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DE TO CELEBRATE ITS 230TH ANNIVERSARY 1941

Parents and Teachers Associations, County School Board Association and County Teachers Association Sponsoring Plan; Homecoming Planned For May 8, 9, 10, and 11; Many Notables to Be Present

Parents and Teachers Associations, the County School Board Association and County Teachers Association are celebrating the two-hundred and thirtieth anniversary of the county this year. They are planning a big Home-Coming Day for May 8, 9, 10, and 11. It will be the largest of its kind ever attempted in the county. The "Home-Coming Committees" who are composed of local high school principals, presidents of local PTAs, and members of the local school board will have charge of the local celebration, in the general public is urged to cooperate to the fullest extent. This committee will meet every evening at 7:00 o'clock in the Swan Quarter Agriculture Building to plan the program for the coming year.

Gallop Leader
P. G. Gallop, superintendent of schools, has been an outstanding leader in making plans for this celebration, which is being held in commemoration of the two-hundred and thirty years of the county's development and change in the county. Plans for the Home-Coming in May, which all natives of the county will be invited, are planned to be the largest and most friendly ever held since the county was established as a unit of the Carolina back in 1711, have already made and many notables are expected to be present.

Tentative Plans
Organization of local home-comings in each community in the county will be the main thing on the program for Thursday, morning and afternoon of May 8, which is the day of the celebration. The Music Festival will be held in the school auditorium in Engelhard during the evening and disbanding of the Engelhard natives of Engelhard recognized by the Engelhard Home-Coming Club.

Home-Coming Achievement Day
The Achievement Day will be held Friday at the high school in Swan Quarter. During the evening the Home-Coming Achievement Day will be held at the high school in Swan Quarter. The Home-Coming Achievement Day will be held at the high school in Swan Quarter.

Program Will Be Carried to the County's Five Communities
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Daniels to Come
The Daniels, American ambassador to Mexico and publisher of the News and Observer will be in the county for the Home-Coming. Mr. Daniels is a native of Hyde County and is expected to be the guest of honor at the Home-Coming event. "Naturally I am interested in the 230th anniversary of Hyde County and would make me happier to attend this anniversary. My mother was born in Hyde County and I was brought up there. There was no other home on Smith Creek River." A later comment from Mr. Daniels said, "I am on hand and thank you for Hyde County for the Home-Coming."

AS WEATHER HEAD GOES TO WASHINGTON
Mrs. R. B. Dailey has been temporarily making her home in Washington, D. C. Mrs. Dailey, who is chief of the Weather Bureau, has been assigned to special temporary duty at the Weather Bureau in Washington, D. C. Mrs. Dailey, who is chief of the Weather Bureau, has been assigned to special temporary duty at the Weather Bureau in Washington, D. C.

MERCY SHIP SAILS WITH \$850,000 OF AID FOR GREECE

Red Cross Cargo Leaves For Athens Jan. 15; Ship Provided by Greeks

Washington, D. C.—An American Red Cross "mercy ship," carrying a \$850,000 cargo of critically-needed relief supplies for Greek war victims, will leave New York for Athens on or about January 15, it was announced here by Chairman Norman H. Davis.

The vessel will be the S. S. Kassandra Louloudis, a 7,500-ton freighter provided free of charge by the Greek Government. It will sail to Athens via Suez.

Mr. Davis said the Red Cross had taken action following a detailed report from its Athens representative, Charles L. House. His report described "critical" needs for complete hospital units and milk products for children. Orders have been placed for \$100,000 worth of canned and dehydrated milk and \$150,000 worth of drugs and surgical equipment. The remainder of the cargo will consist of 10 trucks, dried fruits, cereals, flour and a large quantity of blankets.

Orders also have been placed by the Red Cross for 25 U. S. Army field type ambulances, Mr. Davis said. They will be placed on the "mercy ship" if delivery is made before departure.

Announcement of the "mercy ship" brought American Red Cross relief to Greece to \$1,100,000.

The Kassandra Louloudis will be the second American Red Cross "mercy ship" since the start of the European war. In July the S. S. McKeesport carried a similar cargo of relief supplies to Marseille for distribution in unoccupied France. Other Red Cross relief supplies from the United States have been shipped as partial cargo lots on Europe-bound vessels.

The cargo of the Kassandra Louloudis is being purchased according to needs as described to House by the Greek Army Medical Corps, the Minister of Public Welfare and the Greek Red Cross. Their requests were turned over to House and the U. S. Minister to Greece, Lincoln MacVeagh.

Red Cross plans for widening Greek relief brought a cable from Alexander Korizis, president of the Administrative Committee for American Relief in Greece at Athens. His cable said:

"We hasten to express our deep gratitude for this noble and humanitarian action which will greatly contribute toward alleviating innocent victims and more generally the misery caused by an unprovoked and cruel war waged against a small country."
Spyros P. Skouras, head of the Greek War Relief Association, wired from New York:
"Nothing I can ever do or say will completely and adequately express the full measure of my gratitude for your generous support of the Greek war relief cause. The Greek nation and all of Greek ancestry here shall never forget the significant and valued aid of the Red Cross in the emergency—nor the kindness and understanding that motivated it."

Similar wires of gratitude were received here from Harold S. Vanderbilt, honorary chairman of the Greek War Relief Association, and from Greek organizations throughout the country.
Aid to Greece is being extended through funds previously contributed to the Red Cross war relief fund and through purchases made by the Government from funds appropriated by Congress, it was explained.

FIVE HYDE COUNTY BOYS JOIN THE CCC

Only five boys were present in Swan Quarter Monday morning to fill Hyde's CCC quota of eight. The boys enlisting in this branch of service were (white) Chesley Gibbs of Middletown, Joseph A. Gibbs of Engelhard, Elwood Ackiss of Engelhard, (colored) Abraham Allison of Scranton and Bruce Mann of Fairfield.

The CCC offers exceptional opportunities to the youth of today who has little education or training and those interested in joining this branch of service should call at the Welfare Office in the Berry building in Swan Quarter and register.

NEW FARM AGENT COMING TO DARE FROM RICHMOND

Richmond County is to furnish Dare with a farm agent to succeed Chas. W. Overman, who is to go to Chowan County early this month. The new agent is to be Paul Chaplin, of Rockingham, N. C. The man from Wilson County, originally slated for this job, having received a boost in his pay, will remain in Wilson.

WINS PRIZE

Edward Dunbar, Swan Quarter agriculture student, recently won a 15-jewel Bulova wristwatch in a contest sponsored by the Keeling-Ester Fertilizer Company of Norfolk, Va., it was announced this week by Agriculture Instructor J. M. Worrell.

Young Dunbar was awarded the prize over fourteen other contestants, for making the largest increase in the yield of soy beans from the use of 10 per cent Murate of Potash oyster shell lime on a given amount of land, over those raised on the same amount of land where the formula was not used his increase was 96 per cent.

Edward is a ninth grade student. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Dunbar.

PUBLIC LIBRARY IS THE PRIDE OF LAKE LANDING

Interesting Books Bulge the Shelves; Miss Orphia Berry Manager

The growing Lake Landing public library is the subject of much conversation among the folk of that community, and well that it is, for Lake Landing has one of the best libraries in the county. It has many new books and people from Gulrock, Nebraska, Middletown, Engelhard and New Holland drive several miles to get them.

The library is located in the Civic Center and is managed by Miss Orphia, Likable young woman, who managed the Swan Quarter public library before it was taken over by Mrs. Geo. Makey. The library is made possible by the WPA and the splendid cooperation of the public spirited citizens of the community.

Among the newest and best books belonging to the library are: Raleigh's Eden, How Green Was My Valley, Quietly My Captain Waits, Escape, The Heart is a Lovely Hunter, The Stars Look Down, White Oak Heritage, Tuesday Never Comes, Jonathan's Daughter, The Yearling, Pride and Prejudice, Reaching For the Stars, The Loving Spirit, Wild Geese, Calling and Today Is Yours.

A list of books that the library has just received from the N. C. Library Commission in order to give its patrons a wider variety of literature to choose from follows: Wilderness Wanderers, Kentucky Cargo, Backwoods America, The White House Gang, Of Human Kindness, Passport For a Girl, The Young Hussar, Shadow on the Land, The James, So Red the Rose, The Eagles Gather, How to Organize and Conduct a Meeting.

FOUR HYDE BOYS LEFT FOR FORT BRAGG TUESDAY

First Man Actually Drafted in Call to Fill Second Quota

Four Hyde County boys left Swan Quarter Tuesday morning at 7:00 for Fort Bragg where they were inducted in the nation's growing army.

Boys reporting for army duty under the Selective Service Act were Claudy Spencer of Engelhard; James Harry Simpson of Scranton; Keith Sewell of Swan Quarter; and Clarence Norfleet Dunbar of Scranton.

The boys were taken to Fort Bragg from Washington by special bus. Keith Sewell acted as captain of the group.

Three of the boys, including Claudy Spencer, James Harry Simpson and Keith Sewell, were volunteers. Clarence Norfleet was the first man to be actually drafted in the Army under the present set-up.

BRIDGE PARTY

Mrs. Joe Linwood Swindell delightfully entertained members of her bridge club at her home in Swan Quarter last Wednesday evening at 8:00 o'clock.

Mrs. Stacy Lupton won the high score prize. The floating prize was awarded Mrs. Orville Langley. Members of the club attending the party were Mesdames J. P. Woodard, Grady Crede, Edward Koonce, Robert Tunnell, Bonner Lee, and John Lawrence.

Mrs. Swindell served a salad course.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Williams and daughter; Betty Lou, of Belhaven spent Sunday here with Mr. and Mrs. Swindell.

UNC. JOHN BERRY DIVIDES HIS CASH BUT KEEPS HEAD

Hyde Man, 93, Decides Not to Spend All His Money on the Widows

Hyde County's grand old man, and its oldest, John Henry Berry of Swan Quarter, is 93, spry as a kitten, fond of his fellowman, working hard, and enjoying life. Some months ago our readers learned he had shingled his barn during the hot dry weather. Later, he went to the State fair with the boys one day. More recently he visited relatives in Washington, D. C. Always he is doing things that would tire out many a younger fellow.

A few days ago, he got a check for nearly \$5,000 representing damages due him for timber destroyed by fire. He began turning over in his mind what to do with his money. "I suppose I should buy me a Rolls-Royce and show all the widows a good time," he told his nephew, Dan Berry, well known merchant.

But Uncle John didn't buy a car. He called his seven children about him, planning to divide his money equally between them. But on second thought, he gave them only half, and salted down the rest for his old age. "I expect to live a long time yet," he said. "I want to be able to take care of myself."

THE LOSS OF CCC CAMP, DARE'S 1ST AID TO DEFENSE

The news that the CCC camp located at Cape Hatteras in Dare County is one of three out of five National Park Service camps in North Carolina, whose men will be transferred to Fort Bragg, N. C., on January 10th, has caused much concern locally where the value of the camps, both as a commercial asset and as a factor for public improvement has long been recognized.

The orders are for a three months period to aid in the work of enlarging and improving Fort Bragg, large Army training center, and the loss of these men to aid in the National Defense program, will be a large contribution from Dare County, and will prove a great loss for the time being.

It is stated that the Buxton camp, located at Cape Hatteras, is one of three out of a total of five camps in North Carolina in the National Park Service program, camps to be removed at this time. The identity of the other two who will be moved to Fort Bragg, is not revealed. A skeleton crew will remain to look after the property. Other Park Service camps are Morrow Mountain, Hanging Rock, Mount Mitchell, and Crabtree Creek near Raleigh.

Rumors have been going the rounds that both the camps at Manteo and at New Holland in Hyde County, which are engaged in U. S. Biological Survey duty, are soon to be removed to Fort Bragg. There is no official confirmation of this, but the rumor is giving much concern locally, because their sudden removal will undoubtedly prove a great economic loss to sections geared up to handle the needs of the camps.

More than 100 men will probably be removed from Cape Hatteras. With them will go many local men, some of whom are in a supervisory capacity, among them being Charlie Gray of Buxton and Calvin Meekins of Avon, it is reported.

FISH NET & TWINE CO. HAS INTERESTING SHIP

Calendar Deals With Story of "White Swallow," Medford, Mass. Clipper

The Fish Net & Twine Co., well known to our readers, has issued an attractive calendar dealing with the story of an interesting old ship, built in 1850. The ship pictured on the calendar is the "White Swallow," built in Medford, Mass., in 1853, whose crew mutinied because of its cruel skipper while bound out of New York for San Francisco in 1865.

The captain and officers were overpowered and put in irons. On arrival at San Francisco, six of the crew were prosecuted, the case lasting over a week, when the evidence of some of the passengers, who manhandled the crew, led the judge to decide the case in favor of the crew.

C. R. Lupton and Cecil R. Harris left Monday for Norfolk where they will visit friends and relatives.

Frank Harris of Washington is spending sometime here with his parents.

80-ACRE AIRPORT NEAR MANTEO IS IN PROSPECT TO BE IN USE BY SUMMER

Runways Will Be 3,500 Feet Long on Project to Be Cleared by CCC Boys; Covers Site of Ancient Fields Including the County Poorhouse Site; Two Miles From Town

GIVEN FREE TRIP TO ROOSEVELT INAUGURAL



Victor Meekins, Sheriff of Dare County, and Editor of the Dare County Times was the most surprised person in the county Sunday night when he drew a letter from the postoffice from Richard J. Reynolds, enclosing a check for expenses to the inauguration of President Roosevelt this month. "You have won second prize," Mr. Reynolds wrote, "and herewith is check for your expenses."

The reason for the check, which Sheriff Meekins says is entirely unearned by him, is that Dare County was second in North Carolina among contributors to the Democratic Campaign Fund. In September, Mr. Reynolds wrote the Sheriff asking him to head up the job of raising contributions in Dare County. The money was collected, and turned in. It now develops that Dare was second in per capita contributions, Carroll Wilson of Roanoke Rapids, Editor of the Herald, being first.

"I don't feel that I did anything to deserve it," Sheriff Meekins said, but appreciate the honor on behalf of Dare County Democrats, for they made splendid contributions, and all the credit is due them. They felt that Dare County has been so greatly recognized in many ways, that its people should have pride in making a substantial contribution. Dare County is usually to the front anyway, in whatever it undertakes, and this isn't the first prize it has won this year."

SHORTER FERRY ROUTE POSSIBLE BY SUMMER

Commissioner Webb Plans to Put Machine to Digging Road to Sandy Point in Tyrrell

That a prospect for cutting the Alligator River ferry route in half, is in the offing, was revealed this week by Representative C. Earl Cohoon of Tyrrell County, who states he has been advised by District Highway Commissioner E. V. Webb of Kingston to the effect that a dragline machine will be placed again on the Dillon Ridge road project, which will connect with Sandy Point on the Tyrrell side of the river, as soon as the weather conditions permit.

Completion of this road will shorten the distance from Columbia to the river and likewise permit a ferry crossing in 30 minutes, or half the time now required to go from East Lake to Fort-Landing. This site would also be used in event of the bridging of Alligator River.

MRS. LUPTON ENTERTAINS

Mrs. C. Rouse Lupton delightfully entertained members of her bridge club at the home of Mrs. Nat Crede last Tuesday evening at 8:00.

Prizes were awarded Mrs. Nat Crede for high score; Mrs. O. L. Williams, second high score; and Mrs. Pratt Williamson, floating prize.

Those present included Mesdames Branch Spencer, C. L. Sawyer, M. A. Smith, M. H. Swindell, Pratt Williamson, O. L. Williams, and Nat Crede.

Delicious ice cream and cake was served.

The work of clearing Dare County's 80-acre airport near Manteo will begin this month, according to Foreman Harry White of CCC camp, Virginia Dare, who has received the "go-ahead" sign on the project. The property, owned by Dare County, will permit runways in two directions more than 3,500 feet in length, and adjacent land available would make possible much longer runways in years to come.

The property is located about two miles in a straight line from the town of Manteo, and includes the old Poorhouse property, once the home site of the late John Allen Etheridge, the John Woodley field, and several other small tracts. It fronts on the Sunnyside road. The runways will be in the shape of a cross, with one running north-east and southwest, and the other running northwest and southeast, and will enable fliers to take advantage of prevailing winds in this section.

Dave Driskill, local pilot lent his aid in mapping out the runways, and the project has been under consideration for about one year. Heading the movement was John Ferebee of the Dare County Commissioners, and he was largely instrumental in making this much needed facility possible. He was aided on the Committee by Attorney Martin Kellogg and Victor Meekins.

The county has tendered the use of the property to the National Park Service, which operates a plane from Roanoke Island, the Park Service plans to erect a hangar on the property to house its equipment, Pilot Driskill says.

The first runway to be constructed will probably be in a southwesterly direction, in order to have it ready by summer, Mr. White states.

The vision and enterprise of the local people in looking ahead to future needs, makes Dare the first county on the Atlantic Coast to attempt to provide a modern landing field with adequate facilities suitable for use in all weather and all winds. It will be the best field east of Rocky Mount.

Hyde and Tyrrell Need Fields
Landing fields are needed at both Columbia and Swan Quarter in Tyrrell and Hyde Counties respectively. Until they are provided, these two counties, now rearing a splendid trade from sportsmen, will continue to lose more and more valuable trade.

Dare County finds itself greatly in need of a larger landing field, now that the coast air line between Norfolk and Beaufort, of which Stanley Wahab is president, is assured.

Hyde County with its famous Mattamuskeet lake, greatly needs an airport near this important center for sportsmen, hunting in winter and fishing in summer, spring and fall. Tyrrell County, famous for its deer and bear hunting, its quail shooting too, and its black bass fishing, also greatly needs a landing field.

Currituck, near Cartersville, have as yet made provisions for any field as adequate as the Roanoke Island field. The field near Manteo will be available to the Government, in its defense program, if needed, and if it is required, sufficient land may be obtained to lengthen the end of either runway to accommodate the fastest and largest of ships.

In a recent Civil Aeronautics bill submitted to the House of Congress, and approved, \$123,000 was set up for the use of the Manteo airport; some \$40,000 each for Hatteras, Fairfield and Ocracoke.

But due to the protests of other communities, who were not named in the bill, the Senate let the measure die. Since that time the program of National Defense has been unannounced, until it appears that the help needed for these important projects may come only through defense legislation.

But it is a safe bet that Manteo and Dare County will be in an excellent position later by reason of having a large airport available, and further, an enormous amount of business will come to this section that would otherwise pass it by.

Having an airport will be as good as having a trunkline railroad

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