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COAST GUARD CHANGES WILL PLACE MORE MEN IN DARE'S STATIONS

Two Landmarks, Kill Devil Hills and Caffey's Inlet Units Being Closed; Personnel in Other Stations Increased; Search and Rescue Work Always Important Items in Coast Guard and Lifesaving Service Still of Great Value

On June 29, 1874, an act of Congress established the U. S. Lifesaving Service. In December of that same year the Lifesaving station at Caffey's Inlet was established. By July of 1961 Caffey's Inlet and a sister station at Kill Devil Hills established in 1879 will have been deactivated to make way for progress. After more than 80 years of service to seafaring men from over the world these historic stations are now made obsolete by the more modern methods used in the Coast Guard of today.

This does not mean any lessening of the Coast Guard search and rescue work. On the contrary, the North Carolina Coast will gain 41 additional Coast Guardsmen and a fleet of modern rescue boats under the reorganization announced Friday, Dec. 20th.

There will be a new station on North Albemarle Sound and six existing North Carolina stations will receive new men and new equipment.

Twenty-one men are involved in the closing of the two stations on the Dare Coast.

The Albemarle Sound unit would have a crew of 22 men and a 51-foot patrol boat.

Additions to the remaining stations on the coast would include:

Oregon Inlet - 12 additional men and a new 44-foot patrol boat.

Hatteras Inlet - Four men and two 45-foot patrol boats.

Ocracoke - Three men, three boats and a helicopter.

Hobucken - Converted rescue station and equipped with boats.

Ft. Macon - Fifteen men and four boats.

Masonboro Inlet - Six new personnel.

The station at Caffey's Inlet has been operated on a limited basis in recent years. Present station complement is seven men under the command of a boatman's mate. The station at Kill Devil Hills.

The station at Kill Devil Hills has been in operation since Dec. 1, 1879. Surfmen stationed there in 1963 aided the Wright Brothers in their first flight. Surfman John Daniels is credited with taking the first picture of the Wright Brothers' airplane.

The present station complement is 15 men under the command of CBM J. E. Finn.

Kill Devil Hills and Caffey's Inlet will be the third and fourth Coast Guard installations in the Dare Beaches area to be decommissioned since World War II.

CONGRESSMAN BONNER FINALLY GETS HOME

Congressman Herbert C. Bonner finally made it home to Washington, N. C., in time for Christmas, after suffering minor injuries Monday on his way to Washington, D. C., to cast his vote on the foreign aid bill.

POSTMASTER MEEKINS IN NORFOLK HOSPITAL

Postmaster D. V. Meekins of Manteo is receiving treatment in Leigh Memorial Hospital, Norfolk, Va., for a heart attack he suffered last week.

SANTA'S VISIT IS BIG INCIDENT IN HATTERAS VILLAGE

The Hatteras Volunteer Firemen went all out for Santa's visit to Hatteras Village this year. They had the tree in the square lighted brighter than ever before. The fire station was beautifully decorated and the children met was, at 6 o'clock the firemen brought Santa from the airport in the shiny red fire truck. He rode through the village on the truck so the children who were in groups of illness could get a peek at him. Santa saw many little faces in the windows and peeped in to get (candies) smiling and waving to him. He came to the station where young and old awaited his arrival. He was assisted by his chauffeur, Fire Chief Anderson Midgett. He heard all the requests of the children and each child received a balloon passed out by the firemen. (The balloons were given by the 200 Many adults who passed balloons so that all could go home saying, "We have had a popping good time.")

DARE COUNTY IS FIRST MAIN STREET OF THE SPACE AGE

By KAREN KORBAK, Junior, Manteo High School
Because Orville and Wilbur Wright chose Dare County, North Carolina for their first flight of an airplane, I had a most exciting experience last Monday, December 16, 1963. Just imagine meeting the first American to set foot on earth in space or, perhaps, the first human being (according to Mrs. C. C. in an advertisement) to a business executive, the Russian have not satisfactorily proved their first order. I had an opportunity to meet John Glenn, talk to him, and shake his hand. What a thrill for a teenager of Manteo High School!

The Youth Seminar meeting held in commemoration of the First Flight of an airplane with John Glenn, who orbited the earth 23 times as a navigator, had young people from 12 states present and we were privileged to ask him any question we wished. Mr. Glenn answered us with knowledge as well as humor which I found to be so typical of this All-American man.

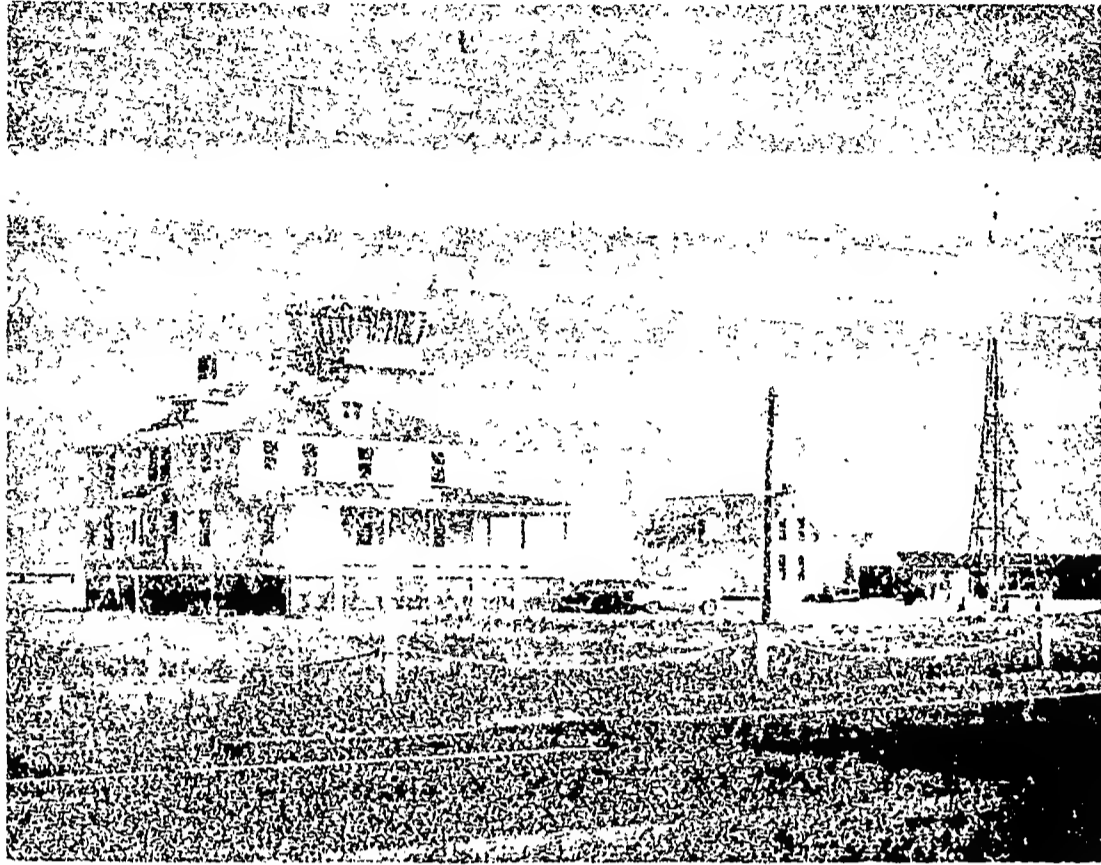
This participation in a meeting with our famous astronaut made me realize that he is a part of my life, and my generation and not only a prominent person on T. V. He is a part of the future and so am I. Mr. Glenn emphasized in the Youth Seminar meeting that "Space began on Main Street" and he made all of us feel that we could make contributions to the space age by being good students, continuing our education, and remaining interested in what goes on around us.

Another thing that impressed me was that Mr. Glenn took time from his busy schedule to stop in our evening meeting at the motel to say goodbye to all the boys and girls representing the different states of the United States. He is really a "great guy."

At the "end" of the day—midnight—when all of the meetings were ended and films of the history of aviation had been shown, some of the young people were informally to discuss and appreciate the happenings of the day. How exciting to talk to "Tim from Illinois, Larry from Richmond and Dixie from near-by, Elizabeth City and a dozen others.

I feel from this experience as the 60th Anniversary of aviation that I have re-evaluated my outlook of the space age. It is a wonderful feeling to be a part of Dare County, the first "Main Street" of the space age. (Karen Korbak was a delegate to the first Youth Seminar on Dec. 16, 1963, held at the Manteo Motel. She is a member of the Girl Scouts of Powered Flight, The 1st See STREET, Page Eight

THESE TWO LANDMARKS IN DARE WILL BE DEACTIVATED IN COAST GUARD SHAKEUP



KILL DEVIL HILLS (upper) and CAFFEY'S INLET STATIONS (lower) have become victims of progress and will soon close as the Coast Guard replaces obsolete facilities with new and modern structures and shifts personnel to fit present-day needs.



ON DECEMBER 30 TYRRELL CITIZENS URGED TO HEAR LITTLE FEDERAL PLAN DISCUSSION

J. Franklin Furlough, Jr., President of the Tyrrell County Farm Bureau, reminds all Tyrrell Citizens to hear the "Little Federal Plan" discussed by Senator P. D. Midgett and Representative W. J. White on Monday night, December 30th at 8:00 P.M. in the Agriculture building in Columbia.

"The people of Tyrrell County need to understand that serious issues very close to their hearts are at stake in the struggle over reapportionment of the Legislature," J. Franklin Furlough, Jr., of Columbia, president of the Tyrrell County Farm Bureau, has stated.

"Take rural electrification," said Furlough, "North Carolina's rural electric companies are urged to keep the independent through the 1967 Legislature; had they could very easily lose it under a Legislature dominated by urban interests."

The future of the rural electric cooperatives depends "almost wholly on keeping a reasonable balance of power in the Legislature between rural and urban interests."

Another issue, he said, is that of the county's rural school system. "For years, people in the cities have been complaining about their share of state tax money that goes to support rural schools." "If they're allowed to control the Legislature, they could very easily get a law passed which would force the rural counties to support their own school systems to a far greater extent than they do today."

"There are few rural counties in this state that do not need a great deal more money spent on their school systems. These counties and Tyrrell County is no exception. It is expected that an amendment will be made in the next year which will allow a doctor to head up the staff of the new facility."

BOMBING RANGE FUNDS APPROVED FOR AF AND NAVY

Restrictions Listed and Effects On Wildfowl To Be Reviewed

A program of long-range bombing approved by the Subcommittee on Military Construction, Committee on Appropriations, U. S. House of Representatives, has been announced by Congressman Herbert C. Bonner.

This program is for the construction of range facilities, estimated to cost \$34 million in connection with the operation of the Dare County and Palm Beach County, Air Force-Navy Weapons ranges.

The committee approved the construction subject to the following criteria:

The services will close down operations of the Dare County range during the migratory waterfowl gunning season, which is established from year to year by the U. S. Department of Interior.

The services will be allowed to use the Stumpy Point range during the time the Dare County range is closed.

Any proposed amendments pertaining to the operation of the Dare County range will be entered into only after negotiations between the military services, the Governors Office of the State of North Carolina and the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service of the Department of the Interior. The changes suggested by paragraphs "a" and "b" above will be incorporated as may be proper.

The services agree that timely and reasonable notice will be given to the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service of the Department of the Interior and the affected Members of Congress when any amendments or changes pertaining to the operation of the range are proposed.

The Committee will expect the services concerned, together with appropriate officials of the State and the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, to review the effect of Dare County Range operations on migratory waterfowl after the 1964 gunning season after operation of the range. Should it then be agreed that the restrictions in the first item could be removed or modified appropriate steps should be taken to accomplish this end. In the event such restrictions are removed, operations on the Stumpy Point Range should be stopped and the Range closed.

SANTA CLAUS VISITS WANCHESE COURTESY OF ROANOKE IS. FIRE DEPT.

Santa Claus made an appearance Sunday afternoon in the heart of Wanchese village, making the trip there by courtesy of the Roanoke Island Fire Department. A large crowd gathered, and each child took home bags of fruit and candy distributed by the kind old gentleman.

Members of the fire department visited all the elderly people and the shut-ins who were unable to attend the festivities.

Mrs. Randal Tillett of Wanchese this week expressed to a member of the TIMES staff the appreciation which she voiced for all the people of Wanchese. Mrs. Tillett said that the Wanchese citizens were most grateful to the fire department members who gave their Sunday afternoon off to bring so much pleasure to so many people.

MRS. JACK WILSON WINS FIRST PRIZE FOR DOOR DECORATION

The first award for the judging of the Christmas door decoration went to Mrs. Jack Wilson, Mother Vineyard, the second to Cathy Daniels' daughter of Mrs. J. T. Daniels, Wanchese and the third to Mrs. Clara Owens, Manteo. In the opinion of the judges, two of whom had judged previous door contests, there were not as many doors decorated as before but the general standard was superior to the previous years.

The contest was under the sponsorship of the Roanoke Island Garden Club.

SHERIFF CAHOON IN ALBEMARLE HOSPITAL

Sheriff Frank Cahoon of Manteo is being hospitalized in the Albemarle Hospital. It is expected he will be there for some time.

BONNER BRIDGE OPENING FIRST FLIGHT AIRPORT OUTSTANDING 1963 NEWS

Many Notables Attracted to Area at These Times; Blue Marlin Fishing Booms; Lost Colony Experiences Best Season, Ending With Figures in the Black; Manteo Has New Postoffice.

COMPLETES CG COURSE



HENRY R. BEASLEY, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry D. Beasley, Wanchese, has completed 6 months of training at The U. S. Coast Guard Aviation Machinist's Mate School, Elizabeth City. As a result of his good performance, upon graduation he was advanced to Aviation Machinist's Mate, Third Class.

Mr. Beasley is a graduate of Manteo High School and enlisted in the Coast Guard on September 18, 1960.

He will be reassigned to duty by the Commandant, U. S. Coast Guard.

STICK EXHIBITION IN MIAMI DRAWS FAVORABLE REVIEWS FROM CRITICS

Frank Stick, well known artist who makes his home in Southern Shores, Dare County, and who spends his winters in Key West, Fla., had a one-man exhibition of his paintings in Miami, Fla., on December 10, and received most favorable reviews in both the Miami Herald and the Key West Citizen. We quote from the Miami Herald: "Stick, well known as American sports artist, has a collection of strikingly beautiful seascapes and incomparable paintings of fish found in the Atlantic Ocean."

"A pair of beautiful landscapes' Sanctuary, Blandlands, Dakota' and Vermont Homestead, are more proof of the artist's versatility."

Mr. Stick exhibited under three classifications: seascapes, fish pictures and snow pictures.

CUBS HAVE FUN GETTING GOOD DEEDS ALL DONE

Den master Robert Spake of Pack 501, Manteo and the den members from Dens 1, 3 and 4 took a potted Christmas tree to the Roanoke Nursing home and set it up for the residents of the Home.

The ornaments and chains which decorated the tree were made by the Cub Scouts as their December project. Prior to taking the tree to the home the Cubs decorated it at their Christmas party at the Manteo Elementary School.

At the party Steve Basnight, Jr., led the Cubs in an appetizing building 15 minutes of callisthenics. Then the boys sat around the Christmas tree admiring their handiwork and eating their refreshments served by the Den Mothers.

WILLIAM BENJAMIN NEAL OF ENGELHARD DIES, 73

William Benjamin Neal, 73, of Engelhard died Sunday. He was a member of the Engelhard Christian Church. Surviving are his wife, Nancy Brown Neal; one son, William of the home; two daughters, Mrs. Nina Moore of Engelhard, Mrs. Frank Banks of Virginia Beach; three grandchildren; three sisters, Miss Neta Neal and Mrs. Susan McKinney of Engelhard, Mrs. Frank Mooney of Portsmouth, Va. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday at 1 p.m. from Engelhard Christian Church. Burial was in Fulford Cemetery.

By PATRICIA WILLCOX

Year's close of 1962 found the natural disaster of the Ash Wednesday storm ripping all other storms which were covered during the year. This year of 1962 found November the 22nd the day that almost obliterated memory of the other events which had taken place in 1963. Everything faded beside the enormity of the loss of the President of the United States and the manner of that loss.

Even the loss of the trawler Violet with its crew of three, painful and horrible as it was to the families of the crew, had to move back for the grief of a world over the loss of John Fitzgerald Kennedy.

The closing of the Buxton Inlet which had been dredged with such violence by the Ash Wednesday storm of 1962 united an island split asunder by a rage of nature. The loss of the President seemed to almost reunite a world split asunder by the petty rages of mankind.

The stories in The Coastland Times registered the heartbeat of an area serving as the poignant reminder to be read now.

mission

Lincoln

as the result

little boy had set

the old woods road to

Buxton with a companion. Dark

ness enfolded them as they

needed their new bicycles. They

were tired and confused as to

directions. So they built a fire

and tried to weather the night.

But the cold and the fog were

too much for the Rollinsons. Will

iam I. Long was appointed as

the new director of "The

Lost Colony" to succeed Clifton

Britton of Goldsboro, whose ill

health prevented him from continuing his long association with the famed production at the Waterside Theatre. (The report of Britton's death was received in February.)

Old Christmas celebration at Rodanthe had more than usual meaning since this marked the beginning of the Tercentenary Celebration of the State of North Carolina. State officials were there to help with Old Christmas in 1963.

Nags Head and Kill Devil Hills voted bond issues and began work on new water systems.

Down on Hatteras they took notice that men and slide rules do not always come up with the answers which will solve the problems of the Banks. They asked for more representation on the N. C. Outer Banks Seashore Parks Commission. Planners believe that Dare County has lived with the problems of the Banks long enough to have some worthwhile ideas on the subject. They not only made their ideas known they carried them to the meeting of the North Carolina Outer Banks Seashore Parks Commission in New Bern. Their forthright opinions and evident knowledge were impressive. The commission voted to recommend a \$2.5 million appropriation to start a multimillion attack on coastal erosion during the next two years.

Funds were made available to the Lake Mattamuskeet Area in the amount of \$150,000 for the improvement of roads, facilities, bridges, drainage, boat ramps, and building and forest stand improvements. These funds were made available through the Federal Accelerated Public Works Program.

And in January came the announcement that US 64, now sub-standard, has been included in the list of nine general improvements to roads in the eastern Carolina area.

In January, too, came the loss of the "Violet" of Vandemere and her skinner and crew. This tragedy is one from which has stemmed much of the present awareness of how much a stabilized and deeded channel

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