N. C. Medical Society. While away Dr. Harvey is being replaced by Dr. Weaver of Durham.

On Wednesday of last week Mrs. Eugenia Wescott and Mrs. Nevin Wescott attended the 10th annual "Spring Festival" luncheon and flower show sponsored by the W. S. C. S. of the First Methodist Church in Elizabeth City.

Mrs. W. G. Etheridge left Monday to visit her son, Lt. Ralph Etheridge in Jacksonville, Fla.

Mrs. Rennie Williamson of Manteo and Mrs. Julian Oneto of Nags Head attended the meeting of the N. C. Federation of Music Clubs in Asheville last week. En route home, Mrs. Williamson visited her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Seawell, in Winston-Salem.

**FRATERNITY VICE-PRESIDENT**

Joseph W. Hollingsworth of Roanoke Rapids will act as president of the East Carolina College chapter of Gamma Theta Upsilon, international honorary geography fraternity, during the 1961-1962 school year. Gary J. Dowdy of Manteo is vice-president.

**FRISCO PERSONALS**

Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Rollinson and children of Portsmouth, Va., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Rollinson.

Dallas Palmer left Thursday after visiting Mrs. Ina Burrus and Mrs. Delora Fulcher. He was accompanied back to Alexandria, Va., by Mrs. Burrus who will visit her son in Bangor, Me.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Ware had as their week end guests their son and daughter-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Russell Ware.

Edgar Tolson was home with his family for the week end. Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Talton and family were in Morehead City for the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Sawyer had visiting them recently Mr. and Mrs. Joe Colenta of East Laie.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Meads and children of Elizabeth City spent several days here with Mr. and Mrs. Julian Austin.

Archie Scarborough left Wednesday for New York, after spending several weeks here. He had spent part of the winter in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Rollinson are in Winston-Salem.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Ware were in Elizabeth City and Norfolk this week.

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