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MASHOES CREEK HAS 17 FOLKS IN SEVEN HOMES

The community of Mashoes in Dare County was once a place. It had a most active school and was the center of a huge fishing business. Neglect in getting a road into the place almost wrecked in order to pursue the ad- of modern living, sev- its finest families moved. It began to look as if one would have to leave this neighborhood.

About eight years ago there a old man named Tom Loy- dgett who persisted in de- a road be built into Ma- from Manns Harbor. Other raised their voices too, but after time when defeat star- in the face, it was Capt. who kept the battle go- nearly every month he before the Dare Commis- To his many friends- about the State he made ap-

In order to give them to do, the WPA offi- decided to send men from Point and East Lake to on the five-mile road from Harbor to Mashoes. Some- work would stop for a long and again Capt. Midgett, come fort too do battle, a- from a sick bed now and it was often said of him working for this road was him alive, and that he die soon after it was fin-

Capt. Midgett did live to the road opening celebrated a big fish fry right in front home, and heard many peo- come from far and near, and speeches praising him for work, and he died hap- pened that all his neigh- were taken care of so far as go, and that Mashoes Creek again build up. He died and just a few weeks a faithful wife passed away. deaths leave two great gaps little settlement.

There are only seven oc- homes on Mashoes, and its population is 17 people. of the houses are of elder- now, for the present living There is Mrs. Martha 60 last November, the old- man in Dare County living and doing her own house- She is the widow of Capt. Mann. Then there is Mrs. Payne, widow of Worth well into her 70's living except for her faithful and Mrs. Maude Basnight present time housekeeping while her son Fred takes parties at Oregon In-

Other four homes are those of Mr. Midgett, Mr. and Mrs. Mann, and Sam C. Basnight Clyde Twiford. Five miles shore, at the lonely Durant Club, Capt. J. S. Rhodes alone. This, he keeps for of Rocky Mount business

dozen years ago, the at Mashoes was a flourish- ing down on the creek about the busy season- came from Manns Harbor, City, Roanoke Island, County and elsewhere. fast motor boats and good in other places have fast the picture Capt. Mid- the road completed, today is still an inter- place and fine for sport Its sandy cook beach may become popular as a resort. Meantime, its live a happy, content life, always the part of good ers. They are making an to rebuild their Methodist damaged by storm Sept-

OPA PERMITS INCREASE IN SLAUGHTERING

Permission to slaughter 10 per cent more cattle, sheep, an d'ams during accounting periods begin- ning on or after July 1, was granted non-federally inspected commercial slaughterers to ob- tain a better balance in meat dis- tribution, OPA District Director Theodore S. Johnson explained today.

This increase brings Class 2 slaughterers' maximum percent- ages up from 75 per cent to 85 per cent for cattle, with sheep and lambs raised from the former 100 per cent to 110 per cent. Slaughter percentages for calves and hogs are unchanged, Johnson said, remaining at 75 per cent and 50 per cent respectively.

Johnson also gave the reason for OPA's recent extension of the June 3 0deadline for regis- tration of farm slaughterers.

Many farmers slaughter only in the late Fall, he said, and consequently were unprepared to make early application. The new deadline, Johnson pointed out, is October 14, and all farmers who intend to slaughter meat ani- mals for sale, or have meat slaughtered for them for sale, must apply for Class 3 permits by that date.

MRS. W. R. KNIGHT DIES ON ROANOKE ID. WEDNESDAY

Mrs. Leah Meekins Knight, 57, wife of W. R. Knight of Manteo, died following a long illness Wed- nesday at her home. She was the daughter of the late C. P. and Mrs. Winnie Meekins of Manteo, and a long time member of the Roanoke Island Baptist Church. Besides her husband, she sur- vived by four children: Willard Knight of West Palm Beach, Florida, Charles Knight of Stumpy Point, Mrs. Purdy Flowers and Miss Louise Knight of Manteo; the following mothers and sis- ters: Roland Meekins and Mrs. E. M. Twiford of Norfolk; Carl Meekins, Mrs. C. C. Jones, and Mrs. Gladys Brantley of Manteo and W. S. Meekins of Panama. Her mother, Mrs. Winnie Meekins of Manteo.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday, July 11th, in the family cemetery by Dr. G. A. Martin, family pastor, assisted by Rev. D. W. Charlton of the Man- teo Methodist church. Pallbear- ers were Melvin Daniels, Chauncey Meekins, Victor Meekins, Hugh Basnight, Norfleet Cuthrell and Carson Creaf. Hymns were sung by Robert Midgett of Manteo, and a choir of several persons.

LT. MAYNARD JOHNSON WITH NAVY IN HAWAII

Lieut. Maynard S. Johnson, USNR, of New Holland, is now serving at the U. S. Naval Air Station, Puunene, Maui, Hawaiian Islands—one of the Navy's key air installations in the Central Pacific. His wife, Mrs. Arlene Johnson, and daughters, Ruth, Eleanor and Caroline, live in New Holland.

Lieutenant Johnson attended Bates College and the University of Illinois, where he received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy. He was employed by the U. S. Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service. He entered the Navy in January, 1944, and was stationed at Midway Island prior to transfer to Hawaii. His brother, Major Stuart M. Johnson, is serving with the Army Sig- nal Corps in the Philippines.

MRS. EVALENA TILLET DIES AT WANCHESE

Funeral services for Mrs. Evalena Tillet, who died at her home at Wanchese Friday morning, following a long illness, were conducted at the home Saturday afternoon at three o'clock, by Rev. Vance Lewis, pastor of the Wanchese Methodist church, of which Mrs. Tillet was a member. As- sisting Mr. Lewis were Rev. D. B. Lawrence of Edenton and Rev. Loyd Pierce of the Wanchese Holiness church. Burial was in the family plot. Pallbearers were M. R. Daniels, C. S. Meekins, Crowder Davis, Dallas Tillet, Ralph Tillet and Dick Tillet.

Out-of-town people attending the funeral included Mr. and Mrs. George Williams, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Panker Midgett of

The 'Doc' Treats A Patient



Navy Pharmacist's Mate Second Class Loren Douglas of Princeton, Ind., is shown treating his favorite patient, injured slightly during the pre-invasion bombardment of Okinawa. The young lad in the foreground is being treated by the Japanese equivalent of a Girl Scout. Navy corpsmen are performing medical services usually rendered only by registered physicians in the U. S. because of the large number of Okinawans injured or suffering from illness, aggravated by long periods of cave dwelling. (U. S. Marine Corps Photo)

DAUGHTERS OF WESLEY MEET MONDAY NIGHT

Miss Natalie Gould Speaks About Her Experiences As Red Cross Worker in Europe

Miss Natalie Gould, recently returned Red Cross worker, was guest speaker Monday night, July 9, at the regular meeting of the Daughters of Wesley of Man- teo Methodist church, which was held at the home of Mrs. C. S. Meekins. She was presented by the program chairman, Mrs. J. O. Basnight, who had arranged a patriotic program for the occa- sion. Mrs. D. E. Evans, president, called the meeting to order, and after a short business session the program proceeded as follows:

"Start Spangled Banner," sung by group; Scripture reading and prayer, Mrs. Caleb Brickhouse; "God Bless Our Native Land," by group; poem "A Patriotic Wish," Mrs. Nevin Westcott; talk by Miss Gould on her experiences as a Red Cross worker in the European theatre of war; poem, "A Benediction To America," written by Miss Effie Westcott, read by Mrs. Lucetta Willis; "God Bless America," by group.

During the social hour the hos- tess served pie and iced drinks. The next meeting will be held August 13, at the home of Mrs. Lawrence Swain.

MASHOES WOMAN PROUD OF AWARD TO SON

Mrs. W. H. Mann of Mashoes takes pride in the heroic record of her son Max, who was the son of her former marriage to Geo. W. Mann. Max F. Mann, 29, who is also a brother of Earl Mann of Manteo, was awarded the bronze star for gallantry in the village of Speyer, Germany, by Major General Willard G. Wyman, commanding general of the 71st infantry division. His citation reads: "For heroic achievement in action against the enemy on the night of March 26th in the vicinity, Pfc. Mann volunteered for a patrol which crossed the Rhine river to fire a barge known to have a machine gun position. Despite the fact that on a previous night another patrol received several casualties on a similar mis- sion, Pfc. Mann successfully com- pleted the mission without regard to personal safety. The bravery and teamwork displayed by Pfc. Mann was particularly outstanding."

Pfc. Mann married Miss Bea- trice Midgett, who is now living at Manteo, with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth Midgett. He went to school at Manteo High, and before going into service was custodial officer for District of Columbia penal institutions at Lorton, Va. He went overseas in January, 1945, after having been in the Army eight months.

BIRTHS

ELIZABETH CITY
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Wilton Parks of Elizabeth City, a daughter, Betty Jean, on July 5. The baby weighed 7 pounds 10 ounces.

German capital was busy station.

MIDDLETOWN MAN TO HEAD CROP INSURANCE

Julian E. Mann, Jr., native of Middletown, who has held the position of extension economist at State College, has been ap- pointed State Director for Federal Crop Insurance Company.

Mann is a graduate of the Uni- versity of North Carolina where he received his B. S. degree in commerce, majoring in insurance in 1926. From State College he received an M. S. degree in Agri- cultural Economics in 1930.

Mr. Mann is well known in Hyde County where he has a wide circle of friends and relatives. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Julian E. Mann of Middletown, who now reside in Raleigh.

ENGELHARD SEES IMPROVEMENTS BEING MADE

Engelhard is seeing improve- ments being made these days and hears that some construction work is to begin soon on two new buildings. Boosters of the town see this as an indication of con- tinuing growth which they say is bound to come to Engelhard.

Gilbert Gibbs has made a great deal of improvements to the large store building which was built by his late father, Closs Gibbs. He has completed the annex started some years ago, making it one of the best store buildings in Eng- elhard. He is constructing a new porch roof to run the full length of the store and plans to lay a concrete walk the length of the building.

S. S. Neal is planning to con- struct an oyster shucking house on the waterfront before the oys- ter season opens in the fall. His business will afford Engelhard oystermen a sure market and pro- vide jobs for shuckers.

Another construction job that will be started as soon as possible is a cotton gin planned by R. L. Gibbs & Company, progressive seed, feed and produce dealers. Some residential development is also expected as soon as building restrictions are lifted.

Prospects that the federal gov- ernment will deepen Far Creek to 12 feet also is encouraging to Engelhard business people. Con- gressman Herbert Bonner is seek- ing to help them in this matter.

TOM SPENCER HEADS ENGELHARD ROTARY

Officers Installed at Meeting in Watson Hotel Thursday Evening

Thos. E. Spencer, editor of the Hyde County Herald, was install- ed as the new president of the Engelhard Rotary Club at the weekly dinner meeting at the Watson Hotel in Engelhard Thurs- day evening. Mr. Spencer suc- ceeds J. M. Long.

Other officers installed were A. G. Silverthorne, vice president and N. W. Shelton, secretary- treasurer, both for their second terms, and R. S. Spencer as ser- geant-at-arms.

Mr. Spencer announced the fol- lowing committee appointments to assist him in administering club affairs: Community service, Dr. J. W. Miller, chairman, J. M. Long and P. D. Midgett; at- tendance, Frank Gibbs, chairman, D. L. Berry and A. G. Silver- thorne; membership and classifi- cation, L. A. Dudley, chairman, R. S. Spencer and J. H. Jarvis; youth service, J. M. Worrell, chairman, Dallas Cuthrell and N. W. Shelton.

The new president announced that he would expect members to be responsible for programs as follows: D. L. Berry and J. M. Worrell, July and January; J. H. Jarvis and Frank Gibbs, August and February; A. G. Silverthorne and J. M. Long, September and March; R. S. Spencer and L. A. Dudley, October and April; N. W. Shelton and Dallas Cuthrell, No- vember and May; and P. D. Mid- gette and J. W. Miller, December and June.

DARE RATION BOARD TO OBSERVE NEW HOURS

The Dare County ration board will observe new hours, begin- ning July 15, according to a state- ment issued this week by chair- man J. E. Ferebee.

Instead of being open all day every day, as heretofore, the office will close to the public at three o'clock every afternoon from Monday through Thursday, and on Friday and Saturday the office will close to the public at one o'clock.

This is made necessary by the increased work load of the office personnel. Up to this time the board has made an effort to keep the office open longer hours, be- cause of the difficulty of people from certain sections of the county in getting to Manteo, but the work has increased to such a point that this move to close to the public in the afternoons has become necessary.

HOPE TO IMPROVE THE HARBOR AT ENGELHARD

Congressman Herbert C. Bon- ner has secured the passage of a resolution by the Committee on Rivers and Harbors of the House of Representatives, directing the Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors to make a survey and report on Far Creek, North Carolina, with a view to deter- mining if it is advisable to mod- ify the existing project at the present time to a 12 foot depth, which would conform to the depth of the Inland Waterway.

Mr. Bonner stated he would make every possible effort to get a favorable report.

BELOVED BUXTON WOMAN DIES AFTER LONG ILLNESS

Mrs. Cyrus H. Gray, 70, of Bux- ton, Dare County, died July 10 following a long illness. She was a beloved citizen of Cape Hatteras and a native of Avon, N. C., the daughter of the late James I. and Mary Z. Quidley. Funeral ser- vices were conducted July 11 by Rev. E. R. Meekins of Hatteras. She is survived by the follow- ing children: Mrs. R. C. Gray, of Conway, Ark.; C. R. Gray of Eliza- beth City, Mrs. M. P. Wright of Dollar Branch, and a sister, Mrs. E. M. Miller of Buxton.

GRAHAM'S VISIT GIVES HOPES FOR ROADS SOON TO AID HATTERAS FOLK

Highway Chairman Visits Most Neglected Place in All North Carolina, and Is Reported Impressed With Needs; Community Roads As A Beginning Considered Likely if Attempt Is Made

BONNER ON TRIP TO PACIFIC WAR ZONE



Highway Commissioner Chair- man A. H. Graham came this week to Hatteras, bringing with him his Chief Engineer Vance Baise. He came and saw the place in all North Carolina most neglected by the State Highway Commis- sion, and its engineers in the 25 years before him; the place in which for 25 years the rule has been to avoid doing anything helpful. No doubt he was amazed and disgusted at what he saw, but without saying much, he im- pressed the people favorably, and left the impression that something must be done.

Melvin R. Daniels, Governor Cherry's campaign manager in Dare, who accompanied the party to Hatteras, was delighted at the first at Mr. Graham, who came to Dare County at the special re- quest of Highway Commissioner Merrill Evans, newly on the Board and long popular with Dare County people. Mr. Evans and Mr. Graham and Mr. Baise had intended coming along together and paying a quiet visit, but the word leaked out, and Engineer J. C. Gardner of Tarboro follow- ed along anyhow, probably to try to explain to Mr. Graham why he had done so little for those long suffering people in the past 25 years. He brought along some of his underlings to help him ex- plain.

Maybe they didn't help him ex- plain but something got written into the Daily Advance to help throw cold water on the project, intimating that had a road been built, it is quite likely it wouldn't have washed away at all. But nothing seems to deter the cold water process for some seem soar- ed to death at the prospect of money being spent here.

Anyway, those who had an op- portunity to meet Mr. Graham, Mr. Evans and Mr. Baise, were agreeably impressed with the vis- it. They were escorted along the Banks by Commissioner John Meekins of Rodanthe, and fed at the Cape Hatteras Coast Guard Station by Lieut. Bernice Bal- lance.

Mr. Graham left a feeling of hope among the people that some- thing would be done.

He didn't rashly promise a road the whole 60 miles to Hatteras, but did leave the impression that a serio us attempt would be made to build a dependable road where needed first, and that is from village to village, which in time to come must certainly evolve into a complete system.

Mr. Evans is looked upon as an old neighbor and friend who knows the needs of the people, and Mr. Graham being new on the Commission but early making an interest in the plight of the citizens, has won their good will already. They believe the situa- tion will be remedied if the en- gineering handicaps can be over- come. These handicaps are so much geographical, mentally they are not local, but in the minds of people who for 25 years have been unable to see anything to do.

REPRESENTATIVE HERBERT C. BONNER will depart Monday from Washington by plane on a tour of the Pacific War area, vis- iting as chairman of the Coast Guard sub-committee of the House of Merchant Marine, the following places: Pearl Harbor, Australia, Saipan, Philippines and Okinawa. He will accompany the House Naval Affairs sub-com- mittee. Mr. Bonner's committee deals with affairs relating to the Coast Guard. On this tour, he will have an opportunity to meet many Coast Guard boys from the First District, to observe the great work the Coast Guard has done in the war.

MARINES ENLISTING MORE 17-YEAR-OLD YOUNG MEN

During the month of July a limited number of 17 year old young men will be enlisted in the U. S. Marine Corps, it was announced by Major John M. Grear, recruit- ing officer for this state.

Young men who have not yet attained the age of 18 years and who have an eighth grade educa- tion should write or apply to the Marine recruiting office, post of- fice building, Raleigh, N. C., for application blanks. Such young men as apply should provide themselves with birth certificates and parents' consent form.

Accepted applicants will be sent to Parris Island, S. C., for recruit training and will be given six months training before being sent overseas.

HOME FROM PACIFIC

Bill Thos. Spencer, U. S. Navy, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Spencer at their home at Middletown. The young Navy man has just returned from 18 months service in the Pacific war zone.

The one pound of blackleaf 40 to heavy variety of arsenic, so- called, is being used in the vil- lage of Hatteras. The arsenic is made that multiply when cal- cium arsenate is used.