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BUXTON MAN IS MISSING, RESULT OF RIVER MISHAP

John B. Rollinson, 27, Crewman Aboard Buoy Tender Involved in Mississippi Crash

John B. Rollinson, engineer-in-charge, U. S. Coast Guard, is missing, one of 17 crewmen aboard the "Alder White," a buoy tender which sank Saturday in the Mississippi River at White Castle, La. The Coast Guard vessel was in collision with a Nationalist Chinese freighter Helena, which suffered no major damage.

Three of the 20-member crew were rescued after the collision. The missing 17 have been subject of intensive search since Sunday. The point of impact is some thirty miles south of Baton Rouge and the river is reported to be about one-half mile wide there.

The Alder White was traveling downstream to New Orleans, the Chinese vessel up-river. Belief is that the Coast Guard vessel was hit broadside. Those rescued were clinging to a buoy and plucked from the cold, choppy water about 90 minutes after the collision.

One resident of Iberville Parish (county), La. was quoted as telling the Coast Guard: "I heard what I thought was an explosion. I was sitting in the kitchen at the time. I ran to the window and saw what I thought was a flare. That's all. I heard a noise. I saw a flash of light."

A search of the river turned up various articles from the White Alder. The missing Dare County man is a son of Mrs. Patsy Rollinson of Rodanthe and the late Robert Rollinson of Frisco. He had been living recently with his wife and two children in New Orleans.

Mrs. Patsy Rollinson, accompanied by her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Gray of Rodanthe, left Tuesday for Louisiana to await developments. The commanding officer of the Alder White, also missing, is from Chesapeake, Va. He is Samuel C. Brown, Jr., CWO, 41 years old.

WHISKEY-BY-DRINK GETS OVERWHELMING VOTE OF APPROVAL

In a recent poll to members of the Greater Nags Head Chamber of Commerce, the question of liquor-by-the-drink legislation was posed. Of the total of 48 responses, only two indicated they would not favor such permissive legislation.

The forty-six favorable responses, represented less than 20% of those eligible to vote. By-drink legislation is expected to be an issue in the 1969 General Assembly, particularly since Virginia resorts are now beginning operations under more liberal beverage regulations.

The question was talked briefly in the 1967 N. C. Assembly, but the only resolve to A.B.C. problems at that time was to legalize brown-bagging which had been allowed for many years with little regard to statute.

BENEFIT BARBECUE TO BE HELD FOR CUTRELL

A benefit barbecue will be held at the Mattamuskeet School Dec. 13 in the two-hour period before the basketball game between the Mattamuskeet Lakers and Crosswell.

Proceeds of the barbecue, sponsored by the Mattamuskeet Jaycees, will go to the Billy Joe Cutrell family of Fairfield. Cutrell, a Jaycee, is suffering from a rare muscular disorder. He recently returned to the National Institutes of Health at Bethesda, Md.

CHRISTMAS TREE SALE

Troop 165, Manteo Boy Scouts, will sell Roanoke Island-grown cedars beginning Monday, Dec. 16 at the Community Building in Manteo. Height ranges from three to five feet and prices from \$1.50 to \$4.50.

Hours for the sale will be 3:30 to 5 p.m. week days and all day Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 21 and 22. For those unable to come during these hours, call 473-2791 and place your order. Delivery on Roanoke Island is free.

The trees are being donated to the Scouts by a well-known citizen who prefers to remain anonymous.

1ST FLIGHT SITE INTERNATIONAL SHRINE



ONE OF THE NATION'S OUTSTANDING HISTORICAL ATTRactions is the Wright Brothers National Memorial where Wilbur and Orville Wright made the first successful flight of an airplane on December 17, 1903. Visitors from all over the world have visited the site, more than 300,000 already this year. The site has become an international shrine. In addition to attractive Heather Frid of Peterborough, Ontario, Canada, people from distant foreign lands, from Japan to Tokyo visited the site this year; the site where the 65th anniversary of the conquest of the air was by the Wrights in the first powered flying machine. (Aycock Brown photo)

ROGERS DUE TO ANSWER COURT ORDER CHARGE

Desmond A. Rogers, Jr., of Manteo was scheduled to appear in District Court Friday to answer a charge of violation of a court order forbidding him to molest his estranged wife.

Mrs. Andrea Rogers of Wanchese swore out the warrant. Rogers was put under court order Oct. 4 by Judge Fentress T. Horner not to molest Mrs. Rogers in any way. At the time, Rogers was sentenced to six months on the roads after he pled no defense to a charge of trespass brought by Mrs. Rogers. The roads sentence was suspended upon condition that he not harass or converse with his wife pending a divorce action.

Violation of a court order usually is considered direct contempt of court and makes the original sentence applicable at once.

DEER AND CAR COLLIDE

The automobile of Mrs. Tom Dowdy, wife of the police chief of Kill Devil Hills, collided Wednesday with a deer on the north end of the 158 bypass. The chief reported damage to the car totaled about \$150. Damage to the deer was not estimated. The animal could not be located.

CAPE HATTERAS-GROWN TANGERINES



ON DISPLAY at the winter show of the Cape Hatteras Garden Club at Buxton were two tangerines from a tree in the yard of Mrs. Charles Gray of Buxton. Attractive backdrop for the citrus fruit is Chris Dicksey of Norfolk who is living with a relative at Buxton and attending Cape Hatteras High School.

3 YOUTHS DRAW LONG PROBATION, A YEAR IN JAIL

Roads Sentence Suspended, Defendants Ordered To Pay Damages

Three teen-aged boys who damaged more than a score of automobiles parked at Hatteras High School in Buxton during a basketball game Dec. 3 were ordered Friday to pay for their skulduggery and given a suspended sentence of 12 months in jail.

The youths were put on probation for five years. This means that if they run afoul of the law during the probationary period there is a possibility that the probation will be revoked and the boys sent to the roads.

Involved are Mack Pierce, 16, Currituck; Raymond Lewis, 16, Aydlett; and William Edward Gregory, 16, Camden. Gregory recently transferred from the Knapp High School in Currituck county to the Camden High School. The others are Knapp students.

After hearing evidence relating to charges of tampering with automobiles and larceny of personal property, District Judge Fentress T. Horner ordered the defendants to pay immediately a total \$400 for damages done to 20 cars, other damages expected to be filed with the court later, and costs of \$15 each. Horner also ordered them not to be away from home after 9 p.m. without their parents for a year, and revoked their driving permits for a year. In Pierce's case, he permitted the youth to drive to and from the job his mother said he had.

Raymond Bassett, resident deputy sheriff at Buxton, said he was informed about 10 p.m. the night of the game that some boys were tampering with cars in the school parking lot. He arrested Gregory immediately. The other two were picked up later at their homes in Currituck county. Bassett said he found cars with hoods scratched deeply, radio antennas bent, and hub caps and gasoline lids missing. He said Gregory had 10 gas caps in his pockets when arrested. "One of the caps was mine," Bassett told the court. The deputy said the boys had damaged both his personal car and his patrol car.

OCRACOKE COAST GUARDSMEN RECEIVE VIETNAM SERVICE AWARDS

Two Coastguardmen stationed with the U. S. Coast Guard, Ocracoke have been awarded U. S. Navy Commendation Medals by the Commander in Chief, U. S. Pacific Fleet, for meritorious service while serving in Vietnam.

Chief Petty Officer Harry F. O'Neal, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. O'Neal, Ocracoke, was presented the award during ceremonies held at the Coast Guard Station at Ocracoke on December 6.

Presentation of the award was made by Lt. L. M. Quidley, Commander, U. S. Coast Guard Group, Cape Hatteras. Chief O'Neal is the Officer in Charge at Ocracoke and resides on the island with his wife, Carol, and children Jeanette and Harry, Jr.

His award of the Commendation medal with Combat "V" was for services at set forth in the following Citation from the Commander in Chief, U. S. Pacific Fleet.

"For meritorious service while serving with friendly foreign forces engaged in armed conflict against Communist insurgent forces in the Republic of Vietnam from 15 June 1967 to 27 May 1968. Chief Petty Officer O'Neal demonstrated outstanding leadership on board the USCGC POINT YOUNG (WPB-82303). He performed as Officer of the Deck in a highly proficient manner at all times. Chief Petty Officer O'Neal served in all on a total of 44 combat patrols at sea coming under enemy fire on several occasions. His accurate firing as a gunner caused severe damage to enemy material and personnel on many occasions. His effective placement of 81mm illumination while the USCGC POINT YOUNG was in port during December 1967, was instrumental in the defense of Qui Nhon as that city came under heavy enemy attack. Chief Petty Officer O'Neal's professionalism, leadership and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

This award had added significance in that Petty Officer First Class Thurston F. Gaskill a member of Chief O'Neal's crew at the Ocracoke Station, and the son of Tony T. Gaskill of Ocracoke, had also received a similar award earlier for his service in Vietnam. Gaskill also resides at Ocracoke with his wife Rena and children, David and Rena. His award too, like Chief O'Neal's, was presented by Lt. Quidley and carried with it the following citation:

"For exceptional meritorious service from 1 May 1966 to 30 April 1967 in the performance of operations off the Southeastern coast of the Republic of Vietnam. While operating as part of the Coastal Surveillance Force off the coast of the Republic of Vietnam, Division 13 consistently demonstrated its exceptional military readiness and outstanding professional competence in engagements with the enemy, in support of amphibious raids and reconnaissance patrols and in search and rescue operations. The initiative, versatility, and perseverance, and courage displayed by the officers and men of this division were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Armed Forces. Both men are pictured as they received their awards from Lt. Quidley. In their present capacity these men continue to display traits of outstanding character, leadership, and devotion to duty and they are considered a credit to the service and to their community."

LUNCHEON SPEAKER



MAJ. GEN. NILS O. OHMAN, commandant of the headquarters command of the U. S. Air Force at Bolling A.F. Base, Washington, one of America's great Air Force officers, will be the speaker at the luncheon Tuesday, Dec. 17, the 65th anniversary of the Wright Brothers First Flight at Kill Devil Hills. The luncheon will be held at The John Yancey following ceremonies at the Wright Brothers National Memorial. (AF photo)

LIQUOR SALES UP IN DARE CO. FOR OCTOBER

Continuing the trend as in the past several months, Dare County A.B.C. outlets during November sold a considerable amount more than in the same month last year.

Total sales through the two outlets were \$31,498.80, compared to \$27,587.15, an increase of \$3,911.65.

DIVERGENT VIEWS EXPRESSED AT CHANNEL BASS HEARING

With more than 100 persons attending, the hearing in Dare County Courthouse Tuesday night concerning channel bass limits brought forth varying opinions as to what regulations must be effected. The gathering was a further step in the protest (or support) of a recently announced decision of the Board of Conservation and Development to eliminate the two-per-day limit on channel bass over 32 inches in length.

That controversial decision was reached at a November session of the board, following preliminary discussions which were either not aired or proper notification was not evidenced. At any rate, sport fishing, interest and tourist operators were uninformed as to the decision until the C&D group had made what appears now an ill-advised move in rescinding the limit, effective January 1, 1969.

The Tuesday night meeting was opened by Rep. Archie Burrus of Dare County, acting on behalf of the chairman, William A. Shires, who was late in arriving. Shires arrived some 30 minutes past the announced starting time of 7:30.

A number of concerned parties, representing the commercial side of the issue as well as tourist operators and sport fishers, See BASS, Page Five.

WRIGHT FLIGHT CEREMONY PLAN FOR DEC. 17 TERMED AS 'ONE OF THE GREATEST'

Program to Begin at 10:30 Again Will Feature Elizabeth City's Outstanding Band; Many Dignitaries; Tributes; Demonstrations to Be Followed by Luncheon.

HYDE CO. NEGROES DEFY COURT RULES AT WED. HEARING

Seven Convicted and Appeal Charges of Disruption, Blocking Traffic

Following several days during which some arrests have been made for disturbances inspired by Golden Frinks and others irresponsible, court was held in Hyde County Wednesday with seven convictions and a like number of appeals from District Court to Superior Court.

Frinks' recent remarks have included such as "we're going to close all the bridges between here and Norfolk, Va." That, presumably after the "courthouse, schools and other facilities" were closed, which he also said his movement would accomplish.

It has been, indeed, regrettable that the good colored citizenry has been influenced to the extent which has brought about disharmony, arrests, expenses, and the obvious lack of education for those who most need it. The Wednesday hearing in Swan Quarter was summed up See HYDE, Page Five

ADVISORY BOARD WILL RECOMMEND REGULATION STAY

Rescinding the Rescinding to Be Proposed by Fisheries Advisory Board

In communication with Ronald K. Tillett of Wanchese Thursday, Chairman William A. Shires of the Fisheries Advisory Board said the group would recommend "rescinding the rescinding" of the controversial channel bass limit-lifting.

Tillett said Shires told him that the board members mainly felt that no change should be made at this time, and that a memo to Director Dan E. Stewart of the C&D Board would so indicate. Shires indicated that no meeting of the advisory board would be called before January 1; when the regulation was to be lifted, but that he felt the C&D board would temporarily let the restriction stand.

The advisory board's next regular meeting will likely occur in January, but it is doubtful that adequate information can be obtained by that time to enable the board to reach a firm See BOARD, Page Three

BIG TURNOUT FOR HEARING IN COURTHOUSE TUESDAY NIGHT



LIFTING THE LIMIT of two-per day on channel bass over 32 inches in length beginning Jan. 1 brought a big turnout forth to express views on the subject Tuesday night in the Dare County Courthouse. Commercial fishermen supported the proposal to rescind the present limit, while sport fishermen and tourist interest vigorously defended the need to maintain the limit as presently established. An argument of the commercial fishermen was that they prefer to legally dispose of unintentionally-made catches, which they contend occurs infrequently while fishing for such species as croaker, trout, spot and other varieties.

Left to right, officials at the advisory board table are: Dr. Al Chesnut, director of the Marine Laboratory at Morehead City; Sen. Ashley B. Futrell; Chairman William Shires; Rep. Archie Burrus; Adrian Hurst; Dr. William A. Haasler and Dr. Thomas A. Linton, fisheries commissioner.

IF PRESENT PLANS ARE CARRIED OUT, THE 65th ANNIVERSARY CEREMONIES OF THE WRIGHT BROTHERS FIRST FLIGHT WILL BE ONE OF THE GREATEST ONE-DAY EVENTS IN THE HISTORY OF AVIATION.

The program, jointly sponsored by The First Flight Society, Air Force Association, National Aeronautics Association and National Park Service will begin at the Wright Brothers National Memorial at 10:30 and following an exciting hour of entertainment, will conclude with the memorial luncheon in the banquet room of the John Yancey Motor Hotel, which will be preceded by a hospitality hour sponsored by John Yancey, Jr., the owner, and the First Flight Society.

The program at the memorial site will again feature the fine music and entertainment of Elizabeth City High School Band under direction of Scott Calloway. During this program S. Wade Mann, on behalf of the FFS, will present a portrait of the band's benefactor, the late Miles L. Clark, who for many years was also president of the Society.

The aerial tribute to the Wright's memory will be four Air Force F-102s at 11 o'clock, flying near the speed of sound as they pass over the area.

After the aerial tribute, a Piper-J-3 will tow off a sailplane that will gain altitude and return over the site a few minutes later. In the meantime, Igor Benson of Raleigh will give an exciting demonstration with his famous gyrocopter, after which the sailplane will again be over the area. On display at the visitor center will be a plaque of the Soaring Society of America which will sponsor the sailplane exhibition. The plaque of bronze will eventually be erected near the visitor center.

The U.S. Coast Guard participation will include an air rescue demonstration followed by a flyover of two CG planes, a Lockheed C-130 and a Grumman Amphibian.

During the program at the National Memorial site, wreaths from the Daytona Chamber of Commerce, Dare County, First Flight Society, Air Force Association, National Aeronautics Association, and the Daedaliaans will be placed at the marker at the actual take-off site of the Wrights' first flight on Dec. 17, 1903.

Major General Nils O. Ohman, commandant, Headquarters Command, U. S. Air Force, Bolling A.F. Base, Washington, will be the principal speaker at the Memorial Luncheon.

Admiral Jesse G. Johnson of Norfolk, president, First Flight Society, will be emcee at the luncheon banquet which will feature in addition to General Ohman's address, the unveiling of portraits of distinguished speed flyers, Jackie Cochran and Col. Charles (Chuck) Yeager, each of whom will be present and also portraits of Admiral Richard Byrd, first to fly over the North and South Poles, and Amelia Earhart, the first woman to fly alone across the Atlantic.

Yancey, whose idea it was to establish a First Flight Shrine under the sponsorship of The First Flight Society for placing portraits of aviation greats, will unveil the portraits. See WRIGHT, Page Eight

KIWANIS SPONSORING TURKEY SHOOT SATURDAY

In addition to the birds, participants in the Outer Banks Kiwanis Club-sponsored turkey shoot on Dec. 14 will compete for such prizes as an automatic shotgun, shells and cleaning kit. The shoot will be from 1 to 5:30 p.m. on Rt. 158 By-Pass near Kill Devil Hills. Proceeds will benefit the club's youth scholarship fund.

BAKE SALE SATURDAY

The MYF of the Mount Olive Methodist Church will have a bake sale, Saturday, Dec. 14 on the vacant lot across the highway from Wise's Red and White market in Manteo. Homemade cookies, cakes and candy will be on sale from 10 a.m. until sold out.