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LOST COLONY SEASON TO BE LAUNCHED

When the lights go down on Saturday evening for the opening performance of Paul Green's LOST COLONY, the seventeenth season of the powerful and stirring drama will get underway. Thousands of people come to Roanoke Island each year, some of them from many miles away, just to witness this performance.

This year the show will open under the guidance of a new director, Burnet Hobgood, who replaces Clifton Britton, director for a number of years. Dr. Elwood Keister returns for a second year as music director, with Hedley Yost as organist for the second year.

Waterside Theatre, the site of LOST COLONY performances, is a part of Fort Raleigh and Fort Raleigh is now a part of the National Park Service. As director of the National Park Service, Conrad L. Wirth will be present on Saturday evening and will officially open the season's performances with a brief talk.

With the new Croatan Sound Bridge to facilitate travel from the mainland, it is expected that attendance at the LOST COLONY will be greatly increased this year. May the show have a prosperous season, and may we all be grateful to have an entertainment feature of this calibre to attract so many visitors to our shores.

BE SAFE ON THE FOURTH—BE ALIVE ON THE FIFTH

From Independence, Calif., to Independence, Mo., to Independence, Va., Americans will celebrate the 181st anniversary of their independence on July 4.

In 1956, a total of 137 persons died in motor vehicle accidents during a one-day holiday. Seventy-six drowned. One was a victim of fireworks. Thirty-eight others died from miscellaneous causes.

The last four-day Fourth of July holiday was in 1950. A shocking 491 traffic deaths were recorded. A total of 793 persons died from all causes. And the traffic accident toll that year was well below what it is now.

What kind of Fourth of July will this be for the nation's motorists? For the swimmers? For the tots who twirl sparklers?

It will be a fun-filled Fourth if it's properly controlled. On this 181st birthday of U. S. Independence, a look backward shows graphically how controls contribute to safety.

In the year 1903 fireworks took 466 lives. The fledgling automobile—a stiff-jointed youngster then—took only 400 lives for the whole year.

Last year on the Fourth only one person died from fireworks. But on the highways between Independence, Calif., and Independence, Mo., and Independence, Va., 137 died in auto accidents—in one day!

The National Safety Council, in an effort to make this Fourth a holiday from accidents, urges motorists—and the swimmers who'll swarm to beaches and the youngsters who'll thrill at the excitement of fireworks—to "Be safe on the Fourth—be alive on the Fifth!"

LETTERS to the EDITOR

CRIME DETECTION WORK OF SHERIFF PRAISED

To the Editor: For years I have been hearing criticism of the Dare County sheriff and his department as the result of occasional break-ins on the beach and of the purported inability either to prevent such robberies or to catch the culprits.

Recently, for the first time, I had occasion to closely observe Sheriff Frank Cahoon's activities with respect to a series of break-ins at Southern Shores, and I have been greatly impressed with the methods he has employed.

Less than an hour after the first series of break-ins here was reported to the sheriff's office in Manteo, Mr. Cahoon had not only reached the scene but had secured fingerprints and other evidence which I, as a layman, would have overlooked. When a second series of break-ins was reported, his response was equally fast and his activities as efficient.

That the particular individuals involved in these crimes apparently have been caught is incidental to the fact that others will be deterred by the knowledge that efficient law enforcement officers, employing modern equipment, are constantly on the job.

Very truly yours, DAVID STICK

Kitty Hawk, N. C. June 21, 1957

OCRACOKE IS LOOKING FORWARD TO A GREAT JULY FOURTH WEEK END

Ocracoke, June 24.—Ocracokers are planning for a big Fourth of July holiday week end, beginning on Thursday, July 4, with the traditional pony penning between 9 and 10 a.m. which this year will be at the Jones' corral.

Friday, July 5th, will feature a horse race at 10 a.m., a Coast Guard demonstration in the harbor at 2 p.m., a swimming race at 2:30 p.m., and at 6 p.m. that evening a croquet tournament on the ocean beach with the Iva O'Neal team playing the Lucille Garrish team.

Saturday, July 6th, at 3:30 p.m. there will be a talent contest and community sing at the mail boat dock near the Ocracoke post office.

Senator Russell of Georgia put it very well when he said the move to by-pass committee consideration and thereby speed up the final vote on civil rights would create "legislative chaos" in the future.

Senator Scott reports from WASHINGTON

Developments during the past week show very clearly that emotion has overcome reason in the civil rights issue now before Congress.

This happens from time to time on legislation of various sorts, but in the case of civil rights a very dangerous precedent was set in the Senate last Thursday.

By the close vote of 45 to 39, the Senate decided to send the civil rights bill passed by the House directly to the calendar. In other words, normal committee consideration was denied, and in the process the many months of work spent on the legislation by the Senate Judiciary Committee was thrown out the window.

In ordinary legislative procedure, such a practice is unheard of and is a very dangerous way of doing business concerning the making of laws of the land.

It was very obvious that Vice-President Nixon was playing the rankiest sort of political game when he stepped in to support committee consideration. And the vote backing up the ruling was evidence enough to show anyone that the Eisenhower Administration is pulling out all stops to capture the big-city vote in the hope of winning control of Congress next year.

The civil rights issue carries enough controversy and emotion itself without adding fuel to the fire with out-and-out political expediency.

With last week's victory, the Administration will undoubtedly go to the big cities and brag about what it has done for minority groups.

No doubt, the maneuver will

get a lot of votes, but in the process a very serious blow has been dealt the traditional and proper system of committee functions in Congress.

More important than this, the bill that is now before the Senate will bring about many more problems than it will solve. Instead of bringing the races closer together, I am afraid it will put them further apart and intensify the already strong ill feelings that exist.

The big job facing us in the south today is to find common ground from which all races can work together and progress. Every step in the other direction, such as the civil rights bill, will only put off longer the day we can restore the good race relations we once had.

BIRTHS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. William L. Midgett of Manteo, June 26th, in the Albemarle Hospital, Elizabeth City, a son, named Freddie Lee, weight 8 pounds 12 1/2 oz. Mrs. Midgett was Miss Lois Sears of Manteo prior to her marriage. Mr. Midgett, serving with the US Navy on the USS Iowa is presently in S. American waters.

MANTEO BALL TEAM WILL FACE STRONG NAVY TARS SUNDAY

The Manteo baseball team, which last Sunday afternoon won a 14-8 victory over the Portsmouth, Va., Cardinals, will probably be facing its stiffest competition of the season this coming Sunday afternoon, when they will play hosts to the Norfolk Navy Tars at the Manteo ball park beginning at 2:30 p.m.

The Norfolk Navy Tars are sponsored by Admiral Nunn, who commands the Service Force, Atlantic Fleet, and Captain Wey, who commands the world's largest naval base at Norfolk. All the team's players are taken from ships of the Atlantic Fleet in the Norfolk area, and as soon as the baseball season is over they will go back to their respective ships.

Last Sunday's game Donald Midgett, Manteo catcher, last Sunday hit the first Portsmouth pitch into the woods in right field for a home run to begin the Manteo scoring. A run for Portsmouth by Nixon in the second inning tied the score 1-1.

Manteo scored 15 hits, including the homers by Midgett and Arata. Midgett also had 2 singles. Nixon got 4 singles in 5 times at bat. Cahoon had 1 double and 1 single. Donnie Twyne had 2 singles, and Ronnie McKins, Kee, and Jasper Hooper each had 1 single.

MANTEO PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Earle Johnson were week end visitors of Mrs. Etta Peele. While visiting, together with Mrs. Rudolph Peele and Martha, they went to Hatteras to see Mr. and Mrs. I. Stowe, parents of Mrs. Etta Peele, also Mrs. Ed Scarborough of Avon.

Miss Janice Scarborough visited her sister, Mrs. Larry F. Thomason in Arlington recently and while there visited many places of interest in the vicinity and neighboring states.

Charles Swain of Roper is spending the summer with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Swain.

Mrs. H. A. Glynn is a patient in the Marine Hospital, Norfolk, Va.

D. V. Meekins returned home Wednesday from Leigh Memorial Hospital, Norfolk, Va., where he had been a patient for two weeks.

Mrs. J. A. Krider recently returned home from the Albemarle Hospital, where she was a patient for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Seawell of Winston-Salem visited Mr. Seawell's aunt, Mrs. Rennie Williamson, last week end. Mrs. Seawell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Weimar Jones, attended the meeting of the N. C. Press Association at Nags Head last week.

Mrs. Gordon Kellogg returned last week from Duke Hospital, Durham, where she had been a patient.

Mrs. Forrest Ray and children of Fayetteville are visiting Mrs. Ray's mother, Mrs. G. B. Midgett.

ROBBERY

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\$5 fine and costs. Luther Warren Gurkin Jr., Plymouth, failing to stop at stop sign, \$5 fine and costs.

Shirley Ann Midgett, Morehead City, no operator's license, \$25 fine and costs. Jerry Bell McClause, Manteo, improper brakes, \$5 fine and costs.

Reading Howard Allen, Jr., Panteo, speeding 50 m.p.h. in a 35 m.p.h. zone, \$15 fine and costs. Edward Patterson Leigh, Belhaven, speeding 60 m.p.h. in a 35 m.p.h. zone, \$15 fine and costs.

Wyman Elno Farnsworth, Buxton, careless and reckless driving, \$25 fine and costs. Milton Hugh Meekins, Avon, speeding 70 m.p.h., \$15 fine and costs.

Elwood Pinner, Beaufort, speeding 55 m.p.h. in a 35 m.p.h. zone, \$20 fine and costs. James Wilfred Gibbs, Engelhard, driving to left of center line, \$5 fine and costs.

Preston Odell Creech, Zebulon, fishing without a license, \$10 fine and costs. Walton Dees Stallings, Suffolk, allowing an unlicensed operator to drive, \$25 fine and costs.

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SUNDAY SPEAKER AT WATERSIDE THEATRE



REV. J. GLENN BLACKBURN chaplain of Wake Forest College and pastor of the Wake Forest Baptist Church at Winston-Salem, will preach the sermon Sunday at 11 a.m. during the first of a series of Sunday morning-worship services to be held at the Roanoke Island Waterside Theatre near Manteo.

The Rev. Mr. Blackburn, a native of West Jefferson, is a speaker with wide experience and is frequently called on to speak on college and university campuses. After graduating from Wake Forest College in 1935, he received his master's degree in 1938 and his doctor's degree in 1941 from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, with a teaching fellowship from 1938 to 1941. He also spent two summers of travel in Europe. He served as minister of the First Baptist Church in Lumberton from 1941 to 1948, when he became chaplain of Wake Forest College, then located at Wake Forest, and also pastor of the Baptist Church at Wake Forest.

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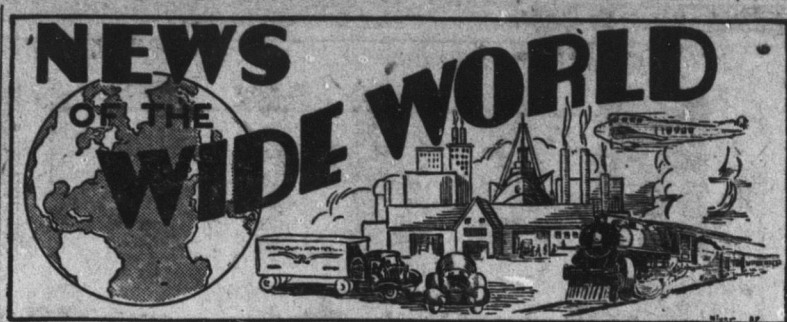
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FLYING SAUCER ANNIVERSARY—People devoted to flying saucers on Monday celebrated the tenth anniversary of the first sighting of the strange craft.

WIFE'S ALL POOR—A man in Elizabeth City owes his life to his wife's poor aim; during a family quarrel she shot at him five times with a pistol but hit him only once—in the leg.

ALTITUDE MARK—The Air Force has finally announced that the ill-fated Bell X2 rocket plane set an altitude record of 126,200 feet, or almost 24 miles, last August.

ELECTROCUTED—An 18-year-old worker in a Morganton dairy was electrocuted last week by a charge from an ice cream cup filling machine.

CARRIER FATALITY—A Norwood, N. C. sailor was one of two men killed when a pump exploded last week on the aircraft carrier Franklin D. Roosevelt 100 miles off the coast of Florida; five other men were hospitalized with injuries.

BUS GOES OVER CLIFF — In Warren County, Ohio, a bus with 23 passengers aboard rolled backward over a 60-foot cliff when the motor cut off and the brakes failed; none of the passengers were seriously injured.

SMUGGLING ANTIQUITIES—Charles A. Muses, an American archaeologist, is being held by Egyptian police for attempting to smuggle four bags full of unlicensed antiquities out of Egypt. Muses had just discovered an unknown pyramid some 40 centuries old.

TAX CUT ADVERTISED — North Carolina is using full-page ads in several New York and other metropolitan newspapers to tell of the state's tax cut for corporations approved by the 1957 General Assembly.

NAVY PLANES COLLIDE — Two Navy twin-engine bombers collided Monday off the Ocean View, Va., beach in full sight of thousands of sun bathers; four men, a pilot and mechanic aboard each plane, were killed.

COOLING SETS RECORD — Two recent weeks of hot weather and a resulting demand for electricity for electric fans and air-conditioners have shattered all records of production for the Virginia Electric and Power Co.

TRADING STAMPS DENOUNCED—Trading stamps were termed a big racket by an official of the National Federation of Independent Businesses, Inc. this week at a meeting of the Virginia Pharmaceutical Association.

FORMER GOVERNOR DIES—R. Gregg Cherry, former governor of North Carolina, died Tuesday in Gaston Memorial Hospital at Gastonia after several weeks serious illness.

SBI CHIEF FIRED — James W. Powell, director of the State Bureau of Investigation, was fired Tuesday in a surprise move by Attorney General George Patton, who charged that "morale and public relations were poor" in the SBI.

BEASLEY ACCEPTS NEW FEDERAL JOB IN NORFOLK — Marshall J. Beasley, 46-year-old retired Coast Guardsman and a native of Kitty Hawk, will assume his new duties as superintendent of the Federal Building in Norfolk on July 1. Mr. Beasley is a veteran of 27 years in the Coast Guard and prior to his retirement May 31, was head of the recruiting station in Norfolk for the past five years. He qualified for the \$5,280-a-year job by taking a civil service examination. He has two sons, both Coast Guardsmen, and two daughters. He succeeds the late Julian E. Baum, a native of Wanchese, who died last year.

GOVERNORS (Continued from Page One) was scheduled to visit Fort Raleigh on Roanoke Island, then go on to the Carolinian Hotel at Nags Head. At 1 p.m., a luncheon was to be served at the Sea Ranch at Kitty Hawk. In the afternoon, a visit to the Wright Memorial at Kill Devil Hills and beach activities were slated. A youpan troupe hospitality hour was to be given at the Carolinian at 5:30 p.m. followed by dinner at 6:30. A special preview performance of The Lost Colony in honor of the governors was scheduled Thursday night. Friday's activities will begin with a fisherman's breakfast at

BITTEN BY BEAR—An 8-year-old girl who ignored a warning sign not to feed a caged bear near Asheville was seriously injured when the bear grabbed her and bit her severely about the leg.

SHELLS KILL SOLDIERS — Four soldiers were killed and fourteen others were injured when several mortar shells fell among an infantry company during exercises at Ft. Sill, Okla.

SPOILED FOOD FATAL—Four Spanish soldiers died in Granada, Spain, from eating spoiled shellfish and 150 other soldiers were affected, 16 seriously.

TRAIN BRAKES FAIL—Twenty-three persons were injured in Brisbane, Australia, when the Sydney-Brisbane express train roared into the Terminal Station with no brakes and crashed through a concrete wall.

WAITING FOR BIG BLOW—A specially-designed \$15,000 brick bungalow has been built on an exposed beach near Atlantic Beach by a group of brick manufacturers, and the house is sitting there waiting for a hurricane to hit it; the manufacturers want to see if it is hurricane proof.

LIGHTNING HITS GUARDSMAN—Two bolts of lightning hit in the midst of a North Carolina National Guard division training at Fort Bragg last Wednesday night; two of the men were killed and 49 others were given hospital treatment.

ATTACKED BY TEEN-AGE GANG—In Raleigh, two State College freshmen were attacked by a group of five or more teen-age boys late Saturday night; one of the students was treated at the college infirmary and released and the other was unhurt although he was threatened with a knife.

DOCTOR'S BILL CANCELLED —After much criticism, Dr. Joseph H. Kris, has cancelled the bill for \$1,500 he had presented for administering to 6-year-old Benny Hooper, Jr., who was rescued alive six weeks ago after having spent 24 hours trapped in a well at Manorville, N. Y. The doctor declared that the bill would have been fair if the parents had been able to pay, because his time is worth \$30 an hour.

SECURITY BILL—The Justice Department is seeking legislation to preserve the secrecy of original FBI files in criminal prosecutions; this was asked after the Supreme Court ruled early this month that the government must let the defense see the original FBI reports when prosecution testimony is based on the reports.

HURRICANE AUDREY — The first hurricane of 1957 put in its appearance early this week off the Louisiana-Texas coastland.

JET CRASHES — A Raleigh Marine reservist escaped uninjured when his Navy twin-engine jet fighter crash-landed in a huge parking lot at Norfolk, smashed through a telephone pole and telephone wires, ripped through one parked car and then plowed into a group of approximately 20 others, flinging them in every direction and setting them on fire.

5:30 a.m. Fishing trips have been arranged so that the governors may have their choice of Gulf Stream, fresh water, pier, or surf fishing. A yacht cruise around Roanoke Island has also been arranged.

W. R. KNIGHT FAMILY HAS REUNION SUNDAY — The family of W. R. Knight had a reunion Sunday at the Knight home near Manteo. It was the first time the family had been together for a number of years. The only missing member was James Ray Flowers, Mr. Knight's grandson, who is with the Air Force in Korea.

Those present included Mr. Knight, Mrs. Knight; Mr. Knight's four children, born to his first wife, the late Mrs. Leah Meekins Knight; Charles Knight of Stumpy Point, Mrs. Knight and their children, Mollie Lou, Estelle, William, Carolyn and Anne; Willard Knight of West Paul Beac, Fla.; Mrs. Knight, their three children; and their two grandchildren; Mrs. Ruth Flowers and children, Betty Ruth and Melvin Lee of Manteo; Mrs. Leonard Evans of Norfolk, Va. and Mr. Evans.

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