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ONE-DAY TERM OF CIVIL DIST. COURT SET FOR APRIL I

Thirty Called For Jury Duty Although May Not Be Needed

A one-day term of civil district court has been scheduled in Dare county for April 1. The presiding judge will be oither Fentress T. Horner or W. S. Privott.

C. S. Meekins, clerk of court for Dare, said 30 persons had been summoned for possible jury duty during the one-day session.

The jury may have nothing to do. The docket consists chiefly of about a half dozen heard by the jury if either the plaintiff or defendant asks for a jury trial. In most divorce cases the judge alone decides whether to grant or refuse a decree and set possible condi-

The regular Friday session of criminal district court was a bobtailed affair. Only two cases daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cliff were called,

George B. McClelland of miles per hour in a 55-mile zone. He failed to show. Horner a year. She would like to furordered a warrant for his arrest.

Milton Richard Midgett of Hatteras appeared to answer a training in dramatics she is charge of driving while under undecided at present on a talent Lloyd C. Loomis, real estate the influence of elephed on Deal for commetition. the influence of alcohol on Dec. for competition.

tion.'

M'dgett's record for similar ficials have announced that a offenses, the fine would be \$150 parade of the contestants will and costs with his driver's li- be held in Manteo on the day of conse suspended for 12 months. the pageant. Also on that after-Midgett protested that he didn't noon the judges, entrants and have that much money. The out of town guests will be judge then reduced the fine to guests of Pepsi bottlers at a \$110 and costs and lef stand the party. A dinner is scheduled for penalty regarding the license. Subcommissions to the clerk included:

Midgett, Manteo, public drunkenness. \$17; Brian J. Ewald. Norfolk. Va., enaged in affray, \$17: Daniel Lee Nau- leave of absence to enter Duke gaks, Norfoll: engaged in af- University Hospital for treatfray. \$17; William Howard ment of an ailing back. Sawyer, Buxton, exceeding safe

MISS DARE ENTRANT 4.87

PATRICIA ANN ROGERS, is a contender for the title of 'Miss Dare" in the Jaycee-

sponsored pageant to be held in Manteo in April. Miss Rogers, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Rogers

of Norfolk and the grand-Tillett of Wanchese with whom she makes her home. She Elizabeth City was called to an- graduated from Norview High, swer a charge of speeding 70 Norfolk in 1967, attended a business college in Norfolk for

> ther her education at Norfolk College and Old Dominion College. Although she has had

Her hobbies are many and Midgett pled guilty. The ar- varied and she probably has resting officer, Deputy Sheriff more experience in title com-Ray Basnett, said there was petition than other entrants nothing unusual about the case. having been selected as outthat no accident occurred, and standing "Y Teen" and midthat "it was just a matter of winter ball queen of '67, at reckless driving and intoxica- Norview and Dare Pirate Jamboree Princess '64.

Horner noted that because of Local Jaycee pageant of-\See ENTRANT, Page Six

Lionel Ernscliffe Midgette, DEPUTY GETS LEAVE FOR Manteo, failure to comply with BACK TREATMENT; DUVALL inspection law, \$15: Melvin TAKES JOB UNTIL AUGUST

Deputy Sheriff Willie E. Danicls has been granted a Sheriff Frank Cahoon said sneed, \$15; Ellsworth Burrus Daniels suffered a slipped disc

SOUGHT IN 1ST Nine Locations in District To Be Upgraded; Including Buxton, Engelhard The Post Office Department is seeking to improve post office facilities in nine communities of the First Congressional District.

> Congressman Walter B. Jones said Monday the department is asking for bids on improved buildings at Blounts Creek in Beaufort County: Coinjock. Currituck and Poplar Branch in Currituck County; Ernul in Craven County, Buxton in Dare County, Cofield in Hertford County, Engelhard in Hyde County and Lowland in Pamlico County.

Jones said the department will award contracts to the bidders who designate suitable buildings, agree to improve the buildings according to specifications and agree to rent them for five years with three five-year renewal options.

UPGRADING OF

POST OFFICES

Under this plan, Jones pointed out, the property in each community will stay on

local real estate tax books. Noting that bids must be filed before Auril 24. the congressman said bidding documents may be obtained from Hancock Station, Atlanta, Ga.

30303. Loomis will supply bidding forms, specifications, rent provisions and other information.

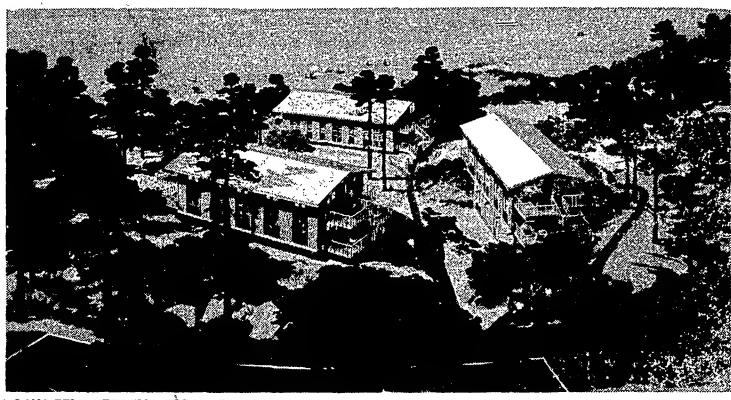
\$16,000 WIPED OFF DARE TAX BOOKS IN OLD ACCOUNTS

Special Legislative Act of Last General Assembly Involves 1955 and Prior Taxes

Reports recently filed with the Dare "County Board of lections during the first two

months of 1968 as follows: Levy balance for 1967 taxes at the end of December was \$245,995 86, total collections during January of \$71,527.26; balance on 1967 levy of \$174,-

482.57: collections on delinquent taxes during January of \$2,-452.82; balance on delinquent levy of \$92,404.76. During February, collections



HOUSING NEEDS BEING MET WITH ERECTION OF THREE MODERN BUILDINGS

A LONG-FELT NEED FOR ADEQUATE HOUSING for the cast and staff of "The Lost Colony" outdoor drama is being met by the erection of three apartment buildings, located on high dunes overlooking Roanoke Sound, less than a mile from the Waterside Theatre.

Governor Dan K. Moore and Mrs. Fred Morrison, chairman of the sponsoring Roanoke Island Historical Association and Producer of the Paul Green play, announced Thursday, that the buildings will be completed in time for the start of rehearsals of "The Lost Colony" the first week in June. The drama will be presented for the 28th season June 21 through August 25.

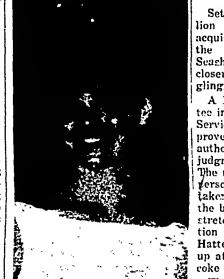
"The Association is building the housing," Mrs. Morrison said, "too accommodate approximately 48 of the more than 100 performers and technicians who annually work in the play. The project is made possible through gifts to the Association.

> "Other cast and staff members," she continued "are either 'local' or will continue to find accommodations in the Dare County community. Each of the three buildings will have four apartments, two on each floor, and each apartment will consist of two bedrooms, a liv-

ing-and-dining area, a kitchen; bath and outside deck. A convertible sofa-bed in the living room will enable occupants to Commissioners showed tax col- entertain family and friends upon occasion."

The Governor and Mrs. Morrison have explained that the site, as well as the buildings, will be the sole property of the Roanoke Island Historical Association and is not located on National Park Service lands,

Jack McM. Pruden of



QUEEN DAWN EVANS, win-The apartment buildings will ner of the title of Miss Manteo approved by the House Interior

be completely equipped and High last year, which pageant Committee. Then the various furnished. They were designed was sponsored by the Dare appropriation committees conerned must act and the House

TO CROWN "MISS DARE" PAYOFF OF \$2.6 MILLION NEARER AFTER 15 YEAR'S

Settlement of about \$2.6 mil-Park officials at Washington lion for 6,400 acres of land estimated it would be 1969 or acquired by condemnation for 1970 before the final payoff can the Cape Hatterns National be made. Seachore has moved a step Wallace McCown, Manteo. the persons who lost their land,

A House Interior subcommit- said he could not forecast a tee involved with National Park closer date for the payoff. Service affairs recently ap- About two-thirds of the land proved a senate-passed bill in the seashore area was About two-thirds of the land authorizing payment of land donated or purchased with judgments totaling \$2,585,703. funds from private organiza-The money will go to about 100 tions. The government took the fersons whose property was additional 6,400 acres by right taken to form an addition to of eminent domain with paythe big seashore recreation area | ment to be arranged through stretching from the south seccourt suits and eventually by congressionally appropriated Hatteras Island and winding funds. The first court suits in con-

nection with the acquisition were filed in 1953. Other suits were filed in later years, the

PLANNING BOARD

will

TWO DARE AREAS But Nobody Filed for Board of Education from Croatan Township

3-WAY RACE FOR

COMMISSIONERS.

By Wednesday of this week, that had appeared earlier as four-way race for the Dare County mainland commissioner's eat had narrowed down to hree. One of those filing last Friday announced that he had econsidered.

Ira Spencer, Jr. of Manns Haror stated that under the circumstances which he had learnd of since his filing fee was paid, that he would withdraw. He apparently referred to the other late candidacy, that of Calvin E. Payne of Stumpy Point, who also filed last Friday.

As matters now stand, W. Stanford White, who has been on the board six years and for the past two years as chairman. s being opposed in the May 4 Democratic primary balloting by M. P. (Phelpic) Edmondson f Manns Harbor and Payne. The latter unsuccessfully sought the position six years ago in

a three-way contest. Another Manns Harbor man, Elton Elroy Gard, Jr., as a Republican, will oppose the successful Democrat in the November general election.

No person filed for board of education from Croatan, although Glenn Twiford, some two minutes after the noon deadline, indicated to Clerk of Court C. S. Meekins his desire to run. He was "shut-out." Talmadge Best, another Stumpy Point who was attorney for several of man, had planned to file, but due to a break-down aboard his See RACE, Page Six

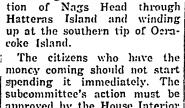
TWO SERIOUS WRECKS OCCUR IN NAGS HEAD

Two serious automobile acidents in Nags Head were reported during the week end as ourists began arriving for the oudding summer resort season. Police Chief Donovan F.

Twyne of Nags Head said the first accident occurred about 11:15 p.m. Saturday when a small, American-made car oporated by Robert Forrest Taylor, Jr., left the highway and turned over several times,

The Dare County Planning throwing Taylor from the in the court wreckage. Twyne said Taylor

last in 1959.



closer after 15 years of wrangling.

son, Manteo, public drunken- South Lake. Daniels is expected ness, \$17; Richard Austin, to go to Duke early in April. Sarasota, Fla., engaged in affray, \$17; Samuel Irving policeman, has been appointed Dowdy, III. Norfolk, engaged to Daniels' slot in the sheriff's in affray, \$17.

GIRL "FLOATS" TO SHORE AFTER CAR ENTERS CANAL

Linda Edwards Mills, 21, Raleigh, narrowly escaped drowning March 23 when her car skidded on a rain-drenched highway and scooted into a roadside canal near Manns Harbor. The car was completely submerged.

State Trooper S. III. Lassiter said Miss Mills jerked open the car door and struggled to the surface. He said she told him she could not swim and "just floated" to shore.

Lassiter said the girl had stopped at the intersection of highways 64 and 264 and as she started forward on the slick roadway the car-"got away" and just rolled into the canal. It did not turn over.

Miss Mills was not hurt, Lassiter said.

The accident occurred about 1-1/2 miles from the spot where three Wanchese youths drowned in early January.

YOUTH RALLY FOR ALL FAITHS THIS SATURDAY

An interdenominational youth rally will be held this Saturday night at 7:30 in the auditiorium of the Manteo High School.

'Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Williams (Pat and J. L.). missionaries and youth workers will lead the rally. Many people will remember them for their camp ground ministry this past summer. They will be accompanied by several young people who will be guests of the Manteo Mt. Olivet Methodist church MYF members, sponsorers of the rally.

An invitation is extended to all youth in this area to join in this Christian fellowship ral-

Ballance, Hatteras, fail to drive several years ago. He said Dan- on the current (1967) levy were on right half of highway, \$15; iels reinjured his back early \$53,182.87, leaving a balance of Robert Ashby, Manteo, tres- this month when he helped pull \$125,260.54; the beginning depass, \$17; Robert Leslie Car- the body of a fisherman from linquent levy was reduced by C. C. Duvall, former Manteo removes from the tax collecdepartment until the injured deputy returns to duty. Cahoon

prior. said this probably would be in early August.

Duvall resigned as town policeman in September to ship these amounts of the delinquent Duvall said he quit the town in order to assure clear title in His home is on Roanoke Island.

\$1,000.81 in collections, plus an Manteo. additional \$16,323,11 by courtesy of legislative act of the past General Assembly which O.E.S. INSTALLATION

tor's responsibility delinquencies dating back to 1955 and

The responsibility still lies with property owners to clear the Eastern Star, Saturday out with the merchant marine. | tax, plus interest and penalties, | members and their guests are job because of money reasons, event of transfer, alost of the which will be held at the See TAXES, Page Four ¹ Masonic Hall in Manteo.

PLANT CEDAR TO COMMEMORATE ARBOR AT KITTY HAWK



UNDER THE SPONSORSHIP OF THE DUNES OF DARE GARDEN CLUB a cedar tree donated by Bill Swindell, manager of the Andy Griffith estate on Roanoke Island was planted at Kitty Hawk Elementary School to commemorate Arbor Day. In an impressive dedication program with members of the school's Kindergarten Class and their king and queen, Tim Beacham and Kelly Midgette, ceremonies featuring Mrs. Robert J. Phillips, Mrs. Joe Duffield, Mrs. David Cox, Mrs. Margaret Davis and Mrs. Nancy Reynolds club members and 8th graders who helped with the planting, were photographed Wednesday. Mrs. Phillips, president of the Club, gave an interesting talk to the Kindergarten group and others present on the value of trees in our lives. (Aycock Brown photo)

Harrison, Pruden and DePasquale, Associated Architects of Durham, N. C. Construction is by Kellogg-Cuthrell, Inc. of

SATURDAY, MARCH 30

There will be an open instal-

lation of officers of Roanoke Island Chapter No. 79, Order of night, March 30 ct 8 p.m. All urged to attend the program

judges have made their decision on Friday night, April 12. Miss Evans is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Burwell Evans of Manteo and a junior at Man-

teo High where the pageant will be held this year. Her sister, Miss Martha Lynn, is a contestant.

TWO BRUSH FIRES ON DARE MAINLAND

Two brush fires in forest lands burned through small areas on the mainland Tuesday night, according to George Henderson, Mantco. Henderson is district forester for the West Virginia Pulp & Paper Co. Henderson said the first fire occurred about seven miles south of Stumpy Point on the highway leading toward Engelhard. The second fire, he said, was just over the Dare

was 13 miles south of Stumpy Point. No timber was lost in either fire, Henderson said. The first fire burned through a half acre of forest land owned by Westvaco. The second fire covered an area of about four acres, Henderson said, This was on forest land owned by a Goorgia firm. Henderson said the only

county line in Hyde county and

nonetary loss apparently came rom the expense of extinguishng the fires. He said both fires appeared to be manmade, although in-

vestigators had no proof of hu-

FLOWER SHOW APRIL 6-7

man carelessness.

The Roanoke Island Garden Club will present a standard flower show at the Manteo Elementary School April 6-7. The show will be designed to lepict the "Spirit of Easter."

The show will be open from 3 p.m. until 9 p.m. April 6 and p.m. until 5 p.m. April 7. There will be an educational display at the show. This will consist mainly of books available at the local library on gardening, flower arranging, and other phases of the club's activities.

and Senate must approve b-fore room in the court house, Man- Taylor suffered a brain injury "Miss Dare County" after the the funds can become available teo, on April 1 at 3:30 in the and was taken to Norfolk Genfor distribution. afternoon.

MEASUREMENT TAKEN FOR BEAUTY SHOW

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THIS ADVANCE PUBLICITY PICTURE of the forthcoming Dare Jaycee-sponsored beauty and talent pageant scheduled for April 12 in Manteo shows Mrs. Kitty Norcross taking the measurements of Joyce Spencer of Manns Harbor for the swim suit competition. Miss Spencer is one of many Dare Coast-Outer Banks girls who will be in the competition that will result in selection of "Miss Dare County" who will in June compete for the "Miss North Carolina" title. The measurements, in case you are interested, 34-22-35. (Aycock Brown photo) × ..

The accident occurred on U. S. 158 business. immediately north of C. G. Brickle's service station and fish house.

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The second crash involved three cars, although none of the drivers or occupants was reported seriously injured.

Twyne said a car driven by John A. Hamner, 26, Scottsville, Va., apparently slowed to make a turn near the Nags Header Hotel. A second car, driven by Richard P. Reynolds, 25, Portsmouth, Va., slammed into the rear of the Hamner vehicle, Twyne said. The Hamner vehicle was knocked off the road, but the Reynolds car remained. This car, in turn, was hit by a machine driven by Charles Randall Harrell, 30, Portsmouth.

LIBRARY COMMITTEE WILL MEET SUNDAY TO OUTLINE PLANS FOR FURNISHINGS

A meeting of committee chairmen will be held at the Community Building in Manteo on Sunday, March 31. at 3 p. m. to launch OPERATION LEND-A-HAND, a campaign to equip the new Dare County Library.

While the building is assured -ground broken, construction started—funds must be raised for furnishings. An estimated \$20,000 is needed, but only half this amount is available under contract. A further \$10,000 is necessary to comply with a State ruling that new equipment and furnishings must be installed. Very few of the original fittings are considered to be either suitable or in good condition.

OPERATION LEND - A-HAND will begin on April 4 and continue through April 26, . thus including National Library Week. April 21-26.

A brief outline of aims and plans will be presented by Mrs. L. L. Gibbs. followed by a discussion of ways and means of conducting the campaign.

Committee chairmen are being selected on a community basis and will be announced l later.