

REGRET OVER DEPARTURE OF PAUL MURPHY

Popular Head of WPA Projects in Dare To Go West Sept. 1

By THOMAS POOLE
On or about September 1st, Director Paul B. Murphy, lovable and popular head of the Fort Eustis WPA Projects leaves for other important duties in the West. "Col" Murphy as he is locally known, leaves the important position he has held since October 1934, in the face of keen regret by hundreds of men employed on Eustis WPA Projects and of many other assisting officials who have faithfully served with him; many of them since he first came to Virginia.

No man in the service can be found who has performed the apparent miracles and enjoyed the wide success of Mr. Murphy. During his stay he has accomplished many endeavors, exacted results that few other men could have reached. In building the great success and prestige he so justly enjoys, many factors have ably contributed. Primarily, he has been vitally interested in the various projects so successfully operated under his supervision. The vast majority of men who have worked under him have always held him in high esteem and gave that full cooperation and exhibited that fine spirit that leads to overcoming arduous tasks. Again, Mr. Murphy was always popular with high officials in Washington, due to his abilities to complete any task put on his shoulders; this placing him in a position where he could get assistance when it was needed. And it goes without saying that he ever stood closely allied with the State officials both in North Carolina and Virginia.

When he came to take over the Eustis camp in the Autumn of 1934, what had been an original investment of \$12,000,000 for a U. S. War cantonment in 1917, was found to be, in a sense, a deserted village. Many of the finer buildings were going to ruin; the streets and roads had almost grown up in weeds and briars and grass. And withal, practically the entire camp presented a great need for being renovated, cleaned up and repaired.

With characteristic energy, Mr. Murphy assisted by several hundred

workers had Fort Eustis in a few weeks a place of beauty, cleanliness and the ideal place for housing men that it was during the World War. And from the first moment he arrived at Fort Eustis he showed and demonstrated an almost individual interest in every man under him. Until the various WPA projects were begun, some time later, Mr. Murphy daily occupied himself with the many problems that arose in taking care of and finding employment for a large body of men that from day to day steadily increased until all intake was discontinued about the latter part of December, 1935.

In November, 1935 Fort Eustis took over the operation of several important WPA Projects; including the vast Newport News Waterworks Project, a project at Langley Field, the construction of the River Bend in Warwick County, a Mosquito Control project on the James River; and finally the gigantic Beach Erosion Control Project in the Tidewater section of Eastern North Carolina in February, 1936.

With the possible exception of the latter project, the others have been successfully terminated. In the Beach Erosion Control work, Mr. Murphy showed a deep interest in every phase of it from the moment it was entrusted in his charge. As on the other projects he had headed, success came from the systematic operations that always control his principles. At the head of each department, he made it a rule to position men who were both able and cooperative and largely they were always original Fort Eustis men who had shown marked abilities to handle the positions turned over to them.

As a devout lover of athletics, Mr. Murphy turned out teams under appointed coaches who have made in many cases incomparable records, whether on the base ball diamond, basket ball court or foot ball gridiron. In fact the name of Fort Eustis athletics is one highly recognized and respected throughout this part of the South and near East. At Fort Eustis, under the guidance of Mr. Murphy, work was selected to suit the individual needs; and a score of men have either become sufficiently trained to accept good jobs, or were enabled to be ready to accept positions in private industry in keeping with former times. Finally, whether from an individual or general standpoint, thousands of men have found honorable work at Fort Eustis and are thus better prepared for the future.

In leaving the Eustis Project, after a great record for other fields of service, Director Paul B. Murphy takes with him the love, esteem and friendship of countless numbers of men and boys from all parts of the world. They will ever revere him as a leader who assisted them in fighting the economic stress of the late Depression and making it possible for them to take a new hold on life. The well wishes of a score of other people will follow Mr. Murphy in his departure; and with such a glorious record behind him, success and happiness are sure to bless him wherever he may reside in the future.

CAMP SANDY SELECTED AS NAME FOR SCOUT CAMP AT NAGS HEAD

A BRIEF SKETCH OF DOINGS AT THE BEACH from WEEK TO WEEK 'New Sport—Rare Dancers'

Nearly forty Boy Scouts are having the time of their lives at the old Transient Camp site at Nags Head. Under the direction of "Big Chief" John J. Sigwald, Camp Director and Scout Executive of the East Carolina Council of Boy Scouts with Wilson as headquarters for the territory which includes Dare County. The daily program is full of varied projects. Rev. W. N. Vaughn, of Wanchese, is at the camp, and is in special charge of the kitchen. Old Sam and Minnie, of Camp Charles fame, with their daughter, Emma, do the cooking. Camp Charles is the East Carolina Council camp near Wilson. Seafood, of course, is on the menu frequently.

The scouts come from Wilson, Rocky Mount, Scotland Neck, Roanoke Rapids, Washington, Manteo, Wanchese, Greenville, Ayden, Kinston, Tarboro, Durham and a number of other towns in the twenty-one counties serviced by the East Carolina Council. Camp Sandy has been chosen as the name for the camp.

The American flag flies daily, and with the use of a toy cannon, retreat ceremony is held at 6 p. m. The staff is composed of Camp Director Sigwald, assistant camp director, Ralph H. Mozo, Rev. W. N. Vaughn, Rev. F. H. Craighill, Episcopal minister from Rocky Mount, Allen Bonner of Kinston, John Coward, Jr., of Ayden, and Bob Littrell, of Rocky Mount.

Each morning bird hikes are taken, and a study of sea-birds made under the direction of Rev. Craighill.

Uncle Jeff Hayman made a visit to the camp Monday night, and was an interesting speaker on his early sea experiences. Other Dare County citizens have been or will be on the "campfire programs" of the scout camp.

Camp Sandy scouts tried out and approved a new life saving device for Nags Head at the request of Sam Worthington, Jr., Tuesday.

Trips are being made to the Wright Memorial, Fort Raleigh, Nags Head Coast Guard Station, and many other local points of interest. Friday, half the camp will go on the Sea Gull as the guest of M. L. Daniels, for fishing experience. The other half will go Tuesday. Tommy Daniels, a young son of M. L. Daniels, is a scout in the camp.

Patrolman J. C. Scarborough, was at the camp Wednesday to instruct the boys on highway safety, at the request of leaders of the camp.

The camp will close next Wednesday, Sept. 2, with an early dinner. People in the county are making every effort to see that the camp is a success, and the scouts hope to return yearly.

Rev. A. E. Brown will conduct a Youth Service for the scouts in the chapel at Fort Raleigh Sunday at 9:30. The public is invited.

The Camp Director extends an invitation to anyone interested to visit the camp.

Wanchese citizens were the guests of the camp Thursday, when Troop 80 will receive the charter for its second year.

THIS SCOUT IDEA
St Hoskins sez to me, sez he, "What's all this talk I hear uv scouts. "I thought that Daniel Boone an' sech, "Wus figgered with the down an' outs, "We hain't got Injuns now nor trails, "Nor woves nor bears nor catar-mounts, "No Injuns to clear, no forests tall "So we ain't got no need uv scouts." Sez I, "By neck, I did not know, "That any man could be so dumb, "This scout idee is fur the boys, "An' keeps their skulls from git-tin' numb, "It larves 'em how to cook an' eat, "To keer fur hurt folks, sick er old, "To make a shelter if it rains, "An' build a fire if it gits cold." "It larves 'em plants an' birds an' trees "An how their good clothes should be hung, "The difference 'twixt the flies an' bees, "May keep the lads from gettin' stung, "I ain't no hand at tellin' things, "But I can see their dern fine plan, "The hull thing in a nut-shell, Si, "It learns our boy to be a man."

U. S. NAVY WANTS MORE GOOD MEN
Recruiting Station at New Bern Is Calling For New Applicants

The Navy Recruiting Station at New Bern, announces that the waiting list of desirable applicants is getting low rapidly and more applicants are needed. This affords the young men of this district an excellent opportunity to be called in for enlistment shortly after passing the required examinations. (White) boys are enlisted as Apprentice Seamen and the (Colored) as Mess Attendants, two distinctively different lines. After being enlisted they are sent to the Naval Training Station at Hampton Roads, Virginia, where they undergo sixteen weeks of military training before being detailed to the ships of the U. S. Fleet. The recruiting station in charge of T. F. O'Rourke, is open daily except Sunday and holidays for the information and examination of eligible applicants.

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Dance Inventors Practice Routines
The latest fad with the young folks, both local residents and visiting residents of the beach, is seeing who can create the most dance routines. These young inventors, if that is what they might be called, spend their days practicing new steps wherever they have access to automatic phonographs and as soon as they are perfected, head for the Nags Head Beach Club to really put the routine over. Recently Abe Wade, a young man from Raleigh who has been visiting here for several weeks has become a master at this past time. In Manteo at Fearing drug store this young chap and Eloise Burris have worked out some quite difficult routines.

A peculiar characteristic about this chap, Wade, is that the boys enjoy dancing with him as much as they do the girls and it all started last week when he dressed as a girl one night and attended the Beach Club. Now his most dashing cohort is "Mollie" Midgett, who has been visiting here from Rodanthe for some time.

Becoming Accustomed To Shorts and Stacks
"We have got to get used to seeing boys and girls, men and women, attired in shorts, slacks, bathing suits and the like," said Melvin R. Daniels, register of deeds of Dare County, in an address of welcome to the delegates of the Southern Albemarle Association here Wednesday of this week. Mr. Daniels' quotation was made as a jesture showing how modern civilization has been taking advantage of the summer time privileges and pleasures which Dare County benches afford. He was getting over the point that this association, one created for the purpose of the development of Dare, Hyde, Tyrrell and Washington counties, should really get started on an extensive development program that would facilitate and encourage inland people to travel through these counties commercially as well as for the pleasures this section affords. The Southern Albemarle route from Central North Carolina through Williamston, Plymouth, Columbia and other smaller towns is the route this association is trying to build.

Dancing Beauty Is To Be Chosen
Saturday night the management of the Beach Club, expects to choose a most beautiful girl to whom a handsome wrist watch is to be given as a premium. Brack E. Con, manager and owner of the club, has not announced the full particulars of this event, but it is a good time for the beauties to doll themselves up to the top notch any way. Besides this, Saturday night is jack pot night again and some young lady will receive a crisp \$10 bill if she's lucky.

Band Personnel Has Slight Change
This week there has been a slight change in the personnel of the Camp bell Orchestra, which has become so popular at the Nags Head Beach Club. About two weeks ago Jimmy Farr, another Raleigh lad, joined the band as a trumpet player and this week Stanley Campbell, one of the four Campbell brothers of the band, has left for Raleigh to resume other duties.

Last week end the rest of the Campbell family was present at Nags Head. Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Campbell and their daughter and the other three boys. Now "Pop" Campbell is the master musician of them all, his favorite instrument being the violin. "Pop" brought his fiddle along with him and wants to take charge of the band, but Newell wouldn't let him. Perhaps the folks at the beach missed something, **Have Birthday Party At Beach Club Saturday**

Aside from the regular routine of hundreds of Nags Head and local folk who were making merry at the Nags Head Beach Club last Saturday night a birthday party was being conducted at one of the back tables. In honor of Alvey Midgett of Rodanthe, more widely known as "Mollie", this party was given by Miss Natalie Gould of Manteo. True enough, the young guest of honor was richly entertained with birthday cake and all the trimmings except she claims it is his twenty second anniversary. The thing that led guests to feel that he was kidding a little about this was that before the most of the guests arrived all the candles had been snatched from the cake.

Among those present were Nags Head, Toi Lewis, Eloise Burris, Nina Midgett, Alma Lewis, Marjotta Auwin, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Swain, Bill Mason and Belton Burris, all of Manteo; Jimmie Moore, Andy Beck and Abe Wade of Raleigh; T. Fearing, Mr. and Mrs. Graham Commander, Mrs. Aubrey Heath, Judson Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Hayman, George Fearing, Jr., and Eddie Davenport, all of Elizabeth City.

IN HOSPITAL
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MANTEO DEFEATS CAMP DUCK 9 to 4

By THOMAS POOLE
On the local diamond last Sunday afternoon, the local team defeated the Camp Duck base ball club in a free-hitting contest by the score of 9 to 4.

Despite the sweltering heat, a capacity crowd was on hand to witness this first engagement between these two teams.

In the first inning Camp Duck took a temporary lead on Gabbett's two-base smash into right and Bumgardner's line single to center. After that Manteo piled up a gradual lead and were never headed off.

Arrison, who started as pitcher for Duck under the handicap of a lame back, was forced to retire in the sixth. Tucker finished the mound duties for the losers in strong style. Twyne, hurling for the winners, was very strong during the entire game although touched for eleven hits including a towering home run over the right field fence in the ninth by Bumgardner. Basmight and Allsbrook were best offensively for Manteo, while Jessup's defensive play stood out.

For Camp Duck, Bumgardner and Gabbett hit best, the former getting three hits including his home run. In the field Malone, Aldridge, and Pettigrew were outstanding.

| Player | Ab. | R. | H. |
|----------------|-----|----|----|
| Camp Duck | 5 | 0 | 2 |
| Arrison, p | 5 | 1 | 2 |
| Gumgardner, rf | 5 | 2 | 3 |
| Pettigrew, 2b | 4 | 0 | 1 |
| Malone, cf | 3 | 0 | 1 |
| Wright, lf | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Aldridge, lb | 4 | 0 | 1 |
| Arten, ss | 4 | 1 | 1 |
| Donahue, c | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Tucker, p | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 36 | 4 | 11 |
| Manteo | Ab. | R. | H. |
| Allsbrook, lb | 5 | 1 | 3 |
| Wescott, cf | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| Midgett, 2b | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| Basmight, lf | 3 | 2 | 2 |
| Moose, 3b | 5 | 1 | 2 |
| Chadwick, cf | 4 | 1 | 2 |
| Davis, c | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| Jessup, ss | 4 | 1 | 2 |
| Twyne, p | 4 | 1 | 2 |
| Totals | 38 | 9 | 14 |

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