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SUFFOLK MINORS PAY HEAVILY FOR COTTAGE BREAKIN

No Probable Cause Found For Manslaughter Charge After Accident

A couple of Suffolk, Va., teenagers paid heavily in District Court Friday for the privilege of spending 22 hours with their girl friends in the J. R. Ward cottage at Avalon Beach.

Judge Pentress Horner sentenced Michael Allen Cummings, 19, and Jerry Lee White, 19, to six months in jail suspended upon payment of a fine of \$300 each and court costs on their pleas of guilt to non-burglary breaking and entering charges. Marion Christine Parker, 17, and Paula Jean Reilly, 18, both of Suffolk, were ordered to pay damages of \$25 and costs each.

Horner was stern in handing down the sentences.

"You brought these girls down here and got them in trouble," she said. Miss Reilly appeared upset throughout the trial. Miss Parker was composed and showed little or no emotion.

"We didn't try to hide nothing," one of the boys testified. "We thought it would be all right and would let Ward (the cottage owner) know when we got back."

The youngsters admitted they had removed a screen from a window in order to get into the cottage.

Horner found no probable cause in the manslaughter charge against Richard Emerson McDonald in the loath on the highway of Teresa Glenn Midgett, 14.

State Trooper A. G. Wright investigated the June 8 accident near Salvo in which Miss Midgett was killed and a companion, Alberta Mae Midgett, 15, was painfully injured when

BUDGET SESSION FOR DARE BOARD AGAIN ON MON.

Dare County Board of Commissioners will meet June 24 for further study of budgetary requests, according to Chairman W. S. White. Many of the County departments have presented preliminary figures for the board's consideration, but none have been adopted.

White said that the tax supervisor was currently tabulating available taxable property for the coming year. He said that county officials were hopeful of having those figures for all the county's townships in order to properly consider all departmental requests, at early date.

Notable among increases is the school budget request for \$66,003.77 more than last year when \$98,840.01 was budgeted to be derived from ad valorem tax sources.

The total school request for the coming year is \$250,847.54, the balance of some \$85,000 expected to be derived from sources such as book fees, intangibles tax, interest, N.C.E.A., E.S.E.A., court fines and various other miscellaneous means.

Another department expected to be considered for a sizeable increase is the sheriff's department which has been assigned responsibility for maintaining ambulance service.

Further information will be published in succeeding issues regarding departmental fund requests compared to prior years.

CAHOON TAKES OVER AS HEAD LION FOR 1968-69

The Manteo Lions Club conducted a double-barreled program Tuesday night—club members entertained their ladies with a dinner and officers for the 1968-69 year were installed.

Jerry Cahoon was installed as president for the new year.

Other officers installed were: Carlisle Davis, first vice president; Steve Basnight, Jr., second vice president; Manning Gray, third vice president; Marvin Clark, secretary; Roger Mikhovch, assistant secretary; Dean Harrellson, treasurer; Ralph Jones, tail twister; St. Clair Basnight, assistant tail twister; Roy Gray, lion tamer; Jeffrey Midgett and Melvin Jackson, one-year directors; Hughes Tillett and Herbert Bliven, two-year directors; Louis Midgett, immediate past president.

Jack Tillett, a past president, was master of ceremonies at the installation.

MANNS HARBOR MAN RETURNS FROM VIETNAM



SGT. MAJOR CARL J. MANN, arrived in the United States last week after a year in Qui Nhon, Vietnam. Mann, who has had 25 years of service with the U. S. Army, plans to retire in two years.

He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl D. Mann of Manns Harbor. Sgt. Major Mann has a son, Carl Stanley Mann, with the Sea Bees also in Hue, Vietnam; and a son-in-law, Sgt. Ray Johnson, who returned from Vietnam in April.

Mrs. Mann made her home in El Paso, Texas while her husband was in Vietnam, and is here with him on a two weeks leave, after which they will go to Kansas City, Mo., where he will be stationed.

KITTY HAWK'S RESIDENTS GET FIRE QUESTIONS

Replies to Be Returned to Commissioner Pennel Tillett Promptly

Some 300 resident taxpayers of Atlantic Township excepting Kill Devil Hills have recently received a questionnaire under sponsorship of the Dare County Board of Commissioners regarding establishment of a fire company. The question of establishing the department has been of more concern since the Town of Kill Devil Hills recently served notice that the department there would not be able to continue answering calls outside the town limits.

The questionnaire calls for opinions on three matters:

- (1) Will or will not vote for bond issue (to raise funds for establishment); will or will not vote approval of tax not to exceed 10 cents per \$100 valuation to support said department?
- (2) District coverage, to include Duck, Southern Shores, Kitty Hawk Village, Kitty Hawk Beach, Kitty Hawk Woods, Colington Island?
- (3) Will or will not join volunteer fire-fighting company?

The survey forms are to be returned to Pennel A. Tillett, commissioner from Atlantic Township, in Kitty Hawk. While no return date was specified, see FIRE, Page Six

MAJOR INCREASES IN DARE'S LONG DISTANCE LINES

Effective June 30, Capacity to Be Increased KDH, Hatteras Island

Effective June 30, long distance circuits available in major summer population areas of the Outer Banks will be greatly increased. Additionally, improvements have been made in other facilities of the company serving the Dare County areas.

On June 30 the number of long-distance circuits available through the Kill Devil Hills exchange will increase by fifty percent, up twelve from the existing 24, to a new total of 36.

Buxton exchange at Cape Hatteras, presently with 12, will increase by 19, making a total of 31 LD. circuits. Additionally, in Hatteras Island, six new circuits will be available through the Waves exchange which was made operative just this week.

This new structure to serve northern Hatteras Island is virtually storm-proof, according to L. S. Blades, Jr., president of Norfolk & Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Co. The new facility, under construction for about twelve months, opened June 16. It serves Rodanthe, Waves and Salvo.

In the tri-community area, service is presently limited to 10-party service, but Blades said that the company has scheduled installation of additional lines which will provide 1-, 2- and 4-party service, in the fall of this year.

The new long-distance connections are made available microwave towers which tie to the overall N&C system. Locations are at Buxton, Waves, Manteo, Kill Devil Hills, Manteo, Coinjock and Elizabeth City in that order enabling long-distance calling.

In large part due to the nationwide "after-hours" dialing at low rates, the system serving Dare County, as in other areas, has been taxed beyond its limits. The additional circuits come at opportune time.

FINAL DATA FOR OREGON INLET PJT. UNDER WAY

Alvah H. Ward, Jr., local chairman of the Oregon Inlet project, said the Corps of Engineers has begun to assemble and correlate final data on the project before it is presented to the budget bureau prior to asking congressional authorization for the \$11 million plan.

Tom Swain, representative of the Wilmington office of the Corps of Engineers, met here Monday night with local boat owners to collect technical information needed by the chief of army engineers. This information, Ward said, included the intent of local boat owners toward expanding their fishing and towing operations.

Ward said the chief's office must know the extent of industrial growth in the area and the prospects of continued growth.

'COLONY' ENTERTAINS AT MANTEO FOR 28TH SEASON



PAUL GREEN'S EPIC SYMPHONIC HISTORICAL DRAMA is in its 28th season on the Fort Raleigh National Historic Site near Manteo. Scenes from "The Lost Colony" and a view of the Waterside Theatre on the Dare Coast-Outer Banks are shown above. The show is staged by Joe Layton of Broadway, TV and Hollywood fame. Performances are given every night except Sunday through August 25, with special showings on Sunday nights of August 18 (Virginia Dare's birthday) and closing night. (Photos by Aycock Brown)

58 PERFORMANCES SCHEDULED



Director Joe Layton's fifth production of Paul Green's pioneer outdoor symphonic drama, "The Lost Colony" kicks off a scheduled 58-performance season Friday night in Waterside Theatre, Roanoke Island. It will be the 28th production year of the historical spectacular since it was first presented on the Fort Raleigh National Historic Site in 1937. The show was suspended for four years during World War II.

'LOST COLONY' BEGINS 28TH PRODUCTION YEAR

The 1968 performances are scheduled Monday through Saturday at 8:30 p.m. (EDT) with special Sunday night showings on August 18, the anniversary of the birth of Virginia Dare—first child of English parents born in America—and on closing night, August 25.

Director Layton is a widely acclaimed stage director on Broadway, TV and in Hollywood. His current New York hit is "George M", the story of George M. Cohan, starring Joel Grey.

Among those playing important roles in this year's "Colony" are: Thomas Hill of Durham, "Old Tom"; Pat Kelly Gilbreath of Greensboro, "Eleanor Dare"; Marjaine Thomas of Elizabeth City, "Queen Elizabeth"; John L. Walker of Burlington and New York City, "Hippewas"; Ira David Wood of Raleigh, "Sir Walter Raleigh"; Woodson B. Fearney, II of Blantown, "Governor White"; Gordon A. Minal of Greensboro, "John Bowen"; Steve L. Pressnell of Tennessee, "The Hieronian"; Christopher G. Coan of Winston-Salem, "Father Martin"; John Dornberger of Elvington, "Ananias Dare"; Michael Kirby of Chapel Hill, "Simon Fernando"; Charles A. Martin of Winston-Salem, "Chi Manteo"; Diane Brown Moore of Granite Falls, "Dame Colman"; and Doug Cochran of Chapel Hill, "Wanchese."

DRAMA CRITICS PRESS MEMBERS ATTENDING SHOW

Drama critics from leading Boston, Philadelphia and Washington, D. C. newspapers—in addition to representatives of the press of North Carolina and Virginia—are attending and reviewing the opening of "The Lost Colony" outdoor drama here Friday night.

Sam Hirsch of the Boston Herald-Traveler is a former cast and staff member of Paul Green's pioneer symphonic drama. He is returning for the first time since he played the role of "Father Martin" in 1949. In 1937, the first year of the show, he was an assistant stage manager and played the roles of "Simon Fernando" and "Master of the Queen's Ceremonies." He continued as an assistant stage manager through 1939, playing "The M. C." in 1938 and "Simon" in 1939. In 1940, the last season before the play was suspended during World War II, he played the two roles without the stage-managing duties.

Others coming here for opening of the 28th production season are: Richard Cor of the Washington (D. C.) Post and Jerry Gaghan of the Philadelphia (Pa.) Daily News.

Representing the Raleigh (N. C.) News and Observer is Charles Wheeler and from the Norfolk Virginian-Pilot is Mal Vincent. Reviewing for the Norfolk Ledger-Star is Dr. Ernest Rhodes. Fred Haney of the Elizabeth City Daily Advance and Mrs. D. Victor Meskins of The Coastland Times are other press representatives. Frank Roberts of the Eastern North Carolina staff of the Virginian Pilot is also covering the event.

NEW MENTAL HEALTH PSYCHIATRIC WORKER



CHARLES R. FRANKLIN, JR., a native of Kinston, recently joined the staff of the Tideland Mental Health Center located at 418 West Second Street, Washington, as supervisor of the social work department. He will be responsible for delivery of social casework services, working in conjunction with the other professional staff which includes psychiatrists, psychiatric nurse and clinical psychologist. Additionally, Mr. Franklin will develop the social work and he will act as consultant for community agencies including health, welfare, police departments and courts, as well as providing direct services.

Franklin grew up in Kinston and graduated from Grainger High School in 1960. He attended East Carolina University. See MENTAL, Page Five

FORESTERS MEET TO INSPECT WOOD PRODUCTS USE

Outer Banks Section of SAF Tour Wooded Area of Hyde, Tyrrell

Members of the Society of American Foresters are making an inspection tour of the Outer Banks wood products industry today as a highlight of the group's Appalachian Section meeting.

Between 80 and 100 members of SAF have registered for the meeting sponsored by the society's Albemarle chapter. John Clement of the Weyerhaeuser Co. at Plymouth is chairman of the group.

The SAF members will be shown forest and farm operations of West Virginia Pulp and Paper Co. in Dare and Tyrrell counties, and wood chip manufacturing at Georgia Timberlands' new mill near Engelhard. The group will be transported by buses.

The Westavaco segment of the tour includes pine regeneration and research, a joint forest fire control demonstration by the North Carolina Forest Service and Westavaco on the Air Force bombing range, pumping and other drainage efforts to improve woodlands productivity, and experimental farm operations where the company is converting marginal timberlands to more productive uses.

Rounding out the full days tour is a visit to Georgia Timberlands' new chip mill in Hyde County. The highly mechanized facility—centrally controlled with the use of closed-circuit television—can produce 75 tons of pulpwood chips per hour for shipment by barge to pulp and See FORESTERS, Page Four

WESTAVACO OFFICIALS WELCOME NEW FORESTER



MEMBERS OF THE SOCIETY OF AMERICAN FORESTERS inspect juniper stand seen in tour of Albemarle section of group. From left to right, Don Smith, newly appointed Dare Forester of the N. C. Forest Service; and George Henderson and Quentin Bell of Westavaco.

NEW POWER LINE PLANNED BETWEEN ISLAND AND BEACH

Veeco Seeks Permit to Construct Line Similar to Currituck Crossing

Virginia Electric and Power Company has made application for a permit to construct an overhead powerline across Roanoke Sound just north of U. S. No. 264 Highway bridge near Manteo.

Plans submitted show the cable will provide a vertical clearance of 101.8 feet above mean high water across the navigation channel in Roanoke Sound and supporting poles will be placed 400 feet apart. The existing overhead powerline crossing Roanoke Sound is to be removed upon completion of the new crossing.

The determination as to whether a permit will be issued will be based on an evaluation of all relevant factors including the effect of the proposed work on navigation, fish and wildlife, conservation, pollution, and the general public interest. Comments on these factors will be accepted and made part of the record and will be considered in determining whether it would be in the best public interest to grant a permit. In cases of conflicting property rights, the Corps of Engineers cannot undertake to adjudicate rival claims. Written comments pertinent to the proposed work, as outlined above, will be received in the office of the Corps of Engineers, Wilmington, until 4:45 p.m., July 17.

3 AUTOS STOLEN IN DARE-TYRRELL THEFTS, SUNDAY

Alvy C. Knott, 23, Chicago, and George T. Slattery, 21, Washington, D. C., are scheduled to appear in District Court Friday in connection with the theft of two automobiles Sunday from the R. D. Sawyer Motor Co.

Knott and Slattery have been in the Dare county jail in lieu of \$25,000 bond each since their capture at Columbia Sunday. They also face auto theft charges at Columbia.

Deputy Sheriff C. C. Duvall said the men, who may be using aliases, broke into Sawyer's Ford agency early Sunday. They selected a white, four-door, 1966 Ford and used it as a battering ram to force open the gate to the agency. After forcing the gate, Duvall said, they abandoned the car in a ditch and returned to the lot and drove away in a black, two-door 1968 Ford.

The sheriff's department was alerted almost immediately and roadblocks were set up. Duvall hurried to the end of the beach road in hopes the thieves had taken that route and were trapped.

About that time, Duvall said, a radio call from Elizabeth City said the thieves had been spotted at Columbia, seat of Tyrrell county. The deputy, accompanied by Sawyer, headed in that direction.

Columbia's night policeman, W. W. Sawyer, was on the lookout for the stolen Ford from Manteo. He spotted it and chased it up a dead-end street. As he closed in, he found the car abandoned behind the home of I. R. Swain. The thieves were gone.

As Columbia Police Chief Julian L. Poston was hurrying to Sawyer's aid, a call went out to State Trooper J. H. Withers and Tyrrell County Sheriff Thomas K. Yerby, Jr., that a 1968 Chrysler had been stolen from the home of George C. Stewart and was headed east.

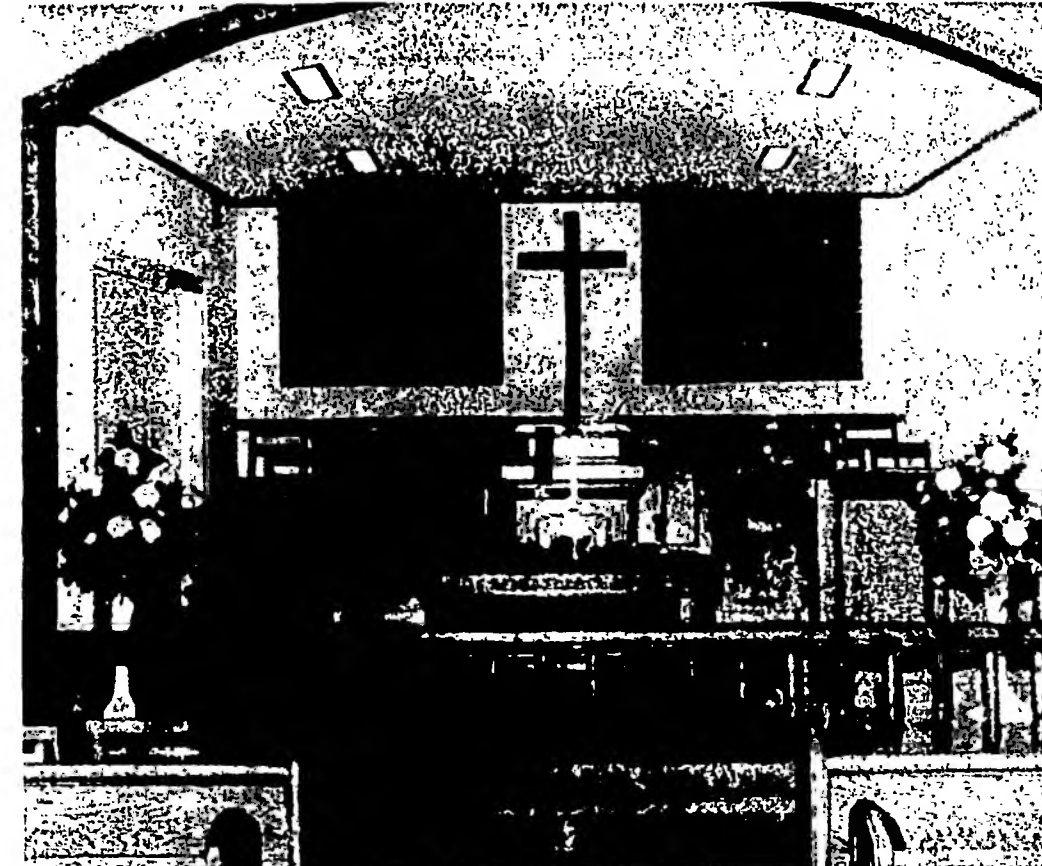
The officers took off like hungry hounds after a fox, Deputy Sheriff Walter Peal of Creswell joined the chase.

In the meantime, Duvall and See THEFT, Page Four

MARINE WALKER NOW HAS A NEW OVERSEAS ADDRESS

A new address has been received in this office for a serviceman who has just gone to Vietnam. It is printed herewith: Wallace J. Walker, HM1, USN/5945097, Marine Air Based Sqd. 12 Medical, Marine Air Group 12, 1st Marine Air Wing, FPO, San Francisco, Cal. 96602. Mr. Walker is a 1st class naval medical corpsman. He is the husband of the former Nancy Pearl Midgett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Midgett of Manteo. Mrs. Walker is a nurse at the Albemarle Hospital in Elizabeth City.

'SERMON IN GLASS' AT KITTY HAWK METHODIST CHURCH



A SERMON IN GLASS is the name given the six panels of stained glass windows recently dedicated in Kitty Hawk Methodist Church, according to the Rev. Hank Wilkinson, pastor. The windows were a project of children of the church. The cross in center was fashioned from old shipwreck timbers and built by retired Coast Guardsmen who are communicants of the church. (Aycock Brown photo)