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WILDLIFE CLUB TO BE FORMED IN HYDE COUNTY

H. Swindell of Swan Quarter Heads Organization Committee

Hyde County hunters and fishermen will meet at the Agricultural Building in Swan Quarter Friday evening, November 16, at 7:45 o'clock to organize a wildlife club, according to John H. Swindell, temporary chairman of organization committee.

Mr. Swindell announces that it has been arranged for Ross O. Stevens, executive secretary of the North Carolina Wildlife Federation, Inc., to be present and explain the plans and purposes of the state-wide organization.

According to Mr. Swindell, hunters and fishermen in 61 counties have organized and organizational plans are well along the way in 30 others, who says all kinds of hunters, fishermen and farmers and all others interested in the wildlife resources are urged to attend and take part in this meeting.

"If a club is formed in this county," said Mr. Swindell, "we will elect a delegate who will represent state-wide officers and on other state-wide matters. Doubtless, this is the most important meeting for hunters and fishermen ever held in this county and I urge all to be present."

INSULATORS MAKING TROUBLE FOR POWER COMPANY

Because thoughtless hunters and boys find it amusing to shoot insulators on the light poles, P. M. Midgett and the force at the Pamlico Ice and Light Company are having plenty of headaches these days. In Hyde County, and especially at Stumpy Point and Manns Harbor in these unlawful acts are being committed at much cost to the power company.

The insulators are the glass knobs to which the wire is fastened to hold it to the poles. When these are shot, they break, making the wire ground to the poles that hold the knobs and take off the electric service on the line. It takes much work to locate the trouble, and causes inconveniences to people on the line by cutting off the electric current.

Citizens can be of help assuring good electric service in their community by spreading the word along that thoughtless shooting of the insulators causes much trouble for a lot of people. There is enough disruption of service for reasons beyond control without having it suffer by a wave of vandalism.

Fines are provided for those found guilty of such damaging action. And if a wire should be shot into, it might mean death for the one doing the dirty work. The best thing to do is save the shells for some good bird or game shooting.

WILDLIFE PATROLMAN HAS WARNING FOR FARMERS

Pointing out the danger of having tractors, wagons, carts and combines on the roads at night without lights, Patrolman Carl Whitfield of Swan Quarter said this week that he will strictly enforce the law which forbids these vehicles to be out after sunset without proper lights. The law provides stiff penalties upon violation.

Patrolman Whitfield is inspecting automobiles for faulty equipment as part of a state-wide campaign now under way. In a statement this week, he said, "Any person found operating a vehicle on the highway with improper lights, brakes, or steering gear will be cited into court."

"TAKE IT EASY"

CONVERTIBLE MODEL FOR POSTWAR SPEEDERS



NATIONAL SAFETY COUNCIL

ENGAGED



Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Griggs of Point Harbor announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Elsie, above, to Marion I. Malco, chief machinist, submarine service, U. S. Navy, son of Mrs. S. B. Malco of Manteo. The wedding will take place the latter part of November. (Photo by Ames and Brownley.)

HALLOWEEN PARTY BROKE ALL RECORDS

The Halloween Festival presented by Mrs. Nell Wise Wechter's fifteen grammar grade children broke all records for proceeds ever taken in by the Stumpy Point school for a single performance. Two hundred, fifty-four dollars and twenty-nine cents (\$254.29) were the gross receipts.

High lights of the festival were the Halloween costume contest, won by Carl Mason, Jr.; the cake walk, won by Janis Meekins; the ghost skit, won by several grammar grade boys and girls; a take-off on "Home Sweet Home," by Roger Best and a group of children; and several Halloween songs. The "highest" high lights however, were the "cutest baby in Stumpy Point" contest, and the "ugliest man in Stumpy Point" contest. Things really began to pop when the sponsors began bringing in votes for the cutest baby! Contestants were Eddie Lee Hooper, Linda Wise, Marcia Wechter, Becky Meekins, Pupert Payne, Jr., Paul Payne, and Vivian Quaidley. Linda Wise received the winning number of 6,400 votes. Her prize was a sterling silver drinking cup, appropriately inscribed.

Calvin Payne won the dubious honor of ugliest man by receiving 1100 votes. He was awarded a delicious home-baked cake properly adorned with a blue ribbon. His competitors were Lit Meekins, Dick Best, Alf Hooper, Warren Meekins and Floyd Hooper.

The school auditorium was packed to capacity. The cold drinks, pop corn, and pies which were sold in the school cafeteria were all gone before the program began, and the demand for more was great.

Major Hooper, an eighth grade student made an excellent Master of Ceremonies for the program.

Every one, both young and old, had a hilarious good time in the true spirit of Halloween.

The proceeds will be used to standardize the libraries of all the grades, for playground equipment, and for the beginnings of a Junior Canteen and Recreation Room for the "Tee Agers" in Stumpy Point School.

BIRTHS

Ponzer

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Smithwick a six pound son, Bruce Sherwood, on October 28th at Taylor hospital. Mrs. Smithwick was the former Jessie Harris of Engelhard.

Howard, S. D.

Lt. and Mrs. W. R. Quinn, Jr., of Howard, S. Dak., announce the birth of a son, William Roger Quinn, III, Sunday, October 14, 1945. Mrs. Quinn was the former Miss Dorothy Long of Engelhard.

Engelhard

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Beaman Berry of Engelhard on Wednesday, October 31st, in Taylor Hospital in Washington, a son, Faran Allen. Mrs. Berry before her marriage was Miss Elsie Gibbs of Lake Landing.

Bob Burrus, Jr., arrived home this week with his honorable discharge from the Army. Bob is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Burrus of Be'aven and Swan Quarter.

WRECK NER "SHANTY" THURSDAY EVENING

Aycock Bown Hurt When Car Collides With Truck Driven By Middletown Man

Aycock Brown of Ocracoke and New Bern, widely known Eastern North Carolina newspaperman now connected with Naval Intelligence, received cuts and bruises when his automobile collided with a truck driven by S. A. Johnson of Middletown near Barber's Shanty in Hyde County last Thursday evening. The Chevrolet sedan driven by Mr. Brown was almost demolished and heavy damage was done to the truck.

The accident was investigated by Patrolman Carl Whitfield and sheriff Pratt Williams of Swan Quarter. At the time of this publication no arrest had been made.

Mr. Brown told officers that he was meeting two vehicles and the car in front of Mr. Johnson's truck did not dim his lights and blinded him, causing him to run into the truck.

NOW IS TIME TO ORDER FERTILIZER

Assistant Agriculture Commissioner D. S. Coltrane recently advised North Carolina farmers to place orders as soon as possible for the fertilizer they will need next spring.

"Every farmer who has a dry place in which fertilizer can be stored should put in his order now and have it shipped as soon as convenient," said Coltrane.

He declared that fertilizer manufacturers have about the same amount of material this season as last year, but they are still handicapped by labor shortages and transportation difficulties.

If the anticipated heavy demand for fertilizer is to be met by planting time, there must be an orderly movement of fertilizer from the factory to the farm, according to Coltrane.

"The farmer who orders his fertilizer early and gets it under his own roof will not only be helping himself, he will be helping some farmer who lacks storage space," Coltrane said.

W. E. PINNER VISITS OLD HOME IN DARE

W. E. Pinner, CMM, U. S. Maritime Service, of New York City, is visiting his mother, Mrs. W. S. Pinner, at her home in Buffalo City, and friends there and in other parts of Dare County. Mr. Pinner is spending part of his leave in Manteo, where he was employed for several years before entering service.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED



MISS ELLEN SPARROW ROPER, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lee Roper of Engelhard, whose engagement to Lt. (jg) Billy Morgan Hamlett, USNR, son of Mrs. James E. Poe and the late Robert Emmett Hamlett of Mount Gilead, is announced by her parents.

FAIR WEATHER AIDS FARMERS; DUCK HUNTERS DON'T LIKE IT

HARVEY PUGH OF GULROCK GETS LOOK AT JAPAN

Aboard the Destroyer USS Myles C. Fox, Tokyo Bay (Delayed)—Harvey S. Pugh, ship's cook, first class, Gulrock, N. C., had the opportunity of going ashore for liberty in the Tokyo Bay area while serving aboard this ship as she took part in the American occupation of this section of the Japanese homeland.

The Myles C. Fox, one of the picket ships designed as the answer to defense against suicide fliers, has been operating with carrier forces which provided air cover for the occupation.

Buy More Bonds and Stamps.

Combines Busy in Bean Fields As Clear Weather Speeds Harvesting

The fair weather which has aided the farmers all fall in gathering their crops continued through this week, making the first days of the wildfowl shooting season poor. The weatherman predicted the warm weather to continue for another day or two.

Geese and ducks are plentiful but hunters have found it difficult to bag their limit because the birds were not flying around. Strong winds and cold weather makes for the best goose and duck hunting.

Hundreds of sportsmen are hunting in the section. Lake Matamuskeet in Hyde has had capacity crowds of hunters since the season opened last Friday and bookings show that it will remain that way during the entire season. Many ducks are reported in the Pamlico Sound area, and wildfowl is said to be plentiful in Currituck and Albemarle sounds as well as in the entire coast area.

But while hunters were deprived of some good shooting by the calm and warm weather, farmers were finding it a blessing in harvesting crops. Combines are running from early morning until late at night harvesting the bean crop in Hyde County, with the yield much larger than expected.

Some farmers who predicted a small crop now say the yield will be one of the largest ever gathered. The beans are producing especially well in the lowlands and the dry, clear weather has made possible harvesting them.

The fair weather has also made it possible for the farmers to save the corn crop which was blown down in the storm during the summer. Yields are reported larger than had been thought earlier in the year.

MANTEO BOY SCOUTS ENJOY WEINE RROAST

Members of the Manteo Boy Scouts enjoyed a weiner roast in Scoutmaster Dan Cannady's backyard Thursday evening. Those present were Bobby Owens, Wilbert Austin, Herbert Etheridge, Linsey Midgett, Arnel Midgett, Everett Liverman, Roger Meekins, Francis Meekins, Russell Midgett, Jerry Cahoon, Jimmie Williams, Sam Midgett, Jr., Thomas Cannady and Dan Cannady, Jr.

RETURN FROM VISIT

Mayor and Mrs. T. M. Long have returned from a visit with relatives in Missouri and South Dakota. Mayor Long is a native of Missouri and their daughter, Dorothy, lives in South Dakota.

LARGE CROWD EXPECTED TO ATTEND SAA MEETING IN COLUMBIA THURSDAY

First General Meeting in Four Years Will Hear Reports from Excutive Committee and Discuss Road Problems and Other Items of Importance to Section; Officers to Be Elected

ENGELHARD ROTARY CLUB HEARS PONDER

Hyde Welfare Superintendent Speaks On Work of Welfare Department

"We believe that we are helping make life more worthwhile for the old and needy," Graham Ponder of Swan Quarter, Superintendent of Public Welfare in Hyde County told members of the Engelhard Rotary club at their weekly dinner meeting at the Watson Hotel last Thursday evening, as he told of the work of his department.

Mr. Ponder told the Rotarians how assistance was given the needy old, the dependent children, and the unfortunate, explaining the role played by county, state and federal governments. He showed how small county funds were over-matched by the state and federal departments making greater help to the needy than would otherwise be possible.

Stating that he hoped greater aid would be forthcoming for those in need, the welfare superintendent said that he thought it was the obligation of the nation to take care of the unfortunate.

VOTED "CUTEST BABY" IN STUMPY POINT



LINDA JOYCE WISE, 3-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leland G. Wise if Stumpy Point, who was voted the "cutest baby in Stumpy Point" at the Halloween Festival at the Stumpy Point School, Wednesday evening, October 31st. Linda piled up more than 6,500 votes to win the contest. She was awarded a sterling silver engraved loving cup as a prize.

COAST GUARD RAISES AGE LIMIT FOR RECRUITS

Age limit for recruits for the Regular Coast Guard has been raised to include men from 17 to 25 years of age, Lt. Comdr. L. H. Hines, district recruiting officer, announced in Charleston this week.

Also, the enlistment period has been reduced from three to two years. Previous recruits have been 17 year olds signing up for three years of service. Now, all men enlisting can enter the Coast Guard for either two or three year period.

Physical and educational requirements remain the same. Men with previous military service are not eligible unless that service was in the Coast Guard Reserve.

For complete information pertaining to the requirements for entering the Coast Guard, and the sound career offered to you upon enlisting, an invitation is extended to write or visit the Coast Guard Recruiting Office, 34 Smith Street, Charleston, S. C.

BERRY COMPANY TO SELL GE APPLIANCES

The Berry Company has been appointed General Electric appliance agents in Swan Quarter. They expect to have merchandise on display shortly.

Newspaper advertising pays.

By THOS. E. SPENCER

For the first time in four years a general meeting of the Southern Albemarle Association will be held in Columbia Thursday, November 15, to reorganize and discuss matters of interest to this section, including Hyde, Dare, Tyrrell and Washington counties. Delegates and other interested citizens from each of the four counties are urged to attend.

Activities of the association, as well as work on the program they were sponsoring for the development of this section, were brought almost to a standstill by the war. With the reorganization meeting in Columbia Thursday, the group is expected to get back to work and accomplish much in the way of getting roads and other projects for the area.

The morning session will begin at 11 o'clock and will be held in the Columbia Theatre. Delegates are urged to arrive before the meeting begins so that they can register, get their badges and lunch tickets. The Dare County delegates will register at Fisher's Inn; those from Hyde at the Agricultural Building; those from Washington at the Columbia Hotel; and those from Tyrrell in the courthouse.

Lunch will be served by the Tyrrell hosts, with the county expected to live up to its reputation of giving a good meal to visiting delegations.

An afternoon session will follow the lunch and among other things new officers will be elected which will include a new president, a vice president from each county and an executive and recording secretary. Due to storms and travel restrictions, no general meetings have been held since the war started and the old officers have continued to serve. W. L. Whitley is president and will preside at the meeting. Vice presidents are P. D. Midgett, Hyde County; D. Victor Meekins, Dare County; W. M. Darden, Washington County; and C. Earl Cohoon, Tyrrell County.

Roads are expected to be the principal subject of discussion at the meeting, with the association expected to continue pushing for the completion of four road projects to connect the county seats of the four counties.

A special delegation met in Raleigh Tuesday with the Highway Commission and the Governor. They report satisfaction with their discussion with the officials. They will tell the association of their talks during the meeting Thursday.

The four projects, which have the endorsement of the association are as follows: Highway 264, connecting Swan Quarter and Manteo via Engelhard and Stumpy Point; Highway 94, connecting Swan Quarter with Columbia via Fairfield and Gum Neck; Highway 64, connecting Manteo and Columbia and Plymouth via Manns Harbor and East Lake; and Highway 99 connecting Swan Quarter with Plymouth via Be'aven and Pantego.

The association is pushing the program as a whole and is not singling out any particular project as No. 1, No. 2, and so on, as it is felt that this might serve to defeat the program. All the routes proposed are included in the original highway program of the state, which was enacted into law in 1921. The map itself was made part of the law, and these four projects are among the few remaining in the state that have not been surfaced and made all weather roads.

The following have been named as official delegates to the meeting from Hyde County:

Scranton—Joe Bishop, Frank Fortisue, Forrest Sears, Mrs. Jeff Credé and Mrs. William Noble.

Swan Quarter—J. S. Mason, E. A. Williams, Mrs. E. A. Williams, J. C. Williams, O. L. Williams, D. L. Berry, Mrs. D. L. Berry, Mrs. Louella Swindell, C. P. Williamson, E. W. Lupton, N. W. Shelton, C. J. Cahoon and C. L. Bell.

New Holland—Leslie O'Neal and J. E. Berry.

Lake Landing—Coleman Davis, (Continued on page four)