



An Appalachian State University professor, Dr. Nathaniel Shope of Boone, is working with this Caribbean Study Group in Georgetown, Guyana. Dr. Shope is seen at the extreme left in the middle row.

Dr. Shope Visits Puerto Rico

A group of educators from the West Indies and the United States arrived in Georgetown, Guyana, to continue their study of Caribbean education under a program sponsored by the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education and the U.S. Office of Education.

The group, which includes Dr. Nathaniel Shope of Appalachian State University completed a week's study in Puerto Rico prior to going to Guyana. There

they worked under the guidance of Dr. Lloyd Suttell, a staff member of the University of Puerto Rico, College of Education.

During the Puerto Rican visit, discussions were held on the training of teachers for elementary schools. Visits were made to branches of the Department of Instruction with considerable discussion concerning the preparation, printing and distribution of textbooks and other instructional materials.

The group also visited schools in session and discussed problems of discipline, drop-outs and achievement. Since Puerto Rico is an Associated Free State of the United States, it receives funds available under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act.

Puerto Rico spends approximately 33 per cent of its budget for education. According to Dr. Shope, this is a higher percentage than is used on other islands in the Caribbean.

Daniel Boone Monument Rebuilding Plans Made

The Daniel Boone Monument, which stands on the site of the original Daniel Boone Cabin and in the way of progress by reason of a street-widening project designed to take a burden of traffic from downtown Boone, is to be torn down.

Appalachian State University, owner of the property on which the monument currently stands, has decided to have the stone marker reconstructed as near to the present site as feasible, say officials.

The street project, by which Faculty Street is being widened to serve as a by-pass for vehicles traveling between the west edge of the downtown section and Blowing Rock Road, is being accomplished by the State Highway Department which has offered to pay for the cost of re-locating the monument.

Ned Trivette, Director of Business Affairs at ASU, stated that quotes on the relocation job have been received and that Wade Hampton, local rock mason, has been selected to reconstruct the monument of native stone "in a similar shape and style."

Trivette said that it was initially proposed to move the marker, but that this was found to be impossible due to its age and manner of construction. "It is now planned to make

the new monument site a real tourist attraction which people will enjoy," Trivette stated. "We at Appalachian recognize the monument's historical value, and are determined to have it placed in a position where

it won't be 'lost' as it is at the present time." He added that the area around the new monument site is to include a patio-like place where persons will be able to sit and enjoy the marker.

Snake Exhibitions

Of Interest To Youth

Snake Exhibitions in the Museum of Natural History seemed to be the most popular part of a tour to Raleigh taken by 400 young people under the auspices of WAMY Community Action, Inc.

The WAMY sponsored tour was planned as an educational and cultural enrichment field trip for low income young people in this area. It was not

limited to Neighborhood Youth Corps members.

In addition to the Museum of Natural History, the group toured The Museum of Art, the Hall of North Carolina History, the Capitol Building and the quarters of the State Legislature.

The Museum of Art proved to be humorous for some of the girls who were looking at paintings which were set in deep niches in the walls. One girl stepped into a rather large opening in the wall and instead of seeing the large painting she was expecting, found herself lost in an elevator.

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Says Honey Bees Are Finding Sweetness In Burley Blooms

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Honey-bees appears now to make a lot of honey out of Burley-tobacco bloom. This probably is something practically new in the honey-bee business. As you know not to long ago practically all farmers bud topped their tobacco. All you tobacco farmers know what I'm talking about when I say bud topped their tobacco—that is when the tobacco began to pod bloom they go down and pinch out the bud and take with it the first three or four small leaves.

But when the farmers began to spray with the sucker control formula they let their crops bloom out real good before they topped it which is just before they went to spray it.

You take a half acre of tobacco (which is about the amount each farmer has now) and let it bloom out good and you would then see the bees swarming around the tobacco patches like it was a bee swarm. Use to all the tobacco that was left to bloom out was the stalks that was saved for seeds to sow in the plant beds the next year. But now very few farmers ever grow their own tobacco seed.

Also about all the humming bird's the writer has observed so far this summer is in the fields of tobacco which were then in full bloom, I am told by folks who has payed close attention to it that the humming bird sucks on a lot of kind of bloom that also do the honey bee. So far the honey bee and the humming bird is the only little creatures that I have seen sucking on the tobacco bloom. The tobacco crops in this lower end of Mitchell County section is real good.

Well the farmers of this area has met up with another problem—that is fighting wild fires on their pepper crops. Several farmers this year planted a pepper crop for the first time and the wild fire was never known to of strike the pepper crops before in this area. But several of the farmers says the disease is really destroying their crops despite the fact that the farmers are spraying their crops with a mixture that was purchased on the market

and recommended to check wild-fire disease on pepper, but so far the farmers says the disease is still spreading on their crops. Some farmers in this lower end of Mitchell County section has set out four and five acres in pepper. This is sweet pepper and the marketing place for the farmers pepper crop for this area is at Bakersville.

Carmon Miller reported that he heard his first katydid hollering this year on the night of the first day of August. He said that he had been paying close attention to the first night of each year that he would hear the katydid hollering and they wouldn't miss but a night or two it not being on the first night of August.

You know the old saying is that has been handed down from generation to generation is that it is only six more weeks until it will frost after you hear your

first katydid hollering. Well that would throw it to be frosting in the middle of September. I have seen frosts here in the mountains a little early than that but the frost wouldn't nip anything. You know it takes a freeze along with a frost to kill growing crops.

It's been a strong talk here of late that this has been the hottest summer that it has ever been in this mountainous area.

It's sorter been like a heat wave—no cool air stirring at all. But for several days the thermometer stood on 90 some degrees in the shade. Although for the last few days the air has begun to cool down considerably, with the nights getting a whole lot cooler. Before now even when it rained the air wouldn't cool down nary bit even at nighttime.

PAYS FINE WITH SHIRT

Murfreesboro, Tenn.—When Sam Crowder, 21, was fined for speeding, he wrote a check on his T-shirt to cover the fine. Police chief William Chambliss said the check was accepted.

HANDIEST

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