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## SESSION OF HIGH COURT COMES TO DULL END FRIDAY

### Juries Continue Lenient Course In Freeing Drunk Drivers

The fall term of Superior Court came to a dull and inglorious end Friday with a wrapup by Judge George M. Fountain and Solicitor Herbert Small of odds and ends, some of which had raveled loose earlier in the week.

A Dare county jury composed of the time-honored "twelve good men (and/or women) and true" continued the lenient course of previous hometown panels used during the term and turned loose shortly before adjournment another defendant convicted in District Court of drunk driving.

A jury also ignored the testimony of a well-educated, highly competent member of the state patrol and turned loose a youth who had appealed a conviction for spontaneous racing in Nags Head during the heavily populated beach season.

A few moments prior to adjournment, Fountain called Dorothy Mullen, 24, Elizabeth City, and Lillian Lee Meekins, 20, Manteo and Elizabeth City, before him for sentence on their plea of guilty to a charge of attempted armed robbery.

Mrs. Mullen, mother of three, was sentenced to two years in prison, suspended for three years, and placed on probation for her part in trying to rob Marvin E. Daniels, Manteo cab driver. Miss Meekins, who worked during the summer in a diner operated by Daniels' wife, was sentenced to two years in prison.

Small dismissed charges of breaking and entering and larceny against Leon White and his brother, Smith White. The charges have been pending for almost two years. Leon White, alleged to be the leader of the White brothers' operations, is reported to be in jail in New Jersey and unavailable for trial here. The sheriff's department said Smith White is available for trial. The state has said previously that Leon White's presence is necessary before Smith White can be tried.

Desmond A. Rogers, Jr., of Manteo, failed to appear on his appeal from conviction in District Court on a charge of drunk driving. His attorney informed the court that Rogers was in a See COURT, Page Four

## CAHOON GIVES A-B-C COURSE ON SHERIFF'S OFFICE

The work of the sheriff's department in Dare county consists of many activities other than just riding up and down the road in the interest of law, order, and justice, according to Sheriff Frank M. Cahoon.

Cahoon gave a statistical report on the department's activities at the Monday meeting of the Manteo Rotary club. His A-B-C indoctrination lecture was an eye-opener to many of the club members.

The business of "riding up and down the road" is no small task, Cahoon said. While Dare county is small in population, it is large physically and contains 260 miles of highway.

"You may not know where all those roads are," Cahoon said, "but they are there and the department patrols them."

The sheriff's office here maintains the only 24-hour law enforcement service east of Raleigh, Cahoon said. Other counties depend upon police departments in various cities after the usual daytime stint of a sheriff's department is done. But in Dare, the sheriff's office is open 24 hours and radio communications are at hand constantly. All police calls in the county are channeled through the sheriff's office.

Cahoon picked August as a busy month, representing the windup period of the vacation resort season. He said that during the month the department answered 526 calls, made 67 arrests, and that he and his deputies spent 110 hours in court.

The department also investigated 38 accidents made 293 warnings against traffic violation, and made 383 courtesy calls. He said courtesy calls are important in a tourist area.

The sheriff's department runs the ambulance service, making hospital trips to Elizabeth City, Norfolk, and Raleigh, among other places. During August, there were 55 ambulance trips outside the county. In the previous See SHERIFF, Page Two

## THEY ARE CATCHING 'EM AT HATTERAS



CHANNEL BASS, some weighing more than 55 pounds have been caught in the surf of Hatteras Island during the past few days. This will be the top fish that tournament anglers are hoping to catch during the annual Cape Hatteras Anglers Club-sponsored tournament November 7-9. Angler shown dragging his whopper through the surf was from Pennsylvania. (Carl Osborne photo)

## CAPE HATTERAS TOURNAMENT WILL BE HELD NOVEMBER 7-9

By AYCOCK BROWN  
The 11th annual Cape Hatteras Anglers' Club-sponsored Surf Fishing Tournament will be held on Hatteras Island next week, November 7-9.

"Thirty nine teams have already entered the tournament and there is a possibility that more may come in later," said Mrs. Ormond Fuller, one of the founders of the sponsoring club.

If current piscatorial conditions continue, the 11th annual tournament should be one of the best in the history of the nationally-famous Cape Hatteras Anglers Club which has members from North Carolina and many other States between New England and Florida and as far west as the Mississippi River.

Headquarters for the tournament will be in the Anglers Club building. That is where registrations of visiting teams and anglers will take place and also where the varied social functions will take place.

Due to the great number of entrants, the awards banquet on Saturday night, Nov. 9, will be in the gymnasium of Cape Hatteras High School.

Winners of the tournament last year included: Virginia Beach Anglers Club, 1st place; Nags Head Surf Fishing Club, 2nd; and Tidewater Anglers of Virginia, 3rd.

The teams entered this year represent clubs from New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia and North Carolina.

The Hatteras surf classic will be the second tournament on the Dare Coast for surf fishermen this year. On October 10-12 the 18th annual Nags Head Surf Fishing Tournament was held with teams from 30 clubs participating. In the Hatteras tournament this year the Penn Mutual Fishing Club of Philadelphia was in first place, with the Hatteras Gulls, a new all-female club, second and the Albemarle Anglers of Elizabeth City showing for third place.

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## DEDICATION OF NORMAN BRIDGE NEXT THURSDAY

The formal dedication of the recently-completed bridge spanning the Roanoke River near Plymouth, and connecting Washington and Bertie Counties, will be held on the crest of the bridge on November 7, 1968. The Highway Commission voted at its October meeting to name the bridge in honor of the late Zeb Vance Norman, Plymouth attorney and a long-time associate of the bridge.

The principal speaker at the dedication ceremonies, scheduled to begin at 10:30 a.m., will be former Governor Terry Sanford, under whose administration the bridge was begun. The bridge and its connecting roads were opened to traffic last July. Expected to be on hand for remarks are J. M. Hunt, Jr., chairman, State Highway Commission, Merrill Evans, former chairman, several past and present highway officials, and other dignitaries.

The dedication plans are being arranged by the Southern Albemarle Association in cooperation with the State Highway Commission and Washington and Bertie County officials. Carl Bailey, Jr., is President of the Association and Eric Harrell, Washington County vice-president is chairman of the bridge dedication committee.

The program will be preceded by a band concert and concluded with a cutting of the ribbon marking the formal opening of the bridge. Following the program the Association will serve a barbecue luncheon on the bridge to those attending.

## INSTITUTION SUN. OF MOOSE LODGE FOR DARE COUNTY

Program at Manteo High School at 2:30 P.M.; Many Dignitaries Attending

Following several weeks of organizational efforts, Dare County Lodge No. 1459, Loyal Order of the Moose, will be instituted in ceremonies at Manteo High School Sunday, Nov. 3. The program, to begin at 2:15 p.m., will feature a number of officials including State Director Wm. A. Moon of Pfafftown, who has been in the county for several days assisting in organization.

Other officers participating will be Jesse J. Price of Elizabeth City, state director of membership who has been instrumental in preliminary organizational activities; Legion Councilman Edwin M. Baldree of Greenville, installing officer; Governor Joe Monroe of Elizabeth City installing sergeant-at-arms; Earl Holt of Mooreshead, Illinois, Supreme Lodge Auditor; and Deputy Supreme Governor Ralph Williams of Salisbury, speaker for the afternoon.

Also participating will be Ritual Team of Greenville Lodge No. 885, and also from Urit lodge International Champions Drill Team. A quartette, the State Champions, representing Kinston Lodge No. 1505, will also participate.

Among business of the evening, following enrollment of charter candidates, will be installation of officers to guide affairs of the organization. Officers of the Loyal Order of Moose are Governor, Past Governor, Junior Governor, Prelate, Secretary, Treasurer, Inner Guard, Outer Guard, Trustees (3) and Sergeant-at-Arms.

Those instituted on Sunday will be charter members of the new lodge. On Thursday, applicants numbered approximately 150. Interested parties may secure further information by contacting Director Moon at the Sea Otel, Nags Head, prior to the Sunday afternoon program. A final rally of the current drive is set for 8 p.m. Nov. 1 at the Sea Otel.

## WHITE FIRES AT DEER, INJURES BROTHER BADLY

Ray White, 24, was shot and seriously wounded Saturday by his brother, Stanford 22, as they hunted with a companion, Bruce Biggs, 24, alongside a drainage canal off Point Peter Road near Stumpy Point.

The Whites are sons of W. Stanford White, Manns Harbor, chairman of the Dare county board of commissioners. White is a former game warden. Ray White is an officer in the commercial loan department of the Planters National Bank at Manteo. Stanford White is a college student at East Carolina University at Greenville.

The father said his sons and Biggs, a college friend of Ray's, were hunting deer when the shooting occurred. He said Ray was on the right side of the drainage canal and that Stanford was on the left. He said Stanford believed the other two See INJURY, Page Four

## NEW BAPTIST MINISTER



M. W. SHAW, the new minister of the Manteo Baptist Church, who is succeeding W. S. Brown. Shaw is leaving the Baptist Church at Jonesville in Yadkin County to take over the Manteo pastorate.

He will leave Jonesville during the week of Nov. 11 and will occupy the local pulpit on Nov. 17.

## N. C. SYMPHONY COMING TO DARE FOR THE CHILDREN

Adult Memberships Assure No-Charge Concert For Students and Evening Attendance For Membership Holders

The North Carolina Little Symphony is scheduled to come to Dare County for the first time on April 16, 1969. April 1969 may seem like a long time off, but in order to bring the symphony to Dare it is necessary to raise the necessary funds NOW. This is an unprecedented opportunity for the children of Dare County to see and hear, first hand, the makings of a great orchestra.

Letters were sent out from state headquarters of the symphony several weeks ago to many people in the area, together with request cards for memberships, but response has been slow, and the officials of the Dare County Chapter of the N. C. Symphony Society say that it is urgent that all those wishing memberships respond immediately. There may be many who did not receive letters, but that does not mean they are not invited or wanted. Everyone in the county is asked to become a member, and this can be done by sending a request and a check to the treasurer, Mrs. W. W. Harvey, in Manteo. Single memberships are \$5, joint memberships \$8, and student memberships (for the evening concerts) \$1.

These memberships insure an afternoon concert without charge to ALL school children in Dare County, and members are entitled to attend evening concerts, not only here but in any other part of North Carolina where the symphony is appearing. Plans are to bring the symphony this year to the Manteo schools, next year to Cape Hatteras school, thereafter alternating each year between the two locations. It is emphasized, however, that no matter where the concert is given, ALL children in the county can attend. Transportation arrangements will be announced at a later date.

The money represents about \$1.8 million as a fair price for about 6,400 acres of Hatteras Island. The remainder of the big check is interest that has accrued since the land was incorporated into the park.

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## VOTERS TO SETTLE FIRE DEPT. ISSUE FOR NORTH DARE

Tax of Up to Fifteen Cents on the Hundred Valuation Would Be Sanctioned

A total of 226 persons in three districts of Atlantic Township registered for participation in the special fire district balloting to occur Tuesday, Nov. 5. The new registration represented about 55 percent of those registered for voting in the customary issues.

In Kitty Hawk, 165 persons registered anew, compared to 279 on the regular books; in Duck, 20 where 45 are listed otherwise; and in Colington 41 signed up compared to 64 on general books, making that community, percentage-wise, appear most interested in the issue.

A complete breakdown of precinct-by-precinct registration for all matters is contained elsewhere in today's issue.

The only area of Atlantic Township not participating in the fire district voting is Kill Devil Hills, which community served notice several months ago on outlying areas that it would no longer be able to provide service outside municipal boundaries.

Voters are asked to approve a tax of not-to-exceed 15 cents on the \$100 assessed valuation to provide funds for financing the new fire department.

Assuming voter approval, the district will be established by action of the Dare County Board of Commissioners under authority of the state's general statutes.

## GOVT. FINALLY ANTES UP MONEY FOR ISLAND LAND

More than 100 Hatteras Islanders—or their heirs—whose land was taken by the federal government in the 1950s for inclusion in the Cape Hatteras National Seashore soon can start counting their money.

The Interior Department delivered a check for \$2,461,910 to the federal court for the eastern district of North Carolina Oct. 30 for distribution among the owners whose land was taken under the right of eminent domain. The distribution is expected to be made shortly. Most of the original owners still are living. Shares of those who have died will go to heirs.

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## VOTING TUESDAY TO COVER MANY ISSUES IN ADDITION TO ELECTION OF PRESIDENT

### Lengthy State Ballot Plus Others for Senator, Constitutional Amendment, To Be Before Voters; Few Offices Contested by Republican Contenders.

## WARREN ENDORSES SCOTT FOR GOVERNOR OF N. C.



LINDSAY C. WARREN, SR., of Washington, Beaufort County, a leader in state and national politics for the past 50 years, last Thursday endorsed the candidacy of Bob Scott for governor of North Carolina.

"In my judgment the best man for the job is Bob Scott," Warren said in a lengthy statement. "That his father was one of the state's outstanding chief executives is to Bob Scott's credit, but it is not a laurel on which he has rested. Scott has earned a place in State Government on his own."

"He has added prestige and new dimensions to the office of lieutenant governor during the past four years," Warren continued, "and the programs he has outlined for the state during his tenure of office are both responsible and realistic."

Warren, a supporter of Mel Broughton in the primary, said North Carolinians are proud of their state government as a result of "three score and seven years" of responsible leadership. See WARREN, Page Five

## CONDITION OF CO. BUILDINGS JUDGED BY GRAND JURY

The grand jury inspected and made recommendations concerning the maintenance and repair of the Dare county health center, the community building, and the courthouse during the October term of Superior Court.

In a report signed by Ephy B. Priest, foreman, the grand jury informed Judge George M. Fountain that the health center and the community center are badly in need of repair.

The interior of the health center needs a paint job, the report said. It added that the north brick wall needs waterproofing, a broken window needs replacing, and "the inside screens need removing due to the building being air conditioned." The report said a crack in the chimney needs patching.

The grand jury recommended a parking area for the east side of the building and called for a budget set up by the county commissioners for the upkeep of the structures.

The report said the community building as a whole needs repairing badly. The grand jury recommended a study be made to see if it would be feasible for future occupancy after the library is moved to new quarters.

The courthouse got a so-so report from the grand jury. The group said the offices for the tax collector, county accountant, tax supervisor, board of commissioners, and the register of deeds are in good condition. But the office of the superintendent of schools is "badly in need of paint and repairs" and the office of the clerk of the court "is still in need of a telephone extension and there needs to be tile on the floor."

The grand jury said there is a bad leak in the office of the clerk of the court that needs checking.

The jail was adjudged to be in good condition. But the grand jury recommended that "the jailer see to it that no glass See JURY, Page Three

With four days to go before the general election, charges and counter-charges are being hurled, claims and denials about as disputed as ever in the Presidential race, as well as the gubernatorial spot in North Carolina.

Local contests are few, with only two Republicans challenging Democratic nominees for the Dare County Board of Commissioners.

State House Representatives W. R. (Bill) Roberson, Jr. of Washington and Archie Burros of Nags Head are unopposed, as is State Senator nominee Edgar J. (Red) Gurganus of Williamston, who will be the next Senator in the Second Senatorial District embracing Dare, Hyde, Tyrrell, Beaufort and Martin counties.

Senator Sam J. Ervin, Jr. is opposed by Robert Vance Somers, Republican.

Incumbent Congressman Walter P. Jones of Farmville is challenged by Reese B. Gardner of Kinston, Republican.

Predictions are that heaviest balloting will be in the Presidential race, followed closely by gubernatorial voting.

On the ballot in North Carolina, as is the case in the other 49 states, three parties are represented — Democratic — Republican — and George Wallace's new American Independent party. On the ballot with Wallace in N. C. is S. Marvin Griffin, former Georgia governor, who served as stand-in, Wallace's actual running mate, as most all know by now, is Gen. Curtis E. Lemay.

The Democratic slot is filled by Hubert H. Humphrey as Presidential contender, with Sen. Edmund S. Muskie of Maine as his running mate. Richard M. Nixon, former vice-president under the Eisenhower administration, has Gov. Spiro T. Agnew of Maryland as vice-presidential contender.

Robert W. (Bob) Scott is seeking the post of Governor, opposed by James C. (Jim) Gardner of Rocky Mount. Scott currently serves N. C. as lieutenant-governor. Gardner is a freshman Congressman, having out-pulled veteran Harold D. Cooley two years ago.

Other state offices contested are as follows, with Democratic nominees listed first, followed by Republican challengers: LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR: H. Pat Taylor, Jr., Don H. Garner; SEC. OF STATE: Thad Eure, John P. East; AUDITOR: Henry L. Bridges, Theodore G. (Ted) Conrad; TREASURER: Edwin Gill, Clyde R. Greene; SUPT. OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION: Craig Phillips, Joe L. Morgan; ATTORNEY GENERAL: Robert Morgan, Warren H. Coolidge; COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE: James A. (Jim) Graham; Claude L. Greene, Jr.; COMMISSIONER OF LABOR: Frank Crane; R. K. (Ron) Ingle; COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE: Edwin S. Lanier, Everett L. Peterson; SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE 22nd District: Robert A. Collier, Jr., Arthur S. Beckham, Jr., 26th District: Sam J. Ervin III, William R. Sigmon.

Dare Commissioner

Two members of the Dare County Board of Commissioners are opposed by Republicans. W. See VOTING, Page Four

## OCRACOKE AIRSTRIP NEAR COMPLETION

OCRACOKE — Construction of a 3,000-foot airstrip on Ocracoke Island is under way and is expected to be ready for use in early December.

The 70-foot wide strip will cost an estimated \$83,000, all in state funds. It is located on the southeastern side of the island and is on lands belonging to the Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The state received permission to build the airstrip under a permit issued by the National Park Service.

After completion, the airstrip will be turned over to Hyde county for maintenance.

For several years, small planes have been landing at Ocracoke and taking off, using the highway.

## DUCK WOODS GOLF COURSE OPENS FRIDAY



DUCK WOODS GOLF CLUB'S beautiful 18-hole championship course will be open to members, their guests and Dare Coast visitors on November 1. A section of one of the fairways with its underground irrigation system in operation is shown in this photo. In addition to golfing, the informal dedication of Duck Woods Golf Club this weekend will feature a dance at the John Yancey Motor Hotel ballroom Saturday night.