

Winged Visitors Come Back To Anson County Refuge



TO HELP relieve the crowded condition at the refuge, a second lake was added to the facilities this season.



EDDIE MOSS makes friends with the Canadian "tourists" spending the winter in Piedmont North Carolina.



CLYDE MOSS, Mrs. Moss, Mariann and Alan dispense a supply of shelled corn to the wild geese. Some mallards got in the picture.



MARIANN MOSS gets a goose-eye view of the friendly birds which will remain on the refuge until around April 1.

MEN IN SERVICE

Air Policeman In England



A/2c Charles L. Hyleman, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hyleman of Route 1, Gastonia, is now serving as an air policeman in England. Before entering the Air Force on August 1, 1954, he was employed in the Spooling Department here. His mother is in the Spinning Department.

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The Clyde Moss family figured it was a nice place to go and take a gander. So they went down to Ansonville, N. C., where each year, wild Canada geese—some 10,000 of them—take up their winter residence at Gaddy's Goose Refuge in October and stay through March.

THE LOCKHART Gaddy's Wild Goose Refuge was founded by the famed naturalist and is now operated by his widow, Mrs. Gaddy.

According to Mrs. Gaddy, each year the mammoth flock's fore-runners arrive a week or ten days before the full moon in October. For this season's visit, great piles of sand were spread for the geese to scratch in. And to prevent overcrowding this year, there is a new lake. It is separated only by a walkway from the lake used in past years.

ON THEIR visit to the refuge, the Moss family found this to be Mrs. Gaddy's happy time of the year. And for her, it will be until around April 1, when the winged visitors return to their native Canada. They will continue to arrive on the refuge through December.



OLD GLORY GOES UP AGAIN—Veterans of World War II re-enact the raising of the Stars and Stripes on Iwo Jima, on a float which was a part of the Veterans' Day parade in Gastonia, November 11. On the float, from left, are Firestone employees B. W. Britton, James Wallace, Paul Barker, Ernest Austin and Ralph Falls. Rufus Hughes of the Shop supervised the building of the float.

Participate In Veterans Day Parade

Three men from the Shop were among those veterans who depicted the historical "Yanks Raising of the Flag on Iwo Jima" in a float which formed part of the parade on Veterans Day in Gastonia, November 11. They were Ernest Austin and Paul Barker. In charge of preparing the float was Horace R. Hughes, also of the Shop.

In the Veterans Day festivities, the 84th Air Force band from Shaw Field, S. C., led the parade which was witnessed by approximately 25,000 spectators along Main avenue. Also taking

part were the Fort Bragg Army band and every high school band in Gaston County.

Named Class Head At Belmont Abbey

Herbert J. Scism, whose mother, Mrs. Lillian Scism, is a winder tender here, has been elected president of the senior class at Belmont Abbey College, Belmont. The upperclassmen election of officers for the 1955-56 school year was held in early November.

Johnson on Program Schedule Of Recreation Convention

Ralph Johnson, director of recreation here, was among hundreds of recreation officials of the Carolinas who attended a four-day convention in Hotel Charlotte, November 27-30.

North Carolina Recreation Society and South Carolina Recreation Society members held separate sessions on November 27.

A DISCUSSION of recreation's part in combating juvenile delinquency was main feature of the general session November 28.

On the program that day, Mr.

Johnson discussed the purpose and eligibility for attendance at the Industrial Recreation Workshop held each year at N. C. State College. The director of recreation here was recently appointed to the North Carolina Recreation Council for a second term of service.

Recreation for various age levels was a general topic for November 29.

One of the principal speakers for the session on the convention's closing day was H. D. Meyer, consultant of the North Carolina Recreation Commission.



Private Houston H. Allen is stationed at Camp Polk, Alexandria, La., with the Army. The son of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Allen, he is married to the former Peggy Capps of Kings Mountain, N. C. His father is in the Laboratory here.

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DECEMBER

Caesar Gave 12th Month 31 Days

Hoary, frosty, smoky. Thus some of the great writers of the past have described the month of December. The Saxons called it winter-monath (winter month), and helig-monath (holy month) because Christmas came within its span of days.

December means ten in Latin. It was originally the tenth month of the Roman calendar, when the year was divided into ten months. With the adoption of the Gregorian calendar, it became the twelfth month but kept its name for the Latin.

JULIUS CAESAR gave December its present length of 31 days.

Besides its significance as the month in which Christmas falls, December's calendar has a number of noteworthy anniversaries. Within it are the birthdays of three American Chief Executives: Martin Van Buren, eighth

president, December 5; Woodrow Wilson, 28th president, December 28; and Andrew Johnson, 17th president, December 29.

OTHER BIRTHDAYS are: Gilbert Stuart, American portrait artist, December 3; Willa Cather, novelist, 7; Eli Whitney, inventor of the cotton gin, 8; Jean Sibelius, Finnish composer, 8; John Milton, one of the world's great poets, 9; Joel Chandler Harris, American journalist and author, creator of Uncle Remus stories, 9; Emily Dickinson, New England poet, 10; Phillips Brooks, American preacher and internationally famous pulpit orator, 13; John Greenleaf Whittier, Quaker poet, 17; Clara Barton, founder of the American Red Cross, 25; Charles Wesley, English Methodist preacher and famed hymnwriter, brother of John Wesley, 28.

A/S Bobby Broome reported to Sanford, Fla., November 3, for special training, after concluding a 14-day furlough with his parents, Willie Broome, doffer, and Mrs. (Bertha) Broome, spinner.

Young Broome completed his "boot" training before spending his furlough at home.

S/Sergeant Wilbur E. Beckham, Mrs. Beckham and their two children of Big Spring, Texas, spent a recent leave with his mother, Mrs. William Beckham, spinner.