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N. C. Baptists Convert Ancient Fort Into Summer Seaside Assembly Ground

N. C. Baptists, 700,000 strong, have converted a fort that has been through four wars into a summer Seaside Assembly Ground.

With accommodations for 1,000 guests in refurbished barracks, cottages, and a building that formerly was a hospital but now a hotel, the Ft. Caswell Baptist Seaside Assembly opened June 12 with a program of conferences and meetings extending into September.

Ft. Caswell was constructed in 1825. It saw its first action in the Civil War, guarding the mouth of Cape Fear River used by the Confederate blockade runners based at Wilmington. This was known as the "lifeline of the Confederacy". The fort was manned again in the Spanish-American War and in both World Wars for coastal defense.

Of massive masonry, the fort had emplacements for nine batteries.

Atop one of these now is a warm water outdoor swimming pool. The water is pumped from the earth at a temperature that varies little from 90 degrees, summer or winter.

Between World Wars, the fort became a summer resort, but adjoining Ft. Caswell Beach has now merged with Long Beach, to form an unbroken strand of 13 miles south to Lockwoods Folly Inlet.

Richard K. Redwine of Southport is director of the Baptist Assembly, which has a pier and yacht basin as well as beach and warm water swimming pool. It is distinctly a religious retreat, and although guests are welcome, they must abide by the rules which prohibits informal beach attire except on the beach and at play, and bars fishing and swimming on Sunday and alcoholic beverages at all times.

FRESH VEGETABLES TOP LIST OF FOODS

The U. S. Department of Agriculture, announcing its plentiful foods list for July, called the attention of shoppers to the wide variety of fresh and processed foods abundant on Southern markets, Miss Hilda Clontz, home demonstration agent said this week.

Fresh vegetables listed for July, she said, include carrots, onions, Irish potatoes, fresh corn, snap

beans, beets, cabbage, lettuce and tomatoes.

Watermelon and cantaloupe will be in full swing and picnic planners can count on heavy supplies all during the month.

Broilers and fryers are still in the plentiful class, as are dairy products, eggs, peanut butter, fresh and frozen fish, and rice.

Shoppers who buy the seasonally plentiful foods will, as a rule, find them the most economical buys, she added.

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SCRIPTURE: Genesis 22:1-14; 27:29-35; 28:1-15; 35:1-15; 37:35-36; 46:1, 29-34; 47:1-10.
DEVOTIONAL READING: Psalm 91.

Black and White

Lesson for July 2, 1950

A GROCER in Minneapolis received a letter from a former customer who had left the city owing a large grocery bill. "I have been converted in a revival here," the letter said, "and I want to make everything right in my life that has been wrong." Enclosed there was a certified check for the old bill. The grocer wired back: "Who was the evangelist who converted you? We need him in Minneapolis."



Dr. Foreman

Conversion is God's operation on the heart. No one can actually see the heart, but if the operation is successful, the symptoms of disease will disappear and the symptoms of health can be seen by any one. The patient is a new man.

Jacob Black
PERHAPS the most notable case of conversion in the Bible, aside from the Apostle Paul, is the man named Jacob. His life is a study in black and white; up to a certain point hardly anything good could be said of him, but after that point he can hardly be accused of anything bad.

All his younger days he was principally noted for giving trouble to other people and "doing them out" something he wanted for himself. First he tricked his older brother into selling him the family birthright, for the ridiculous price of a bowl of soup (potage). You would not think any one would sell his birthright; but Jacob caught Esau when he was dog-hungry. . . . Then we see him out-smarting his brother again by birthright; Jacob was by that time a shameless liar and thief. It became so hot for him at home that he had to leave town.

We have a glimpse of him on his journey, dreaming about a ladder to heaven. Evidently his conscience did not trouble him. Indeed, he proceeds to bargain even with God; if God will prosper him, he says, he will see that God gets ten per cent. God did indeed prosper him; but he grew no better for it.

The rest of his life, for the next twenty years, is one piece of trickery after another, he and his uncle Laban taking turns trying to out-smart each other, with Jacob usually coming out ahead.

Jacob White
THINGS came to a climax on the night when Jacob, fearing death at Esau's hands, arranged his family to go ahead of him, keeping himself in the safest place in the rear. . . . and there at last he came face to face with God.

The story of his all-night struggle at the brook Jabbok is a strange one; but one thing is certain. After that night even his name was changed, for the man himself was a new man.

He is patient in trouble, no longer resentful. He is not only a good man himself, he does his best to help others. He conducts what can only be called a family revival; he persuades one and all to give up the idols they had been worshipping and turn to the one true God. He offers sacrifices, like his fathers before him.

He goes down into Egypt at last, a humble man, no longer the conceited young crook he had been when he went to Padan-Aram. He depends now on God and not on himself.

The God of Jacob

A FAMILIAR Psalm carries this refrain: "The God of Jacob is our refuge." Why the God of Jacob, not Abraham nor Isaac? Well, if it were only the God of Abraham, most of us might as well give up. For Abraham was a great genius, a man such as appears scarcely once in a century. Or if he were the God of Isaac only, we would be led to think of him as caring especially for the weak-minded, the lame and the lary. But Jacob—just a plain man full of weaknesses? Yes: the same God who changed him can change the meanest of us.

The real test of religion is not what support it can give to noble souls, or what comfort it gives to the weak. The real test of religion is: Can God turn black into white? Can God take an ordinary, conceited, slippery customer, and make a good man of him? The God of Jacob can do this; and he is the God most of us need.

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FARMERS CONVINCED THAT PASTURES PAY

"It looks good on paper, but will it work on the farm?" That's what



- JULY**
- 1—President Garfield shot by assassin.
 - 2—Idaho admitted to Union, 1890.
 - 3—Independence day.
 - 4—Birth of Admiral Farragut, P. T. Barnum, Cecil Rhodes.
 - 5—John Paul Jones born, 1747.
 - 6—Marines occupy Iceland, 1941.
 - 7—Liberty Bell cracked, 1835.

meetings on pasture production. According to R. E. Wilkins, Negro county farm agent, the question was answered beyond all reasonable doubt recently when a group of interested farmers made a tour to observe successful pastures throughout the county.

One stop was made at the farm of Ed D. Monk, a successful turkey and livestock farmer. Monk showed the group 20 pigs and several yearlings, all in excellent condition, that were being maintained on four acres of improved pasture.

Other stops were made at the farms of Robert Dobson and C. C. Murray, where the story was pretty much the same. The conclusion of the farmers making the tour was that "it looks good in practice too."

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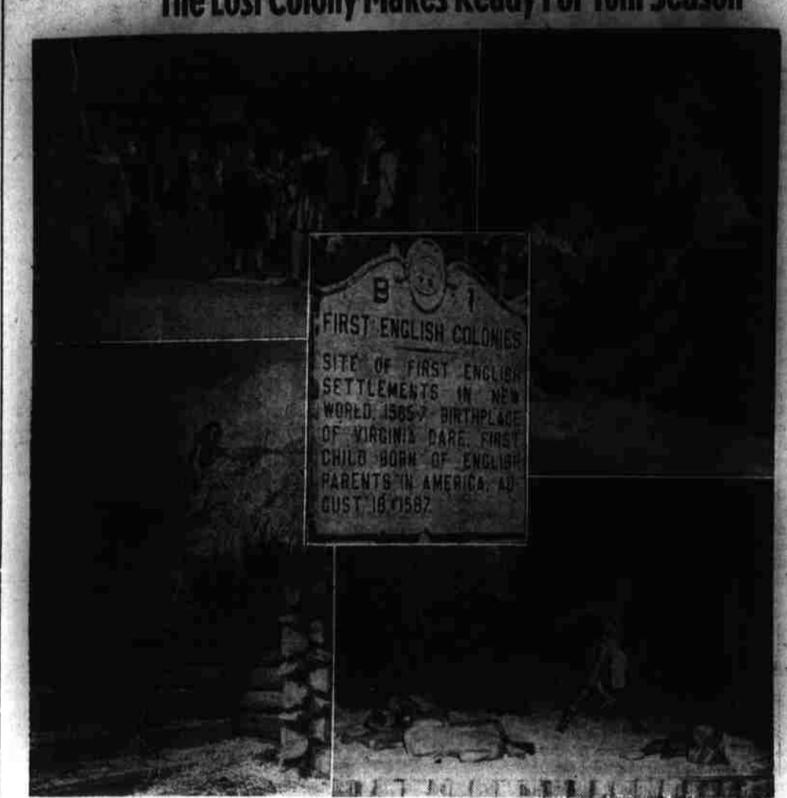
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Paul Green's "The Lost Colony", will open for its 10th season in Waterside Theatre on Roanoke Island, Saturday night, July 1. There will be 57 performances this season, with shows each night at 8:15 o'clock except on Mondays. The show has been in full scale rehearsals for several weeks, repairs have been made to the unusual amphitheatre which overlooks Roanoke Sound, and everything is in readiness for the opening of this symphonic drama which is America's first great mystery romance, brought to life on a stage that is located at the actual site of the

landing of the colonists sent out from England in 1587, and the birthplace of Virginia Dare, first child of English parentage born in America. The photo layout showing historical marker where English history began in America in center gives an idea of this longest running outdoor production in this nation. Scene at upper left shows the band of 150 brave men and women as they were preparing to leave England for the New World. Sir Walter Raleigh and Eleanor Dare in an informal between rehearsal scene pose. They are Mr. and Mrs.

Andrew Griffith of Goldsboro. In lower left members of cast take time off to help that a cabin roof on the 180 foot stage. The photo at lower right Uppowoc, the Indian medicine man, played this year by John Lehman, Raleigh, in a dramatic dance scene. More and more persons are seeing The Lost Colony each year because more and more people are learning that the Dare coastline where the show is presented each year is one of the finest vacation spots along the mid-Atlantic coast. (By - Aycock Brown).

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that default having occurred in the performance of certain covenants of that deed of trust dated the 19 day of September, 1947, recorded on the 24 day of September, 1947, in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Duplin County, North Carolina in Book 431, page 453, executed by Harry E. Pridgen and Mildred C. Pridgen, his wife, to Vance E. Swift, Trustee, the Beneficiary named in said deed of trust has declared the entire debt and obligation secured thereby due and payable at once; that said Harry E. Pridgen and Mildred C. Pridgen, his wife, have failed to pay the said debt; and that pursuant to the power contained in said deed of trust, upon request of the Beneficiary, I, Vance E. Swift, Trustee, will sell the tract of land described in said deed of trust at public auction on the 18 day of July, 1950, at 12:00 noon, at the courthouse door, in Kenansville, Duplin County, North Carolina, to pay the debt secured by the said deed of trust with interest and the costs of such sale; the land being situated in the County of Duplin, State of North Carolina, in Faison Township, being a part of the Christine Pridgen Salley share of the G. W. Pridgen Division, more particularly bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at an iron stake in a Public Road, said iron stake being located N. 61 degrees 50 min. E. 161 feet from an iron stake at an old corner, said first mentioned iron stake being also located in the line of lands now or formerly of Louise Pridgen; thence with Pridgen land N. 61 degrees 50 min. E. 2532 feet to a stake in the Run of Kings Branch; thence with the Run of Kings Branch S. 28 degrees E. 910 feet, S. 20 degrees E. 675 feet, S. 12 degrees E. 545 feet to a stake in the line of lands now or formerly of the Cooper Heirs; thence leaving the Run of Kings Branch and with the line of Cooper S. 60 degrees W. 588 feet to an iron stake in the aforesaid Public Road; thence with said Road N. 67 degrees 15 min. W. 2892 feet to the point and place of beginning, containing 77 acres, more or less, and more fully shown on plat of survey by J. C. Moore, R.S., dated August 9, 1947. Subject, however, to taxes for the year 1950. TERMS: Cash. Five per cent (5%) of the amount of the highest bid must be deposited with Trustee pending confirmation of the sale. Dated this 8 day of June, 1950
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7-14-4t. EHA

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Being Lots Nos. 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9, as set forth and described in Map or Plat Book 216, page 342, of the Duplin County Registry, reference being made and had for a more complete and accurate description of same.

The fence located on said ground is to be accepted and removed. Advertised this the 15th day of June, 1950.
Duplin County,
By A. C. HALL, Chairman
H. E. Phillips, Attorney
7-30-2t. D.C.O.

NOTICE

In The General County Court
NORTH CAROLINA,
DUPLIN COUNTY.

GENNETTE CHASTEN PARKER
VS
WILLIAM C. PARKER

The above named defendant, William C. Parker, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the General County Court of Duplin County, North Carolina, by the plaintiff to secure an absolute divorce from the defendant upon the ground that the plaintiff and defendant have lived separate and apart for more than two years next preceding the bringing of this action; and the defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Duplin County, in the Courthouse in Kenansville, North Carolina, within thirty days after the 15th day of July, 1950, and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint. This 14th day of June, 1950.
R. V. Wells, Clerk General County Court of Duplin County.

7-7-4t. VBG

SPORTS AFIELD

By TED KESTING
That lead shot taken in feeding is poisonous to ducks is no new

discovery. It was recognized as bad business as far back as 1874. But now, a rather startling report on poisoning from shot alloys have been released.

We are told that birds fed on corn, mixed grains, or wild seeds all had a high death rate even when they had been given only one shot. Birds fed on coontail, in addition to these diets suffered much smaller losses, and in some instances none of them died. In other words, the salad in the diet was the most important factor in survival.

We know the importance of green leafy plants in the diet of waterfowl. Well-meaning people feeding corn or grain to ducks in severe weather, when green natural plants are not available, are hastening the death of these birds that carry shot in their gizzards.

No commercial shot or alloys used in experiments showed any promise of preventing lead poisoning in waterfowl. Lubaloy (a commercial lead shot coated with copper alloy) delayed death some 4 days longer.

Lead in alloy shot pellets is the sole cause of shot poisoning in waterfowl and the nature of the diet rather than the size of the dose of lead shot is the most important variable.

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