

HEALTH OFFICIALS AT SCHOOL

Mrs. Sybil Bouchard, R.N., our County Health nurse visited us during March and brought with her Mrs. Mary E. Bailey, R.N., Regional Public Health Nursing Consultant from Raleigh, and Mrs. Emily Johnson, R.N., Regional Medical Worker for the State Commission for the Blind, from Greenville. While here, Mrs. Johnson visited in the homes of the blind.

Concerned over the numbers of school children suffering from severe colds and coughs, Mrs. Bailey upon her return to Raleigh reported conditions and Dr. Helen Moore and Dr. Charles B. Federspiel, both epidemiologists and Dr. Charles Federspiel, statistician epidemiologist, all of the U.S. Public Health Service, Dept. of Health Education and Welfare, Atlanta, Georgia, returned to Ocracoke with Mrs. Bailey to study the epidemic. They were at the school for three days, interviewing and examining pupils, taking blood specimens, and growing germ cultures. They also visited homes, with the local nurses. The conclusion of their study will be officially reported through the N.C. Public Health Authorities when it has been completed. Meanwhile they advised us that there is no "cure" for this sickness but warm weather, and nothing to be gained by quarantine.

PLACE NAMES ON OCRACOKE ISLAND IS THE TITLE

of an interesting article in the January "North Carolina Historical Review" by C. A. Weslager. Dr. Weslager has been an Ocracoke enthusiast for several years, coming here for sport fishing almost every year. In the article he lists names of Reefs and Shoals, Hills, Knolls, Hammocks, Creeks, Islands, Lakes, etc. stating that those names "constitute a folk glossary that is exclusively a product of the island population, reflecting the simplicity of the living pattern of an unsophisticated fishing community - giving clues to events in the island history."

ANOTHER JULY 4th PARADE

There will be another July 4th parade at Ocracoke. Last year's was such a big success that it bears repetition. New ideas for trucks, cars, floats are already beginning to sprout. Again there will be prizes. The Ocracoke Civic Club and the P.T.A. have gone on record as interested in such a community event, and Mr. Marvin Howard has agreed to serve as "general chairman and manager." Full details for the Day will be announced later.

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WHO'S WHO HERE AT OCRACOKE

Irvin Scott Garrish was born on April 20, 1916 in Raleigh, N.C. "within a stone's throw of the State Hospital for the Insane!" (This means he wasn't too far away from State Prison, but strange as it may seem, he has never been in either institution!)

Came to Ocracoke when he was three years old, got his education at Ocracoke School and graduated in 1933.

After finishing school he went back to Raleigh and drove a truck for a Flour Company. Then he joined the U.S. Coast Guard. In 1938 he persuaded Elsie Ballance to become Mrs. Irvin Garrish. (Irvin is one of those super-intelligent husbands who can remember dates - Dec. 7 was his wedding day; March 31st and June 21st are his daughters' birthdays.) (Agnes, March; Martha, June.)

Out of the C.G. he worked for the Pennsylvania R.R. in Philadelphia, and the Seaboard R.R. in Raleigh. Later he drove a bus for the Seashore Transportation Company in New Bern. Later he drove a City Bus in Raleigh.

Sometime during the course of his eventful life, he learned watch repairing, and made use of this for two years in Morehead City, before moving back home to Ocracoke to take over his present store business - I.S. Garrish & Company - the popular store on the Dock. In addition to the store he runs a fish house, an ice cream parlor and some good tunes on the nickelodeon. And he will watch out for your watch!

His good wife, Elsie, divides her time between home, store, nursing the sick and doing her share of Church and School and Community work.

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