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DUCK REFUGES IN MARSH AREAS

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By the United States Department of Agriculture.)
Washington.—Although legislative measures for the protection of wild fowl have multiplied, and have added to the restrictions on hunters, these regulations have not been sufficient to maintain these game birds in their former abundance. Regions that once were the summer homes of myriads of wild ducks have been drained and placed under cultivation, and extensive areas where the birds at one time bred are now populous farming communities.

These changes, say biologists of the United States Department of Agriculture, have crowded out the former feathered residents and have served in a corresponding degree to reduce their numbers.

Realization of these facts has led recently to the adoption of other measures to encourage waterfowl. A number of extensive marsh areas have been made permanent refuges under the guardianship of the Department of Agriculture, and many private preserves, some formed by artificial means, have been established where the birds are protected while nesting. In addition, in a number of cases, rigid local restrictions have been placed upon hunters.

Investigating the Ducks.

As a means of co-operating in such efforts to maintain and increase the number of waterfowl, the biological survey of the United States Department of Agriculture has undertaken investigations of the general conditions under which wild ducks live and thrive, coupled with counts of the birds found in areas varying in character. During three summers, field studies were made dealing with wild ducks in the Bear river marshes in Utah, a report of which has just been published by the department in Department Bulletin 936, Wild Ducks and Duck Foods of the Bear River Marshes, Utah.

During the three seasons devoted to this work 12 species of ducks and the Canada goose were found breeding in the region included in the Bear river marshes, which cover an extensive area at the northern end of Great Salt Lake. In an enumeration made during May and June, 1916, of the 11 species of breeding ducks 3,560 pairs were counted, and it is believed that this number represents between 60 and 100 per cent of the total number of breeding ducks occurring here that season.

Vast Number in One Region.

Allowing five young reared to maturity as the average for each pair, and considering 1916 as an average season, the bulletin states that, at a conservative estimate, between 25,000 and 30,000 wild ducks, native to the marsh, are to be found there at the close of the breeding season.

It was found that, in addition to the large number of birds reared on the Bear river area, many other ducks came in after the nesting season to remain there until fall. That birds from the Bear river section range widely after leaving these marshes has been shown by records of ducks that have been banded and released there and subsequently were shot elsewhere. Records thus obtained show that birds released near the mouth of Bear river in migration cover the region from Oklahoma to Texas and west to California. The department urges the establishment of a greater number of preserves where wild fowl may breed and rest unmolested and find an ample supply of food.

GIRL GUARDIAN OF FAMILY

Only Nineteen Years Old, but Will Look After Five Persons by Order of Court.

San Francisco.—Unwittingly proving that she is capable, independent and carries a good balance wheel of judgment by caring for her young brothers and sisters, Mary Carmichael, a slim, 19-year-old girl, has been appointed by Superior Judge ... guardian for her ... and sister.

For the last two years, since the death of her father, this self-reliant little girl has been the guardian of the family, not only by doing the cooking and other household work, but by standing in the stead of a father since his death eight years ago.

At the death of the mother an uncle has been acting as guardian for the family, but lately they have become restive and anxious to manage their own business.

Bumped Into Auto; Fined.

Chicago, Ill.—H. C. Reimer was fined \$7.50 because he started to cross the street and bumped into an automobile. His injured head was bandaged at a hospital. Then he was charged with "bumping into an automobile." Magistrate Walter Taylor assessed the fine.

IT MADE PARIS GASP

Extravagant Costume Worn by Mrs. Wilkinson of England.

"Temperance Queen," Who Never Wears Same Gown Twice, Gives the French a Sensation.

Paris.—No longer afraid of being called profiteers, the owners of "war millions" are now bringing them out for the "grand season."

The result is that Paris it witnessing a carnival of flamboyant extravagance unequalled, according to many critics, since the days of Nero.

Mrs. Smith Wilkinson, English "temperance queen," who for three weeks has made Paris sit back and gasp, appeared at the Pre Catalan restaurant one Saturday night with her third husband, who is twenty-four years old, wearing on her head a genuine crown composed of more than a thousand pearls and rhinestones. The crown formerly was worn by the Grand Duchess Xenia of Russia. Mrs. Wilkinson bought the trifle for \$800,000.

Suspended beneath her chin was the cluster of famous Shrewsbury pearls, more than 300 years old. They were bought by Mrs. Wilkinson from the English museum so she could wear them in Paris. Her dress was interwoven with more than 300 genuine diamonds, other gems being set in her stockings and shoes.

Altogether, Mrs. Wilkinson estimated her costume to be worth in the neighborhood of \$1,500,000. She said: "French women have been the style setters long enough. I made up my mind I would show them what real sensations meant. I have a different gown for every day in the year. I never wear one twice."

WON FORTUNE FOR A TRIFLE



Capt. Alban Jones, R. N., resigned, won £69,000 (\$269,100) on a \$2.75 ticket of the Calcutta Sweepstakes on this year's English Derby. Captain Jones, who is assistant marine superintendent of the Union Castle line, had never before placed a penny on any horse. He declares he will not give up his present post in spite of winning the large fortune.

ASKS NEW FURNITURE STYLE

Frenchman Blames Architects for Louis XV and Louis XVI Designs.

Paris.—A new style in furniture was demanded by representatives of the French furniture industry at the furniture congress recently held here. Architects are blamed by the president of the Furniture Makers' association for the continued production of false Louis XV, Louis XVI and other styles of antiques. They design interiors to go with such furniture and naturally the manufacturers have to meet the demand, he says.

He proposed that the teachers in the fine arts school should begin the campaign for a modern original style by inspiring original ideas under the general direction of a committee composed of artists, architects and furniture makers.

Baby Cab a Rum Cache.

Port Huron, Mich.—John Hammond of Sarnia was arrested by customs officials while wheeling a baby cab from a ferry boat. In the cab on which the baby rested was a quilt containing 12 pockets in each of which reposed a bottle of liquor. With Hammond was his wife and two children. He stated he was buying a house on the contract plan, and took up booze smuggling to raise money. He is employed by the Grand Trunk in Sarnia. Hammond was placed in jail.

General News

President Harding has issued a call for a world conference on disarmament. The date will be announced later.

Twenty thousand enlisted men in the army applied for discharges in the first ten days of July, and 13,000 have been released from service.

General Bowley, commander of Camp Bragg, together with the county and city officials of Fayetteville, have started a crusade against bad women and bootleggers around the camp.

There is said to be a new outbreak of pellagra in the southern states. The cause is attributed to the farmers having been forced back to a diet of salt pork and corn bread, since the low price of cotton.

Mrs. Buelah Johnson was taken from a hotel at Shreveport, La., Saturday night by masked men, driven to the country, stripped, and tarred and feathered and returned to the hotel. We have not learned the cause of the treatment.

Mrs. Katherine Kaber was convicted of the murder of her husband at Cleveland, Ohio, last Saturday and sentenced to life imprisonment in Ohio Reformatory at Marysville. Mrs. Kaber plotted the murder of her husband last spring when he was stabbed by unknown parties.

Rev. Phillip S. Irwin, arch-deacon of the English Episcopal church at Miami, Fla., was waylaid and tarred and feathered by a mob of men near that city Saturday night. It is alleged he had advocated the intermarriage of whites and blacks in the south.

TAUGHT TO BE REDS

Communism Is Taught in the Schools in Russia.

"Revolutionary Conscience" First Thing to Be Developed in Child, Says Former Prisoner of War.

Riga, Latvia.—Most of the younger generation of Russians are Bolshevik, says Capt. Marion C. Cooper of Jacksonville, Fla., the American flyer who was captured by Russians while serving in the Polish army and recently escaped from a Moscow prison. He attributes this to the Bolshevik educational system, under which communism is taught in the schools.

"The schools are all red," he stated, "and the educational program prescribes that the first thing to be developed in the mind of the child is the 'revolutionary conscience.'"

"In prison I saw, several times, children visit their anti-Bolshevik parents. The children were reds and accepted their parents' imprisonment philosophically, wondering how they could go against the tenets they had been taught to absorb in the classroom."

Vying with this system of educating the children, said Captain Cooper, was the wonderful propaganda system by which the Bolsheviks attempt to convert adults.

"Their communist lecturers work even in the prisons, trying to convert the prisoners," he continued. "They even tried it on me. There were lectures or classes held frequently. If a man said he was converted and could convince the prison committee of that fact, he generally was released."

"Further in the line of skilled propaganda was the excellent treatment of the Polish war prisoners just before they were returned to Poland, under the repatriation agreement of the Polish-Russian peace treaty. Before each bunch was repatriated, all of the soldiers in it were given new clothes and new shoes and were well fed for several weeks, so that when they arrived in Poland they looked well fed, well dressed and, in short, were walking advertisements for the soviet government."

Generally, Captain Cooper said, conditions in the prisons were very bad from the standpoint of diet, but that he received no personal ill-treatment.

Extra Session of Legislature Dec. 2

Governor Morrison has called an extra session of the general assembly to convene in Raleigh on December 2nd, for the purpose of creating legislation in regard to city financing, which legislation was intended to have passed the legislature at the regular session last winter.

Serious Cutting Affray at Elkin

Herbert Wolfe was seriously stabbed by Raymond Burcham at Elkin Monday afternoon when the two men quarreled and fought over some lumber. Wolfe was stabbed in the left side and is said to be in a serious condition.

After stabbing Wolfe Burcham escaped toward Jonesville and at last reports had not been apprehended.

Wolfe is about thirty years old, and Burcham about twenty-two.

State News Items

Governor Morrison and members of his family have gone to Asheville where they will spend the remainder of the summer.

The campmeeting at Ball Creek, the famous old camp ground in Catawba county, will begin August 21st.

Richard Menzie, aged 63, miller at a mill at Glen Alpine, was caught in a belt at the mill and sustained injuries from which he died.

Lonnie Lowderwik, an electrician, was killed near Morganton last week when he came in contact with a live wire while working on the line.

A dispatch from Raleigh says that more than 100,000 automobile license tags have been sold leaving more than 40,000 cars without license tags.

Rev. Baxter McLendon began his evangelistic campaign at North Wilkesboro Sunday. It is estimated that more than 10,000 people attended the two sermons Sunday.

Some unknown party stole a gallon of whiskey Sheriff Harrison's office in Raleigh the other night. All efforts to locate the guilty party or the gallon have been futile.

Abner Brinkley and Fred Brinkley, brothers, were convicted of the murder of Homer Barringer in Catawba county court last week and sentenced to 5 and 2 years in the state prison. The murder occurred last March.

Geer & Wilson, contractors, doing work on the Asheville-Charlotte-Wilmington highway near Rutherfordton, lost three fine mules last week. The mules fell into an old abandoned well, covered with vines and weeds.

Rev. Baxter McLendon, better known as "C. Stone Mack," the noted evangelist, has been presented a lot in Weaverville, a little town in the mountains near Asheville, and it is thought a residence will be made by some there.

Mr. J. C. Stealey, ex-mayor of Statesville and head of the firm of J. C. Steele & Sons, brick machine manufacturers, died suddenly at his home in that city last Thursday morning. He was 82 years old.

Kohloss Appointed Prohibition Director

R. A. Kohloss, of Salisbury, was appointed prohibition director for North Carolina last Wednesday by Secretary Mellon.

The appointment was strongly opposed by the Anti-Saloon League but was upheld by Mr. Blair.

Mr. Kohloss will enter upon his duties at once. The first assistant to the prohibition director will be A. B. Coltrane, of Trinity, whom Kohloss has designated for the position.

Big Farm Convention to be Held in August

The North Carolina farmers' and farm women's convention will begin on Tuesday morning, August 30th and extend through Thursday, September 1st, at the State College, Raleigh.

The program is not yet in final form, but preliminary arrangements are made and the secretary is in correspondence with some of the leading speakers in North Carolina and the United States. Among the speakers who have been invited to address the convention are: Henry Wallace, secretary of agriculture; Dr. E. V. McCollum, Johns Hopkins university, and many others.

Rooms will be furnished free at State college, but visitors will have to furnish their own toilet articles and bed linen.

The convention officials expect record crowds this year, on account of the changing agricultural conditions and the strong program to be presented.

Co-operative Tobacco Marketing Campaign Starts

Mr. C. C. Zimmerman, teacher of marketing, from the State college of agriculture at Raleigh arrived in Yadkin county Tuesday to assist Mr. D. H. Osborne, county farm agent, and the local committee of the tobacco growers' association to complete the campaign for co-operative marketing of tobacco in the next few weeks.

The Case of Alvin York

Word is put out that Alvin York, of Pall Mall, Tenn., who is the acknowledged greatest hero of the world war, is about to lose his fine farm through mortgage foreclosure. Neighbors and friends of New York gave him over \$11,000 on his farm as a bridal present over a year ago. There is a \$12,000 mortgage on the farm and crop failure last year made it impossible for York to make payments on his land debt. He refuses to commercialize his war record and raise money by going on the lecture platform. But the question arises if Mr. York accepted \$11,000 toward payment on the farm, a gift he must have received was made on account of his war record, why should he refuse to take more money on account of that record? But many of us who cannot follow Mr. York's now probably would not have followed his body when he thrust it forward on October 18, 1918, in the Argonne Forest and killed twenty-five Germans, silenced thirty-five machine guns and marched 132 German captives into the American camp.

Big Jitneys and Little Jitneys

Yadkinville and this section seems to be well supplied with jitney cars just now, there being something like five lines plying between here and Winston-Salem. At this place one of them branches off to Boonville and the remainder goes on to Brooks' Cross Roads.

However, aside from the mail line and Shouse's big jitney, there is little travel except the line coming from Boonville via Yadkinville which goes down in the morning and back in the afternoon and does not conflict with any other line, and carries some passengers.

The Shouse boys have been on this line a long time and have a well established schedule and make it regular and they are carrying the bulk of the passengers, in fact more than all others combined, as people have learned their schedule and like their manner of operation, and also their capacity for carrying passengers. They can carry 15 to 20 people comfortably at any time.

The danger of the thing is overdoing the jitney business and driving off the larger cars unless they are patronized, and then, perhaps, have no jitney at all, which we hope won't be done.

"Home-Coming" Day at Macedonia

The fourth Sunday in this month will be observed as "Home-Coming" day at Macedonia Methodist church, near East Bend. All who have ever belonged to or attended this old historic church, and the friends and public are cordially invited to attend the exercises on this day. There will be talks and address by different ones, conducted by the pastor, Rev. J. P. Bogle.

The exercises begin at 10 a. m. and continue throughout the day. Dinner will be served on the grounds. Everybody is asked to bring a basket.

Mr. James F. Brown Celebrates 3rd Birthday

Mr. James F. Brown, one of the county's best citizens, celebrated his 3rd birthday Sunday at his home near Boonville.

Between 400 and 500 relatives and friends of Mr. Brown were present to celebrate the natal day with him. Sheriff Moxley, who was present, as he counted as many as forty-eight automobiles besides those who came in buggies and on foot.

A large table was set on the lawn and a bountiful dinner spread. Rev. W. A. Brown and Rev. D. G. Reed made short talks, after which those present helped themselves to the good things to eat.

As the sun sank in the west the guests departed for their homes wishing Mr. Brown many more happy birthdays.

Traveling

Young ... Crook ... Mr. and Mrs. ... Hickory, ... boy is only 15 years old but is ... his second ... state ... is making ... way.