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A LARGE ADDITION BEING PLANNED FOR THE PUNGO HOSPITAL

After Twelve Years Service to Belhaven Area Folks, More Room Is A Necessity

After twelve years of service to the people of this coastal community, Pungo District Hospital in Belhaven is planning to enlarge in order that they may meet the ever-increasing need for more room. On July 4, 1949 when the hospital opened it seemed adequate, and few could see the extent it would be used. It was the first hospital built in North Carolina under the Hill-Burton program, and was financed by state and federal funds as well as local donations. It is operated as a non-profit institution.

Work on the immediate changes will begin as soon as all of the funds are available, according to Lonnie Moore, business manager. Raymond Foson of New Bern is the architect. The expansion plan includes the adding of approximately 5,500 square feet of new construction and some of the existing departments will be remodeled. There will be a new emergency room, a storeroom for hospital equipment, a conference and doctors room, labor room, delivery room, a sterilizing and supply room and operating room. The business office will be enlarged as will the laboratory and X-ray department, and a formula and nursery work room will be added. The extra room will allow four new beds added to the twenty-four they now have, dreams of the future include 25 additional beds.

\$5,515.08 has been received from the revolving fund of the late Fred P. Latham estate. Mr. Latham was one of the citizens who promoted the hospital wholeheartedly from the beginning, giving it both financial and moral support during his lifetime. Other citizens that have contributed to the hospital are Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Calfee by furnishing a room with the best in hospital furniture including an air-conditioner, in the memory of Mr. Calfee's parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. Worth Calfee. A television for one of the rooms has been donated by Clifton Jones and Mrs. Rad Jones. An ornamental clock for the waiting room was donated by Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Dunbar in memory of their son Rickey Dunbar. Drapery have been made and donated by the women's organizations of the town. Pledges have been made for additional furniture. The hospital receives its current free from the Light and Water Commission of the Town of Belhaven.

The Board of Directors, elected by the non-profit stockholders determine the policies of the hospital. The present members, each of whom must be a resident of Beaufort county and not a member of the medical profession are: W. P. O'Neal, president; A. D. Swindell, vice-president; Mrs. Scott Topping, secretary; J. E. Edwards, treasurer; and Jimmie Calfee, Bernard Voliva, Marion Dilday; John Rodman of Washington is an honorary member.

Dr. J. T. Wright is chief-of-staff. Other staff members are Dr. Ellis G. Winstead, Dr. William Reid, Dr. Joe Liverman, and Dr. Robert Sandy, radiologist. The staff also has access to the services of a pathologist, Dr. Morehead of Bowman-Gray Hospital in Winston-Salem.

The late Mrs. Lucy Winstead Smith was the institutions first manager. Charles Gwynn was the next and Lonnie Moore has been business manager for the past two years.

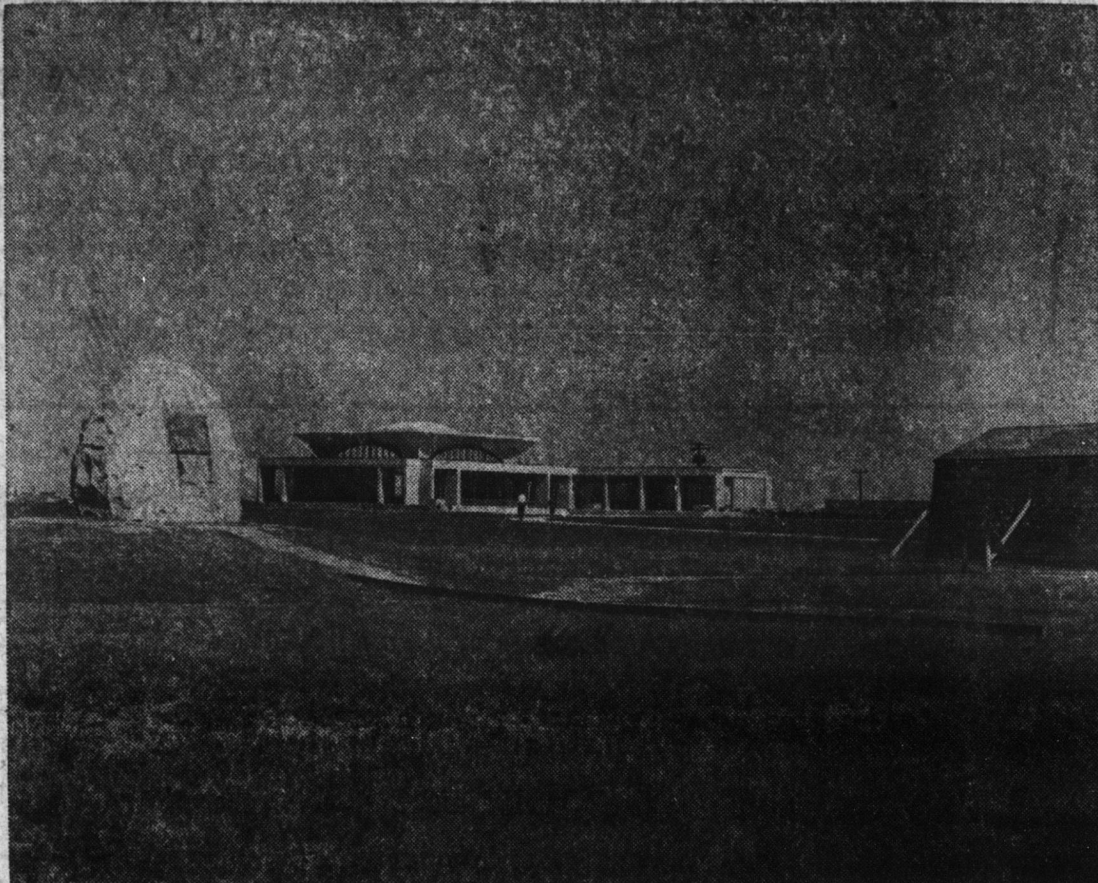
Mrs. Dolores Brown is head of the nursing staff, and Mrs. Cheryl Clark and Mrs. Doris Windley serve as operating room and delivery room nurse anesthetists. Mrs. Sadie Moore and Mrs. Rena Roberson head the X-ray and laboratory department. The staff includes two maintenance employees, five in the dietary department. Miss Kathy Hubers is office manager, and Mrs. Marilyn Woolard is medical librarian.

From October 1, 1960 through September 30, 1961 the Pungo District Hospital has totaled 6,517 days of care, with 1,245 days of charity care and 165 babies delivered. Out patients have totaled 2,006 of these 1,105 cases were treated in emergency; 434 were referred to X-ray; and 467 were referred for laboratory treatment. There were a total of 1,066 X-ray examinations, and 4,966 lab procedures were performed.

SANTA CLAUS TO VISIT MANN'S HARBOR 15-16

Word received late Thursday afternoon is that Santa Claus will be in Mann's Harbor next week end, Friday and Saturday, from 6 to 8 each evening. A general invitation is extended to all kiddies to come and visit at Croatan Sport Center, with favors for all the kiddies.

FIRST FLIGHT CEREMONIES TO BE HELD AT KILL DEVIL HILLS DECEMBER 16



CEREMONIES commemorating the 58th anniversary of the Wright Brothers famous first flights of December 17, 1903, will be held at the Visitors Center of the National Memorial at Kill Devil Hills. The Visitors Center framed between the National Aeronautic Association's First Flight Boulder-marker and the reproduced hangar, workshops and living quarters of the Wrights is shown in photo.

(Photo by Aycock Brown)

FIFTEEN MONTHS ON ROAD TO HELP CURE THE CARVING CRAVE

Butchering up one's neighbor with knives and ice picks does not pay, as witness the case of a Manteo negro who drew sentences totaling 15 months on the road in Dare County Recorder's Court this week. Otis Colon Pledger, 21-year-old resident of the colored settlement near Manteo pleaded guilty to charges of inflicting serious injuries to a knife to Carole McCleave, and to her husband James Lionel McCleave with an ice pick.

For the first offense, Pledger drew 12 months on the road, while the second brought an additional 3 months. These cases grew out of a disagreement last Saturday night at the establishment operated by Catherine Lathan Smith, which is well-known for generating hell-raising. Pledger has a long reputation for involvements of this kind.

In another case heard by Judge W. F. Baum Tuesday, Melon Tillet, Manteo colored, charged with theft of crab bait and an eel pot from Alfred A. Midgett of Manteo, pleaded not guilty; due to lack of incriminating evidence, the case was dismissed.

Submissions
Julius D. Butler, Kill Devil Hills, charged in three warrants with driving with no lights, improper muffler, speeding, paid fines and costs totaling \$86.10.

Maurice Phelps Edmondson, Manteo, no clearance lights, \$10 and costs.

L. B. Fulcher, Hatteras, improper registration and no liability insurance, \$20 and costs.

Alvin Hooper, Stumpy Point, offering for sale uncultured oysters, \$10 and costs.

Ellis Fay Hudson, Rodanthe, improper lights, \$10 and costs.

John C. Mann, Manteo colored, drunk on highway, \$25 and costs.

William Edward Mitchell, Manteo improper equipment, improper lights on overlength load, \$20 and costs.

Jack Alfred Reese, Nags Head, speeding, \$10 and costs.

Thomas O. Sutton, Manns Harbor, improper muffler, \$10 and costs.

Vivian F. Wolword, Kill Devil Hills, no muffler, \$10 and costs.

ELIZABETH CITY POSTMASTER TO SPEAK AT WANCHESE

Roland Garrett, Elizabeth City postmaster is to be the guest speaker at the Wanchese Ruritan Club, Friday night, December 15th. Recent speakers have included Rev. C. W. Goodwin of the Roanoke Island Baptist Church, and Rev. Harold Leatherman of the Manteo Methodist Church.

Hon. Will Flora, retired U. S. Deputy Marshal has been invited to speak to the club at an early date.

MANTEO CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

Christmas lights in the Town of Manteo were turned on last Saturday night, December 2. The colorful lights which add a festive holiday air to the town's main business district, are provided by the town. Installation was done by line-men of the Virginia Electric and Power Company in their off-hours.

MANY AWARDS IN HYDE COUNTY FOR 4-H ACHIEVEMENTS

Presentations Last Thursday Night in West Hyde School Auditorium

The Hyde County 4-H Achievement Program was held Thursday night in the West Hyde School auditorium. Among the highlights was the presentation of awards.

Reglyn McKinney of Engelhard presided. The theme was "Learn Live, Serve Through 4-H". The pledge to the American Flag was led by Earl Pugh, Jr. Miss Amanda Sears presented a devotional program centered around the Christmas spirit. Welcome was by Miss Meredith Mooney. Lyman Dixon was a special guest from the State 4-H Office, and gave remarks.

Bill Dudley held roll call by clubs. Clubs represented were Matamoras-Keet Junior, Fairfield Junior, East Hyde Junior, Senior and Intermediate and West Hyde 4-H Clubs.

Special music included a solo by Miss Linda Harris, accompanied by Gilbert Tunnell, Jr., and a selection by a group of Senior East High girls.

Miss Nelda Howell, home economics agent, presented an interesting program including the history of 4-H clubs, the present and future goals.

Also included in the program was the presentation of achievement certificates and medals by Miss Howell, G. W. O'Neal and Pieter J. Westerbeek.

The following boys and girls received one year certificates for completion of projects: Loretta Hodges, Kerry Sadler, Meredith Mooney, Annette Simmons, Amanda Sears, Bonnie Joe Waits, Ruth Hodges, Veronica Sadler, Dana Sadler, Kay Williams, Edith Dudley, Brenda Sadler, Annette Bush, Mary E. Sears, Betty Jane Harris, Barbara Harris, Betty Bonner, Billy Dudley, Earl Pugh, Jr., Michael Cahoon, Jimmy Lee Sadler, J. C. Williams, III, and Jesse Robert Gibbs.

Two year certificates were presented to the following: Gilbert Tunnell, Jr., Ada Lawton Burrus, Sarah Lois Jolly, and Linda Cuthrell. Four year certificate — Reglyn McKinney and Rita Simmons. Five year certificate — Hyman Spencer; and six year certificate — Norman Silverthorne.

The following leaders also received leadership certificates: Mrs. Gilbert Tunnell, Mrs. Agnes Gibbs, Mrs. Florence Williams, Mrs. Evelyn Sadler, Mrs. Jay Boomer, Mrs. Sam Williams, Mrs. George Bush, Mrs. Dennis Simmons, Mrs. E. E. Hodges, Mrs. Roy Lowe, Mrs. Cecil Silverthorne, Mrs. J. A. Williams, Mrs. A. G. Jolly, Mrs. Jack Pugh, Mrs. W. L. Gibbs, Mrs. Roscoe Sawyer, Miss Maggie Bridgman and Mrs. Leon Ballance.

The following medals were presented: child care — Ada Lawton Burrus; home management — Sarah Lois Jolly; frozen foods — Betty Jane Harris; beautification of home grounds — Mary E. Sears and Barbara Lou Harris; food preparation — Betty Jane Harris and Ruth Lee Hodges; health improvement — Barbara Lou Harris, Gilbert Tunnell, Jr.; senior clothing — Mary

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JULIAN SWAIN OF COLUMBIA KILLED BY CAR IN PITT CO.

Julian Haywood Swain, 60-year-old drainage contractor of Columbia, Rt. 1, was killed Thursday afternoon last week when struck by a car on Highway 903 near Stokes, in Pitt County.

He was a large contractor, and a prominent civic and church leader and one of Tyrrell's most popular citizens.

Swain, supervising workmen at the Grindle Creek project, was standing by the creek talking to workers of heavy equipment and stepped back onto the highway.

A car driven by Donald Freeman of Greenville traveling west struck Swain, who was pronounced dead on arrival at Pitt Memorial Hospital in Greenville.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Birdie Bibb Swain; three daughters, Mrs. Carolyn Swain Rice of Frankfurt, Germany, Mary Beth Swain and Donna Swain of the home; four sons, Jon Michael Swain of Elizabeth City, Robert Lee Bibb Swain, student at N. C. State College, Haywood Swain and Noel B. Swain of the home; two brothers, Herbert L. of Williamsdale, N. J. and four grandchildren.

He was a member of the Malachi Chapel Free Will Baptist Church, past president of the Columbia Rotary Club, former chairman of the Tyrrell County Democratic Party.

He had attended the University of North Carolina and George Washington University.

He was also a landowner and farmer and owner and operator of the Swain Drainage Service.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Malachi's Chapel Free Will Baptist Church, conducted by the Rev. Herbert J. Bryan, Pastor and assisted by the Rev. Francis Cordrey Pastor of the Columbia Baptist Church.

The church choir and members of the Columbia Sacred Choral Society sang "Abide With Me". A duet by the Rev. and Mrs. H. J. Bryan was "Have Thine Own Way Lord". Miss Hope Morris accompanied.

Pall bearers were W. Braxton Voliva, Edward Swain, Wallace Woodley, Kenneth Brickhouse, Harry P. Swain, W. Albert and Harold Spencer. Members of the Men's Bible Class were honorary Pall Bearers. Interment was in the Church Cemetery.

GOOFISHING ENJOYED BY MAINLAND ANGLER

A Manns Harbor sportsman Monday made one of the season's unusual catches, while trolling for rock in the channel of Croatan Sound. W. M. (Jimmy) Umphlett didn't get much with lures and line, but brought back a Canadian goose, sighted swimming near the Umstead bridge. Umphlett said the goose had been crippled, evidently from a hunter's shot, and was landed easily over the side of the boat. The goose is now enjoying the company of several tame fowl in Umphlett's pen.

ACTIVITY BUS FOR MANTEO SCHOOLS TO ARRIVE SOON

Long Project of Raising \$8,000 Nearly Completed; Order Entered for Bus

The eight-months project of raising eight thousand dollars, headed by the Activity Boosters group of the Manteo Schools has largely been accomplished, according to information this week from Melvin Jackson, president of the sponsoring group. The primary function of the organization has been securing funds for purchase of a new bus for use in extra-curricular events of both elementary and high schools.

The report this week showed a total of \$7,002 on hand, and expected contributions during next few weeks should close this gap. The order has been entered for the 44-passenger bus, a GMC rear engine, blunt-nose vehicle, with delivery expected within three weeks.

Funds which have materially aided the raising of goal are as follows: Board of Education, \$2,000; Manteo Lions Club, \$500; Dare County Shrine Club, \$200; Town of Manteo, \$200; Hassell and Creaf, \$100; Lost Colony, \$50; numerous contributions from house-to-house solicitations, carnivals, cake sales, variety programs, etc. Sale of the old bus, a constant source of irritation and expense, brought \$200.

MISS IONE WESCOTT DIES WEDNESDAY IN HOSPITAL

Miss Ione Wescott, 56, of Manteo, died at 10:05 Wednesday night, December 6, in Norfolk General Hospital, Norfolk, Va., where she had been a patient for nine days. Miss Wescott was stricken with a sudden illness while at work in the Carson W. Davis Store, where she had been a member of the store's staff for 39 years. She was rushed by ambulance to the hospital, but never regained consciousness. Born on February 10, 1905, in Manteo, she was the daughter of the late O. Jennings and Althea Ward Wescott. Surviving are two brothers, William Wescott of Norfolk, Va.; three sisters, Mrs. David M. Pearsall of Manteo; Mrs. W. R. Hale and Mrs. Henry Johnson of Raleigh.

Funeral services will be held at two o'clock Friday afternoon in the Manteo Baptist Church, of which she was a member. The Rev. M. J. Davis will officiate and burial will be in the Manteo cemetery.

HUNDREDS OF LETTERS TO BEAR KITTY HAWK POSTMARK DECEMBER 17

Hundreds of letters are being received by the Philatelic Committee of the Wright Brothers First Flight Anniversary Committee, Manteo, N. C., to be stamped with a special cachet drawing of the USS Kitty Hawk and the Wrights' first power driven plane. Captions beneath the drawing indicated the special covers, which will be postmarked Kitty Hawk, N. C., Dec. 17, 1961, is a "Salute to the Wright Brothers."

The cachets or covers received bear a variety of stamps, ranging from the special Lost Colony Stamp of 1937 to current regular postage and air mail commemoratives. The envelopes are self-addressed and co-operating with Admiral Jesse A. Johnson of Norfolk, head of the Kill Devil Hills Memorial Society's special committee is Mrs. Dorris Fry of Manteo, the Dare County Tourist Bureau, and Mrs. Katherine Perry, postmaster at Kitty Hawk. Thousands of the letters will be mailed on December 17, from the Kitty Hawk Postoffice.

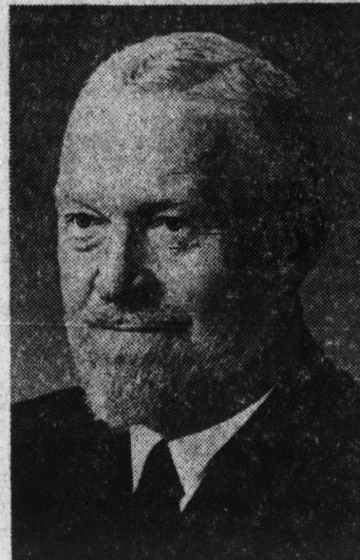
In the meantime, invitations to the First Flight ceremonies and luncheon have been mailed. C. S. Meekins in Manteo is in charge of ticket sales and anyone who wishes to attend the luncheon, even if they received no direct invitation, may buy tickets from him. Cost of the luncheon will be \$3. The luncheon arrangements have been completed by W. H. McCown. The luncheon will be held in Dare County Shrine Club.

The public is invited to attend the morning ceremonies at the Wright Brothers National Memorial Monument Visitors Center. See LETTERS, Page Twelve

"MISS AMERICA" SHOW BRINGS \$190 REVENUE

The entertainment in the form of a "Miss America" pageant held last Thursday night brought a profit of \$190 to the sponsors, the Activity Boosters Club of Manteo. "Miss Manteo Furniture" (Edward Wescott) won over hard competition from about 30 male beauties representing the area's business firms.

WRIGHT MEMORIAL LUNCHEON SPEAKER



VICE-ADMIRAL ROBERT BURNS PIRIE, one of the top U. S. Navy aces of all times, will deliver the address at the annual Wright Brothers Memorial luncheon in the Dare County Shrine Club at 12:30 o'clock, Saturday, December 16. Senator N. Elton Aydtlett will be the toastmaster at the luncheon at which S. Wade Marr will preside. During the morning ceremonies at the Wright Memorial Visitors Center there will be music by Elizabeth City High School Band, starting at 10 o'clock, as the program begins at 10 o'clock. Congressman Herbert C. Bonner and NPS Director Conrad Wirth will be the speakers and Senator Lindsay C. Warren will be present as his portrait to hang in the Visitors Center is unveiled. There will also be a flyover of U. S. Navy and U. S. Air Force planes and wreaths will be placed in memory of the Wrights at the NAA First Flight Site Boulder Marker. (U. S. Navy photo)

WILDLIFE REPRESENTATIVE ROTARY GUEST SPEAKER MON.



MISS LUNETTE BARBER, wildlife representative, will be guest speaker at the Manteo Rotary Club Monday night, December 11. Miss Barber, a native of Johnston County, has been a wildlife education representative with the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission for the past twelve years. Because of her interest and enthusiasm she is very popular as a speaker at civic clubs. Each year she travels over 10,000 miles and about 200,000 folks hear her talks. Her activities are primarily with school groups, women's clubs, youth organizations, and civic clubs.

She was selected for her position because of the outstanding work she did in organizing junior wildlife clubs in Cleveland School, Johnston County, where she taught many years.

This past year she was selected by the News and Observer as Woman of the Week.

LAUNDRY ENTERED; \$200 CASH TAKEN SATURDAY NIGHT

Roanoke Laundry in Manteo was entered sometime last Saturday night and cash taken in an amount upwards of \$200. Entrance was made through a skylight which, left unfastened afforded easy access. The thief located a wall safe, also unlocked, and made way with cash estimated at near \$200. No other damages were reported.

The Dare County Sheriff's Department is investigating.

MRS. ETHEL M. CAHOON OF HYDE DIES AT 85

Mrs. Ethel McGowan Cahoon, 85, of Swan Quarter, died Wednesday morning. She was a member of Soule Methodist Church and the Women's Society of Christian Service. She is survived by her husband, Mit Cahoon, and two daughters, Miss Gladys Cahoon of Swan Quarter and Mrs. Fannie Broomer of Arlington, Va. Funeral services were conducted at Soule Methodist Church Thursday at 2 p.m. by the Rev. Durward Goodwin, pastor. Burial was in Soule Cemetery.

VEPCO DAMAGED AGAIN BY THEFT OF POWER LINES

Sunday Night Theft Brings Total to More Than 6,000 Feet; No Arrests

Virginia Electric and Power Co. for the second week end suffered losses due to stolen transmission line, the latest theft being in lower Nags Head. It occurred Sunday night, when 1614 feet of wire leading from the highway to the cottage of James E. Durant was removed. This is in the same area as three of the incidents reported last week, and brings the total length of wire taken to over 6,000 feet.

Investigations during the last several days have brought no suspects, being carried out by the Dare County Sheriff's Department and Nags Head police. Indications are that thieves are climbing the poles and cutting the wires, rather than using tree-trimming apparatus, as was earlier believed. The copper wires are likely being sold to junk dealers, commanding a high price even in this manner.

More and more stealing goes on in Dare County with little accomplished in the way of apprehending the criminals, although upwards of \$40,000 a year of municipal and county funds is spent for law enforcement. It appears competent trained men need to be hired; men who know how to go about obtaining evidence and catching criminals, and who are willing to work, before tangible results will show up.

SANFORD THE SPEAKER; OTHER STATE LEADERS AT YDC RALLY FRIDAY

Young Democrats from 14 counties of eastern North Carolina will arrive in Dare County Friday to participate in the rally beginning at Nags Head at 6 p.m.

Governor Sanford will be speaker; expected with him are several top-ranking Democrats from throughout the state. YDC leaders from the counties of Dare, Tyrrell, Currituck, Perquimans, Pasquotank, Gates, Hertford, Martin, Beaufort, Washington Chowan, Bertie, Hyde and Pitt are expected some 300 strong.

Those desiring tickets are requested to make arrangements early, to be assured of being served at the banquet beginning at 8; and may secure them from local YDC members.

The program begins at 6 with a social hour, followed by banquet and dance.

JACK E. STARK APPOINTED DISTRICT RANGER AT THE CAPE HATTERAS SEASHORE

Superintendent Robert F. Gibbs announced the appointment of Jack E. Stark as District Ranger of the Hatteras Island District. A graduate of Colorado State University, Stark began his career with the National Park Service as a seasonal ranger at Yellowstone National Park in 1953. This was followed by service in the U. S. Navy from which he returned to inactive duty as a Lieutenant (j. g.) in 1956. After another summer as seasonal ranger at Yellowstone National Park in 1957, Stark received his first permanent ranger assignment, entering on duty at Blue Ridge Parkway in October 1957. His first duty station was on the Montebello District, followed by an assignment at the Linville Falls area. In 1958 he was promoted to sub-district ranger and assigned to Balsam Gap area. In November, Stark was promoted and transferred to his present position of district ranger for the Hatteras Island District.

Stark, a native of Arkansas City, Kansas; his wife, Gail Karen; and his two daughters, Jennifer Ann and Cynthia Gail, arrived at Buxton, N. C. where they will be in residence at district headquarters.

SANFORD TO HUNT IN CURRITUCK SATURDAY

Governor Terry Sanford, on the coast this week end participating in a political rally and making other contacts, is scheduled to go wildfowl hunting in Currituck County Saturday. He will be guest of Orville Woodhouse, Grandy businessman and member of the N. C. Wildlife Commission.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

All schools in Dare County will close for the Christmas holidays at one p. m. on Thursday, December 21, according to announcement by Mrs. Mary L. Evans, superintendent. The opening session after Christmas will be on Tuesday, January 2.