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SPECIAL COURT FOR MOORE CASE BEGINS MONDAY

Hyde County Venire of 100 Drawn for Hearing of Illegal Burning Charge

A special term of Superior Court is to begin in Manteo Monday, with Hon. George M. Fountain of Tarboro presiding. The only matter on the calendar concerns charges against Edwin Moore II, for illegal burning of the Parkerson Hotel properties at Nags Head several years ago. Time and time again the case has been heard, appealed, reviewed, removed, and finally winds up back in Dare County on the taxpayer's backs. An effort to quash the charges through an order signed by Hon. Howard H. Hubbard some six months ago was denied.

To hear the case, a jury is to be empaneled from a special venire of 100 Hyde County citizens.

The Parkerson facility, which a decade or more ago was considered one of the top resort vacation spots, has since the fires were extinguished, continued toward total collapse, an eyesore with no likelihood of worthwhile reconditioning if, as and when the cases are finally settled.

TOURIST BUREAU BOARD DISCUSSES COORDINATION

Quarterly Meeting of Board of Directors Held Wednesday in Manteo

Plans to make the Dare County Tourist Bureau even more effective as a promotion agency, and to coordinate its activities more closely with other organizations seeking to develop the Outer Banks as a vacation and travel mecca, were discussed this week at the quarterly meeting of the Bureau's Board of Directors. David Stick, chairman, presided.

It was decided to appoint a committee to study the organization, functions and services of the Bureau and to make recommendations to the Board in time for the development of a 1967-68 program.

Financial reports indicated that the Bureau could not expect during its current fiscal year as much gross revenue from ABC funds—its principal source of income—because of a change in the system of distribution of profits from the liquor stores. Funds are now being made available to the general fund of the county and to the Tourist Bureau on a quarterly basis, instead of the previous monthly distribution.

Likewise, Hallett Perry, a member of both the ABC Board and the Tourist Bureau's governing body, said there is no indication that Dare County ABC profits will increase this year. He cited the establishment of an ABC store in Currituck County as a possible effect on Dare County liquor sales.

Mrs. Burwell Evans, chairman, and John W. Fox of the Tourist Bureau which planned a new county-wide accommodations directory, explained that the 40-page booklet was not intended to compete with any existing or proposed publication known to the Tourist Bureau at the time it was started. Furthermore, it was explained that revenue from the sale of advertising in the book will be used for postage to distribute it, and for the printing of other literature. The new book will be delivered by the printer before the end of this month.

TWO MANTEO WOMEN CITED FOR THEIR CIVIC ENDEAVORS

Mrs. Elizabeth Creef, and Mrs. Sarah Owens, both of Manteo, are included in a "who's who" type of book titled "Outstanding Young Women of America."

Each of these young women have been very active in many civic endeavors here on the Dare Coast-Outer Banks which resulted in their inclusion in the book, published recently in Montgomery, Alabama.

In addition to her interest in civic activities Mrs. Owens is assistant to the manager and news director of Dare County Tourist Bureau with headquarters in the Community Building at Manteo.

Mrs. Creef is president of Manteo Womens Club currently, and active in Girl Scout affairs as well as other community projects.

TAR HEEL GOVERNORS AND HONORARY TAR HEEL



GILBERT LOVE, (R) travel editor of Pittsburg Press, whose columns have resulted in thousands of persons spending their vacations on the Dare Coast-Outer Banks and elsewhere in North Carolina was among Honorary Tar Heels entertained at Nags Head last week with the Carolinian Hotel owners as hosts. With Love in this photo are two former and the current North Carolina governors: Terry Sanford of Fayetteville and Raleigh; Luther Hodges of Chapel Hill, who after his administration was secretary of Commerce in the John F. Kennedy cabinet, and currently president of Rotary International; and Governor Dan K. Moore, each of whom attended the meeting of Honorary Tar Heels, one of the world's most exclusive organizations. Love remained on the Dare Coast after the meeting to visit communities for material that he will use in his forthcoming columns. (Aycock Brown photo)

KILL DEVIL HILLS VOTERS TO CHOOSE FIVE FROM NINE

Commissioners Posts The Only Contested Offices in Tuesday Balloting

With what may be a record revival of interest insofar as Dare County elections are concerned, Kill Devil Hills voters will probably turn out in record numbers Tuesday to elect a governing board. Mrs. Jean Perry Beacham, registrar, reported fifty-five new registrants, bringing the total to 236.

No challenges were effected last Saturday. Only three of the five-member board filed for re-election. They are: Charles T. Griffin, Theodore Wood and Mrs. Diane St. Clair. Incumbents W. Troy Beasley and Robert A. Young are not seeking re-election.

Other names to be found on the ballot are: E. V. Melson, C. A. York, James Ashley, C. Lane Phillips, Sam Rogers and P. J. M. Bayne. Melson and York have previously served on the board of Commissioners. York also was successful in a bid for mayor against Thos. H. Briggs in 1965.

Briggs is unopposed this year for the mayoralty and Mrs. Ruth B. Frank, town treasurer, is a lone candidate for that post. Voting will be from 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

OCRACOKE FERRY RATES TO BE CUT EARLY IN MAY

Rep. Taylor Works Out Lower Charges With Highway Department

It won't cost nearly so much to ride the Ocracoke-Cedar Island ferry beginning in May.

Rep. Nelson Taylor, D-Carteret, said he had worked out a compromise agreement with the State Highway Commission providing for reduced ferry rates. Taylor has withdrawn a bill from the General Assembly which would have cut the ferry charges below the compromise rates.

The lower rates are expected to go into effect May 1 or May 15, depending upon the time it will take to get out schedule changes and new signs posted.

The new rate for a passenger automobile and all occupants will be \$5. This compares with the present rate of \$6.50 for the car and driver, plus \$2.50 each for adult passengers, plus \$1.25 each for children. The present rate costs a family of four—car, driver, one additional adult, and two children—\$11.50 for the trip from Ocracoke, past Portsmouth Island, and landing finally at Cedar Island.

Under Taylor's withdrawn bill the ferry charge for such a group would have been cut to \$2.50.

The agreement provided that toll charges for passenger vehicles up to a three-quarter ton pickup truck will be \$5 regardless of the number of passengers. See FERRY, Page Four

THREE ISLAND BOYS SEEK PRIZES IN SOAP BOX RACE

Three 12-year-old Roanoke Island boys are using their spare time this spring whipping small racing cars into shape for the Tidewater preliminaries to the 30th annual All-America Soap Box Derby at Akron, Ohio.

Local youngsters seeking gold and glory by hurtling their homemade racers through a measured course are Edward Lee Mann, Warren Meekins, and Malcolm K. Fearing, III. Warren and Malcolm were in the derby last year at the Tidewater regional competition in the Norfolk, Va., area. Edward Lee is a newcomer to the derby.

THOSE WHO LOST TO STORMS, TIDES MAY GET RELIEF

Dare, Beaufort Lawmakers Offer Bill to Share Rebuilt Areas

RALEIGH. — Property owners whose land along the shore of Pamlico Sound in Hyde County was washed away in storms, tides, and winds could get title to parts of rebuilt areas under legislation introduced this week in the General Assembly.

The bill was offered by Rep. Archie Burrus, D-Dare, and Rep. W. B. Roberson, Jr., D-Beaufort.

The proposed legislation anticipates questions arising about ownership of new lands on the sound side of Pamlico Sound. The bill said projects are under way or forthcoming to create new land along the shore by pumping sand into the area. The bill would convey title to part of the land to property owners whose land abuts rebuilt land and who originally lost their land because of storms, tides, and winds.

Hyde County would be directed to survey and establish a building line along the restored shore. Land between the building line and abutting private property would be owned by the county and kept open for such purposes as streets and highways. The county would be authorized to use the strip "as a public park or square."

Under the proposed legislation, owners of property abutting "newly made or constructed land" on the Sound's shore would be required to make any claims to the new land within six months after the building line was established.

CHAMBER MEETING SATURDAY FEATURES GREENVILLE SPEAKER

Harold Creech, manager of Greenville Chamber of Commerce, Inc. and Merchants Association, is to be guest speaker at spring meeting of Nags Head Chamber of Commerce Saturday, April 29. The meeting will be preceded by buffet dinner but will be limited otherwise to strictly business. It will begin at 7 p.m. in Carolinian Hotel.

NAGS HEAD WILL ELECT FIVE-MAN SLATE TUESDAY

Mayor Will Be Chosen by Board; Seven On Ballot But One Deceased

Nags Head voters will on Tuesday name a slate of five from a ballot containing seven names, one of whom is deceased. The community was saddened in the loss of W. L. Edwards, a former commissioner who was first to file of the slate of seven. Edwards died Sunday night, following a brief hospitalization in Norfolk.

The entire incumbent board is seeking re-election, plus former mayor W. A. Williams, Jr., Dewey L. Hayman, C. G. Brickley, J. L. Newman, Carl Nunemaker and Tom McKimney constitute the present board. Hayman is mayor, having been selected by fellow board members in 1965. Uniquely, Nags Head does not elect a mayor. Five board members are named and they select from their own.

Hayman was high man on the ticket in 1965. Registration stands at 212, up only seven as result of new supplemental registration just conducted, according to C. Sherman Culppepper, registrar. There were no challenges.

Balloting will be at the town hall from 6:30 a.m. until 6:30 p.m.

ZONING MEETING FRIDAY NIGHT IN DARE COURTHOUSE

Citizens are once again reminded of a public hearing set for Friday night, April 28 in regard to zoning of Kitty Hawk Beach. The proposals which would regulate construction and development in a more orderly manner are to be presented by Dare County Planning Board through a committee of interested citizens from Kitty Hawk which has been compiling the suggested restrictions.

The meeting is to begin at 7:30 p.m. Those desiring to inspect the plans prior to the meeting will find them in the register of deeds office.

108 PINTS DONATED WHEN BLOODMOBILE VISITED WEDNESDAY

In spite of a heavy turnout Wednesday with 108 persons donating blood when the Bloodmobile visited at Manteo High School, Dare County is still short.

The quota for the Dare chapter this fiscal year (ending with Wednesday's visit) was 294 pints. A total of 159 pints had been given at the two previous visits, one at Buxton and one at Manteo.

County chairman Horace Dough said he was uncertain how this shortage of 27 pints left the chapter.

RETURNED MISSIONARY TO SPEAK IN MANTEO



REV. GEORGE MEGILL will preach at Mt. Olivet Methodist Church in Manteo at 11 a.m. on Sunday, April 30, and show slides of his work in Brazil at the 8 p.m. service Sunday evening. He will meet with the two membership classes at 4:30 p.m. Saturday. There will be a covered dish supper for the church at 6:30 p.m. Saturday in Fellowship Hall.

25 NEW REGISTRANTS IN TOWN OF MANTEO

During the recent supplemental registration of voters in the Town of Manteo, 25 new names were added, bringing total to 221, according to Mrs. Ruth B. Scoggins, registrar.

There were no challenges. Voters are reminded that ballot will be in the drivers' license examiner's office rather than the courtroom, due to a special term of Superior Court.

3 ROANOKE RAPIDS BOYS FINED FOR TRESPASSING

A group of youngsters interrupted the rest of R. E. Parker, Jr., Kill Devil Hills, Saturday night and eventually three Roanoke Rapids boys paid a total of \$135 for the disturbance.

Parker said he heard a car door slam and noticed five boys "horsing around" near his Bel-Air Motel. He said two of boys "took off" in the car and three advanced toward the motel.

Parker got a loaded shotgun and also advanced. He said the boys lost a lot of their enthusiasm upon sight of the shotgun and remained quiet while he called police.

S. H. Lassiter of the Highway Patrol issued tickets bearing breaking and entering—a misdemeanor — trespass—because "it was a case of tempering justice with mercy."

Two 14-year-old youngsters were picked up Saturday night near the Yount cottage in Kill Devil Hills. They said they had run away from their homes in Virginia Beach.

One youngster said he left home because his father made him get a haircut. The other said he left because his father was "always preachin' to me."

"I got a sermon every day," he said. Dowdy called the boys' parents who came and picked them up.

Sheriff Frank Cahoon reported two tires were removed from Jesse Perry's automobile Saturday while Perry was on duty as bridge tender at Roanoke Sound. Cahoon there were no clues in the case.

BILL WOULD NAME MEMBER TO DARE EDUCATION BOARD

Legislation introduced Wednesday by Rep. Archie Burrus would name William Brantley Twiford of Stumpy Point to the Dare County Board of Education.

Twiford is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Twiford, 28 years old, married to the former Kay Bratten of Manns Harbor and they have three children. Brantley is a nephew of Horace B. Hoover, who served out the unexpired term of Floyd Hooper who resigned last summer.

While Horace had legally been a board member for several months, the press of business and other matters prevented his attendance at board meeting, and when the omnibus bill went through Legislature earlier this year his name was not included through some mixup.

When the board was sworn in early this month, only four members were sworn in. Twiford will complete the membership.

ANNEXATION MATTER MAY SPARK MANTEO VOTERS TO ELECT AGGRESSIVE BOARD

Overwhelming In-Town Sentiment for Expansion and Growth Expressed; Most Citizens Want More Active Board; Good Turnout Expected Tuesday as Citizens Select Three Members to Direct Town Affairs.

The annexation of certain land areas to increase the town limits of Manteo has become a definite campaign issue of the impending councilmanic election on May 2. Though no municipal study has been made, nor official public statements been issued heretofore by any incumbents or candidates, the undercurrent of interest has grown steadily in recent weeks.

As a matter of interest to our readers, The Coastland Times conducted a poll of all candidates and incumbents as to their views on the expansion question.

In addition to this, a sampling of registered voters in the town was taken. With only two exceptions, the consensus of opinion was in favor of some form of expansion of the town limits. Of the two exceptions, one stated no definite feelings, and the other was not fully cognizant of enough knowledge on the question to make a decision.

Mayor Sam Midgett, leading the list of incumbents but unopposed, is quoted as follows: "I think that the town will have to extend its limits or disband. We must have some revenue to do something with for improvement. A survey must be made of the territory, then be presented to the county commissioners, and to the state. I do feel that it would be beneficial for the first few years to extend where the services are already available, as this would not be such a large expense. Further than that, a study should be made. If it is not profitable, it should not be done. We must know the income before we can plan the outgo. I feel it must be done, though, either expand, or let the charter go."

Commissioner Woodson B. Fearing, II made this statement: "Having been on the town board for a considerable length of time, I am very much aware of the problems facing any group of officers, whether incumbent, or newly-elected. The problems of expansion are great, but the problems of no expansion are even greater. The present corporate limits definitely restrict the town revenue. A large percentage of the townspeople live on extremely limited incomes not subject to yearly increase, yet the cost of maintaining even the same standard of local government increases."

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SUNDAY MEET IN COURTHOUSE ON LIQUOR LAW

State ABC Chairman To Explain Policies Under Permit System

An explanation of the new laws under which North Carolina's wet counties will operate has been scheduled for Sunday afternoon, April 30, in Dare County Courthouse.

Ray Brady, Chairman of the State ABC Board, is scheduled to preside over the session which should be of interest to dozens of hotel and restaurant operators on the coast who will be affected.

Legislation which was enacted by the North Carolina General Assembly after weeks of haggling over hours will become effective May 6, when the first permits will be issued, according to releases earlier by the chairman.

Under the "brown-bagging" plan as okayed last week, and until something better can be devised and legalized, operators of establishments whose patrons prefer to take their drinks to the table will be allowed to purchase a permit legalizing such handling. Assessments in the form of license fees ranging from \$100 to \$300 will be charged initially to such operators, with annual renewals at around half-price.

The meeting is to begin at 3 p.m. and those who will be affected are urged to attend the informative session. Questions peculiar to operations in this area will be answered by ABC officials, it is assured.

DARE COAST SCOUTS AT THEIR TREE FARM



BOY SCOUT TROOPS 165 from Manteo and 161 from Kitty Hawk, on Saturday, April 22, joined forces to form what was probably the most impressive planting crew to be seen on the Dare County mainland in many years. These Scouts, under the guidance of Shelby Hines and George Henderson, skillfully planted approximately 2,700 slash pine seedlings on three and one-half acres of Westvaco's property near East Lake. This pine plantation, which has been named "The Boy Scout Tree Farm," should be quite beneficial in helping the Scouts with their rank advancement. The tree farm will also provide a scenic view for the adjoining roadside park that Westvaco is presently establishing. The following boys participated: Manteo Troop: David Creef, Tim Creef, Walter Daniels, Buddy Midgett, Terry Midgett, Malcolm Fearing, Warren Meekins, Howard Payne, Johnny Westcott; Kitty Hawk Troop: Glen Campbell, Richard Dunnagan, Mike Harrell, Kerry McKinley, Tom Cafferty, Billy Cathey, Scott Wilkinson, Tony Tillett and Shelley Wise. (Aycock Brown photo)