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This Week With SAM BYRD

Art and The Outer Banks

The South has become the butter-milk and bourbon belt of literature. It has become pleasant for fellow artists to group up occasionally to swap talk and fan the air with outlines of new projects and wash it all down with theme — inspiring draughts of bourbon.

The Southern writers generally fall into the violent school, the five-oak boys and the elderly-lady tale spinners who drum up a following of women readers among the clubs and libraries.

The plantation has taken a word whipping since the first slave ship arrived on our shores. The mind of the Southerner has been turned inside out, the cook books stretch from Key West to Kill Devil Hills, and the trick at the moment is for the theme-twister to walk his dog to the Magnolia tree along a more devious route than his published predecessors.

Last week we attended the North Carolina Writers Conference at Hatteras.

The invitation extended to us began "Ship ahoy! and land ho! and weigh anchor! The conference will be a 'gem' at Hatteras village on the sand banks."

Newly-come home and unacquainted with the North Carolina writers generally, we scanned the glittering list to be present and eagerly accepted the invitation.

Here was the chance to make a real literary pilgrimage.

Okay! So on the twenty-second we hit the mosquito trail.

First stop Manteo and The Lost Colony.

You may have seen this admirable symphonic drama with music and dance by Paul Green.

I saw it early in its interesting run. If you saw it toward the beginning of the run you will not recognize much of it now. The newer version features a longer second act, a battle, and lines more of poetic speculation on whether to dig clams on the spot or follow Leo and the friendly Indian as to Croatan.

An Ibsenish character, torn with grief at the loss of her child and wrapped in a mighty gossamer nightgown for a pioneer, tears at her hair and the audience's heart when the history needs a push up the hill.

The battle impressed me as a chop-chop action, losing tension by lack of theatrical pyrotechnics.

The crowd scenes have been handled expertly; the singing of the choir is beautiful; the lights brought down too low too many times for mood effects and several times I flinched for some flashes of electrical brilliance on the scene.

The acting is often academic, suffering, I expect, from family casting. Too much Playmaking and not enough Lambs Club guts.

For example, the portrait of Queen Elizabeth is a broad caricature which would anger the Queen could she see it. The Queen's Master of Ceremonies comes over as a mere lad in fancy dress lacking in dignity for such service so close to the Queen. Frederick Johnson is quite good as Sir Walter. Father Martin intones with increasing monotony throughout the evening, but Grace Davis as Agona, the Indian squaw in pursuit of Old Tom Harris, the beggar, is downright fine.

Fred Young was properly philosophical and in good voice as the beggar, but somewhere there in the second act when he stood atop the watch-tower of the fort, the colonists asleep and he a-guarding the lot, and became a man, I wished Green had seen fit to write him in a tankard of Plymouth ale instead of so many heavy words.

The Historian and John Borden were excellent. But Eleanor Dare was of the opera and not the down-to-earth heroine I expected from this fine father of all the symphonic and historical dramas.

At Hatteras, the conference was held at Durant's Motor Court, converted from the old Coast Guard station. A former administration building made a fine assembly hall. Cottages for the writers extended in two rows from this building leaving a sandy campus impression.

Thirty-two writers and their families attended the conference.

David Stiles, a young ex-Marine has settled at Kill Devil Hills his wife, three rental cottages securely and a thousand books on the outer banks for research, spoke the first evening on "The Dare County Coast Country."

Saturday morning, William T. Polk, associate editor of The Greensboro Daily News, talked on "The Writer and Today's South." Author of the splendid new book "Southern Accent," Mr. Polk's talk was the high point of the week end.

Between sessions, the writers bathed in the sea, admired each other's children on the beach and ate sea (Continued on Back)

Raper Named First President Mt. Allen College—Mt. Olive

William Burkette Raper, 25 year old pastor of the Hull Road Free Will Baptist Church near Snow Hill, was appointed the first president of the Mount Allen College, which will begin its curriculum for students in Mount Olive in September.

His appointment was announced Monday, July 26, at an executive board meeting of the board of trustees. He was the unanimous choice of the executive board, and plans to assume his post August 2.

Raper was born near Fremont and reared in the Free Will Baptist Orphanage at Middlesex. He graduated from Middlesex High School and received his Bachelor of Arts degree in 1947 at Duke University. He received a Bachelor of Divinity from the same university in 1952.

In addition to serving as pastor, Raper is promotion director of the North Carolina Free Will Baptist Convention; vice-president of the N. C. State League Convention; a member of the board of directors of the Free Will Baptist Press at Ayden, and a member of the National Free Will Baptist League Board.

Raper is married to the former Miss Annie Rose Mallard of Trenton and is the father of two daughters, who are one year old and one week old. He will finish his unexpired appointment as pastor of the Hull Road Church before moving to Mount Olive.

Miss Annie Mae Brown who has been teaching in the Rocky Mount schools for a number of years has accepted work as county supervisor of the white elementary grades to begin work on August 1.

Miss Brown comes to Duplin County very highly recommended. She is a graduate of Greensboro College and has a Masters degree. Miss Brown is a graduate in music and was offered a job as supervisor or principalship in Rocky Mount but decided to come to Duplin County instead.

Her work will be supervision of the elementary grades in the white schools. She is replacing Mrs. Susie Kate Teachey who has resigned as county supervisor to go back to the classroom, and will teach the second grade in the Wallace School.

Miss Brown will live at Charity with Mrs. D. E. Teachey, Sr.

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Record Haul Of A. B. C. Chickens



MISS ANNIE MAE BROWN
County Supervisor of White
Elementary Grades



"ATOMIZERS FOR THE NAVY—With all hatches, ports and vents buttoned up, the light cruiser U.S.S. Worcester steams through maneuvers in Caribbean waters with her "atomizers" going full-blast. The sprinkler system, which is designed to free a ship of contamination when it is subject to effects of radioactive dust and mist from an atomic explosion, was developed during recent bomb tests in the Pacific.

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County Briefs

Mr. Charles Gillespie of Burnsville, N. C. registered druggist, has taken over the duties of Mr. Price at the Brewer Drug Company in Pink Hill. He is a 1954 graduate of the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. Mr. and Mrs. Price and family have moved to Kenly.

A certified bond for \$2500 was posted on Thursday morning to retrieve the panel truck which was confiscated in the A. B. C. chicken haul made on Tuesday by Constable W. F. Williamson.

Dr. John F. Powers, Mrs. Gordon Kornebay, Mrs. Brock, Mrs. Helen Bowers, Mrs. Norman Kennedy and Joe Costin attended the Eastern District Public Health meeting in Clinton last week.

Mr. Eloise Houston has accepted work with Yore Store, replacing Mr. Stokes Westbrook who is going to operate a service station.

Mr. Howard Whittington, V. D. investigator from the U. S. Public Health service, visited the local health department on Tuesday.

As of Tuesday, no new cases of Polio have been reported in Duplin.

Supt. of Schools O. P. Johnson and Wm D. Herring, chairman of the Board of Education of Rose Hill will go to Cullowhee College on Friday, July 30 to attend a School Board Association meeting. Mr. Herring will have a part on the program.

On August 6 and 7 the School Board Association of this district, which represents 15 counties, will meet at Carolina College in Greenville. All school board members are urged to attend. Registration is at 5:00 on Friday and the meeting closes at noon on Saturday.

The easier a man falls for get-rich-quick schemes, the more he must stand.

It sometimes helps a man up in the world if he falls in with the right people.

Money is like a good book - the greater the circulation the more good it does.

Must Improve 'Mixed' Condition Tobacco Meet Foreign Competition

Two Tobacco Associates leaders declared this week that if farmers are to capitalize on the advantages American - grown flue - cured tobacco has in taste and aroma, "we must equal or surpass foreign producers in on-the-farm grading and handling our tobacco for market."

Floyd added that tobacco growers have made real progress the past 20 years and they want to hold these gains. He emphasized that they can do this "if they keep abreast of developments and adjust their course to new situations."

In conclusion, Vaughan and Floyd said that "county agents and other agricultural workers are fully aware of the seriousness of the on-the-farm grading problems we now face with foreign users of our tobacco and are prepared to provide growers with detailed information on the subject."

"In recent months foreign manufacturers have increased their complaints about the 'mixed' condition of our tobacco. At the same time, there has been a noticeable and steady decrease in percentages of our tobacco used abroad caused by the manufacturers' preference for tobaccos which are marketed in uniform conditions as to quality, type of leaf, and size of bundles. Furthermore, it has been their experience that the foreign consuming public will accept blends produced with gradually decreasing percentages of U. S. tobaccos."

"We have real competition abroad because foreign producing countries are doing fully as well as we are in producing uniformly bright colors and they are also doing a much better job than we are of preparing their tobacco for market. Consequently, we feel strongly that in the future, we must succeed in offering the foreign trade a more uniform product or else lose the preeminent position which our tobacco still has among world consumers."

Vaughan and Floyd said U. S. tobacco growers face a competitive situation and the way to meet competition is to "equal or surpass them in quality and on the farm grading and handling our tobacco."

In preparing the current crop for market, they urged growers to (1) market separately lug, cutters, leaf and tips; (2) pick out carefully all green, red, dead and burned leaves and sell separately; (3) carefully pick out all string and other foreign matter; and (4) tie in uniformly sized bundles with butts about the size of a half-dollar.

The two farm leaders emphasized that "since over one third of the tobacco we grow is exported, it is essential that every effort be made

by growers to prepare the current crop for sale in such a manner as to please in so far as possible the foreign manufacturers who use our tobacco."

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Constable Bill Williamson of Kenansville caught two Goldsboro Negroes with the goods Tuesday night, the goods being the biggest A.B.C. whiskey haul in the history of Duplin County.

Williamson was in his car out on No. 11 a mile north of Kenansville waiting to serve papers on a man.

Approaching Kenansville was a black Chevrolet truck that reminded Williamson of a truck the sheriff's office had been on the lookout for during the past several months.

Williamson stopped the truck and asked Ira Blount, Negro man of Goldsboro, for a look at his driver's license. In the front seat with Ira Blount was William Henry Blount of Goldsboro. The men are not brothers.

The truck was registered in the name of Raymond Scott of Goldsboro and is used for hauling chickens, Sheriff Ralph Miller said.

Inquisitive Constable Williamson thought he would like to see the Blount boys' load of chickens.

The truckload of chickens provided to be 284 pints of A.B.C. whiskey, better standard brands, wrapped four to a paper sack and packed neatly into chicken crates. Labels on the pint bottles proved they had been secured from the Pink Hill A.B.C. store. There were no chickens in the truck.

The two Negroes were lodged in the Duplin County jail, charged with transporting tax-paid whiskey for the purpose of sale.

Mr. Scott of Goldsboro identified his truck Wednesday morning at Kenansville but disclaimed any knowledge of the Blount boys' whiskey hauling.

The Negroes were freed under \$750 bond each Wednesday morning.

James F. Strickland of Goldsboro stood the bond.

MRS. ADA ELMORE CARLTON
Mrs. Ada Elmore Carlton, age 77 widow of the late M. J. Carlton, died suddenly of a heart attack early Monday morning, July 26 at the home of Mrs. Myra Carlton in Warsaw after having been in declining health for the past several years.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday afternoon at 4:00 from the Johnson Baptist Church near Warsaw by Rev. Paul Mill, pastor.

The body will lie in state at the church for one hour prior to the funeral service.

She is survived by three sons, James Elmore Carlton of Raleigh, Eugene R. Carlton of Warsaw, Wilbur F. Carlton of Charlotteville, Va., two daughters, Mrs. Estelle West of Clinton and Mrs. D. R. Barringer of Burlington. Seven grandchildren, two great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Clarkton Whse. New Management

Clarkton Warehouse, formerly operated by Dudley and Dale, is now owned and operated by Dallas Rastrow of Stoneville who has been connected with a Reidsville Warehouse since 1929; Jeff Webster of Stoneville who has worked in Warehouses since 1944; Dewey Ruffins of Reidsville, who has been in the tobacco business since 1924 and Buster Pinnix of Reidsville, an experienced tobacco man since 1929. Boswell is the auctioneer with a sale every day. August second, opening day, there will be a second sale.

Strouds Arrested

O. B. Stroud and Forst Stroud, were arrested Sunday night by Deputy Sheriff W. O. Houston and Patrolman C. C. Hester. The arrests were made near Magnolia.

O. B. Stroud is charged with drunken driving and operating a vehicle after license was revoked. Houston said: One-half of a one-half gallon jar of bootleg whiskey was found in the car. Forst Stroud is charged with public drunkenness.

Both are out of jail under \$150 bond each.

Curings coming from the barns show nice quality, with plenty of color and grain.

LAFF - A - DAY



"Who made out the vacation schedule?"

The Teachey's Get It Tough

Mrs. Graham Teachey of Alberton suffered severe pain when a poisonous snake bit her on the foot at her home recently. She was taken to a Kinston Hospital where she received treatment for several days. The Teachey family, no doubt, feel that this has been their bad year. Mr. Teachey having lost both of his parents and his home and all contents by fire, during the time.

Fire Destroys Blizzard Mill

The Blizzard Mill at Herring Crossroads on Mt. Olive, Route 2, was destroyed by fire when lightning struck the building about 10:00 p. m. on July 21.

When the fire was discovered the top was falling in, and the entire structure was destroyed. The mill was eight to ten years old and was equipped well and in good condition. Damage was estimated at about \$30,000.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Grover Rhodes on Pink Hill, Route 1 was also slightly damaged when a chimney was struck during the same storm that night.

The outcome of a man's courtship nowadays is largely dependent upon his income.

Any man who lives to help other people will soon have other people living to help him.

Barefoot, Morgan And Roberts Operating Big Dixie Warehouse

Whiteville — Lubert Barefoot, of Elizabethtown, Jimmy Morgan of Sanford and Clyde Roberts of Durham, will operate the Big Dixie Warehouse in Whiteville this year, which is located at the city limits, northeast of the courthouse, on the Claikton - Whiteville highway.

The recently constructed warehouse actually has three acres of floor space and is the newest addition to the Border Belt with completely new equipment and facilities throughout and boasting a lighting system unexcelled in the entire belt.

Barefoot, an Elizabethtown business man, has been in the tobacco business for 20 years and formerly operated warehouses in Fairmont and Lumberton. Morgan, who will serve as auctioneer for the firm, is a native of Sanford and has been in the tobacco business as an auctioneer for 27 years at Clarkton, Durham and in Whiteville. Roberts, who lives on a farm near Durham, has put in 30 years in the business in Lumberton, Fairmont and Durham.

Roberts will lead the Big Dixie sales and the assistant sales manager will be Ralph Stevens, of Orum and Lumberton, who has had 17 years tobacco experience.

Speaking for the firm, Morgan said that he and his partners selected Whiteville for the location of their new warehouses because "Whiteville is the best tobacco market in the Border Belt."

Wayne Memorial Hospital Accepting Applicants For Practical Nursing

The Wayne County Memorial Hospital School of Practical Nursing is accepting white students for the next class which will begin Oct. 4, 1954. To be eligible for entrance applicants must be between the ages of 17-45 years of age, in good health, pleasing personality and with a minimum of one year high schooling.

There is no tuition fee charged. Uniforms, books, room and board, laundry of uniforms and a monthly stipend are furnished by the hospital while in training. Students receive training in the care of medical and surgical patients, care of

the new mother and baby, and care of sick children. Training in the operating room, emergency room and other special departments is another feature of the program.

Upon completion of the 12 month course, the graduate is eligible for state examination to receive her license as a Trained Practical Nurse. Those desiring information may write to the School of Practical Nursing at the Wayne County Memorial Hospital in Goldsboro, N. C.

Mercer Craft was the losing pitcher, giving up 7 hits and 5 walks. Bobby Rowe and Rickie Baldrice were best on defensive for Falling Creek.

I Challenge You

D. S. Williamson, a prominent farmer in Kenansville, challenges anyone in the county of Duplin or Johnston to show proof of a tobacco leaf larger than one he found in his tobacco field. Mr. Williamson brought the leaf to the office and several witnesses watched the measuring, 37" long and 23 1/4" wide — Believe it or not!

Recently B. V. Mallard of Johnson County had a leaf which measured 36" long and 21 1/2" in width.

Accident Summary

The accident summary for District Five Troop "B" July 19th through July 25th 1954 is listed here with figures in the following sequence—Accidents, Killed, Injured and Property damages. Duplin County (in that order) 5, 0, 3 and \$2,375.00. Sampson County, 6, 0, 2, and \$3,125. Wayne County, 5, 0, 0, \$1,475. Total for the district, 16, 0, 5, \$6,975.

So long as the sale of alarm clocks is on the increase there is no reason for being alarmed.

HEALTH CRUISE SAILS YEAR-AROUND

Under the watchful eyes of the nurse-captain of the "Robert B. Lee," two young patients board the cruise ship at the unique children's clinic of the Niagara Research Foundation, at Meadville, Pa. The clinic, which treats cerebral palsy, muscular dystrophy and spastic patients, is outfitted with "do-it" toys, all of which require the young patients to exercise their affected limbs to produce a desired effect, such as whistle blasts and old-time "measles" music, aboard the river steamer.

Gerald Cherry Wins Third Place In N. C. Tractor Operators Contest

Gerald Cherry, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Cherry of Wokescape, finished in third place in the State of North Carolina Tractor Operators contest.

The contest was held in Raleigh on Friday, July 23 at State College.

Cherry represented Duplin County, in the 17-horsepower Southern District contest and won the right to represent Duplin by winning the 4-H County Tractor Driving con-

test held in Wallace in June. In addition to the prize, he received the trip to the 4-H Club Week in Raleigh July 19 to 23 where he represented the Southeastern District of North Carolina in the State Tractor Operators contest.

The first winner was Max Shout of Davidson County; second place winner was Larry Lancaster of Beaufort County; and third place winner Gerald Cherry of Duplin.

Argentine Governor To Visit Alphin's Tobacco Harvester Plant

Governor Ricardo Durand of the Argentine Province of Salta, South America will visit Alphin's Tobacco Harvester plant in Albemarle township on Friday afternoon.

Geo. W. Giles, head of the department of Agricultural Engineering of State College, called Mr. Alphin Tuesday morning to make an appointment.

Tobacco Variety And Sucker Control Meeting Scheduled For August 4

Meetings will be held at Tobacco Variety Demonstrations on Wednesday, August 4, 1954, on the farms of E. V. Vestal, Kenansville, N. C. and Marvin Raynor, Rose Hill, N. C. R. 3.

The meeting at E. V. Vestal's farm, which is located about 2 miles from Kenansville on the Chinquapin Road, will be held at 10:00 a. m. Varieties in this demonstration are: Vesta 1, Vesta 2, Dixie Bright 101, Dixie Bright 102, Virginia Gold, Oxford 1, Oxford 1-181, 2041, 3001, 3007, and 3044.

The meeting at Marvin Raynor's farm, which is located about 2 miles south west of Brice's Store and joins James Ward's farm, will be held at 2:30 p. m. Varieties in this demonstration include Vesta 1, Vesta 2, Vesta 3, Dixie Bright 101, Dixie Bright 102, Golden Cure, 2041, 3001, 3007, and 3044.

All Duplin County farmers and other interested people are invited to attend these meetings and observe the different varieties growing side by side. All varieties in the demonstration are Black Shank resistant except Virginia Gold and Golden Cure. Some of the experimental varieties look very good and probably will be released to the farmers soon.

Sucker Control With MSH-30
There will also be a plot treated for sucker control