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ANOTHER YEAR—WHAT?

Seldom have we been approached with more complimentary comment about the articles in a single issue of The Times than we have received concerning the articles in last week's edition. Of course we received much praise about the material in the edition dealing with Cape Hatteras and the Fessenden memorial a few weeks ago, but last week, our articles about the Lost Colony and the National Seashore brought forth many flattering comments.

Of course it is not praise we are looking for, but an opportunity for service to our readers, and the praise we receive shows that we were right down the alley of popular thinking. However the main point is to do something constructive, and to keep people thinking right along, so that something will be done another year to be continually helpful before the season gets underway; and it then is usually too late. The time to trim sails is before the wind shifts.

First we might consider the subject of more hotels, restaurants and rooming houses for the fast growing thousands of visitors to come to our seacoast for recreation. When people find ready and ample accommodations upon arrival, so that their visit is pleasant, they will wish to stay longer, enjoy it more and spend more money. If their visit is not delightful they will want to pull out at daybreak the next morning, and once a dissatisfied visitor is on the road and away, he cannot be sold on our further attractions. He will not lack the desire to return, but he will voice his dissatisfaction to others who might come to see us, but who would be frightened away by the fear of inadequate facilities.

So it seems that the present inadequate and often helpless methods of finding room, and other accommodations should be improved. There are several important things that might be done in this direction. First of all, the tourist homes themselves, should take the lead in this movement. They should organize, they should properly catalog their homes and locations, and their facilities. There is no reason why a person should be confined to charge \$1 a night per person, if he has facilities worth more than \$1 a night, and the customer is anxious to pay for the better accommodations. Most people want baths, and are willing to pay more for the guarantee of a decent bath that isn't overcrowded. But there are many others who are content with more primitive conveniences, and of course he should be told where the lower priced places are.

Homeowners who wish overnight guests, should organize. They should mark their homes, either with their own name, or some attractive established name that means something. It is silly to copy names that are long since worn out in other localities. There are many good local names resounding with the sound of the sea, or symbolic of our great history that will do much to popularize any place that lives up to a good name. A small sign, to mark each home will cost little, and will be worth its cost many times over.

More important still is the need for a central bureau where visitors will find comfortable room, to sit and rest while they are being waited on. An entire store is not too much room for a place of this sort, where there might be good furnishings, a courteous staff, and ice water and rest rooms. Persons who travel a long way are usually tired. They want to wash, to refresh themselves, become relaxed while they are awaiting aid. They do not want to stand crowded while overworked and harried girls, who do not have room in which to move around, must rack their brains to keep from losing their tempers and vainly trying to find rooms that have long since been taken. They should have at their finger-tips the information as to homes that are exhausted as well as those that are not yet sold out.

There should be maps prepared, with complete information as to the location of every place, and a symbol to show the price and type of accommodations to be expected. And certainly the added convenience, and saving in time, money and worry, should easily warrant each homeowner chipping in on the expense of this service, which after all is equally for his own profit.

While this lacks a lot of being all that might be done, yet in passing we wish to point out another particularly helpful thing obviously easy to do. Assuming that successful efforts have been made to make pleasant the visitors' stay, every person on Roanoke Island, for instance, should spare no pains to tell them that Roanoke Island is not the only interesting place in the region. Reasonable effort should be made to interest them in other sections of our county and neighbor counties. Many visitors, might be prevailed upon to remain longer in this locality. They should be told that there is wonderful fishing at Hatteras, and interesting scenery, delightful people, and a wealth of history and romantic lore all along the coast—at Kitty Hawk, at Colington, at Manns Harbor, Stumpy Point, and other places. Many of these communities have excellent tourist homes, and the longer the tourists are kept in this section, the more money they will spend with us, rather than trotting off to some other place that has much less to offer. They also might be reminded of the splendid shooting of various kinds in this section, in Dare, Hyde, Tyrrell, Currituck and other places at other seasons of the year, and in this manner many of them might be induced to either pass the word along to interested friends, or they might themselves return, in some cases, stopping at the same places and offering new business.

It will cost nothing to do all this—directing folks to interesting things in other places, and moreover, it will create a tremendous amount of good will for Roanoke Island in other parts of the county. One cannot live for self alone and get far. Helping others gives greatest return, sometimes coming back a thousand fold.

We must remember that one community is too small to long hold all the business. People just must be on the go these days, after a short stay in one place. Whether they shall be left to go afar and leave us for good, or to be made interested in other nearby communities, will determine the degree of profit and satisfaction we are going to derive from our efforts. The surface has not been scratched in this tourist business. There are many more streaks of pay dirt in the tourist business than we are getting, and we mustn't be content with just asking off the cream. We must get down to pay dirt. The best way to aid the cause is to send them on to our neighbors at the first sign of restlessness.

These are just a few random thoughts. Another is that

many tourists might stay longer were it easier to get food. Some tourists' homes, the larger ones anyway, might do well to furnish meals. People like a place much more if they do not have to go far from it in search of food. Comfort is a requisite of the modern tourist and we who don't recognize this fact are not on our toes.

But the time to start is now—not next summer when a bunch of tired, dusty, cross and hungry people roll up to the door to find, perhaps, that somebody is already in the house and they must start rolling again. Begin organizing now, and above all, begin preparing to get folks anxious to go to other places in this section too. Our appeal is so diversified that most anybody can find something to interest them a week or a month. If a single community enterprise can take in \$100,000 at the gates in a season, with another quarter million dollars spent outside the gates for service, just close your eyes and imagine the staggering possibilities open to a whole region that is wide awake and organized to live and let live.

MAGNANIMOUS APPOINTMENT

The action of Governor Broughton in re-appointing A. J. Maxwell as Commissioner of Revenue for four years carries with it a highly satisfactory approach to the problems of State. Mr. Maxwell was a candidate against Mr. Broughton, and became very ill as a result of the strenuous campaign he waged.

We think this appointment is a measure of the stature of the Governor. While he is a practical politician who knows that no political entity can survive if it departs altogether the theory "To the victor belongs the spoils," we know that he is patriot enough, to desire that the State be manned by the best possible help available.

In appointing Mr. Maxwell, he appointed the man most qualified, by reason of experience, knowledge and training for the post. In these complex times, it is a critical matter, and in appointing Mr. Maxwell the Governor has thought first of the State's welfare. The appointment is wise and magnanimous and generous as well as patriotic. We surmise that many other of Mr. Broughton's appointments will show equally good reasons, despite the disclaimers who are disappointed at seeing their own man lose, and thereby discredit the fortunate choice.

On the whole, we don't see any criticism of Governor Broughton, for the type of men appointed by him and on whom he must rely for aid in administering the huge affairs of the State during his four years in office.

WE ARE NOT THE ONLY ONES

We are not the only ones who think that the people of Hyde County are being discriminated against by the new Federal regulations providing that no person may take more than three geese in the aggregate of all kinds during any 7 consecutive days in their county while neighboring counties continue to be governed by the 3-a-day ruling. Editor Herbert Peele of the Elizabeth City Daily Advance thinks so, too. This is what he had to say in a recent editorial entitled "Discrimination Against Hyde:

"The new regulation, just promulgated by the Federal Biological Survey to restrict sharply the bag limit on geese in Hyde County, poses a serious threat of discrimination against Hyde hunting guides.

Under the ban applied to Hyde County a hunter can shoot only three geese a week. In neighboring Dare and Currituck the visiting sportsman is allowed to bring down three a day from the same flock of geese. Naturally the out-of-State visitor is tempted to lodges in the county with the larger game limit.

Even if the argument of the conservationists that goose shooting in Hyde County has during past seasons taken too heavy a toll is valid, to cut the bag quota in that county to one-sixth the limit permitted in adjacent counties seems a remedy drastic beyond the needs of the situation."

While Editor Peele's editorial is not as stiffly worded as it might have been, we are grateful that leaders in other sections recognize the unfairness of the new ruling to the people of Hyde and are willing to speak their mind about it.

NO NEED TO FAKE HISTORY

There is so much of genuinely interesting history in the Southern Albemarle, and other parts of North Carolina, that is documented, and a matter of record, that it is not necessary for any county to fake or conjure up anything that savors of historical consequence.

Our history is outstanding history, and the kind that attracts visitors year after year. And there is room a long time to come for the marking of genuine things of great moment in this section. We will gain nothing by marking things that are doubtful or maybe considered fakes elsewhere.

Visitors to our town, will laugh at us, and the worst of it, they will doubt the authenticity of the real things we wish to perpetuate.

HYDE AGAIN STATE'S ORPHAN ANNIE?

After making a trip over Hyde's muddy roads several years ago, the late W. O. Saunders, fearless Elizabeth City editor, made the statement that Hyde was the State's Little Orphan Annie. This because of the deplorable conditions of the roads as compared with other counties. Now with Hyde "holding the bag" in regards to the hunting business as a result of the new 3-a-week bag limit imposed by the Fish and Wildlife Service, we wonder if the term is not appropriate to use again at this time?

Other Editors

SGT. CAP MAJOR IS A CONFUSING NAME

(From Onslow County News & Views)  
 Sgt. Cap Major of the 31st Barrage Balloon battalion is a capable and likeable fellow, but that name of his can create more confusion than the proverbial bull in the china shop.

Confusing names come natural to him though, for his father was Col. Casper Major, an army officer. For some reason, a man with the name of Casper is invariably known as "Cap". So you can't blame Cap Major for being Cap Major.

But Cap Major didn't have to go and earn a serjeanty. A poor guy looking for the sergeant can have an awful time if he doesn't explain at great length who he's after. And even then he is likely to have commissioned and non-commissioned officers tripping over each other.

Ask for Sgt. Major and you'll probably get a serjeant-major who is not Serjeant Major.

Get familiar if you will and call for "Cap", and a captain will an-

swer who is not Cap. This captain, by the way, might think you pretty impertinent for calling him Cap.

You get that all straightened out, assuring the captain that you're not trying to be wise, and ask for Major. So a major comes along and says, "Was someone calling me?"

By this time you are willing to pay the court costs if this Cap Major guy will just have his name changed.

After about two hours and 17 minutes you find Serjeant Major. Now you have utterly forgotten why you were looking for him. This is all very disheartening and makes you wonder whether you might be slipping a little mentally. But, for all this, Maj. Douglass G. Pamplin and Capt. John F. Williams are glad to have him in their organization, Battery B of the 301st. He ably takes his part in the training program and leads the BBTC orchestra.

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ACT OF RAIDED LINER'S CAPTAIN PREVENTS MAJOR SEA DISASTER

PROMPT action by Captain W. G. Smith, of the Egyptian liner Zam Zam, shelled and sunk by a German raider in the South Atlantic, prevented one of the heaviest losses of life yet threatened in the current ocean warfare, according to Charles A. McCarthy, one of the American survivors.

McCarthy, a member of the British American Ambulance Corps, has arrived in the United States in advance of other members of his group held prisoner in France.

"We were four days from Capetown," McCarthy says, "when in the darkness just before sunrise the raider attacked us. Without warning shells fell about the ship. Passengers awakened by the explosions were running about below and on the decks. Then the shells began crashing into the ZamZam, racking her from stem to stern.

"Captain Smith tried to work the Morse blinker but shell had cut the cable. He ordered the Egyptian flag unfurled. He also swung the liner broadside to show that she had stopped, and directed that lifeboats be put over the side. But the shells kept coming. A German gunner told us later that fifty-five were fired. Nine of them hit the ZamZam.

"Still under shellfire, Captain Smith sent a crew member below for a flashlight that he had bought in New York. Standing in the wreckage of the bridge, the skipper signaled in Morse code, 'Egyptian ship'.



Charles A. McCarthy

"The sharp beam of the flashlight, which had been loaded with fresh batteries, was seen and at once the firing ceased."

Crew members and 330 passengers, some badly wounded, were transferred to the raider. Jammed below decks, the survivors floated about the Atlantic for thirty-three days before being landed on the coast of France. Twenty-one other members of McCarthy's ambulance group have now been released.

Columbia Personals

- MRS. E. J. BRICKHOUSE
- Miss Virginia Yerby, Miss Gladys Smith, Jack Barnes, and Gene Wade of Norfolk were the week end guests of Miss Yerby's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. K. Yerby on Bridge street.
  - Miss Emma Sue Snell left Monday morning for Louisburg to attend Louisburg College.
  - J. J. Brickhouse is a patient in Norfolk General Hospital.
  - Mrs. Tom Tarkenton is spending some time in Rocky Mount with Mr. Tarkenton's sister.
  - J. E. Norris, Jr., has gone to Louisburg where he will enter Louisburg College.
  - Chas. McClees is at home for a few days from Maxwell Field in Alabama.
  - Mr. and Mrs. Stirling Brickhouse and Mrs. J. J. Brickhouse spent Sunday in Norfolk visiting relatives.
  - Miss Edna Ray Yerby spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Yerby.
  - George Kelley of Norfolk was in town Sunday.
  - Davis Coffield of Tarboro spent the week end here with his grandmother, Mrs. Sadie Davis.
  - Little Susan High of Lucoma is visiting her grandmother Mrs. Minnie Spruill.
  - Mr. and Mrs. Ephraim Weatherly of Norfolk were in Columbia Saturday and Sunday.
  - Mrs. Jimmie Alexander and son, Raymond, visited relatives here last week.
  - B. F. Spencer went to Norfolk Tuesday to bring Mrs. Spencer home. She has been a patient in St. Vincent's Hospital.
  - Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Brickhouse of Saint Brides, Va., have been visiting relatives in the county.
  - Mrs. H. A. Owens has returned home from a visit to her son and daughter in Goldsboro and La Grange.
  - Miss Cathrine Snyder drove to Greensboro Friday afternoon.
  - Miss Myrtle Tarkenton spent Sunday at her home near Markup.

LAKE LANDING NEWS

- Mr. and Mrs. Heber Windley and News, Va., spent the week end with Miss Helen Lavender.
- Mr. and Mrs. Henry Williams and little son, Richard, are spending some time at Newport, N. C., where Mr. Williams is working.
- Mr. and Mrs. Heber Windley and Heber, Jr., returned to their home in Jonesboro, N. C. last week.
- Mrs. Lee Boomer, Eunice Midgett, Annie Credle and son, and Miss Lucy Sadler were the guests of Mrs. Bettie Bridgman Monday.
- Sam Dudley and Wesley Balance of Fort Bragg, N. C., spent the week end at their respective homes.
- Miss Carrie Mae Mann left Wednesday for Franklinton, N. C., where she will teach this winter.
- Miss Katrena Baum of Swan Quarter was the guest of Mrs. Willie Dudley Saturday night.
- Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Bonner and children were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Mann last week. Thurston Mann of Columbia spent the week end at home.

SWAN QUARTER NEWS

- Miss Mildred Spencer spent the week end at Washington.
- Miss Ella Dill Gibbs left Friday for Roanoke Rapids where she will be a teacher in the school there.
- Mrs. Preston Hodges and little daughter, Mary Ann of Norfolk are visiting Mrs. Hodges' father, A. B. Berry.
- Miss Lola Watson left Friday to spend the week end in Washington and from there she will go to Goldsboro where she will be a teacher in the Belfast school.
- Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Tunnell and little daughter, Betty, returned Sunday from a visit at Roanoke Rapids.
- Mrs. A. B. Berry, a patient at Tayloe hospital in Washington, is reported some improved.
- Miss Lona Bonner returned home Saturday after a visit at Newport News, and Richmond, Va.
- Horace Gutherie of Norfolk spent the week end here.
- Miss Marjorie Williams left Sunday for Seaboard where she will be a teacher in the school.
- Carlton Cahoon of New Bern spent the week end here.
- Miss Rebecca Grant of Carversburg, teacher in the S. Q. H. S. arrived Saturday.

THE SAILOR BOY

He rose at dawn, and fired with hope,  
 Shot o'er the seething harbor bar,  
 And reached the ship and caught the rope  
 And whistled to the morning star.

And while he whistled loud and long,  
 He heard a fierce mermaid cry,  
 "Oh! boy, tho' thou art young and proud,  
 I see the place where thou wilt lie.

"The sands and yeasty surges mix  
 In caves about the dreary bay,  
 And on thy ribs the limpet sticks,  
 And in thy heart the scrawl shall play.

"Fool," he answered, "death is sure  
 To those that stay and those that roam,  
 But I will never more endure  
 To sit with empty hands at home.

"My mother clings about my neck,  
 My sister crying 'stay for shame,'  
 My father raves of death and wreck—  
 They are all to blame, they are all to blame.

"God help me! Save I take my part  
 Of danger on the roaring sea,  
 A devil rises in my heart  
 Far worse than any death to me."

—Alfred Tennyson.

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Bounded on the north by the public road leading from D. C. Sawyer's to Paul Jones store; on the east by the Georgia Road. On the south by the lands of Jim McClees. On the west by Big Island and Peter Selby, being a part of the tract of land called Sadler Field. And being in Gum Neck Township.

This September 4th, 1941.  
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