

Now Permanent residents: WALT and MARGARET WILCOX. Walt just retired from the actuarial section of the Internal Revenue Service, and he and Margaret are happily unpacking and settling into their Oakleaf home. JAMES and ALVERNA WALLACE who have been living in the Mitchell Village Apartments while their house was being completed are now at home on Ash Court. Welcome!

Interested in drama? Watch for the dinner theater at the Ramada Inn in New Bern. Pine Knoll Shores theater-goers who saw summer performances said they were well done and interesting. The fall season starts October 5 and 6. Performances on Friday and Saturday nights. The opening play is "Last of the Red Hot Lovers". Phone the Inn (919-638-3051) for information and reservations.

Seen working for all of us: ED CRUMLEY and his son Peter who realized that the bottom step at Mimosa Beach had risen so far above the sand that anyone shorter than seven feet tall with the legs of a sprinter simply had to resort to pitons and ropes to get from the beach to the first step on the way back to the wooden walk. The Crumleys framed in an additional step and filled it with sand so that we do not have to leap so high. Another group is planning to replace nails which have worked loose in the walk.

In the September issue we mentioned that the new town needed office equipment. Since then, the Commissioners have received an adding machine from Ken Haller and an electric typewriter from Ed Crumley. A big thank you to both of them.

MEET A NEIGHBOR - Do you know who found a possum taking a nap in his hat in his garage? No other than ED WARNER whom many of us regard as our resident naturalist. Ed and Gert came here from Canton, New York where Ed was head of the Biology Department at St. Lawrence University. Ed, who has had boats all his life, came here because of Bogue Sound and the boating and fishing. He grew up by Great South Bay (Gert says on) in Patchogue, Long Island. His father ran a ferry and a fruit and vegetable store on the boat, and Ed helped summers. While he was at Ohio State, he worked for the Ohio Division of Conservation on a survey of Lake Erie as regards its fish and fish food. He took his Ph.D. in Ichthyology (fish, to us ordinary mortals). Ed also worked with the Air Force on Aviation Physiology and retired as a Lt. Colonel which rates him a salute at the gate when he drives into Camp Lejeune or Cherry Point. Ed and Gert moved to their home on Sycamore Drive at Oakleaf in June 1971, and Ed reports that he has not yet managed to clean out all the crabs and clams in the Sound.

Surf fishing is good now, and almost any morning you will see the regulars heading for the beach with surf rods and bait buckets. Ken Haller, William and Mimi Martin, Bill and Mary Doll, Martha Flynn, Otto Weis, Ed Warner, Harry Hall, Jim and Carol Redfield are among those who have been pulling in bluefish and flounders. Jim, the Mayor, and Carol came home with twenty-seven blues one morning.

Bulkheading lots on the Oakleaf Drive channel has started along the section east of McNeill Inlet. It can best be seen from a boat as you come into the channel from the east, and very nice it looks, too. Residents along the channel who have lost beach to erosion during storms are very thankful for the protection the bulkheads will afford. Thanks to the Roosevelts whose cooperation has made the bulkheading project a reality.

NEWS FROM NON-RESIDENTS

One of your editors (Mary Doll) had a happy interruption of her morning boresville chores the middle of September when the C.P. LONGS of Annandale, Va., and the JACK GREATAS of Beaver Falls, Pa., stopped by to say hello. Mrs. Greata and Mrs. Long are sisters. The two couples bought lots near each other on Mimosa. While the Greatas hope to build in about three years, the Longs may be down a bit sooner. They all met the ED SIGALLS on the boardwalk to the beach and discovered that the SIGALLS are beginning to build on Arborvitae. Meantime, the Sigalls are living across the Sound and coming over to watch their new home in progress.

THE KEN DOREMUSES have planted trees on their lot on Teak Court and hope to be here in about two years. CHUCK and JEAN MILLER of Raleigh have begun building on Birch Court and say they're sorry they will be only summer residents for a while.

JOHN and MARCIA OVENS of Clinton, N. Y., come down from time to time and stayed in the AMES house on White Ash earlier this summer. JUNE and MAUREL RICHARD of Gwynedd Valley, Pa., will be down for a look at things in October. LIBBY and HARRY SCHLIMPER of Baldwin, N. Y., look forward to building on Loblolly. Meanwhile, they have island life in their second home on Fire Island.

Many others have written asking to be kept on the mailing list. We read your letters with pleasure and will include news items about you in the Shore Line from time to time. Do keep writing.

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