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LOST COLONY SET TO OPEN JUNE 23 FOR 1967 SEASON

Waterside Theatre Beehive of Activity As Opening Night Approaches

A combination of veteran performers and technicians, with a relative few "newcomers" to the cast and staff, are literally working night and day to be ready for the formal opening of "The Lost Colony" outdoor drama on Friday night, June 23. Preview full dress rehearsals, to which the public will be admitted, are scheduled Wednesday and Thursday nights.

"The Lost Colony", first presented in the Waterside Theatre on the Fort Raleigh National Historic Site 30 years ago—on July 4, 1937—will continue every night except Sunday through August 27. Show time this year is 8:45 p.m. (Eastern Daylight Saving Time). The drama was suspended for four years during World War II to account for the difference between the 30th anniversary season and the 27th production season.

There are no starring roles in the symphonic, historic play written by Pulitzer Prize winner Paul Green of Chapel Hill, and directed and choreographed for the fourth year by New Yorker Joe Layton of Broadway, TV and Hollywood fame. Generally considered the leading parts are those of Eleanor Dare, the mother of Virginia Dare, first child of English parents born in America; John Borden, a farmer boy from Devon, England; "Old Tom", a comic character; Sir Walter Raleigh and Queen Elizabeth I.

Pat Kelly Gilbreath of Greensboro returns to play Eleanor Dare for the second season. Jimmie Ralston of Gainesville, Fla., is in his first season as Borden. Thomas Hull of Durham is "Old Tom" for the fifth consecutive year, and Thomas William Smith of Raleigh, is Sir Walter Raleigh for the third year.

Marjalee Thomas of Elizabeth City returned to the show this year to play "The Queen". She is a Roanoke Island native. See COLONY, Page Three

AT LONG LAST, OUT OF THE RUT FOR 15.3 MILES

U.S. 158 Business, On Beach Resurfaced For First Time Since 1940's

Newcomers to the Dare Beaches may take for granted the strip of highway running through the business district, but not seasoned visitors or Dare natives. To the latter, it is readily apparent that something has happened to the familiar thoroughfare.

That something is sand asphalt resurfacing along U. S. 158 Business, from the junction of 158 By-Pass-Business at Kitty Hawk to the junction of these roads at Whalebone.

Ordinarily, resurfacing a road is not especially newsworthy, but when the last time it happened was in the 1940's, it warrants notice.

This stretch of beach road has long been an inconvenience and in noticeably poor condition. The combination of inclement weather in winter and excessively heavy traffic in summer, added to the age of 158 Business made the highway one of the least effective features of Dare's tourist attractions, and brought repeated complaints from visitors and Outer Bankers alike.

Some considered it impossible to feel any enthusiasm for a proposed ocean highway linking northern Carolina and southern Virginia beaches when the local beach highway remained in so deplorable a state.

Last week the resurfacing was completed by Dickerson, Inc., of Monroe. The 25 Dickerson workers who started the job on May 9 of this year finished it on June 6. The local crew of the State Highway Commission Maintenance Department is at present back-filling the shoulders of the beach highway to enhance the job.

Having 15.3 miles of fine ocean highway for the first time in many years is good news. The fact that not one penny of money from the county or any of Dare's municipalities had to be spent on the resurfacing makes it doubly so. Expenses for the entire renovation were met by state bond money at a total cost of \$149,000.

In addition to U.S. 158 Business, See PAVING, Page Three

ROANOKE ISLAND "COLONIST"



AMONG THE PRINCIPAL PLAYERS in the 1967 version of "The Lost Colony" outdoor drama are these two native-born Roanoke Islanders. Woodson B. Fearing, II, playing the part of Gov. John White, is a merchant and mayor pro-tem of the Town of Manteo. He is the nephew of the late Bradford Fearing who was Chairman of the Roanoke Island Historical Association 1938-43 and the first general manager of "The Lost Colony". Marjalee Thomas, who enacts the role of Queen Elizabeth I, was born within a mile of the Waterside Theatre on the Fort Raleigh National Historic Site where Paul Green's symphonic drama is being presented for the 27th season on June 23 through 27. Mrs. Thomas, the former Marjalee Midgett, is now an Elizabeth City school teacher and the wife of Harry H. Thomas, principal of Elizabeth City High School. (Photo by Aycock Brown)

KILL DEVIL HILLS BOARD ACTS ON DISPUTED WOODS ROAD PROPOSITION

The Kill Devil Hills town board, at its regular monthly meeting Tuesday, June 13 in the town hall, reached a decision on the controversial Nags Head Woods road proposition. The commissioners voted for the town to accept the responsibility of securing easement for right of way of the road. Consequently, it will now be put in to condition by the state of North Carolina to receive Powell Bill funds.

In addition to regular town business, the board voted to purchase a new garbage truck, for which bids were opened and received during the meeting. The contract for the vehicle was awarded to E. Nelson O'Neal

and Associates of Raleigh. The new truck will be a Packmor-22 cubic yard unit, and delivery has been promised by July 4. The truck will be put into service immediately following its delivery.

New zoning board members were appointed, with C. Lane Phillips re-appointed to another two year term, and Neil Loy appointed to fill the vacancy created when E. V. Nelson became a town commissioner.

Mayor Thomm Briggs presided, with commissioner Theodore R. Wood, Mrs. Diane B. St. Clair, Charles T. Griffin and E. V. Nelson present. Commissioner Ernest Rogers was unable to attend.

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BOARD RECEIVED MANY REPORTS AT TWO-DAY MEET

Garbage Complaints from Hat- teras Island Aired to Commissioners

In addition to these items reported in last week's issue, the Dare County Commissioners heard reports from many departments including:

General Fund
Balance on hand April 30 \$43,020.57; total deposits plus previous balance \$53,488.86; less disbursements of \$15,973.24; thus a balance on hand May 31 of \$15,973.24.

Tax Collector
Collections on the current levy during May amounted to \$21,146.35, leaving balance of \$76,706.96. Delinquent collections amounted to \$653.10, leaving balance of \$74,397.15. Privilege license collections during May total \$1,125, bringing total for year to \$1782.50.

Garbage Complaints
From two Hatteras Island communities came complaints regarding trash dumps, said to be creating nuisances and believed a health hazard. The problem at Hatteras village was referred to the health department for recommendation. In the Buxton matter, the board voted to request the garbage contractor to negotiate with the National Park Service for a site which would relieve the situation.

A request by Murray Motor Parts to be relieved of taxation from the Roanoke Island Garbage District brought no satisfaction. The firm contended that since the contractor did not pick boxes which constituted the major portion of its refuse that it should not be taxed. The board voted to notify Murray. See BOARD, Page Three

SEAFOOD DRYING PLANT DAMAGED BY \$75,000 FIRE

BELHAVEN — Fire swept through part of the Belhaven Fish and Oyster Co. Tuesday and destroyed a drying plant estimated by Fire Chief Leon Smith to be worth \$75,000. The drying plant was located at the foot of Pamlico street, bordering the town's business district. Smith said there never was any danger the blaze would spread to the business district. The firm's main building, housing company offices, was saved.

Smith said the drying plant had some equipment that was under intense heat during processing operations, and that shortly before noon an explosion was heard.

"Suddenly the drying plant was engulfed by fire," Smith said, "and we were forced to concentrate our efforts on saving the main building and keeping the blaze from spreading." The company is owned by Clyde Potter.

WAR IN MID-EAST BRINGS EVACUEES TO DARE FOR A VISIT AND LUXURIES

A direct result of the recent war in the Mid-East, Mrs. Ronald Kaufmann and sons, Ronnie and Jeffrey are visiting Mrs. Kaufmann's mother and grandmother, Mrs. Judson Payne and Mrs. Roland Meekins at their home near Manteo. Capt. and Mrs. Kaufmann and their children were living in Tripoli, Libya, where Capt. Kaufmann is stationed at Wheelus Air Base. They had been there for more than two years and had about expected to be there eight or nine months more. The women and children were evacuated first to Spain, then to the United States. Mrs. Kaufmann and children arrived last week. Capt. Kaufmann is still in Libya.

Mrs. Kaufmann found many interesting facets to her stay in the Mid-East, but is glad to be back where the "luxuries" (which we take for granted) are once more available. These include having drinking water which does not have to be carried in jugs from the air base to the homes, as they did in Tripoli; being able to eat fresh fruits and vegetables without first disinfecting them; having fresh eggs; and having showers. While they had running water in Tripoli, it was full of bugs and could be used only for bathing and washing—not for drinking or cooking. The Kaufmanns' second son was born after they went to Libya. Mrs. Kaufmann is a registered nurse and formerly lived in Norfolk, Va.

DARE COMMISSIONERS COMPENSATION FOR LAST MONTH LISTED

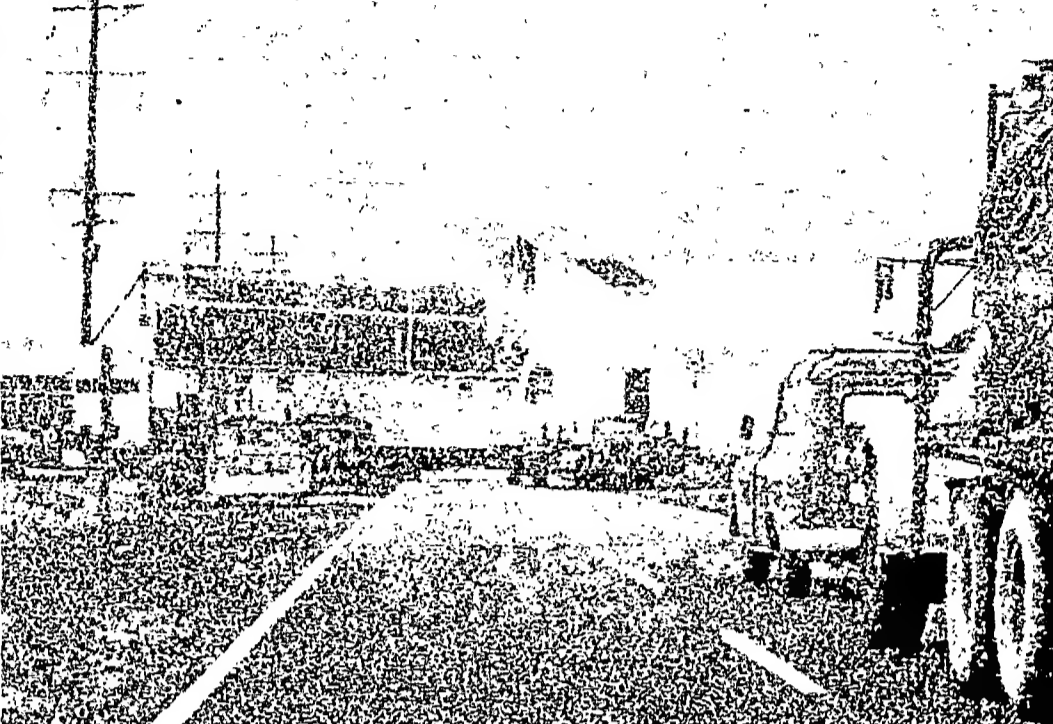
For the month of May, the Dare County commissioners were paid a total of \$1224.07 for meetings, meals and travel. The breakdown is as follows:

W. S. White, chmn.	\$366.07
Dr. W. W. Harvey	121.36
J. W. Scarborough	147.10
R. K. Tillett	152.70
P. A. Tillett	222.72
C. D. Burrus	214.12

MASONS TO ATTEND CHURCH IN A BODY

Members of Manteo Masonic Lodge No. 521 A.F. and A.M. will meet to attend service at a body at Mount Olivet Methodist Church at eight o'clock Sunday night, June 18.

TOUGH ASSIGNMENT FOR THE MAN WHO MOVES ANYTHING



JOHN FEREBEE of Manteo, the distinguished mover of houses, had a tough assignment when he agreed to move former Pea Island Coast Guard Station, some 13 miles south of its original location to Salvo village where Harvey L. Pettit who purchased the structure plans to include it in a motel-trailer camp operation. It was necessary to split the building in half to make the trip down N.C. 12, under many utility lines and through the villages of Rodanthe and Waves. Pea Island Coast Guard Station was at one time the only all-Negro manned Coast Guard unit in the service. The house had reached its destination when the photo was shot on Wednesday afternoon, but traffic was halted temporarily at the finish line. (Aycock Brown photo)

THROUGH MAY MORE THAN 200,000 VISITED CAPE HATTERAS SEASHORE

During the first five months of 1967, a total of 200,546 persons were counted as visitors to the Cape Hatteras National Seashore Recreational Area.

Only 71,432 persons were counted during May which this year was a rugged month beset with rains and stormy weather. This was a 20 percent decrease, as compared to May 1966, when weather was excellent.

The weather was perfect during early June and if the pattern of former summer seasons is repeated, it will be good from here on out, so the drop in visitation is not likely to affect the total calendar year travel to this first of the National Seashores. Last year, 1,130,000 persons visited the recreational area.

Of 55,515 persons counted at Wright Brothers National Memorial during the first five months of the year, of which 21,438 visited this site of the Wright Brothers' historic first flights during the month of May. The Wright Memorial at Kill Devil Hills near Kitty Hawk is an international attraction, attracting persons from all parts of the world to visit the aviation shrine, its visitor center and reproduction of facilities used by the Wrights in 1903.

During the next three months visitation at Fort Raleigh National Historic Site, scene of The Lost Colony drama begins on June 23 for its 27th production season. Only 38,111 persons had visited the site during the first five months of the current year, of which 14,316 were visitors in May.

TINY AIRCRAFT USES SCENE OF FIRST FLIGHT

A tiny aircraft, called a Gyrocopter and named "Spirit of Kitty Hawk"—took off Thursday from the First Flight Airport at the Wright Memorial in search of records for this type of aircraft over measured courses of 3 kilometers and 15 kilometers along beaches of the Outer Banks. National Park Service officials said Pilot Igor B. Benson was required to follow minimum air safety regulations set by the Federal Aviation Agency, inasmuch as the beach near the Memorial now is a congested area. Records previously set by this aircraft include traveling 82.5 kilometers per hour for 100 kilometers and climbing 2,176 meters.



MRS. MAXINE EVANS NAMED A MEMBER OF WELFARE BOARD

Kitty Hawk Resident Succeeds Mrs. George Hooper Of Stumpy Point

The Dare County Public Welfare Board met Thursday, June 15 at 8:30 a.m. in the Welfare Department Offices for the purpose of electing a new member of the board to replace Mrs. George Hooper of Stumpy Point, whose term expires in July.

The board, with all members present, elected Mrs. Maxine Evans of Kitty Hawk, who now becomes the third member of the three person group, serving with M. K. Fearing, Jr. of Manteo, State Welfare Board appointee, and Calvin D. Burrus of Buxton, who was appointed by the county commissioners. Mrs. Evans will serve as local board appointee, as responsibility for membership on the Welfare Board is divided between the state and local boards and the county commissioners.

Mrs. Evans is the former Maxine Tillett of Kitty Hawk and is married to John Watson Evans. They have one daughter, Sara Lynn Evans.

The new board member is a graduate of Kitty Hawk High School and attended San Diego State College, San Diego, California. She is active in civic and community affairs, is a member and trustee of the Kitty Hawk Methodist Church, and membership in the Eastern Star, Roanoke Island Chapter; Dare County YDC; Nags Head Chamber of Commerce; PTA and many others.

Mrs. Evans is a former employee of the Dare County Welfare Department, having served as a staff member from the department's inception in 1936 until 1942, at which time she moved to Greene County. She was employed as member of the Department of Public Welfare of that county from 1942 until the birth of her daughter in 1949.

The Evanses returned to Dare County in 1952, at which time Mrs. Evans entered the National Park Service, from which she retired in 1965.

Mrs. Grace Hooper was appointed by the local Welfare Board and was sworn in as a member in August, 1961. She has served continuously since that time, acting as board chairman on the resignation of Penel Tillet in November, 1965, and being re-elected by her fellow board members to serve a second term as chairman on September 1, 1966. Mrs. Hooper is a teacher in the Dare County system, and is well known throughout the area.

Chairman Hooper was given special thanks and recognition by the board at the meeting, and commended for her excellent leadership and service over the past years.

The welfare board will meet See WELFARE, Page Three

DISTRICT COURT SESSION LIGHT; ONE DEFENDANT

The District Court calendar Friday set some sort a record for quantity. Only one defendant appeared before Judge Fentress Horner.

Ray Allen Lassiter, Jr., Boykins, Va., pleaded guilty to traveling 45 miles per hour in a 35-mile zone. He was fined \$10 and costs of \$15.

The same penalty for a similar offense was assessed against Luther Ray Jacobs who relayed his plea of guilty by telephone.

Horner continued cases against: Calvin Lee Smith, charged with drunken driving; Robert J. Foster, Jr., malicious damage of personal property; Vernon Dan Leonard, drunken driving; and Raymond Bernard Foster, Dennis Nelson Robinson, and Douglas Edward Dorris, all of Hatteras, on charges of exceeding safe speed.

Submissions during the week: George Jacob McClense, Manteo, failing to comply with inspection law, cost \$15; Edward C. Revelle, Conway, 50 m.p.h. in 35 zone, fine \$15, costs \$15; John Alexander Meekins, Manteo. See COURT, Page Three

NAGS HEAD C OF C TO GIVE ANGLER AWARDS

The Chamber of Commerce of Nags Head will present Anglers' Awards this season, according to Mrs. Winnifred Scott, Executive Secretary. These awards will be given to any angler in the Outer Banks area who catches a fish meeting the requirements of the award committee.

Dr. L. F. Koresch of Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, received the first award of the current season for a bluefish weighing 16 pounds, caught while trolling from his 16 foot cruiser at Oregon Inlet.

Weight limits and eligible species for the angler's award can be secured from the Chamber of Commerce office at Nags Head. Official weighing stations of the award committee are at Oregon Inlet Fishing Center, Nags Head Pier, Jannette's Pier, Avalon Pier, Daniel's Fishing Center, Nags Head Ice and Storage, Mack's Fishing Center and Kitty Hawk Pier.

NAGS HEAD C OF C SETS NEW HOURS

The summer schedule for the Nags Head Chamber of Commerce office will be Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.; 1:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. The office will be closed all day Sunday. Any persons wishing information about the recreation and business facilities of the Outer Banks area is invited to call Mrs. Winnifred Scott, Executive Secretary, 441-4411, or write to the Chamber of Commerce, Box 356, Nags Head, 27959

BILL SELL, Hanover, Penn. (second from left), caught this 28 1/2 pound blue marlin to take an early lead in the eighth annual international Blue Marlin Tournament at Hatteras this week. Skipper of the "Little Clam", cruiser from which he caught the marlin, was Capt. Clam Stowe (left) of Hatteras. His fishing companion was Dave Detar of New Oxford, Penn. Bill Faglin (right) was the mate aboard the "Little Clam". Through Tuesday, another blue marlin, two white marlin, and 1 sailfish had been taken during the tournament with three days still to go before it ends. (Aycock Brown photo)