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DARE BOARD SETS RULES FOR TARGET RANGE PROPOSAL

Apparently Concede That Range Will Be Established On Mainland

The Dare County Board of Commissioners has apparently concluded that further efforts in opposition to the proposed establishment of a bombing range on the Dare mainland will be futile. The board this week established an 8-point criteria, which, in most part, points up several of the stipulations made several months ago, at which time the Presidential Board and Governor's Committee made their final reports.

Included in the suggested list of the Dare board is that itself (the board) be acknowledged as the logical agency to transmit propositions and grievances; elimination of the Stumpy Point range; and "encouragement to eliminate use of the Duck range;" that reasonable identification procedures be maintained, in the event that "sonic boom" occurrence and damage is noted; that the range be closed from October 15 through Jan. 1 during hunting season, and possible further closure to include waterfowl hunting period; that a game management supervisor be assigned to the area to maintain records on game population; and that the Manteo Airport be used in the management and protection of the range.

This week's concession followed a report from West Virginia Pulp and Paper Co.'s timberlands manager in New York, William J. Faust who was formerly manager of North Carolina Woodlands and resided near Manteo for several years, which advised that agreement to have the range moved to another site would not be headed.

During the period of several weeks during which the county commissioners have shown such "grave concern" over the location of the range in Dare County, and expressed fear that heavy detriment might occur to the tourist industry, there has been a "verbal bombing" of Hon. H. C. Bonner, representative in Congress. There have been accusations of "double-dealing" and "selling out Dare County."

For those who are willing to look closer at the record, there is nothing to substantiate the charges which have been irresponsibly made against Mr. Bonner, who has through his important position worked tirelessly for programs on the coast, and particularly Dare County. Mr. Bonner, the records will show, fought hard to avoid the establishment of a range in this district, and after many proposals had been advanced, and beat down through popular resentment of establishing a bombing range, the matter was turned over to a Presidential Board and Governor's Committee, which consisted of a prominent and distinguished group of North Carolina citizens.

The complete report of the Governor's Committee was published by this newspaper in early March, in which was contained recommendations concerning fire hazard, wildlife interests, use of weapons to be employed, limitations of travel over the range site, etc.

The Air Force has assured the agencies involved that no detriment will come to the tourist industry by virtue of establishment of the range, and it is apparent that nuisance from other armed forces planes will be diminished in the area upon activation of the mainland range. They have further assured all parties concerned that every precaution will be taken to ensure that fire danger will be restricted to a minimum.

The concern by the Dare Board, some observers note, has been magnified out of proportion to the concern expressed by citizenry throughout the county, who have had only negligible adverse thought in the matter, being concerned with many other various aspects of livelihood, including the waste of tax funds for attorneys fees, and trotting back and forth to Washington on a matter which had been attended to by the highest authorities obtainable to settle the issue.

MARY JOLLIFF WILL RECEIVE MUSIC DEGREE



MISS MARY ELLA JOLLIFF of Manteo is a candidate for a Bachelor of Science degree in music at Winthrop College, Rock Hill, S. C., commencement exercises May 26. She is the daughter of W. M. Jolliff and Mrs. Grace Jolliff Lee of Manteo.

BLUEFISHING SAID BEST ALONG COAST DURING PAST WEEK

Bluefish, by the thousands were taken by anglers between Kitty Hawk and Ocracoke during the past week end.

Then came a northeaster which curtailed sports fishing temporarily — but only for a couple of days. By early this week the inshore fishing, especially for blues was back to normal for mid-May, the season of the year when bluefishing is always a good bet for the angler, whether fishing from pier or the surf or in the inlets. Inlet catches usually run higher than elsewhere because blues are surface feeders and it is easier to get to the spots where the fish are schooled up.

Top catch of the week end was made on Friday by Dan Nalls, Ollie Clark and John A. Nettleton, Herndon, Va. Trailing in Oregon Inlet aboard the cruiser Phyllis Mae, skippered by Capt. See FISHING, Page Five

ARMED ROBBERY, CARS STOLEN AS CRIME WAVE HITS

James Hogan Accosted by Negro Early Sunday Morning On Roanoke Island

Something of a minor crime wave in Dare County kept law enforcement officers busy last week end, as an unusual number of crimes occurred in various parts of the county. Offenses ranging from minor traffic tickets to armed robbery took place during the busy tourist week end.

James Hogan, a 29-year-old resident of Great Neck, N. C. was robbed as he parked his car at Drinkwater's Folly near Manteo early Sunday. According to Dare County Sheriff Frank Cahoon, Hogan had pulled his car off the road at the Drinkwater house, when a Negro man forced his way into the car. He was armed with a knife, which he thrust into Hogan's ribs, and ordered Hogan to drive away.

Hogan stated that he drove the Negro to the ball park on Roanoke Island, still under threat of the knife. At the deserted park, the Negro took the contents of Hogan's wallet, and then ordered him to drive him to a spot some miles away, where he got out, leaving the victim shaken but unharmed. Hogan stated later that the robber got only seven dollars.

Sheriff Cahoon said that several suspects were under surveillance. He mentioned also that the area around the Drinkwater place has been troubled with random prowling by Negroes for some time, and that steps were being taken to prevent further mishap.

Also noted among the criminal activities of the week end were three local car thefts, all occurring within a few hours of each other Saturday night. At Manteo, the car belonging to the National Park Service, was stolen from the street in front of Ben Creef's home. It was later found in the yard of Orville Tillett at Wanchese, whose car was also stolen, and later recovered in Kill Devil Hills. See CRIME, Page Five

DARE AND HYDE BOYS COMPLETE C. G. TRAINING



MALCOLM SPENCER DANIELS, JR. and STANLEY JOSEPH GASKINS recently completed basic training at the U. S. Coast Guard Receiving Center, Cape May, N. J. These young men enlisted in January, graduated as apprentice seamen, and will be assigned to duty in the Fifth Coast Guard District which has headquarters in Portsmouth, Va.

Daniels, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Daniels, Sr. of Wanchese, is a 1962 graduate of Manteo High School, and is married to the former Frances Sikora of Manteo. Gaskins, who is 19, is the son of Mrs. Hulda Gaskins, and is a graduate of Ocracoke High School, class of 1962.

BEGINS JUNE 29 STAFF NOTED, SPECIAL EVENTS PROGRAMMED FOR L. COLONY

Lights will go on in the Waterside Theatre on Roanoke Island the night of Saturday, June 29, to mark the rise of the curtain on the 22nd season of Paul Green's symphonic drama, "The Lost Colony". It will be the 26th anniversary year of the stirring historical mystery which has been presented continuously since 1925, except for four World War II years when the coast was blacked out.

A total of 58 performances are scheduled, every night except Sunday, through September 1, at 8:15 p.m. (EST). Special Sunday night shows will be given June 30, August 18, and the closing night, September 1.

William I. Long, head of the drama department at Winthrop College, Rock Hill, S. C. has succeeded the late Clifton Britton of Goldsboro as director. Long has been technical director for 14 years and a member of the company since 1940.

John W. Fox, executive director of the United Fund of Raleigh for the past nine years and a former newspaperman, is the new general manager for the Roanoke Island Historical Association. Mrs. Fred W. Morrison of Washington, D. C. is chairman of the R.I.H.A.

The four leading players will all be the same as last year. Marjlene Thomas (Mrs. Harry Thomas) of Elizabeth City will be seen as Eleanor Dare, the mother of the first child born of English parents in the New World — Virginia Dare — whose birth, baptism and christening is a highlight of the drama.

Gordon Clark of the University of North Carolina Playmakers in Chapel Hill will perform again as John Borden, the young farmer who leads the colonists on their mysterious march into the wilderness with Eleanor Dare at his side.

Mary Long, wife of the Director, will play Queen Elizabeth and Robert Grubbs of Misenheimer, N. C. will represent Sir Walter Raleigh. Mrs. Long is the mother of three and a teacher in the Training School at Rock Hill. Grubbs is head of the

SALT DEPOSITS, RAIN SHORTAGE BRING OUTAGE

Roanoke Island and South Nags Head Without Current 5 Hours Wednesday

The lack of rain in the coastal area of concern to many people, not the least among them the management personnel of the various electric utilities serving the area, took Wednesday, for example, when service to Roanoke Island and South Nags Head was disrupted for approximately five hours as a result of a pole containing a high-voltage transmission line being ablaze.

To those who are not acquainted, the lack of rain causes more concern than excessive moisture, due to the fact that salt deposits resultant particularly from sea breezes remain on transmission lines and connections. After an extended period of accumulation, the deposits act as a conductor, and in effect, result in a short circuit; hence, a fire results.

Such was the case Wednesday morning, when Veeco crewmen were called out to repair an outage at about 6 a.m. In this particular case, the problem occurred on a main line, and repair consumed the better part of five hours, service being restored at approximately 11 a.m.

ELECTED PRESIDENT DISTRICT POSTMASTERS



D. VICTOR MEEKINS, Manteo postmaster was elected President of the Postmasters of the First District at the annual meeting held in Williamston, Saturday, succeeding F. L. Andrews Jr. of Bethel. Mrs. Odessa W. Jarvis of Engelhard was elected Vice President and Mrs. Mary Louise Mann of Grifton was elected Secretary. Postmaster Sidney Hoffer of Washington was elected District Director of the N. C. Chapter of the National Association of Postmasters.

The luncheon meeting was attended by more than 100 postmasters, their wives and other officials. An ovation was given R. Jack Williams, Postal Services Officer of Raleigh and Mrs. Williams. Mr. Williams was one of the speakers. The address of Welcome was by Hon. Leslie T. Fowden, Postmaster at Williamston, the response by Mrs. Ola B. Sutton of Windsor. The principal address was by Hon. Clifton W. Everett, a Beheh attorney, and former Pitt County Representative. The Association has had a highly successful year, and its annual meeting will be held in Manteo in the first week of June. Other postmasters of the area who have served as district President include Mrs. Effie A. Brickhouse of Columbia former State President; Russell Johnson of Belhaven, Mrs. Maude M. White of Buxton. There are some 110 post offices in the district, and next spring the annual meeting will be held in Dare. See MEEKINS, Page Five

BLOODMOBILE TO VISIT DARE AGAIN WEDNESDAY, 29TH

Co-Chairman Urges Full Turnout from All Regions So Quota May Be Met

Wednesday, May 29 has been chosen the date for the visit of the Bloodmobile to Dare County. County Co-Chairman Horace Dough announced. Facilities will be set up in the Manteo High School gymnasium from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Mr. Dough stated that the location of the Bloodmobile has hindered the residents of Hatteras Island in past donations. He mentioned that the Hatteras residents may be set up under a separate chapter in the near future, since the people of northern Dare fell under the same quota system, which has been short in the past several years. He stated, however, that their cooperation, as well as the cooperation of northern Dare was urged in the coming drive.

The Dare County chapter is a component in a complex of chapters in northern North Carolina and southern Virginia, and each is assigned a quota based on the average yearly usage of the county's residents. The quota for Dare County is ninety units. Mr. Dough said. Since repeated failure to make its quota can result in a county's suspension from the program, all interested citizens are urged to attend. Mr. Dough expressed his gratitude for the past efforts, and looks forward to a fine showing in the coming campaign.

W. A. WILLIAMS ELECTED AS NEW NAGS HD. MAYOR

Ticket Leader in Last Week's Election Ho. Head Beach Town

W. A. Williams, Jr., cottage court operator in lower Nags Head, on Tuesday was elected to the post of mayor by his fellow commissioners. Under a unique charter provision for this Dare municipality, the mayor is chosen from the five elected in popular vote by the public in election the preceding week. Williams headed the ticket with a vote of 129.

Williams has been a member of the Dare County Planning Board, and chairman of the Nags Head Zoning and Planning Board. These capacities, Mr. Williams explained this week, he would vacate in order to comply with the no double-office holding rules.

He appointed W. L. Edwards in charge of utilities, which will include the town's new water system now in the near-construction stage; Dewey Hayman, streets; Tom McKinney, police, building and zoning; and Jess Newman, fire protection.

A native of Chattanooga, Tenn., Williams is a graduate of Washington and Lee in the field of civil engineering, and is a retired commander of the Naval Civil Engineering Corps. Before moving to Nags Head he was active in the millwork and construction business in Richmond, Va.

As a matter of policy, Mr. Williams explained that he would devote his efforts toward harmonious support of the town's interests, for all areas of the town, and also neighboring areas.

ALLEN MANN, JR. NEW MANTEO NIGHT POLICE

Allen Lee Mann, Jr., has been chosen to serve as temporary night policeman in Manteo. The former policeman, John Mitchell, was forced to resign because of an impending period of hospitalization.

It is not known how long Mann is to serve as the town's only night officer, since the scheduled town meeting was not held Monday as planned. Several members were absent, and a quorum was not reached. Mann began his post Sunday night.

ENTRIES INCREASE FOR BLUE MARLIN HATTERAS EVENT

Many Foreign Registrants As Plans Forming for June 3-8 Event

By AYCOCK BROWN
Big game anglers from as far away as Natal, South Africa, representing teams from many parts of the world, will be fishing from a multi-ton dollar fleet of deep sea cruisers at Hatteras during the fourth annual International Blue Marlin Tournament, June 3-8.

Sponsored by Hatteras Marlin Club of which Earl Phillips of High Point is president, the billfish classic this year has more entries than ever before. Forty seven sportsmen have already sent in their entries which does not include many special guests of those participating, or of the club.

Clubs to have teams represented in the competition include: Cabo Blanco Club, Tacara, Peru; South African Anglers Natal, South Africa; Pacemaker Sportsman's Club, Egg Harbor, N. J.; Virginia Anglers Club, Norfolk, Va.; Ocean City Marlin Club, Ocean City, Md.; Cape Hatteras Billfish Club, Hatteras; Deep Sea Club, Montauk, N. Y.; Tidewater Anglers Club, Norfolk, Va.; Panama Marlin Club, Atlantic City, N. J.; Atlantic City Tuna Club, Atlantic City, N. J.; Islamorada Fishing Club, Florida; Atlantic Anglers. See TOURNEY, Page Five

2ND BLUE MARLIN AND YELLOWFINS TAKEN SATURDAY

Second blue marlin of the season for Hatteras was landed on Saturday by James Baldwin, Washington, D. C. His billfish, a 238-pounder was taken from aboard the cruiser Twins II skippered by Capt. Freeman Stowe.

In addition to the blue marlin, the party aboard Twins II also hooked and landed two yellowfin tuna, a 91-pounder by Harold Proffitt and a 90-pounder by Jimmy Dobson, who were fishing companions of Baldwin.

Earlier last week LeRoy Lindner, trolling from cruiser, Escape II, owned and operated by Capt. Tex Ballance, had caught the first blue marlin of the 1963 season for Hatteras waters. Lindner's marlin sealed at 165 pounds.

Each of the foregoing marlin were brought into port and after being displayed for photography were turned over to Dr. William Hassler of the zoology department of State College in Raleigh.

Dr. Hassler and eight of his class members dissected the blue marlin to determine type of food they had been eating at this season of the year.

The Blue Marlin season should be underway in full force by the coming week and — especially in the off-Hatteras waters where more of the species are taken during late May and early June than any other place in the world.

DIRECTORS OF PLANTERS BANK HOLD MEETING AT NAGS HEAD

Coming by special bus from Rocky Mount, the board of directors of the Planters National Bank and Trust Company held a meeting this week at the Carolinian Hotel, Nags Head. According to bank officials, the directors meet once each quarter in a town where there is a branch of their organization.

This time the meeting was brought to the Manteo branch, and local board managers met with the directors and officers. On Tuesday afternoon a reception was given in the Nags Head branch of the Manteo bank for the directors, officers, local managers and their wives. After dinner there was a business session in the Carolinian.

Among those present were Archie McLean, president of Planters Bank and Trust Co.; Joel T. Lee, senior vice-president; and Wiley W. Meares, executive vice-president, all of Rocky Mount; Frank Turner of Raleigh, vice-president; W. R. Pearce and Gene Williams of Manteo, assistant vice-presidents.

APPOINTMENTS MADE, NEW TOWN HALL TALKED BY K. D. H. BOARD MONDAY

The first meeting of the new Kill Devil Hills town board was held Monday night, at which time appointments to the various leadership capacities in the town were made. The meeting was a called meeting, the KDII regular monthly meeting scheduled for the first of each month.

Ted Wood was unanimously elected to the post of mayor pro-tem, having been nominated by Robert A. Young after the first nominee, Mrs. Diane Baum Voliva, declined to consider the post. Other appointments are as follows: Robt. A. Young, commissioner of finance; Jack B. Ballance, public safety; Mrs. Voliva and W. T. Beasley, public works.

Mrs. Ruth B. Frank was appointed town clerk and tax collector, being the same essential duties she has carried out for several terms, in addition to the post of treasurer to which she was elected.

Filling the vacancy of assistant to the police chief also was discussed, Mayor Thomas H. Briggs noting six applications for the post. The Mayor, police chief and newly-appointed commissioner of safety were made a committee to interview the applicants and make further report.

Tom M. Dowdy was re-appointed chief of police, and will also serve as building inspector.

FOREST FIRE NEAR ENGELHARD SLOWED

A forest fire which started near the town of Engelhard's trash dump Wednesday around noon has been brought under control, after consuming about 200 acres of brush and timberland.

Fifty-five fire-fighters and two water-bombers were utilized in battling the blaze. Scattered showers were reported in some areas of the coastland on Thursday, but rainfall has for several weeks been negligible, and thus had added to fire danger potential.

HATTERAS WOMAN DIES ENROUTE FROM HOSPITAL

Word was received in Manteo Thursday morning of the death of Mrs. Lucy Gaskill Stove of Hatteras, as she was enroute home from a hospital. Details are incomplete.

Mrs. Stove was the widow of Freeman Stove, who was drowned many years ago. She was the daughter of the late Capt. Johnnie and Abigail Gaskill. She is survived by one son, Freeman Stove of Hatteras; four daughters, Mrs. Belinda Farrow of Washington, N. C.; Mrs. Minerva Tolson of Frisco, Mrs. Edgar Styron of Hatteras and Miss Lucy Allen Stove of Hatteras; one brother, four sisters and a number of grandchildren and great grandchildren.

DARE RECORDER'S SESSION TUESDAY JOHN BARLEYCORN PLAYS BIG PART IN DARE COURT

Intoxicating beverages played a big hand in the cases which came before Dare County Recorder's Court Tuesday, but a few involvements of other nature interspersed the evening's session which concluded about 7 p.m. Most other cases were motor vehicle violations.

In the first case called, Donald Mack Gray, Annapolis, Md., formerly a resident of Hatteras Island, was charged with speeding at a dangerous rate, resulting in a collision with personal injuries. The offense took place at the "Buxton Inlet" site on the 11th of April, and the defendant pleaded guilty to charges. D. S. Skiles, State highway patrolman stationed on the island of Hatteras, stated that the vehicle being driven by Gray collided with the rear end of a car belonging to a Mr. Creasey of Virginia, and that injuries of considerable nature were sustained by occupants of both vehicles.

The defendant was fined \$50 plus court costs. Robert Bruce Fulcher of Atlantic was charged with driving too fast for conditions, pleaded guilty, and was given 30 days suspended on payment of \$10 plus court costs.

George Columbus Gray, Jr. of Avon, charged with purchasing beer for a minor, had the case dismissed when the minor in question, Michael D. Quiddley of Buxton, stated in court that Gray had actually not been the party who purchased beer for him. Evidence had been presented which named Gray as the purchaser of beer for the 17-year-old Quiddley youth, on the 11th of May at the Nags Head Casino. Quiddley finalized the story with the contention that the beer he consumed "had been left on a table by another young fellow," and that Gray had nothing to do with it.

Catherine Bagley Johnson who for a time resided at Buxton, charged with driving under the influence, was given a month's suspended sentence, fined \$100 and costs, and asked for the surrender of her driver's license for one year, but the case was appealed to Superior Court.

The charges grew out of incidents on the 7th of May when she, in the company of her husband, was on a return trip to Hatteras Island, and the vehicle allegedly stopped on the pavement some distance south of Whalebone Junction on the new road to Oregon Inlet. Park Ranger Balfour J. Baum of Manteo testified that he observed the vehicle stopped, and went to the driver, inquiring if he could be of any assistance. He, according to evidence presented, was advised that his services were not desired, but acting under suspicion, Baum notified Chief Ranger Anthony Stark. Stark evidently was fast to move, and shortly thereafter halted the Johnson vehicle as it was proceeding south. Both Stark and Baum testified that the existence of alcohol was readily discernible. See COURT, Page Five

BETHANY METHODIST SELECTS CHURCH FAMILY OF YEAR

At the annual homecoming service held Sunday, May 12, at Bethany Methodist Church in Wanchese Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey S. Meekins and Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur N. Austin were chosen as the "Church Family of the Year." The Rev. Robert S. Pullman, minister, made the announcement of the choice of the special committee to select the family of the year. Mrs. James Gaskill, chairman of the committee on "Family Life," read the citation and presented from the church an album of Methodist history to the winning family.

Mr. Meekins is longtime Clerk of Superior Court of Dare County. Mrs. Meekins teaches in the Manteo Elementary School, and they make their home in Manteo. They are members of the Wanchese Methodist Church and take an active part in all its affairs. Mr. Austin is a nephew of Mrs. Meekins, and made his home with Mr. and Mrs. Meekins for many years. Mrs. Austin is the former Merlee Tillett of Wanchese.