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## DARE SHRINERS WILL DEDICATE NEW STRUCTURE

### April 27 Ceremony To Be Preceded by All-Afternoon Fish Fry

A fish fry with all the informality of such an occasion will precede the formal dedication April 27 of the new home of the Dare County Shrine Club, according to Arthur Marx, chairman of the dedication ceremonies.

Proceeds of the fish (all-you-can-eat fry will be used for the benefit of crippled and burned children in hospitals. Shrine clubs throughout the country support 16 hospitals for crippled children and two facilities for burned children. The hospitals levy no charge for services to the crippled and/or burned children.

The fish fry, at $1.50 per person, will be held from noon until 6 p.m. at the Masonic Hall on Highway 64. It will be open to the public.

The formal dedication ceremony will take place Saturday night at the new club house on the north end of Roanoke Island. These festivities will be open only to members—nobles—and their wives.

Robert L. Sides of Rocky Mount, potentate of the Sudan Temple of New Bern, is scheduled to attend the dedication. Nelson B. Banks, recorder of the Sudan Temple, also is scheduled to be present.

Marx said several appointed officers of the Temple at New Bern were expected to be present, along with Shrine dignitaries from other areas of North Carolina and Virginia.

The Dare County club is a part of Sudan Temple.

Officials of the Dare County club are: C. G. Brickle, Nags Head, president; Jack Tillett, Manteo, vice president; Gordon Kellogg, Manteo, secretary; and Sam E. Midgett, Manteo, treasurer.

## ENGELHARD TO GET GRANT FOR SEAFOOD WORK

Engelhard in Hyde County is among three Eastern N. C. Communities slated to receive funds through the Economic Development Administration of the U. S. Department of Commerce.

Sen. B. Everett Jordan's office has announced that a grant of $183,600 will expand public facilities used by local seafood processing firms which will hire an additional 20 workers.

The announcement is the second within a few days concerning public works funds, for Engelhard, the former being a loan of $122,400 through the Farmers Home Administration last week to aid in financing a water system.

In addition to the Engelhard grant, Sen. Jordan announced a water-sewer loan for the town of Wallace amounting to $259,000, and for Severn in Northampton County $170,000 in matching plan loans and grants to expand public water services to peanut processing plants.

The loans and grants are provided through the EDA under a program to stimulate economic growth in low-income areas.

## OPERATION LEND-A-HAND REPORTS PROGRESS, MORE LIBRARY ITEMS NEEDED

A meeting of area chairmen and campaign volunteer workers for OPERATION LEND-A-HAND will be held at 8 P.M. on Friday, April 19, in the Dare County Library, to assess progress and discuss plans for the campaign's final week. This last week—April 21 through April 26—is also National Library Week.

The campaign will conclude with an open house to be held in the Manteo Elementary School auditorium at 8 p.m. on Thursday, April 25.

More donations have been made and include: $175 in cash contributions; 1 bench for preschoolers—donated by Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Gibbs of Wanchese; 1 children's chair—donated by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cate, Madison, N. J.; 1 end table—donated by the Reverend and Mrs. Luther Wesley, Wanchese.

While the steady flow of donations is encouraging, more items are needed, and it is hoped that those last seven days will add much more to the list of equipment and furnishings for the new Library building.

## GOP CANDIDATE SPOKE AT BUXTON LAST WEEK

REECE B. GARDNER of Kinston, Republican candidate for Congress in the First Congressional District, was one of the notable speakers Thursday night, April 11, when some 112 persons paid $2.50 for a turkey dinner at the Lighthouse Restaurant in Buxton and got the speaking thrown in free of charge. Gardner commented on a number of issues, including the following from his prepared remarks:

"No single event has done more to shatter our country's reputation as the principal defender of the free world, or as master of the high seas, than our failure to massively and convincingly retaliate when the Pueblo was captured. By the same token, nothing that has occurred—not even the successful prolongation of the Vietnam

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## MARYLAND YOUTHS ON WORK CAMP IN KILL DEVIL HILLS

A group of thirteen boys and four adult leader from Fairhaven Methodist Church in Gaithersburg, Maryland have come to Kitty Hawk area to spend a week in a work camp. Rev. Douglas Harton, pastor, arranges such work camps for his young church members to give them a better understanding of their role in mission work.

Using their Easter School holidays, the youths have worked other years at Cherokee Indian Reservation in western North Carolina. The kind of work they have done varies from painting fences to digging pits for septic tanks. Rev. Harton says they will do any kind of work for anyone. The group is camping at Oregon Inlet.

While in the Kitty Hawk area the group is clearing brush from 1½ acres of land owned by the Methodist Mission Board in the Kill Devil Hills area.

Eventually it is hoped by the several Christian denominations which are planning to cooperate that a large, gayly-colored tent will be erected on this site, the tent to house an ice cream par-

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## SATURDAY IS LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION

### Challenge Day on 27th; With Primary the First Saturday In May

Saturday, April 20 is the final day of registration prior to the primary election, unusual this year in that both Democratic and Republican candidates will be voted upon on May 4. The primary is some three weeks earlier than usual, customarily the last Saturday in May.

In Dare County, the registration is supplemental and concerns only persons who have changed township residences, will come of age prior to the Nov. 5 general election, or have moved into the area and need to register anew.

Additionally, those presently registered but who desire to change party affiliation must accomplish the change in order to be prepared to vote for the party of their choice in the May primary.

Registrars will sit from 9 a.m. until 6:30 pm.

In Hyde County, an entirely new registration has been underway.

Challenge day next Saturday will be from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

## VARIETY SHOW FRIDAY CAPE HATTERAS SCHOOL

Cape Hatteras School will present a variety show at seven o'clock Friday night, April 19, with participants from grades one through 12. The program will consist of dances, songs, stunts and humorous skits. Proceeds will go toward grassing the new athletic field. Admission $1 for adults, 50¢ for students.

## MISS CONGENIALITY

PATRICIA ANN ROGERS was voted by the other eight contestants in the Miss Dare County Pageant held April 12 in Manteo as the most congenial. Patricia, the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Tillett of Wanchese, poses above in her evening gown of white crepe with her "Miss Congeniality" trophy. (Aycock Brown photo)

## DISPLAYS MODEL OF INTENDED PROJECT FOR YOUTHS

THE REV. HANK WILKINSON, pastor of Kitty Hawk Methodist Church, displays a miniature model of what he hopes to become a great tented project for youths of all denominations and faiths by summer, 1968. It will be located on Mission Board property of the Methodist Church in Kill Devil Hills, a site which a Gaithersburg, Md., Methodist Church youth group was helping clear early this week under the supervision of their pastor, Rev. Douglas Harton and Kitty Hawk Pastor Wilkinson. (Aycock Brown photo)

## "MISS DARE COUNTY" OF 1968 IS CROWNED

OPAL JUANITA MITCHELL smiles radiantly as she half-kneels to be Crowned "Miss Dare County of 1968" by Olivia Dawn Evans, "Miss Manteo High" last Friday evening at the first annual pageant (preliminary to the Miss America pageant) held in Dare and sponsored by the Dare County Jaycees. Juanita as she is called by her family and friends is a slim 5'5" (with 34-22-34 measurements) and works at trying to keep her weight up to 110 pounds. She has a ready smile, warm brown eyes and brown hair that has an auburn cast when the light hits it. (Aycock Brown photo)

Though she appeared calm and poised at all times while on stage during the peageant, the new Miss Dare County stated Saturday "I have to pinch myself—I can't believe this happened to me."

As Miss Dare County she is the recipient of a $200 scholarship to further her education at the school of her choice, given by K. E. Moore, president of the Manteo Manufacturing Co.; a $200 wardrobe from the Galleon of Nags Head and an all-expense paid five-day stay for herself and her chaperone at the Miss North Carolina Pageant to be held in Charlotte June 10-15. She also received a trophy.

Clad in cut-off blue denim overalls, a yellow shirt and topped with a tattered straw hat, and in her bare feet, Miss Mitchell rendered "Try to Remember" in a clear soprano voice, accompanying herself on the guitar in the talent competition.

In her second year at Louisburg College, where she is a member of this year's May Court and a participating member of the college's spring concert on May 2, she has completed one semester of voice training and was self-taught in guitar and piano until entering the school.

Juanita, 20, is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Mitchell of South Nags Head. She has three sisters and an older brother, all of whom are married. The family, of whom most are musically inclined, moved to Nags Head from Elkins, West Virginia about nine years ago. Juanita began the sixth grade in Manteo schools, graduating in 1966.

At present the newly crowned miss is undecided on a lot of things, whether to do the same talent in the Charlotte event, at which college to apply her scholarship,( she thinks she would like to teach), and including a summer job.

A spokesman for the Dare Jaycees, sponsors of the pageant expressed "Thanks to every single person in Dare County—that the response of everyone in making the pageant a success was so gracious."

The contestants were judged in three categories, bathing suit, evening gown and talent by a five member panel: Miss Lucille Coulbourn of The Raleigh Times; Roy Askew, Jr., Elizabeth City High school; Jack O. Horton, College of The Albemarle, Elizabeth City; J. Powers of Planters Bank, Rocky Mount and Mrs. Sheila Montfort of Washington, D. C. Mrs. Montfort, in Manteo at the request of Fearings, Inc., for business and as a guest speaker in the Manteo High School this week on grooming, is eastern field representative for Clairol. She filled the vacancy left by Mrs. Fred W. Morrison who was unable to serve on the panel.

## DISTRICT ROTARIANS TO MEET AT HENDERSON

The annual conference of the 43 Rotary clubs which make up the district covering the north-central and northeastern parts of the state will be held at Henderson April 21-22, according to Harold A. Glynn, president of the local group.

"We will discuss matters relating to this Rotary District 771—at the meeting, in addition to hearing informative addresses and making plans for increasing our service activities," Glynn said.

Glynn estimated a delegation of five members from Manteo would attend the conference.

Thomas B. Rose, Jr., of Henderson will preside at the conference. Rose is district governor.

Speakers at the conference will include Dr. Douglas M. Knight, president of Duke University, and Charles H. Miller, a Rotary representative from Knoxville, Tenn.

## SHAD NOW BRING 25 CENTS; BUCKS EVEN MARKETABLE

### Rock and Crabs Command Fair Prices; Activity Offshore Again

Some four weeks following market conditions which drove the price of shad down to virtually nothing, to the displeasure of Dare County and neighboring watermen, prices have risen to 25 cents per pound for roe shad of quality, and reports on Wednesday indicated that buck shad were bringing four cents.

Medium rock on the same day were bringing 15 cents per pound to the fishermen, while crabs, just a short while ago bringing 15 cents per pound, were down to 10.

The old law of supply and demand figures into the situations which either enables the fishermen an excellent return, or, in some instances no return at all.

**Ocean Fishing**

Many vessels operating from the port at Wanchese where a flurry of excitement some three weeks ago brought many skippers in the quest for scallops, had turned their attention to other things. During the past week, some eleven thousand pounds of lobsters have reportedly been handled by local fishermen, with prices ranging when sold from 80 cents per pound upward to $1.20.

## SHALLOWBAG BAY BIDS FOR DREDGE WORK REQUESTED

Congressman Walter B. Jones announced Thursday that bids will be received April 25 on maintenance dredging in Shallowbag Bay, Manteo. He said the work will involve removal and disposal of 136,000 cubic yards of shoal material.

The bids will be opened May 16 according to Major J. P. Campbell deputy district engineer, U. S. Army, Corps of Engineers in Wilmington.

## 1ST RUNNER-UP

JUDITH LEIGH JENNETTE, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Junius Jennette, Jr. of Buxton was first runner-up for the title of Miss Dare County in the Jaycee-sponsored pageant in Manteo last Friday night. She is pictured in the white A-line evening gown worn in the pageant.

Second runner-up was Miss Anne Midgett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer R. Midgett of Manteo. She also received a trophy. Others among the five finalist were Miss Martha Evans and Miss Patricia Rogers of Wanchese. (Aycock Brown photo)

## BRONZE STAR, PURPLE HEART AWARDED COX

SP. 4. RICHARD M. COX, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Cox, of Engelhard, was awarded the Bronze Star in a ceremony at Fort Bragg, where he is completing his tour of duty in the U. S. Army. He returned from Vietnam in January after serving with the 25th Infantry Division for one year. While in Vietnam he was awarded the Purple Heart.

He is married to the former Gayle Ward, of Tarboro.

## MUCH BUILDING UNDERWAY NOW IN DARE COUNTY

### Permits Totaling More Than One Million Issued Since January 1

Permits covering building underway or contemplated in Dare County through March indicate construction, and the costs of same, at record levels. Value of improvements through the office of Sheldon O'Neal, tax supervisor, indicate permits amounting to almost half a million dollars in value issued in March alone, covering construction throughout the county. Largest single permit value is $120,000 to Roanoke Island Historical Association for the new housing units being constructed near Fort Raleigh.

The total of March permits is $473,328, added to $537,931 during January and February, for a record $1,001,259.

A break-down of March permits follows:

COLINGTON: Recreational Investments, $325 (three permits this value); John A. Yoder $2500; Charlie Lee $9000.

KITTY HAWK: C. M. Chappell $5000; W. O. Temple $7000; Ernest R. Culbertson $250; Blanche Thompson $900; Thom-

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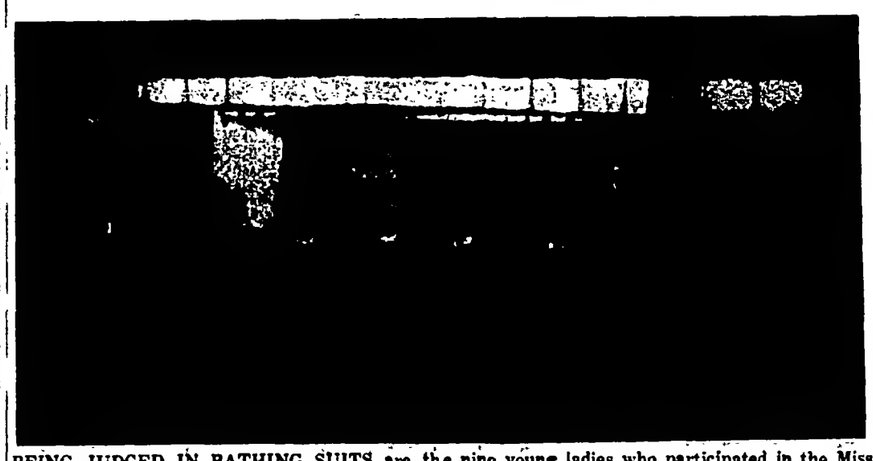
## HATTERASMAN SUFFERS MULTIPLE INJURIES

James Whites Austin, Sr., 58 Cape Hatteras, was reported in serious condition at Albemarle Hospital in Elizabeth City after crashing into a rail on the little bridge on the Nags Head causeway, Thursday night of last week.

Donovan F. Twyne, Nags Head police chief, said Austin suffered a broken collar bone, a broken pelvis, a broken arm, and six breaks in a leg.

Twyne quoted Mrs. Austin as saying her husband was blinded by the lights on an oncoming car and crashed into the rail at the east end of the bridge. The accident occurred about 8:45 p. m. on April 11, Twyne said.

## THE NINE "MISS DARE" CONTESTANTS ON STAGE



BEING JUDGED IN BATHING SUITS are the nine young ladies who participated in the Miss Dare County pageant last Friday at Manteo High School. Shown, left to right, are Martha Evans, Patricia Rogers, Anne Midgett, Juanita Mitchell, Maleta Basnett, Judy Jennette, Judy Gallop, Patricia Peele and Joyce Spencer against a setting of blue and white flats with an ocean scene as the focal point. The scene was painted by John Clift, a Virginia Beach High School student with a talent and liking to portray the area with a brush. Clift is a brother to Mrs. Wilson (Carol Clift) Foster of Skyco and often visits the area. The stage was designed and built by Wesley Turnage, technical director of the pageant, Wilson Foster, assistant technician, and members of the Dare Jaycees. (Aycock Brown photo)

## HAYMAN ILLNESS DELAYS TRIAL OF OLD DAMAGE CASE

### Superior Court Adjourns After 8 Minutes, No Work For 74 Jurors

The twice-tried and oft-delayed damage suit of Dewey L. Hayman of Nags Head against the state highway commission was postponed indefinitely in Superior Court Tuesday because of Hayman's illness.

Judge Chester Morris of Colnjock announced after the roll was called on a 74-member jury panel that there would be no court because of the illness of the principal.

"I estimate this case would have taken the entire week," Morris said. "Dewey Hayman is seriously ill and cannot be here.

"Regrettable as it may be, we must adjourn court sine die."

The court was adjourned eight minutes after it convened. Morris noted that "in 22 years as a judge, this is the shortest term I ever held."

He ordered that all proposective jurors who answered the roll call be paid for a day's work. Originally, the court term was scheduled to begin April 15. That was Monday, the day after Easter and a legal holiday in the state. There were a few members who were not notified of the holiday. They showed up at court Monday. Morris directed the clerk of the court to pay those persons for two days' work.

Court Clerk C. S. Meekins said he had not been notified of the one-day setback in the scheduled start of the trial until about 11 p.m. April 11.

In Hayman's suit against the state he claimed construction of the 158 Bypass at Nags Head had acted as a dam, or dike, when ocean water rushed over the sand and toward the sound during the Ash Wednesday storm in 1962. He sought $25,000 for damages he claimed were inflicted on his Nags Head properties.

Similar suits by other property owners were filed. The Hayman case, however, was considered the key and it was believed that its disposition would set the pattern for the others.

The Hayman suit first was tried several years ago. A jury found for the state, but the presiding judge set the verdict aside. He claimed the evidence indicated it should have been decided otherwise. A second trial resulted in a mistrial.

A third attempt to try the case was made in January, 1968. A death in the family of an attorney for the state caused the judge to postpone the suit.

There was no indication when the case would be called again.

## DEFENDANTS FAIL TO SHOW, FORCE COURT TO QUIT

District court was ready and willing to dispense justice Friday in the Dare county courthouse.

In their places were Judge W. S. Privott, Solicitor Wilton Walker, Sheriff Frank Cahoon, Court Reporter Gretchen Goodwin and her recording equipment, and Court Clerk C. S. Meekins. The short docket was spread before the judge, the solicitor, the clerk. Everything appeared to be in readiness.

Missing from the scene were some necessary ingredients. There were no defendants. Whereupon, there was no court.

The first case scheduled for trial involved a speeding charge against Ralph W. Stephen of Washington, D. C. Stephen, who told the arresting officer, District Park Ranger Balfour J. Baum, that he worked for the State Department, failed to show. He had failed to show also on March 29 to plead to a charge of driving 80 miles per hour in a 55-mile zone.

The second case scheduled for trial was one of assault against Willie Simpson. The complaining witness, Charles Berry, was reported in hospital recovering from a wound in the vicinity of an eye. Because Berry couldn't show, Simpson's scheduled third appearance in court in two weeks was postponed. Simpson had been both a defendant and a prosecuting witness the previous week.

The third case due Friday was one versus LeRoy Douglas, charged with driving without a license A continuance was arranged before court opened.

Edgar Preston Styron, Jr.,

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