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With Summer Comes Polio

The first infantile paralysis cases in the county were reported to the health office Saturday and there are other instances where the disease is suspected.

Dr. N. Thomas Ennett, health officer, stated, however, that there is no reason for parents to become panicky, and although the outbreak of polio this year has started several weeks earlier than usual, Philip S. Randolph, state representative of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis says the State is far better prepared for a severe polio epidemic than when the 1944 outbreak occurred.

At this time last year there were only 22 cases in the State and at present the number is half of the total for 1944.

Although the medical profession cannot give specific do's and don'ts in regard to preventing polio, there is basis for belief that overfatigued and chilling of the body make a child—or adult—more susceptible to the disease.

As for swimming, Dr. Ennett said that there is more likelihood of disease germs being picked up in still bodies of water, such as swimming pools or lakes. Doctors and scientists agree that water such as we have here, constantly moving and being "sterilized" by wind and sun is no harbinger of disease.

Polio is one of the most serious maladies of our modern age. Money obtained from the March of Dimes is being used to seek the cause of it, but whether infantile paralysis can never be conquered by inoculation, as in the case of smallpox, remains to be seen. Science has gone a long way in fighting polio in that numerous ways have been found to restore victims to health.

Actually, the best advice parents can follow while polio rages is to keep children in the best physical condition possible. Few disease germs of any type can take hold then, and if they should, the victim will have necessary resources to fight them.

Donkeys Played Ball

There was a laugh a minute Thursday night at the Donkey Baseball game.

Somebody said that the whole playing field had nothing but jackasses on it, but that's not true. There were only 12 donkeys, distinguishing feature between them and the other players being that they had four legs.

The donkeys were healthy-looking critters and quite a few of them full of the old Nick. When we first heard about the proposed entertainment, nothing but broken-down burros ready for the glue factory were expected.

The donkeys and the Lions got along right well. The Heawards carried the Lions to a 5-4 victory over the Donkey Serenaders. Maybe Joe Rose, Jr., newly-elected Tail Twister in the civic organization, did a bit of donkey tail twisting before the first inning, letting the burros know who was boss.

The Lions certainly have done their share in providing entertainment this year. The whole county enjoyed their talent hunt. It's too bad all of us couldn't have seen their donkey ball game.

Thoughts for an open mind...

Worry is friction. Inactivity is rust. Both gradually destroy the human machine.

There is only one failure in life possible, and that is not to be true to the best one knows.

Judge no man until you have stood in his place.

The place for the knocker is outside the door.

When one's motive is apart from greed and sense gain, and when one's aim is toward some work of value to his race and instead of toward some benefit or accumulation for himself, he cannot escape success, because it follows inevitably, but the moment the motive is degraded and it's inventive power points, ever so slightly, toward money or fame or any sort of personal possession, the work itself becomes degraded, or lacking in magnetic power.

Every man must educate himself. His books and teacher are but helps. The work is his.

Veteran Loses \$17,000 Payment

More than \$17,000 in Federal compensation was lost by a World War I veteran merely because he failed to make application for it. Discharged from the Army in July of 1919 because of tuberculosis, this North Carolina veteran was entitled to a statutory award of \$30 a month from that time on due to his service-incurred disability. The trouble was he didn't know anything about veterans' rights or benefits.

Processed by the Claims office of the State Veterans Commission in Winston-Salem almost 20 years later, refused and appealed, the final successful award in this case caused much comment among Veterans Administration officials and other service officers. Mr. Davis, State Service officer, reviewed the

man's service records in 1947. Noting conflicting evidence of tuberculosis during war service, he requested a district officer of the Commission to contact the veteran and have him file a claim with the VA. When service-connection was finally granted it was retroactive to August, 1947—the date the claim was received. Had it been filed in 1919 the veteran would have been richer by almost \$18,000.

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HERE and THERE

With F. C. SALISBURY, Morehead City



Building activities for the month of June as totaled from the permits issued by A. B. Roberts, building inspector, amount to an estimated cost of \$31,200 as against \$7,500 for the preceding month. New dwellings, under construction and contracted for, show a cost total of \$27,850,000. Of this amount \$20,000 covers the estimated cost of the new home being built by A. T. Leary on Evans street and the First Christian church on Bridges street at \$6,000.

Other items under new construction are three small homes and a small store. Additions and repairs to several homes and the Texaco dock amount to \$3,350.00. The Texaco company spent \$1,800 repairing dock which includes an addition to the club room on the dock with shower baths and other comforts for boat owners who are serviced at this dock. The Sailing Club of the city who have the city dock under lease are having the same repaired so as to make it safe for the schedule for boat racing for the coming season.

Prospective buyers of new cars stood on the waterfront Wednesday afternoon and watched a large load of new cars pass on to some point south by the inland waterway. They were said to be Fords and the number was estimated as over one hundred. The tow and barge tied up at the Newport river draw awaiting a flood tide before attempting to pass through.

We take our hat off to M. Leslie Davis of Beaufort when it comes to knowing the historical facts about Carteret county and its people. It is impossible to stump him for an answer to most questions one might ask him regarding past history, especially about the old timers who have passed from the memory of most people. We wandered about the old Ann street cemetery in Beaufort with him a few days ago, getting the high lights about the persons buried there, from a one-armed colored servant of the War of '61, to those of higher rank in both civil and military service.

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Youth Center, catering to clothing for the youngsters and teenagers, occupies the store space recently vacated by Masons. Then there is the Book Nook tucked away in the basement shop at the corner of 10th and Arendell street. It is a most attractive Nook with a sort of Greenwich Village atmosphere.

Reports from Laura Ipock who is at her parent's home in Asbury say that her condition is very serious.

Mr. O. D. White and son, Bob, of Morgantown, W. Va., are visiting Mrs. Dora White of 2 A Ocracoke drive.

Mrs. Edward McHale has returned from Greensboro where she has been visiting her brother, Mr. Clyde Hoppe. Since her return she has been entertaining her daughter, Mrs. Holden and granddaughter, Betty Clyde Holden.

Miss Helen Parker of Sealevel drive spent the Fourth in Raleigh.

Mr. Harry L. Brown is returning to Veteran's hospital in Fayetteville for a few days.

Customers of U. S. gas utility companies totalled 21,590,000 at the end of 1947.

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There were such old timers as Absalon Shepard, William Fisher, Rev. Bridgers Arendell and John Morehead. Now some of these old boys might have had a sharpie or a comet and fixed up a sailing race but we doubt it very much. We find no such record in the early history of the town. However we are willing to let the record stand that the Morehead City Sailing Club has sponsored sailboat racing for the past 91 years.

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When it comes to reminiscences and culling one's mind of events of long ago we admire the ability of Thomas H. Carrow, who has been running a series of historical sketches in the News-Times for the past four issues, to recall such events and names as he is able to do. It would be a fine thing if a county historical society could be formed to record and place on file the many interesting facts that crop out from time to time from the memory of such men as Mr. Carrow and Mr. M. L. Davis. We suggest that such a society be formed.

One notices very few cars with blue stickers on the windshield to indicate that the car has been through the state inspection lane. A report from the inspection division states that only 231,243 cars out of the state total of 859,771 have been through the lanes.

Five new business ventures opened in this city and vicinity the past week. The dog race track held the main spotlight. In the Camp Glen section the Ocean Park outdoor movie opened on the night of the 4th. In the business section of the city the Betty-Jay Shop, dealing in women's and misses garments opened in the location next to the S. & W. drug store. The Morehead

Havelock - Cherry Point

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News Notes

Mr. Richard Tuttle recently attended the funeral of his grandfather, J. W. Dawson, in Elizabeth City.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Atkinson and children, Joyce, Joe, and Michael, are vacationing in the Great Smoky mountains.

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Mr. and Mrs. Walton Edwards, of Ocracoke drive, have gone to Portsmouth, Va., for two weeks.

Mr. Draughn, of 2 F. Ocracoke drive, is in the Veterans hospital.

Bobby Tingle, of New Bern, is visiting his aunt, Mrs. James French.

Miss Fanny Swinson spent the Fourth with her aunt in Mount Olive. Mr. Harry L. Camp who has been in the Veteran's hospital at Hot Springs, Ark., has returned to his home on W. Central drive.

Mrs. Camp and their daughter, Mrs. Keller of Knoxville, Tenn., and two grandchildren came home with Mrs. Camp when she returned from Arkansas where she had been spending some time with Mr. Camp.

Miss Polly Tuttle has been ill in an Elizabeth City hospital for the past weeks with a strep throat.

Dick Wynne is on vacation in Holly Hill, S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmet Boone and daughter, Linda, Mr. and Mrs. Maness and son, Allen, Mr. and Mrs. West and Mr. and Mrs. Bonham, all of Stacy road, are vacationing at White Lake.

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