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## RESEARCH FIRM TO LOCATE IN CURRITUCK AT COROLLA FOR ROCKET FUEL TESTING

### Manager of Atlantic Research Corporation Indicates 360 Plant Personnel Will Be Em- ployed In Area To Develop "Gel-Solid Propellant" for Rocket Booster As Outer Banks Moves Further Into The Space Age.

A definite go-ahead for a missile fuel test facility at Corolla, on the Outer Banks some 40 miles north of Nags Head, was given this week by Philip K.K. Reilly, Sr., manager of Atlantic Research Corp.'s development department.

Work on the facility is to begin in the early future. The company plans to hire 50 to 75 persons by the end of this year, Reilly said, and to expand that to 150 to 160 plant personnel and 25 to 30 professional workers by the end of 1963. The following year, the company hopes to expand to some 360 plant personnel and about 75 professionals.

Reilly said the facility will be staffed from the rural area on the mainland, and that bright young fellows, preferably high school graduates, will be trained for the work.

The company's announcement was made in Raleigh at a conference called by Conservation and Development Director Hargrove Bowles in the absence of Governor Terry Sanford, who is on vacation.

Atlantic Research is working on a paste-like fuel capsule capable of powering large rockets to the moon. It will test its fuel by firing missiles from a static pad, which keeps the rocket pinned to the ground and measures its performance by means of gauges. The company has an Air Force contract to develop what it calls a "gel-solid propellant" which is believed to have many advantages over propellants now in use.

The new capsule should produce millions of pounds of thrust to push space vehicles beyond the earth's atmosphere, a company official said.

The gel-solid booster may give the United States the means to overtake Russia's advantage in large booster rockets, according to Dr. Arch C. Scurlock, president of Atlantic Research. Advantages over conventional solid fuels include markedly lower cost and shorter development time. Materials used are readily available, and the fuel is relatively safe to handle.

While the "gel-solid fuel" is the company's key project at Corolla, Atlantic Research already has begun work on an aluminum solid fuel for use in third and fourth stage rockets, Reilly said. He added that five or six vehicles using this type of fuel have been tested at Corolla.

The fuel is said to be similar to that used in the Polaris underwater missiles which also was developed by the company.

The Outer Banks site was selected for the new tests because of its isolation, accessibility to navigable waters and the work force potential in the area. The site has more than eight miles' frontage on the Atlantic Ocean and is bounded on the west by Currituck Sound. North Carolina has promised to build a road connecting the site with the state highway system at Duck, a few miles north of Kitty Hawk.

Preliminary work already has begun at Corolla. Company workers have moved into a dozen cottages and lodges in the area, and more housing is to be built.

### FIRST MEETING MON- FOR COMBINED PTA

The Manteo Schools P.T.A. will hold its first meeting Monday night, April 30, in the Manteo High School auditorium at 8 o'clock. New officers for the coming school year will be installed.

### PRECINCT MEETINGS MAY 5

Walter D. Perry, Chairman of the Dare County Democratic Executive Committee, has announced that the county precincts will hold their meetings Saturday, May 5 at 1 p. m. at the polling places. The Dare County convention will be held in Manteo on Saturday, May 12 at 2 p. m. in the court house.

## VOICE FROM SKY LEADS REPORTER TO A. GRIFFITH

### TV Star Arrives for Vacation at "Mountain Hill" Farm Near Manteo



ANDY GRIFFITH, whose TV show delights millions, has arrived for a long anticipated vacation at his home on Roanoke Sound, near Manteo.

By RALPH POOL

Andy Griffith, most popular of all TV stars in the North Carolina coastland, has come home at last.

Andy arrived Monday at his comfortable, ranch-type home on Roanoke Sound, a couple of miles north of Manteo, after an absence of a year and a half. He has spent most of the time in Hollywood, at work on "The Andy Griffith Show," seen each Monday night over the CBS Network.

Andy expects to spend about two months here, just taking it easy. "I just had to come," he said, simply.

Having learned that Andy was back, a member of the Coastland staff drove out to pay him a call. Two brick columns mark the entrance to his 53-acre farm. Bordered by dogwood trees, a lane runs from the highway into a pine woodland and winds down to Roanoke Sound, where the TV star's home fronts on a wide expanse of blue sea and sky.

Escorted happily in a bright See GRIFFITH, Page Four

## ANDY GRIFFITH TO KISS BEAUTY AT MAY CONTEST

### T.V. and Movie Star Will Buss Lovely Lass Selected As Miss So. Albemarle

Sheriff Andy Griffith will put a star on some pretty local gal on May 10, several of them, in fact. The comical sheriff of Mayberry has jumped at the opportunity to crown Miss Southern Albemarle and give her a kiss at the Lindsay C. Warren Bridge celebration in Columbia. His official duties include the placing of a star-studded crown and a buss on the head of the lovely lass selected to rule over the gala celebration which promises to be one of the most fulfilled occasions ever held in the Albemarle.

Governor Terry Sanford, Commerce Secretary Luther Hodges, Congressman Herbert Bonner, Highway Commission Chairman Merrill Evans and a host of other celebrities are expected to be on hand for the parade, banquet and contests associated with the May festivities. Senator Warren, whose name embellishes the \$3 million bridge, will be the guest of honor at the celebration.

The selection of a Miss Southern Albemarle from a field of lovely contestants will be but one of the highlights planned for the fun-scheduled affair. Bands from Washington, Belhaven, Edenton and other towns in the Albemarle area will be on hand to furnish music for the occasion. The Southern Albemarle Association has also planned a dinner for over 1500 guests as another function in the May celebration.

## BUSINESS GETS BACK TO NORMAL AS BRIDGE OPENS

### Hatteras Island Tourist Travel Underway; Lost Patron- age Returning

Opening of the temporary bridge over the new inlet cut by the Ash Wednesday storm north of Buxton took place Friday, April 20, as scheduled, and brought an influx of Easter visitors to the Hatteras Banks.

Previously since the storm, the section south of the inlet had been cut off except for slow and tedious ferry service that enabled the Hatteras and Buxton people to get in and out but kept away nearly all of the usually large influx of sports fishermen and other visitors.

Fishing is reported pretty good down Hatteras way now. Ten drum were taken off Hatteras Inlet Sunday, according to Scotty Gibson, proprietor of Scotty's Restaurant and the Atlantic View Hotel. Also, a few bluefish are being taken in nets, he said. The usual heavy run of blues likely will show up in the next few days if the weather continues good, he added.

Meanwhile, the fate of the new inlet continues to be the chief subject of speculation on the Hatteras Banks. Petitions have been circulated on both sides of the question, with many persons south of the inlet urging that it be filled in, while others at the north end of the banks favor keeping it open.

Like many of his neighbors south of the new inlet, Scotty hopes that the inlet will be closed, as the Army Corps of Engineers planned before the controversy arose. "A northwester tomorrow might put the new bridge in Hyde County," he said.

The Hatteras country is looking forward to a good summer if the 42-mile highway running the length of the banks can be kept open. If it goes out, calamity is expected.

## PILES ARE DRIVEN AT OREGON INLET 1600 MORE NEEDED

The first of more than 1600 piles were driven at Oregon Inlet Tuesday as McLean Contracting Company began the first major step in the construction of the \$4 million dollar structure which will span the two and one-half mile gap between Hatteras Island and lower Nags Head.

Construction crews have been at work since February on the northern approach to the bridge and suction dredges, draglines, bulldozers and heavy earth moving equipment have succeeded in paving the way for the gigantic construction job which lies ahead.

By May 14 the concrete operation at the bridge will be well underway and bridge workers will be in the process of capping the piles and installing concrete beams, which are being supplied by S&G Prestress Co. of Wilmington, N. C. Sutton indicated that carpenters and reinforcing iron workers and their assistants will be needed by the firm during this period. He noted that three local workers were already employed by McLean in connection with pile-driving operations.

The Baltimore firm now has three cranes working at the inlet site and expects another soon. The mechanical equipment features one-steam operated crane with a 30 ton lifting capacity, one 40 ton steam operated crane for pile driving See PILES, Page Four

## STURGEON AND BASS TAKEN FROM WATERS ALONG DARE'S COAST

A 450-pound sturgeon with a length of over 9½ feet was netted by Melvin Twiddy and Chick Craddock of Manns Harbor on Thursday while the pair was fishing the waters of Croatan Sound. The catch was the largest sturgeon reported caught from sound water in recent years. The sturgeon yielded 110 pounds of caviar reported to be worth over \$300.

Catches of channel bass continue to be improving, as evidenced by the successful venture of Captains Buddy Cannady and Omie Tillett, who led a fishing party from Washington into fish laden waters on Wednesday and emerged with twenty channel bass. The largest fish taken scaled at 53 pounds.

## SWASHBUCKLING ROYAL TY FOR 1962 JAMBOREE



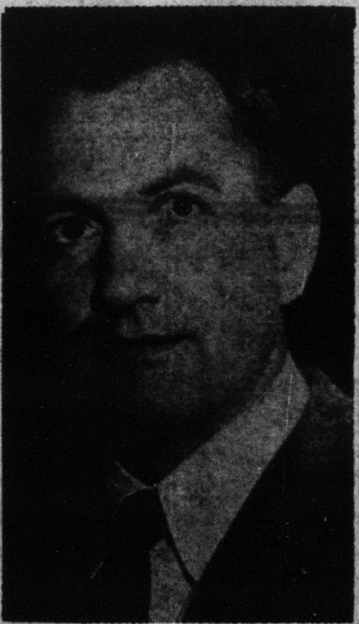
CLARENCE WINSLOW of Hatteras and MRS. NELDA DAVIS of Manteo are shown above in a regal pose, at the Jolly Roger Ball which was held on April 14, where they were selected as king and queen of the Pirates Jamboree for 1962. They are being tutored for their royal roles by ex-king Dock Austin of Hatteras and ex-queen Margaret Davis of Kitty Hawk, who have just abdicated.

## PRINCE AND PRINCESS TO ASSIST WITH JAMBOREE



MISS D'ANDREA MIDGETT and HERBERT BLIVENS of Manteo are flanked by buccaneer master-of-ceremonies Ralph Swain after having been selected as Pirate Prince and Pirate Princess of the 1962 Pirates Jamboree. The couple was chosen at the Teen-age Dagger Dance on Friday 13 and will assist the King and Queen in the performance of their regal duties here this weekend.

## JIM MORTON FEDERAL HIGHWAY ASSISTANT



JAMES G. MORTON has been appointed Special Assistant to Federal Highway Administrator Rex M. Whitton, it was announced this week.

Mr. Morton will be in charge of public affairs and information at the Bureau of Public Roads, U. S. Department of Commerce. He had been serving as a consultant in the Office of the Federal Highway Administrator prior to his appointment. Until recently Mr. Morton was Vice President of The American Weekly, nationally distributed newspaper supplement. He has a 20-year background as a writer See MORTON, Page Four

## MOVIE FILMED IN DARE

A camera crew and several beautiful models arrived at Nags Head on Thursday to begin filming a movie entitled "Variety Vacationland" which will publicize the unique resort attractions of the Outer Banks and other scenic areas of the state.

The film is being produced by Bennett Advertising Agency of Raleigh under the supervision of Ted Kramer, an official with the Bennett firm. The group has established headquarters at the Carolinian in Nags Head.

## WOODEN BRIDGE AT BUXTON NOT LIKELY: LEWARK

### Veteran Observer of Tides and Winds Says Temporary Bridge Unstable

It will be impossible to build a permanent bridge of wood across the inlet cut across the Hatteras Banks by the Ash Wednesday storm, in the opinion of William Vanderbilt Lewark, who has spent all of his 81 years, on or close to the often storm-battered Atlantic Coast.

He says that every new blow will carry an ocean torrent through the inlet, undermining the bridge and eventually carrying it away, unless expensive jetties are built or other steps are taken to stabilize the inlet. Also, he predicts that the new Oregon Inlet Bridge, now in the first stages of construction, will cause that inlet to sand up and eventually close.

Lewark, who celebrated his eighty-first birthday Sunday, April 22, at his home just outside Manteo, was born at Currituck Inlet on the Outer Banks. His father, John H. Lewark, was a guide at the nearby Monkey Island Club, maintained for sportsmen, among them the millionaire William Henry Vanderbilt of New York.

Vanderbilt was at the club when Lewark was born. He asked that the boy be named after him, and promised to See BRIDGE, Page Four

## SHORTER HOURS FOR SBA

Offices of the Small Business Administration in the court house in Manteo, beginning Wednesday, May 2, will be open only on Wednesday and Thursday of each week, from nine until 12 o'clock noon.

A representative will be in on these days to help applicants. The Virginia Beach office will remain open until May 18, and applications will be processed in that office.

## 8TH PIRATES JAMBOREE BEGINS SATURDAY; R. I. CAPTURES MOST EVENTS

### Fun and Frolic to Prevail As Annual Season- Launcher Gets Underway Saturday; Events at Hatteras Cancelled; Many Beach Events Set for Roanoke Island; Short But Enjoyable Program Scheduled for Visitors.

The eighth annual Dare Coast Pirates Jamboree will be launched in Manteo on Saturday as bearded buccaneers and their gals are expected to turn Roanoke Island into a grand mixture of Treasure Island and New Orleans at Mardi Gras time for what promises to be an exciting week-end of fun.

The day-long program of parades, treasure hunts, costume contests and glimpses of pirate royalty will continue as in years past, despite the inability of Hatteras Islanders to participate. Residents of lower Hatteras Island, who were cut off from the mainland by the new inlet which was created during the March 7 storm, were unable to plan for the numerous activities which have customarily launched Pirate Jamborees in the past.

The Hatteras events, which include the world's biggest salt water fish fry, fishing contests, dory races and beach buggy scrambles, have all been cancelled for 1962. Ralph Swain, co-chairman of the 1962 Jamboree, has stated that "We know that Outer Bankers on Hatteras would have joined in the festivities with the same spirit which had been such an inspiration to us in the past, if it had been humanly possible." "We only hope," he added, "that they will visit us during the Jamboree and join in the fun."

All events, except the Pirates Grand Ball, for the '62 Jamboree will be held on Roanoke Island for the first time in the history of the affair. Kitty Hawk Bay, the traditional scene of the Pirates Landing and Battle, will not be used this year because of shoaled waters created there by the recent blow.

The day-long celebration will begin at 10 a.m. on Saturday when a children's costume contest and treasure hunt will be held at the Old Tranquil House site which adjoins Fearing's Restaurant. The frolicking youngsters will be able to rub elbows with royalty at that time when Pirate King Clarence Winslow and Queen Nelda Davis drop by to give their royal blessing to the youngsters. Mrs. Hope Wright, chairman of the two events, says the initial phase of the Jamboree program will last until 10:45 a.m.

Shallowbag Bay will be invaded at 11:30 a.m. by two factions of warring pirates who will cast anchor after a skirmish of fireworks from their boats. The swashbuckling buccaneers will alight from their vessels at the Dare Power Boat Association's Dock just after the arrival of the Pirate King and Queen who will be presented with the Key to the Outer Banks. D'Andrea Midgett and Herbert Blivens, the Pirate Princess and Prince, will also be on hand to add a further touch of royalty to the gala affair.

After lunch, frolicking vacationers and townfolk will be treated to a parade led by the Washington High School "Pam-Pack" Band. The rocking procession will feature pretty drum majorettes, pirate royalty and 10 floats occupied by winners of various competitive events connected with the Jamboree.

Rachel Morgan, Miss Dare County, is expected to occupy a prominent position in the winding caravan of beauties and beads, and present plans call for the presence of a host of other lovely young ladies, who will vie with Miss Dare County for the title of Miss Southern Albemarle on May 9 in Columbia.

Alva Ward, chairman of the parade, has indicated that the procession will begin at Manteo High School and cavort its way through the streets of Manteo until 3 p.m.

The parade will be followed by the coronation ceremonies for Pirate King Clarence Winslow and Buccaneer Queen Nelda Davis at the Manteo waterfront. The royalty will be crowned in the presence of their court while aboard their royal yacht, the "Sea Hag."

On Saturday night the rollicking affair will terminate with the Grand Pirate Ball at the

## EUROPE'S PICTURE OF U. S. HURTFUL, TRAVELER REPORTS

### Mrs. Emmett Winslow Sees Distrust Born of TV and Tourists

By RALPH POOL

America needs a new national image abroad, to replace that projected by our news media, television and tourists, Mrs. Lucille Winslow told the Manteo Rotary Club Monday night.

Mrs. Winslow, wife of State Senator Emmett Winslow of Hertford and Nags Head, told of the couple's recent air trip to Europe as members of a caravan sponsored by the North Carolina Travel Council. Twenty-one North Carolinians took part in the trip, paying their own way. They visited England, Holland, and Germany, France and Switzerland.

In London, Mrs. Winslow laid a wreath at the foot of the statue of Sir Walter Raleigh in Whitehall. Everywhere they went, she said, she found Europeans intensely interested in her accounts of the Outer Banks and the North Carolina coast country generally.

In Holland, Mrs. Winslow was shown flourishing crops on fields that had been reclaimed from the sea only six months before. This was accomplished, she said, by pumping fresh water on the land and leaching out the salt.

In telling reasons for Europeans' reluctance to visit the United States, she said they generally were afraid to fly, and feared they would find the people unfriendly. "They fear we are brash and loud," she said. Also she added, few Europeans are able financially to make the trip. They like our cowboys and Indians, she said.

Everywhere, the visiting North Carolinians found Europeans busy and prosperous. Travel bureaus were uniform-

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## COLONY TRY-OUTS HELD ON MONDAY 60 SOUGHT ROLES

More than 60 aspiring actors and dancers from all over North Carolina and Virginia pulled a switch on Sir Walter Raleigh and made a voyage to Roanoke Island from the mainland on Monday, as try-outs began for supporting roles in Paul Green's "The Lost Colony."

Cliff Britton of Goldsboro, director for the outdoor drama, and F. Edgar Thomas of Chapel Hill, new general manager for the symphonic production, interviewed over 60 teen-agers, college students and Manteo townfolk for coveted roles in the nation's oldest outdoor drama.

Walter Stroud of Goldsboro, choreographer, marshalled over twenty 16th-century guys and dolls and sent the group through a variety of steps and patterns in the Manteo High School Auditorium. The short-shorted young ladies, who will evolve into a contingent of prim, pretty pre-colonial dancers, went through their routine with the youthful enthusiasm that has made the production a fresh and eloquent expression of the New World.

Several veteran actors were on hand to assist with the casting while searching for rooms in Manteo. The group included Mary Long of Rock Hill, S. C., a fifteen-year veteran with "The Colony" whose Queen Elizabeth has drawn huzzahs from critics throughout the nation. Susie Cordon, another polished performer, also made the trip to Manteo from Chapel Hill to confer with director Britton about her new assignment as Dame Coleman in the drama. Miss Cordon, who made her debut with the show last year with her performance as Joyce Archard, See COLONY, Page Four