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COMMISSIONERS BACK DOWN ON JUNE DECISION

Pay Painter 70c an Hour; Other Business Included Approving SAA Delegates

The Hyde County Board of Commissioners backed down on their June decision not to pay more than 60 cents an hour for painting in the Agricultural building. They admitted that they had shown themselves poor business people in the deal and Tuesday authorized that Fenner Cherry be paid 70 cents in accordance with his bill.

The Commissioners authorized county agent J. P. Woodard and home agent, Miss Iberia Roach, to have their offices painted. Mr. Woodard was to sell a lime spreader which had been used for demonstrations and these funds were to help pay on the painting bill. No mention of wage prices was made.

The agents hired Fenner Cherry, Swan Quarter painter, who has done the county business for sometime. The last work Mr. Cherry did for the Commissioners he charged 60 cents an hour. But this time, when the bill came in, it was for 70 cents an hour. The Commissioners promptly refused to pay the 70 cents and issued a check for the hours billed at 60 cents an hour.

Mr. Cherry didn't cash the check. He wasn't satisfied, and complained to the agents. They carried the complaint to the Commissioners, stating no wage price had been mentioned. It was stated also that other painters at Swan Quarter were getting 75 cents an hour at the time.

The Commissioners voted to pay the bill at 70 cents, but members Ed Berry and A. L. Cuthrell stated that henceforth any job that was done for the county that there would be an understanding as to price. They said that painters could be hired from their communities for less money than those they could hire at Swan Quarter. Mr. Mason favored paying Mr. Cherry the 70c rate.

The commissioners also backed up on a recent decision not to pay the light bill in the FSA office. They had done this after it was learned that the lease of the Welfare Offices furnished lights for them and that the Health Office paid its light bill. They had thought that the other agency in rented space should pay its bill.

They changed their mind Tuesday after FSA Supervisor F. V. Harris, whom the Pamlico Ice and Light Company had fell back on, explained the situation to them. They learned that they were really getting out cheap with this department since it was furnishing its own heat and the others weren't and that it even paid part of the rent bills.

The commissioners approved the list of delegates to the Southern Albemarle meeting. They are as follows: Englehard; C. D. Davis, T. J. Etheridge, P. D. Midgett, J. H. Patrick, R. S. Spencer, Gilbert Gibbs, M. A. Matthews, C. F. Gibbs, J. H. Jarvis, Mrs. S. M. Gibbs and J. M. Long.

Middletown: W. W. Payne, Mrs. W. W. Payne, and Mrs. E. C. Miller. Lake Landing: T. G. Young, L. A. Dudley, S. A. Long, W. H. Farrow, W. W. Watson, Mrs. W. W. Watson, C. C. Davis, Mrs. C. C. Davis, and Dr. J. W. Miller.

Swan Quarter: C. L. Bell, J. S. Mason, C. L. Bonner, E. A. Williams, O. L. Williams, Pratt Williamson, D. L. Berry, N. W. Shelton and Bonner Lee. Fairfield: J. L. Simmons, Mrs. J. L. Simmons, Roby Bains, Mrs. Roby Bains, A. L. Cuthrell, Geo. A. Cuthrell, P. C. Simmons, D. D. Cuthrell, and P. E. Swindell.

P. D. Midgett of Englehard, Hyde county vice-president, will head the Hyde county delegation. He states that all citizens, even though they may not be delegates, are invited to attend the meeting which will be held in Manteo, Wednesday, August 30.

TONSILS REMOVED
Wiley Hodges, son of Mr. and Mrs. Max Hodges of Englehard, had his tonsils removed at the Washington hospital last Tuesday. He is getting along very well.

SO. ALBEMARLE MEETING IN DARE SET AUG. 30th

Gregg Cherry Expected to Attend; Will Make Only One Appearance at Fort Raleigh

Delegates have been named from all the counties of the Southern Albemarle region of Hyde, Washington, Tyrrell and Dare which convenes in Tenth Annual session at Manteo, August 30th, and will feast at a fish fry at Fort Raleigh. Governor Nominate R. Gregg Cherry of Gastonia is expected to be the speaker.

All counties have named their delegates, and the list from Washington County was published last week. Dare County has named the following delegates: Manteo: Martin Kellog Jr., D. F. Gordon, T. S. Meekins, M. L. Johnson, M. K. Fearing, M. L. Daniels, L. D. Tarkington, J. E. Ferebee, T. D. Etheridge, H. A. Dough, Dr. W. W. Johnston, I. P. Davis, A. D. Swindell, D. V. Meekins, W. H. Shearin, R. I. Leake, O. J. Jones, W. M. Jolliff, R. H. O'Neal, W. R. Pearce.

Manns Harbor, C. L. Midgett, Edgar Midgett, Gaston Mann, Mashoes, T. L. Midgett, Stumpy Point, George M. Wise, E. M. Hooper, A. B. Hooper, East Lake, C. C. Smith, J. H. Bratten.

Hatteras, T. S. Eaton, Dan Oden, Buxton, E. P. White, N. F. Jennette, Avon, O. G. Gray, D. J. O'Neal, Salvo, Waves, Rodanthe, L. Douglas, A. H. Gray, J. A. Meekins. Colington, L. W. Stetson, Mrs. U. S. Meekins.

Nags Head, C. E. Parker, C. P. Midgett. Kitty Hawk, E. N. Baum, Z. F. Perry.

Wanchese, M. R. Daniels, Mrs. Pearl Scharff, W. B. Tillett, O. H. Daniels.

MRS. ORENDA MIDGETT OF RODANTHE DEAD

Mrs. Orenda Midgett, 77, of Rodanthe, died Saturday, August 5, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. A. Midgett of Waves. Funeral services were conducted Sunday morning at 11:30 at her home at Rodanthe, by the Rev. Riger Tucker, pastor of the Rodanthe Methodist Church, of which Mrs. Midgett was a member.

Mrs. Midgett, who was the widow of the late Joseph Midgett of Rodanthe, is survived by 12 sons and daughters, Mrs. Clara Gray of Stumpy Point; Mrs. Minnie Midgett of Manteo; Mrs. P. L. O'Neal, Mrs. C. A. Midgett, and Mrs. Dorland Midgett of Waves; Mrs. R. D. Gray of Salvo; Levene Midgett, David Midgett, Joseph Midgett and Mrs. E. R. Midgett of Rodanthe; Mrs. Robert Baum of Norfolk; and Andrew Midgett of the U. S. Coast Guard, recently transferred; 37 grandchildren and a large number of great grandchildren.

About two weeks ago all 12 sons and daughters gathered at the bedside of their mother, to be with her in her illness and to be together for the first time in many months.

SCHOOL DENTIST NOW WORKING IN DARE COUNTY

The Dare county health department has announced the schedule for Dr. William S. Yelton, school dentist who is now working in Dare County. Dr. Yelton is working this week at Wanchese, having previously been in Manteo. Next week, August 16, 17 and 18, Dr. Yelton will be at the school building at Stumpy Point from 10 until 3:30. During the week of August 21 he will be at the Manns Harbor school building at the same hours; and during the week of August 28 at Kitty Hawk.

Anyone wishing to have dental work done for pre-school age children, or for school children through the ages of 13 can make appointments with Dr. Yelton to have their work done, at no cost to themselves. Children from East Lake and Mashoes will be taken care of at Manns Harbor, and those from Colington, Nags Head and Duck will go to Kitty Hawk.

Your War Bond Investment Is Your Investment In America

GOVERNOR TO SPEAK AUGUST 18th AT FORT RALEIGH ON VIRGINIA DARE DAY



GOVERNOR J. MELVILLE BROUGHTON, who is now President of the Roanoke Island Historical Association, is to be the guest of Dare County folk next Friday, August 18th, at a picnic dinner at Fort Raleigh in celebration of the Anniversary of the birth of Virginia Dare. The exercises at Fort Raleigh will have an added attraction in the Elizabeth City High School Band which will be brought here especially for the occasion. The ceremonies this year will not be so elaborate as in peace times, and invitations are not being sent out to the general public, although all are welcome to attend. Governor Broughton, and Sam Selden, Director of the Lost Colony, and Billy Carmichael, Comptroller of the University of N. C., will arrive at Nags Head on the night of the 17th and will stop at the First Colony Inn, Nags Head.

Around the Courthouse

READY TO GO—B. F. Mason, chairman of the Hyde County Election Board is all ready to mail out the absentee ballots to service men for voting in the November election except for having the county ballots which have not yet come from the printers. He will mail four ballots to each of the 30 service men who registered for the primary just as soon as he gets the local ballots. They are the national ticket, state ticket, state constitutional amendments, and local ticket.

Mr. Mason states that service men and women, eligible to vote, may get ballots by writing and advising him or that parents may request the ballots be sent their sons and daughters. They will be sent air mail and the service folk will return it in an envelop sent along for that purpose. It must reach the chairman before election day, November 7.

The Election chairman reported that of the 30 service men whom he mailed ballots for voting in the primary last spring only 11 voted. Three of these arrived too late to be counted.

A NICE GIFT—The County Commissioners learned Tuesday from Miss Iberia Roach, home agent, when she gave her monthly report, that the home department was going to get a nice gift from a public-spirited home business. They were told that the Pamlico Ice and Light Company of Englehard, headed by P. D. Midgett, is giving the department an electric stove—absolutely free.

The stove will be a nice addition to the home department lab and a piece of equipment that would set the commissioners back quite a few dollars if they had to buy it.

HYDE ROADS—There is a big road map of Hyde County in the Register of Deeds office, which has just been received from highway officials, which shows that three roads in the county are being taken off the state's maintenance list and one being added. The roads being taken off State maintenance are the Farrow road in Swan Quarter Township; those in the town of Englehard; the Piny Woods road near Nebraska in Lake Landing township. The road being taken over by the state is one in Currituck township near Bulah, connecting

STUMPY POINT ON AUGUST 27 HOST TO GREAT CROWD

Senator Elect Clyde R. Hoey to Be Speaker at Great Celebration

On Sunday, August 27th, Methodists of Eastern North Carolina will gather at Stumpy Point to take part in the anniversary celebration of the founding of Methodism on the mainland of Dare County. The principal speaker will be former Governor Clyde R. Hoey of Shelby, who is now Senator Nominate from North Carolina.

Rev. W. B. Parkin, church pastor has prepared an elaborate program, and the members of the church at Stumpy Point are planning to entertain with a picnic dinner. At Stumpy Point live a people who are famous for their friendliness and their hospitality, and their fine homes, so it is expected a large attendance will mark this celebration.

Rev. W. L. Clegg, District Superintendent, and other notable ministers will be guests at this event.

SCHOOL OPENINGS POSTPONED TO SEPT. 18

"In view of the grave situation which exists in North Carolina because of the epidemic of poliomyelitis, of which there have been up to this time 453 cases reported in 48 counties since June 1, and which has resulted in 21 known deaths, it is the sense of this committee that the local boards of education and those charged with the administration of all private and parochial schools defer the opening of any and all such schools until September 18, and then only if the epidemic has subsided to such an extent as to permit their opening with safety.

"This action is taken after consultation with Dr. James A. Leak, of Washington, Epidemiologist of the United States Public Health Service, and a nationally known authority on contagious diseases.

"The State Health Officer is requested to prepare for the press, for subsequent publication, a statement in which he shall give more in detail the sound reasons for this action in connection with the emergency now existing."

Resolution by the Executive Committee of the State Board of Health, passed Friday, August 4, 1944.

THE GUTHRIES' LEAVE HYDE FOR NEW HOME

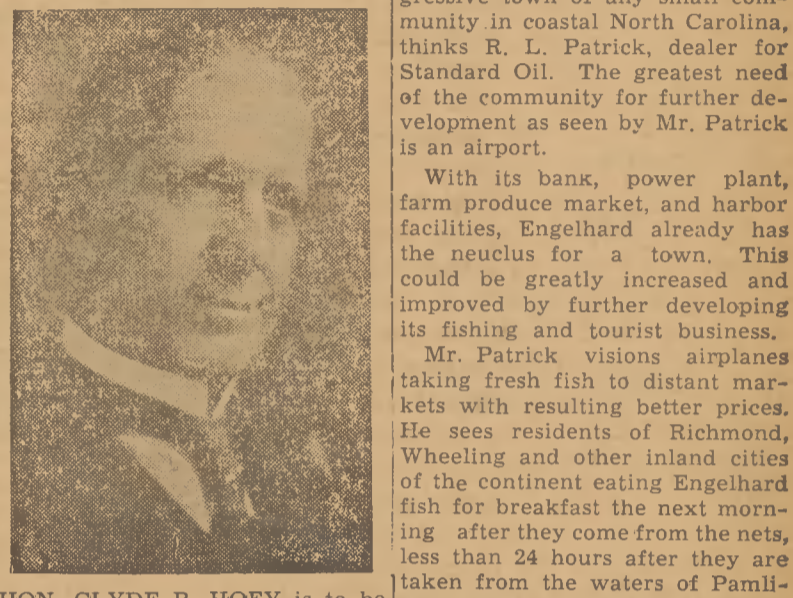
Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Guthrie left this week for Reynolds where Mr. Guthrie will be principal of the school. The couple had lived in Swan Quarter two years where Mr. Guthrie was principal of the school. He had recently been employed by the Berry Company.

The U. S. farm-mortgage debt was reduced by 850 million dollars during 1942 and 1943.

ENGLEHARD HAS GREAT POSSIBILITIES THINKS PATRICK, ESSO OIL MAN

Airport Greatest Need for Developing Fishing Industry and Tourist Trade Small Investment in Improvements by Local Capital Would Make Community Into Small Town

GUEST SPEAKER AUG. 27 AT STUMPY PT. CHURCH



HON. CLYDE R. HOEY is to be the guest speaker at Stumpy Point, on Sunday, August 27th, when the Methodists of that community will entertain many visitors. Mr. Hoey is the Democratic nominee for U. S. Senator, and a former Governor of this state.

LESS KEROSENE IN PROSPECT FOR NEXT WINTER

Kerosene—as well as gasoline—powers the attack, and with Allied offensives on the move, much greater consumption of kerosene and fuel oil will mean less available for civilians this winter. Theodore S. Johnson, district director of the Office of Price Administration, said this winter's supply will undoubtedly be the lowest since the beginning of the war.

Moving in advance of cold weather in an effort to avert hardships during the winter, OPA has instructed all local War Price and Rationing Boards to tighten their control of kerosene and fuel oil rationing now and, at the same time, civilians were urged to cooperate fully in an effort to keep consumption down. Local boards were instructed to screen all applications very carefully and to reduce allotments to users of space heaters to a minimum, Johnson said.

Because of the extra effort involved in closer screening, consumers were urged to return their applications to their board immediately. Users of fuel oil and kerosene were advised to fill their storage tanks to capacity allowed by their current rations in order to utilize all storage space now, while transportation facilities are not overburdened. By doing this, Johnson pointed out, consumers may avoid being completely out of fuel this winter.

Kerosene shortages this year result from two major military factors, Johnson said. First, increased production of high octane gasoline for airplanes and tanks has left a much smaller percentage of crude oil production for conversion into kerosene and fuel oil.

ARRESTED FOR BEATING WIFE AND MINISTER

Clarence Payne, a young man of 25 at Wanchese is to be tried Tuesday, August 15, for beating his wife, and for assaulting Rev. George Willis, Coast Guard Chaplain of Hatteras, in the home of Mrs. McCleary of Wanchese. Payne and his wife had rooms at the home of Mrs. McCleary, a sister of Mr. Willis. On Monday of this week she called for assistance reporting Payne as being drunk and beating his young wife. Officers who came to the scene found the girl with a face beaten to a pulp and bleeding and in a hysterical condition. Rev. George Willis reported that Payne had struck him and cursed and abused Mrs. Willis.

Next morning when Payne got out of jail, he and his wife soon

By THOS. E. SPENCER
Englehard has one of the best chances of developing into a progressive town of any small community in coastal North Carolina, thinks R. L. Patrick, dealer for Standard Oil. The greatest need of the community for further development as seen by Mr. Patrick is an airport.

With its bank, power plant, farm produce market, and harbor facilities, Englehard already has the nucleus for a town. This could be greatly increased and improved by further developing its fishing and tourist business.

Mr. Patrick visions airplanes taking fresh fish to distant markets with resulting better prices. He sees residents of Richmond, Wheeling and other inland cities of the continent eating Englehard fish for breakfast the next morning after they come from the nets, less than 24 hours after they are taken from the waters of Pamlico Sound.

Besides this, he sees Englehard fish being hauled to Eastern North Carolina markets already dressed and sold in the best grocery stores. The Englehard man states that few towns up-state have a decent fish market that women shoppers can cater to. The products if put into the modern groceries and food markets would sell much better and bring a much better price. The transportation costs would be less since they would not take up so much space or weigh so much already dressed as they do the way they are shipped at present.

Tourists by the hundreds from all sections of this nation would come to Englehard and Hyde county if they could fly in by plane thinks Mr. Patrick. He says several men of his company who used to come to Lake Mattamuskeet to hunt before the war stated that they would come much more if an airport was available so that they could come by air and save time.

Englehard nestling between Lake Mattamuskeet on the one side and Hatteras on the other is an ideal center for sportsmen. It has good fishing in Pamlico sound right off its harbor in Far Creek. It merely lacks advertising. It will take a lot of hard work, the investment of some money, and a good job of advertising, says Mr. Patrick, but Englehard has a good chance of going places after the war. It it don't go ahead it can only be the blame of its leaders.

Surrounded by a large area of fertile farms and having half a dozen progressive fishing villages near-by, Englehard is a logical trading center. Improvements and advertising can bring much more business than it really gets and bring added income to merchants and larger staffs of clerks. This will mean more families.

Little imagination is needed to see just how far Englehard or any like community can go ahead if they follow Mr. Patrick's advice. The type of tourist an airport would bring in would cause a demand for a modern hotel, automobile rental service, taxicabs, guides, a dry cleaning plant and laundry, bakery, and many other services.

Far-sighted men like Mr. Patrick bring communities great development and the story of this man puts Englehard ahead of any that I have heard of in this area in the way of progressive post-war thinking. There are others in Englehard with more post-war ideas.

patched up matters and were apparently happy together. Mr. Willis of forgiving nature wanted to be off and about his father's business saving the souls of sailors and surfmen. Mrs. McCleary was happy when Mrs. McCleary moved from her house. The little family row may not amount to much when court convenes next Tuesday.

Battle Enemy Together



A HANDSOME GUERRILLA GIRL fighter of famed Marshal Tito's armies, clad in battledress, stands beside a strapping compatriot on an airfield strip carved out among the rocky hills of a island off the Yugoslav coast. Behind them, R.A.F. mechanics are working on one of the British Spitfire fighters which has been giving these partisan forces close air support in their campaign against the Nazis.