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MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR PLANT ON OUTER BANKS, MAY DEPEND ON BUILDING COROLLA ROAD

Atlantic Research May Be Thwarted in Bringing Big Investment to Carolina Coast, with Potential Large Payroll; Options Taken on Large Area Valuable Because of Its Isolation. Half-Million Dollar Initial Investment Contemplated.

What may be the one big chance of the Outer Banks to get a multi-million dollar project appears now to hinge on whether the State will extend the road from Duck, to Corolla, a distance of some 12 miles, where Atlantic Research has taken options with the view of developing a large project occupied with development of solid fuels for nuclear and space-age projects.

Because of the probable importance of this project to the North Carolina coast, the Manteo Rotary Club invited Gerald T. Halpin, Vice-president of the company to speak before it Monday night, and explain something of the nature of his work, and what it might mean to the area.

Atlantic Research has taken an option on the former Whaleshead Club property, fronting some five miles on the ocean at Corolla. The company's operations embrace many fields, and its principal plant is at Alexandria, Va. It was formed by two scientists, in 1949, and has grown steadily, so that it is one of the top firms in its field and is currently doing work at the rate of \$25 million a year.

The company employs some 1,800 people, of whom about 350 have earned college degrees in science and engineering, with advanced degrees. It may be seen therefore that many people of this type would come reside in the nearby area, including Manteo, Kitty Hawk, and lower Currituck which have advantages of good schools. Most of the men in the higher brackets earn from \$9,000 to \$13,000.00 a year.

Atlantic Research has always operated profitably, with earnings keeping pace with the growth of the company. With earnings adjusted after a stock split, the company made \$0.18 per share in 1958, and the jump was to \$0.50 in 1960. This year expected earnings are to be \$1,444,000. It is said that an investment in the business less than 13 years ago is currently worth one million dollars.

The business was founded by Dr. Arch C. Schurlock and Dr. Arthur W. Sloan, two scientists, and has grown into many fields. Among other things, it operates in the field of plastics, one product being pipe and fittings for plumbing purposes. It operates in many branches of advanced technology. Solid propellant rocketry accounts for about half its work, and the company See COROLLA, Page Four

INFLUENZA IN DARE SCHOOLS NOT YET IN EPIDEMIC STAGE, COUNTY SCHOOL HEAD SAYS

Mrs. Mary Evans, Superintendent of Public Instruction for Dare County, has stated that quite a few school absences have been reported throughout the area which are due to the flu virus.

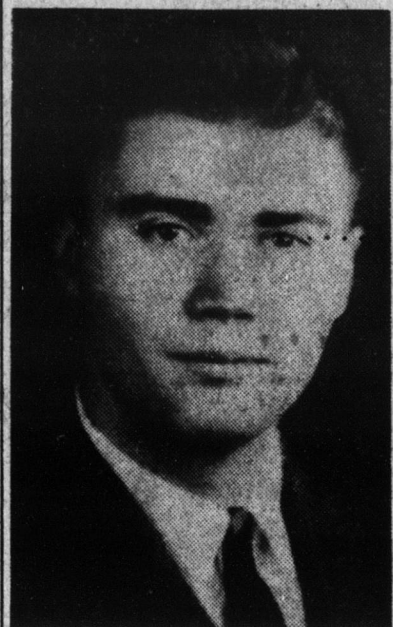
Kitty Hawk Elementary School is reported to be hardest hit by the flu germ which is responsible in large part for the 22 per cent absence rate there as of Jan. 29. Manteo Elementary School had 11 per cent absent from classes because of sickness. Cape Hatteras School officials have indicated that eight per cent of its enrollment is out because of illness. Roanoke School appears to be unaffected by the epidemic which has swept the state and reports that 3 per cent are absent there.

Mrs. Evans is of the opinion that the flu wave is probably past its peak at Kitty Hawk Elementary and is "slightly on the wane" at Manteo High. "It seems to have hit here before invading Hatteras," she said. Mrs. Evans emphasized that the flu here could not be said to have reached epidemic proportions. "However," she added, "Parents are urged to keep children out of the classroom, if they do have it."

DARE COUNTY LIBRARY

Mrs. L. L. Gibbs, librarian, has stated that carpentry work in the Dare County Library will not be finished by Monday, as was originally planned. The library, therefore, will remain closed during the first few days of next week. Mrs. Gibbs says that she hopes to reopen the library doors on Wednesday although construction will not, in all probability, be completed then.

JOINS NEWS STAFF OF THE COASTLAND TIMES



LAWRENCE MADDRY of Lumberton has joined the news staff of The Coastland Times. Mr. Maddry is a graduate of the University of North Carolina and received his A.B. in English there in 1959.

His job assignments prior to joining The Times include service with the U.S. Army as a member of the Korean Military Advisory Group where he served as a clerk typist and troop information instructor. After graduation, Mr. Maddry remained at the university to take some law courses and joined the newspaper staff of The News-Journal in Raeford, N. C. in 1961. His most recent position was with the Federal Trade Commission in Washington, D. C. where he worked on the Bureau of Deceptive Practices.

While at the university, Maddry earned part of his expenses by working as a librarian. He was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon social fraternity which he served as vice-president and Phi Delta Phi legal fraternity. His other activities included Phi Assembly, clerk and University Club, secretary. He also served with The Daily Tar Heel, the student newspaper, as a reporter. His presence is a welcome addition to the staff.

LICENSE PLATE SALES AHEAD

Mrs. Juanita Parker, branch agent with the Department of Motor Vehicles, has stated that approximately 900 license plates have been purchased by Dare County residents thus far. She has announced that plate sales are "some ahead of last year."

Mrs. Parker mentioned that 3,050 plates were sold in the county last year and that some 1600 were sold before the expiration date for new tags. "New registrations and transfers account for most of the sales after the expiration date," she said. The branch agent indicated that 65 Manteo residents have applied for town tags since sales began. Deadline for the purchase of 1962 plates is Feb. 15.

SPAGHETTI DINNER FEB. 7

A spaghetti dinner will be served by the women of St. Andrews-by-the-Sea Episcopal Church at Nags Head, Wednesday evening, February 7. Plates will be \$1 for adults and 50c for children, proceeds to go to the Parish House fund. The dinner will be in the Parish House from 5:30 until 7:30 and the public is invited.

EASTERN STAR AFFAIRS

The annual Order of Eastern Star banquet will be held at seven o'clock Saturday evening, Feb. 3, in the Manteo High School cafeteria. The annual Masonic dinner served by the Eastern Star will be on Feb. 24 at the Dare County Shrine Club.

MARCH OF DIMES DANCE

The public is reminded of the March of Dimes dance to be held at the Dare County Shrine Club on Saturday night, February 3. Dancing will begin at nine o'clock. Admission will be \$1.00 per person, and all monies raised will go to the March of Dimes.

DEDICATION OF THE LINDSAY C. WARREN BRIDGE DATE MAY 10

Tyrrell Group Meets in Columbia Friday Night to Shape Up Plans for Celebration

A large group of Tyrrell County citizens, and some neighbors, met in Columbia Friday night to firm up plans for the dedication of the Lindsay C. Warren bridge over Alligator River, which is due to be open for traffic Friday Feb. 9th. The celebration has been definitely set for May 10 in Columbia. W. J. White Columbia businessman, a former Superintendent of Schools in Tyrrell and a former president of the committee from the six counties of Beaufort, Dare, Hyde, Martin, Tyrrell and Washington, which is planning the celebration. Next to Mr. White on this committee are the following county vice-presidents of the Association.

Plans tentatively call for a street parade, a dance, a beauty contest, ball games, races on land and water, and many other exciting features, together with a big dinner in Columbia. Many notable people will attend the celebration. Senator Lindsay C. Warren, for whom the bridge has been named will be the guest of honor on May 10th. Governor Sanford, former Governor Luther Hodges, now Secretary of Commerce, under whose administration the bridge was begun, and many other prominent officials will attend this event.

Chairman White said he had been assured of splendid cooperation toward making this dedication one of the biggest events ever held in Eastern North Carolina.

BOMBS NOT PROPER FOR W. VA. TRACT, MANAGER ASSERTS

West Virginia Pulp and Paper Co. has protested vehemently to the suggestion that their property in Tyrrell County might be used as a possible alternative site for the bombing range which has been planned for Hyde County.

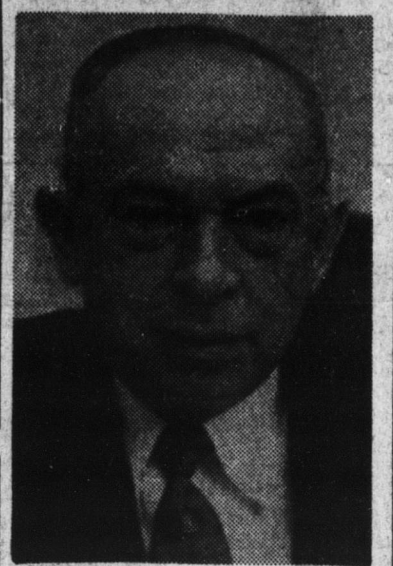
W. J. Crumpacker, manager of N. C. Woodlands, for the company, stated Monday that he had been approached by a representative from the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, who stated that a tract of land in the Kilkenny section of Tyrrell County, 10 miles north of the present Hyde site, was under consideration for the range site in the event that the property at Matamuskeet becomes unavailable.

Crumpacker stated that his company is "very concerned" about suggestions that their land might be used. "The presence of smoke bombs would constitute a serious threat to the timber in the area with the possibility of fire," he said.

To protect any possible use of West Virginia land, Crumpacker met with Major General Richard T. Coiner, Jr., of Shaw Air Force Base, S. C. and Brigadier General Gilbert L. Meyers, of Myrtle Beach Air Force Base on Jan. 24. Crumpacker informed the officers of the ground conditions in the area and stated his intention to fight any attempt to use the Tyrrell County tract as a range.

Air Force personnel have re- See RANGE, Page Four

NEWSCASTERS PREDICT A WALKOVER FOR BONNER



CONGRESSMAN HERBERT C. BONNER, who has done so much for his District and won national acclaim for his prestige and leadership in Washington, has paid his filing fee of \$225 to run for another two years in the House of Representatives. In recent months he has been awarded much acclaim for his energy and ability, and today with so many of his long-worked-for programs bearing fruit, newscasters say he would have an easy walkover in event of opposition. This week, the "Under the Dome" Column in the News & Observer quotes Washington sources as follows.

"Henry C. Oglesby, top aide to First District Congressman Herbert Bonner, has an extra tinge of color to his face which normally glows with health.

"Reason for the vigorous new light is the tone of the letters his boss has been getting from the district.

"What they spell, as he robustly puts it, is, 'The Congressman will win (in the May primary) by a much wider margin than before.'"

"Why the letters should occasion such a flush of optimism is that many of them are coming from See BONNER, Page Four

HATTERAS AND OCRACOEKE ISLANDS TO BE VISITED BY SOCIAL SEC. AGENTS

To better the service to residents Joseph A. Morrison, district manager of the Norfolk, Social Security Administration district office, announces that the residents of those areas will now be serviced by the Norfolk, Virginia Social Security Office.

Residents of both islands are advised that they may contact a representative from the Norfolk office on the first Wednesday of each month at the highway patrol station, Hatteras, from the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., or to write to the Social Security Administration district office, 220 W. Brambleton Avenue, Norfolk 10, Virginia.

In addition to this trip to Hatteras, a representative will continue to meet at Manteo, in the community building on the third Wednesday of each month beginning at 9:00 a.m.

The representative at Hatteras and Manteo will assist the residents in completing applications for Social Security benefits and to assist individuals in the area in any Social Security matters.

ELECTION FEB. 10 HATTERAS TOWNSHIP FOR BEER AND WINE

Registration Ended Last Saturday; Strong Sentiment on Both Sides

Jack Tillett, Election Board Chairman for Dare County, has announced that the registration period has ended for the special election on beer and/or wine which is to be voted upon by citizens from Hatteras Township on Feb. 10.

Saturday is the official date for challenging the registration, according to Tillett. Voting places and officials for the various precincts in Hatteras Township have been listed by the Chairman as follows: Buxton, Cape Hatteras High School Building, Registrar C. P. Brady; Frisco, J. L. Rollinson's Store, Registrar J. L. Rollinson; Hatteras, Hatteras Community Center, Registrar W. H. Rollinson.

The election is the result of a request by the Board of Commissioners of Dare County to hold and conduct the beer and/or wine referendum. The election also follows a petition signed by approximately 200 residents of Hatteras Township to the commissioners requesting such a vote. The bill which enabled Hatteras Township to vote independently on the issue was introduced by M. K. Fearing during the 1961 session of the General Assembly. Fearing introduced the bill at the request of the commissioners.

Prior to the amendment of H. B. 295, an interpretation of the laws then existing would have required both Kennakeet and Hatteras to vote together on such a referendum. It was this amendment that Rep. Fearing introduced to the legislature.

Opinion in the township is about See ELECTION, Page Four

BREAK-IN ATTEMPTED AT NAGS HEAD POST OFFICE

Local police are baffled by the mystery of the break-in at Nags Head postoffice, Thursday night of last week. Entry was apparently gained, but nothing of value appears to have been taken, indicating that the guilty parties were scared away. There is some theory that it was an amateur job, done by juveniles. The incident was reported to Postal Inspector J. T. Johnson of Ahoskie.

Roanoke Island Battle Centennial To Be Celebrated Here on Feb. 7-8

Historical Markers, School Tours and Speeches Will Commemorate Anniversary

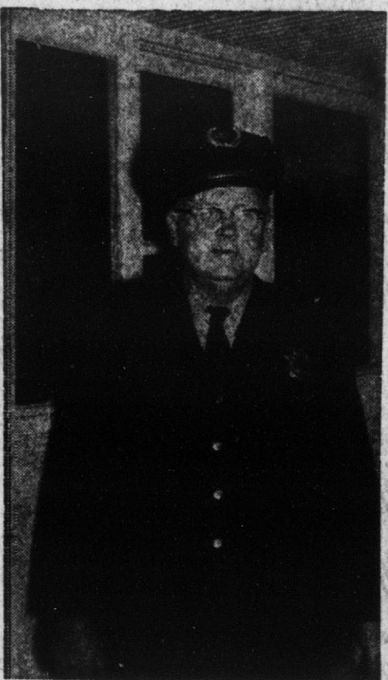
On the morning of the 7th of February, 1862, one hundred years ago, a federal fleet of numerous transports and more than 20 gunboats floated through a narrow channel at Croatan Sound, "scarcely more than one hundred feet in width," to begin a naval-land engagement which led to control of most of the inland waters of northeastern North Carolina by Union forces.

This battle of Roanoke Island, which followed a Union victory at Hatteras Inlet, helped to sever the maritime supply route to northeastern North Carolina and made access to the Chesapeake Bay area practically impossible for the con-

BALTIMORE FIRM BIDS LOW WITH \$3,977,333 TO BUILD BRIDGE ACROSS INLET

Structure to be Named in Honor of Congressman Herbert Bonner Attracts Many Bidders; Loving Company Loses Bid by \$20,000; Work Will Begin in Four Months from Awarding of Contract; Lindsay C. Warren Bridge Opens to Traffic Next Friday.

QUARTER-CENTURY OF SERVICE ROUNDED OUT



JULIAN L. POSTON, 51, rounded out 25 years in January as public servant to the Town of Columbia.

Hired as night policeman in 1937 at a salary of \$40 per month, Poston has been retained with continuous employment. He now holds the positions of chief of police; tax collector, town manager; town engineer; superintendent of streets and commissioner of sanitation, all for the town; and is ABC officer for Tyrrell County.

During his tenure in office, he has seen the financial affairs of the town elevated from some ninety thousand dollar indebtedness to being clear-across-the-board in See POSTON, Page Four

The Oregon Inlet Bridge, to be named in honor of Congressman Herbert C. Bonner came along step nearer to reality Monday when the State Highway Commission opened many bids, and found the bridge can be built for less than the State's engineers has estimated. Instead of four million dollars, the McLean Construction Company of Baltimore offered a bid of \$3,977,333, which is reported to have been only \$20,000 less than the bid offered by T. A. Loving Company of North Carolina.

The Loving Company built the Umstead bridge over Croatan Sound, and at this time is completing the Lindsay C. Warren Bridge over Alligator River, which is to be opened with simple ceremonies next Friday Feb. 9th, when Governor Sanford, Chairman Merrill Evans and other highway officials will attend. After coming over on the ferries which will tie up for good, they will ride back across the bridge, thereby making the first official vehicular trip from Dare County across the River.

It is expected the successful bidder for the Herbert C. Bonner bridge will be given about three to four months to assemble equipment and to begin construction.

DARE COAST BOOTHS AT CHARLOTTE SHOW STEAL ALL THUNDER

Sea Hag Invades Queen City Show As Thousands Witness Dare Coast Exhibition

Nearly 14,000 people crowded into the Charlotte Coliseum to witness the Sportsman Show opening Tuesday night where the Dare Coast representatives with beards and pirate costumes stole the show.

On Tuesday night as the show was officially launched by Governor Sanford, it was Pirate Jamboree King Dock Austin of Hatteras, Pirate Queen Margaret Davis of Kitty Hawk; and Mary Long, Queen Elizabeth of the Lost Colony cast, and Ken Cauthen, also of the outdoor drama, who stole the show. They were ably assisted by Julian and Lima Oneto, W. H. Smith, Kitty Jackson and Polly Evans of the Dare Coast Beaches area whose cavorting and pirate pranks captured the imagination of spectators. Governor Sanford was photographed with the Dare Coast delegates at the booths of the Dare County Tourist Bureau and the Carolinian hotel.

The Dare promoters attracted attention wherever they went. Already this week, they have handed out thousands of pieces of literature and will continue to do so throughout the week, until Sunday when the show officially ends.

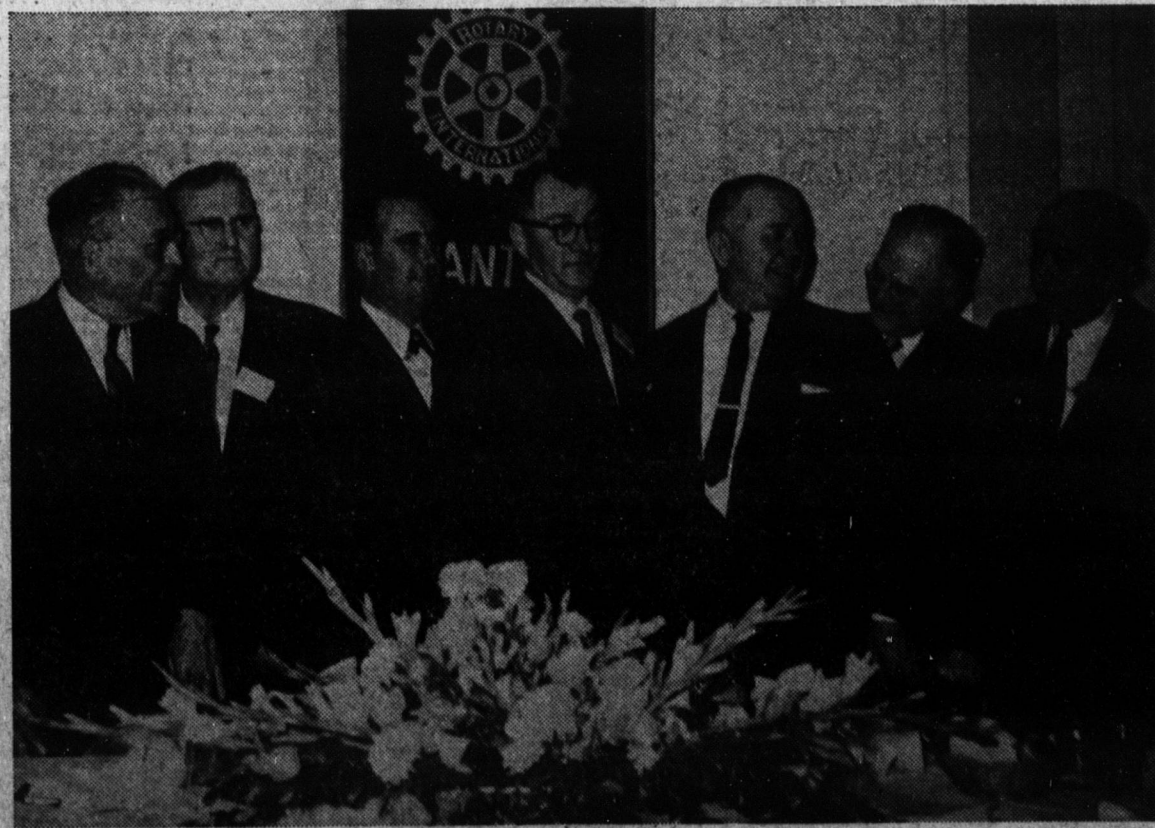
The Dare group has not only been photographed for various newspapers and magazines covering the show, but also have appeared on television shows and radio programs. On Thursday the pirates, all in costume, made a daytime visit to the Crippled Children's Hospital in Belmont, a suburb of Charlotte. Today and tomorrow they will be attending daytime meetings of the N. C. Travel Show.

Arrangements are also being completed for the Lost Colony's Queen Elizabeth and Sir Walter Raleigh to make personal appearances in Columbia, S. C. and possibly an appearance at the S. C. Legislature, which is now in session. The group plans to invite Gov. Hollings of South Carolina to a performance of the 25th anniversary year season of The Lost Colony.

For the local folks who have been promoting the Dare Coast interest at the show, it has been a tough grind and a very hard job. The trip made from Manteo to Charlotte on Sunday was a rugged journey over snow and sleet-covered roads. The journey was made over U. S. Route 64 which they are hoping to publicize as the quickest route to the coast from the Piedmont. The completion of the new Alligator River Bridge is being heralded at both of the Dare Coast-Outer Banks booths in the Charlotte Coliseum and the Sportsman Show.

Of the 11 strictly vacation areas See SHOW, Page Four

PRINCIPALS AT MANTEO ROTARY'S SILVER ANNIVERSARY BANQUET



ORGANIZED IN 1937, THE ROTARY CLUB of Manteo celebrated its silver anniversary last week with a banquet party in the lunchroom of Manteo High School at which Tarheel humorist Edmund Harding of Washington, N. C. was the featured speaker. Other principals at the banquet meeting were (l to r) S. Wade Marr, Elizabeth City, D. Victor Meekins, Wallace McCown and James Rea, Manteo club officials; John Moore, Elizabeth City, P. D. Midgett, Engelhard and Harding. Four of the group, Marr, Moore, Midgett and Harding, are former district Rotary governors. (Aycock Brown photo)