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### SOME SUGGESTIONS FOR LOST COLONY'S FUTURE

The diminishing attendance at The Lost Colony has for sometime been a subject of concern to those interests who have an economic stake in the prosperity of the show. After several seasons of patronage that haven't been all they ought to be, it is time to wake up and find some plan, to not only give the show a shot in the arm, but to get it re-established on a steady, nourishing and more dependable diet than comes after barely more than the mere local announcement that it is going to open and going to close on certain dates.

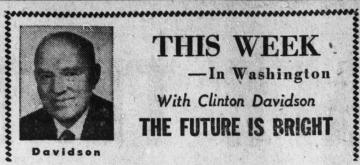
What too many of us have failed to realize is that the Lost Colony, for some years now, has been in actual competition with numerous other outdoor dramas. What too many of us fail to see is that any project which merely holds its own, with about the same volume of patronage year after year, is really not holding its own, but it is going behind. Any enterprise that doesn't show sharp increases from year to year, is really not a sound business because an increase in volume is essential to offset steadily rising costs of any operation.

At first it was considered a temporary set-back when The Lost Colony showed a drop-off in attendance as compared with a preceding year. Too quickly an attempt was offered to explain away this loss by saying there was bad weather, or the show got rained out, and if it hadn't rained, it would have had more patrons than the year before. The prospect of rain is one of the contingencies that must be considered in attempting to increase anticipated revenue for any attraction.

When the old excuse for weather had worn thin, we began to report that all other outdoor dramas are also disappointed. Business for all of them has been slack this season, we are told. We learn this also in the face of the established fact, that while attendance at The Lost Colony has been growing less, the seasonal visitation of tourists and sportsmen to our area has been constantly increasing. So, we have in fact more and more people in our area each year, yet less and less patrons of The Lost Colony. Several times we have had to call on the State for the annual subsidy of \$10,000 which is given only when the show runs into a deficit. Were it not for this handout from the State treasury, then we might long ago have lost The Lost Colony, and its tremendous benefits to Roanoke Island, its people, and its area.

Now there isn't a community in Dare County that doesn't profit, either directly or indirectly from The Lost Colony. There isn't a neighboring county that has not benefitted greatly during the past 20 years because of the spending of people attracted to The Lost Colony. And had it not ity of benefits being paid. He stat- Security taxes would be increased recent years. been for The Lost Colony, which brought so many thousands ed that the similar provisions ap-of people during a few years as to fill up all the homes of plied to adopted children where sin Sanuary 1, 1959, the So-held water levels fairly high in Roanoke Island in mid-season, it is quite unlikely we would the adoption occurred less than cial Security tax for employees and Back Bay, while normal water levhave witnessed so heavy an investment in motels and tour-ist accomodations, which today with their modern and better facilities, have completely overshadowed and taken the former trade of so many of the homes whose owners used of the adopted child becoming eli-

granted that the benefits from The Lost Colony were like manna from Heaven, and would continue to fall unabated fits may became immediately pay-dates. He again emphasized that Headquarters build forever. Too few people have put their best into boosting it able as a dependent of the new it is not necessary for people alforever. Too few people have put their best into boosting it husband without waiting three ready receiving benefits to apply original position and rose three adit was well worth the doing. Too many people also, have been most concerned with what it had to offer in the way of jobs for themselves, members of their families or their jobs for themselves, members of their families or their tioned may have been notified that friends, and not enough concerned with how much they they did not qualify for benefits might themselves have actually put into it toward insuring under the old law. These people, he struction to the industry from the success for the show. Too often its directorate has been over- pointed out, should get in touch killing of small fish should be loaded with figureheads who have never had anything pos-itive or constructive to offer in the way of a suggestion for field and to the social Security office promptly that they may be identi-it hasn't been taken because of the its improvement; who often resented any suggestion from the distributer of the and a determination made as power of local politics over the others who are, in a way, "outsiders," but might know something of value; too often such useless persons hang on merely because they consider it an honor, or worthy of their 'self-measured importance," that they be listed as directors Coastland. Our region carries a dividend, always. We can of the Association. The show has been crippled by people offer a variety vacation plus, at less cost, less trouble, less who can't or won't do, nor let others do. And so the management of the show is left into the hands of a few, who must carry all the burdens with little backing; who cannot do the work that would be doubly communities more people for a longer time than would heavy for a dozen people, not to speak of its impossibility for two or three to discharge. The limited staff cries for enlargement. The welfare and the future of the show hinges on soon getting some talent, and perhaps high priced talent that knows show business, that will have the financial sup-government, and other public affairs. Naturally, we are inport to finance show business as it ought to be financed. The terested in the current renewed interest in changing the out-Lost Colony is too big, and too worthy, and too essential to moded office of coroner in North Carolina in favor of someour local economy; it is too important to North Carolina's thing that is of value. people; it is too important to be allowed to fade out ignominously in the history of the state:-for any of us not now and in many cases even as degenerate as the office of Justo rise up and demand courage and foresight be brought into tice of the Peace. As in the office of the magistrate, too ofplay; and sacrifices even, on our part. Sacrifice is something that has never been done for it by the people of our region. Time after time, munificient and benevolent people of North Carolina have sweetened up the pot for it; many thousands but the harm that may be carelessely done in the office of of dollars have been poured into it as mere gifts; Paul Green coroner is not often undone. never was paid for writing it; in fact just about all of it has been given us, and truly we have done very little to deserve in this state is to pass upon unusual deaths. It is they who it. Now is the time to rise up and go forward; now is the go to the scene, and decide if any circumstances warrant an time to demand a stop to its downward trend. Now is the investigation or a hearing. In many cases, unattended deaths time to defining a stop to its downward to falent and go-getting ability. And let all of us go forth in every possible way to convince all those who come to see us that to see that the benefit of talent and go-getting ability. And let all of us go forth in every possible to convince all those who come to see us that to see tha The Lost Colony is a MUST for every visitor to this Coast- amination, crminals go free. land, no matter for what other purpose he or she may come here.



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that the experts said the population

"ceiling" in this country would be about 150,000,000. We couldn't,

they said, find jobs for very many

more people and, besides, we couldn't feed them. Not enough

Now we have a population of

172,000,000 and almost twice as

many people employed. Not only

that, but people eat more and better

food, dress better, live in better

homes and have more savings than

increase in population is no small

job in itself. Every 12 seconds

farmers must increase their food

production by 60 pounds of pork,

Egg production must be in-

creased by 344 eggs each 12 seconds

and milk production must go up

by 384 pounds just to take care of

the increase in population. There is demand for 121 pounds more

wheat, 141 pounds more fruits,

and for 282 pounds of potatoes

Farmers must do this with little

or no increase in the total number

of acres in production. If they can

do it, and the experts say they can,

it will be the most significant ac-

complishment of the 20th century.

annual consumption rate.

and other vegetables.

land, they said.

ever before.

If you know someone who worries about business and frets about the recession you can cheer

him up with some good news. Tell him that if he takes a two weeks vacation and comes back and finds a brand new city of 130,000 people built up around him, not

to be surprised. It's happening all the time. Our net gain in population, the Census Bureau informs us, is at the rate of 9,300 people each day, 65,000 a week and two and a half

million a year. The total will be The Farm Problem 200,000,000 by 1970. The problem of feeding this big

We will have to put up new plants and expand the production of present factories to build. the automobiles, Home appliances, homes, schools, hospitals and many 86 pounds of beef, and 28 pounds of other things just to keep up with poultry. That is the per capita the increasing population.

#### **Every Twelve Seconds**

There are almost three times as many births as there are deaths in this country each day. The birth rate is one every eight seconds, and the death rate one every 21 seconds.

Counting one immigrant every two minutes, the net increase in population is one every 12 seconds. If automobile factories, for example, \* operated 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, they would have to IN-CREASE their production rate by 120 each hour just to keep up with the increase in demand due to the

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der Social Security immediately Social Security benefit payments. ditions and light penetration. preceeding the disability. It He pointed out that this would be As increased vegetation has re

benefits, and in this instance there ployed would be 3-% percent. Mr. time was illustrated on July 24 at was the possibility of the mother Morrison pointed out that the Dis-

to benefit so handsomely in the "good old days." The failure of The Lost Colony is due in part, to the failure of the people who most depend on it to do their ut-failure of the people who most depend on it to do their utmost for it. Too many people have apparently taken it for who married another person also sonal contact at various points six inches. Within 45 minutes after Gaskins.

OCRACOKE PERSONALS Ocracoke, September 2. - Mr.

gust at the cottage of Miss Vir-

a correspondent for "Newsweek".

Several unknown growths, local- there on Saturday and returned

eries, Art Dickson of the North Havertown, Pa., after a visit with Carolina Wildlife Resources Com- Mr. and Mrs. Neafie Scarborough,

Sincock of the U. S. Fish and Wild- Edward Howard recently visited life Service, who are conducting Joe Gaskins. His son, Ronnie, has sacred Shrine of Our Lady of the cooperative investigation, have enrolled in the school here for the Lourdes in the remote picturesque

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Bridgers of ready for late September use.

Frances O'Neal.

them were Reggie Goodwin and Jim Ferguson.

also of Norfolk.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Farmer, Jr. and family, and Elmer Farmer,

#### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 1958

## ONE OF BELHAVEN'S OLDEST WOMEN DIES

Mrs. Fannie P. Duke, Head of Prominent Family Was 88; Funeral Held Friday

Mrs. Fannie P. Duke, 88, of Belhaven, died at Pungo District Hos-Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Brown of pital Wednesday. She was a native each year, spring and fall, enjoyed fort County. She was a member of

Woman's Society of Christian Bill Gaskill is home with Mr. Service and was active in Belhaven and Mrs. Thurston Gaskill on 40- Chapter 234, Order of Eastern Most obviously on the increase day leave from Coast Guard duty Star. Survivors are two sons,

Paul Funeral Home, Belhaven, Fri-Mrs. Janice Taylor, and son, day at 3 p.m., conducted by the Billy, and Larry Williams, have Rev. Oscar Williams, assisted by Other aquatics including bushy returned to Norfolk after spend- the Rev. Allen Wentz. Burial folpondweed, wild celery, widgeon- ing the summer here, with Mr. and lowed in Oakdale Cemetery, Wash-

# TAKE LOURDES JOURNEY

Olympia, Flagship of the Greek Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Bridge of Line, one of the most modern and luxurious ships in the cruising field today.

It is estimated that more than ten million pilgrims from all corfoothills of the majestic Pyrenees Mountains, which form a wall on France's southern frontier.

A stream of water and eighteen apparitions seen only by an uned-Landis, N. C. spent the past week ucated, simple young peasant girl, these have been the outward signs Motel, which is rapidly nearing of the Great Miracle of the 19th century, which has brought the entire Catholic world on its knees in pilgrimage to Lourdes, the mostfamous pilgrimage shrine in the

While in Rome, Father Peter it their brother, Father Benedict Mr. and Mrs. James Powell and Denges, who is celebrating this

> MANTEO'S 1958 GRADUATES HAVE GATHERING MONDAY

Members of the 1958 graduating class of Manteo High School met Monday night at Perry's Drive-In for a wiener roast and dancing. Everlasting officers elected were: Sr. visited Mr. and Mrs. John B. president, Frank White, Jr.; secretary, Sandra Robinson. 20 of the 1958 graduates who plan to go ton, Va., Lawrence Swain, Jr.

Ivey O'Neal of Pennsville, N. 34 graduates were present for the Mike Riddick of Greenville has away to school this fall are as folbeen visiting his grandmother, lows: Chowan Conege, and Jr., boro, Saint Clair Basnight, Jr., boro, Saint Clair Basnight, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Garrish and Guy Daniels, Gary Dowdy, Jimmy keeping daily water level records until permanent water level re-Sunday at Hatteras, visiting Mr. McLeod, Lloyd Wescott, Becky Moulson and Janice Scarborough. and Mrs. Robert Peyton of Rich- Greensboro College, Greensboro, mond, who were spending the week end at Cape Hatteras Court. Edward Carlson O'Neal, U. S. Carolina College, Mike Jones. C. G., was here recently for a day Staunton Military Academy, Staunleave from Cape May this week. Mars Hill Junior College, Mars Thursday, Jimmie W. O'Neal and Hill, Melvin Twiddy (Manns Har-Carolton Boyce O'Neal are also ex-pected home some time soon. They. Frank White, Jr. St. Mary's Junior pected home some time soon. They, too, joined the U. S. Coast Guard. On Friday night of this week, Sept. 5, Rev. A. J. Hobbs, District Superintendent, New Bern, will bald supertender over the source of the source The Ocracoke Civic Club holds of Nursing, Norfolk, Myrdith Mid-

It can, as a matter of fact, be done population growth. It was only about 25 years ago farms. BENEFITS

is possible, he stated, that specifically covered in stuffers to duced the effect of wave action on eligible for payments. Mr. Mor-rison stated, however, that the 5 or returned to work while they the bottom could be seen through year work requirement was still in were receiving Social Security pay- five feet of water in North Bay, effect. He further pointed out that ments under the old law should which has the clearest water in the parents of a son or daughter that contact the Social Security office Back Bay area. The clearest water died after 1939 and had previously to make sure of the provisions as in Currituck has consistently been

these people will now be

been disallowed because the son or daughter left a widow, widower or child should now recontact the office in that there was a possibil-it of the sound at the lower end of the with January 1959, that the maxi-subject to Social have been the lowest recorded in

WATERFOWL FOOD SUPPLY GROWS IN BACK BAY and Mrs. Samuel Shaffer and fam-ily, who spent the month of Au-

Biologists engaged in a three-Biologists engaged in a three-year study of the Back Bay-Curri-tude Sound area have noted an in-Washington, D. C. Mr. Shaffer. is tuck Sound area have noted an increase in waterfowl food plants in that area in recent weeks. Some Durham, who visits Ocracoke twice of the Pungo community of Beau-North Landing River and lower Curritcuk Sound are still without resultion however the study of the s vegetation, however, the study team reports.

during July was Sago pondweed, at Staten Island. He expects at Carney C. and Dr. J. Frank Duke, although many submerged aqua- the end of his leave to be assigned both of Washington, N. C.; four although many submerged aqua tics made similar increases. Sago, which forms surface "slicks" and often fouls boat wheels, reached its peak growth during July and the end of his leave to be assigned to the Pacific area. Mr. and Mrs. Chesley Austin and family, of Winston-Salem vis-ited over the Labor Day week end where T. Harmey Was began "sinking" late in the month. with Mr. and Mrs. T. Harvey Wa- Otis Johnston of Belhaven and 19 This natural die-back, comparable hab. Friends of theirs, also from grandchildren. Funeral services to the die-back of many upland Winston-Salem, were also here at were held at the chapel of the plants in late summer and fall, us- Ocracoke. ually occurs after the peak of seed production.

grass and the muskgrasses had not Mrs. Z. S. Williams. Larry Wil- ington. yet reached their peak growth by liams, who was Ranger Historian ing and seeding were well under- Seashore Park headquarters here way.

ly called "slur," have appeared on Sunday to his teaching position in of Holy Redeemer Catholic Church, the aquatics in both Back Bay and Princess Anne County High School. Kill Devil Hills, and his brother, Currituck Sound. Most seriously Mr. and Mrs. James Hart and Monsignor Joseph F. Denges, pasaffected by these growths has been family of Richmond, were here for tor of St. Stephen's Church, Washthe Sago pondweed, with the heavi-the holidays, having brought back ington, D. C., will accompany est infestation being found in home her mother, Mrs. Jamie Francis Cardinal Spellman, Arch-Buzzard Bay north of the Knotts Styron who had been visiting them. bishop of New York, on the larg-Buzzard Bay north of the Knotts Styron who had been there is bishop of New 1016, on the Line est 1958 Lourdes Centennial Pil-extent and effects of these growths City, Md. is staying with her grimage Cruise, sailing from New are being determined by team per-mother, Mrs. Sarah Jane Jackson, grimage Cruise, sailing from technologies and g

Joe Coggin of the Virginia Com-

with two million fewer people on

beneficiary may earn and still get turbed plant growths, bottom con-

be enclosed in future benefit checks bottom soils, water clarity has con-

they pertain to the individual. Mor- found at the lower end of the

the end of July, although flower- at the Cape Hatteras National DARE COUNTY PRIEST TO this summer, concluded his work

> following Mrs. Jackson's recent illness.

Mrs. Cynthia Scarborough is back from Washington. She continues to suffer because of a break to a small bone in her neck.

end here at their new Ocracoke completion. They hope it will be

Norwood O'Neal of Manteo has been visiting his sister, Mrs. Mary world.

Miss Virginia Howard of Norfolk visited her brother, Taft and Father Joseph Denges will vis-Howard, last week.

son of Raleigh occupied the Wil-liams cottage this past week. With holy Priesthood. liams cottage this past week. With

Mr. and Mrs. Danny Garrish had

as recent guests her sister, Mrs. Howard Brugh and family and friends, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Price,

Headquarters building regained its his sister, Mrs. Ed Wells. J. spent several days recently with Several local residents within the Mrs, Maude Fulcher. only, but plans to come home on Marcus Midgett, Frank White, Kenneth Ward, Mrs. Margaret Tillett, George C. Culpepper, Sr., Coke Methodist Church. The Opracoke Civic Club holds Norfolk General Hospital School of Nursing, Sandra Keller (Kitty Hawk). De Paul Hospital School of Nursing, Norfolk, Myrdith Midits September meeting next Mon- gett. Pavne, Lonnie Overcash, Mrs. Ralph Johnson, Walter J. Ballance, and Herbert W. Tillett. Manns O'Neal and Mace Garrish were Harbor: Lawson M. Ambrose, Mrs. home for the Labor Day week end. Willie Mae Ambrose, T. O. Sut-ton, Orville L. Tillett and Hugh Mrs. Styron and their daughter, Mrs. Styron and their daughter, G. Craddock. Stumpy Point: Ellard Betsy Carol, who have been occu-R. Payne, Alvin L. Hooper, A. B. pying their home here this summer, returned to New Jersey with him. Mr. and Mrs. Norton Hamilton and family have left after-a happy summer at their cottage here. Mr Mm. R. Beacham, Jackson S. Twi-ford Jr., Jesse E. Baum, Mrs. Colon Perry, M. W. Davis, Duck: Mrs. Fannie Evans. Colington: J. Mrs. Randall O'Neal and two Mrs. Randall O'Neal and two children, of Norfolk, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Howard Howard. Word has been received that nursing at DePaul Hospital, Nor-Kelly O'Neal is out of the Pitt folk this week. Miss Almeta Faye County Hospital and back in Ambrose of Creswell was another Washington, where he is staying graduate from this area.

mission of Game and Inland Fishmission, Rudy Rudolph and John returned home on Monday.

the law pertaining to the rules on found diving equipment useful for fall term. how much wages a Social Security making observations of undis-

National Seashore, we can reach an eager audience now many times greater than was available to us ten years ago. developed into North Carolina an effort toward changing We can ride on this great wave of advertising to greater achievement for The Lost Colony. We can unite the hotels, motels, and other interests which serve the travelling pub-would be given the responsibilities and duties now so lightly motels, and other interests which serve the travening pub-lic, into a ready and willing group ready to present a glori-ous package deal that will deliver to every person who will come, the most widely diversified and interesting vacation de-luxe that can be given by any region in the United States. When we speak of variety vacationland for North Carolina we can add a lot of superlatives when we come to our own

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emphasized the slight change in with the situation.

complications, but always, with more of the most delightful of outdoor life than any other place can hope to offer, and which will lend itself to keeping in our various Coastland

# CORONER'S OFFICE OUTMODED AND USELESS.

The ancient office of coroner has become as outmoded,

The principal, and about the only task coroners perform

Unless the Coroner happens to be a medical man, and does make an investigation, blunders may ensue which can We have a greater opportunity than ever before to make and has resulted in innocent men being falsely accused, The Lost Colony known to more people. Coupled with the standing trial, and later convicted of crimes of which they literature sent out by, or resulting from, the Cape Hatteras were innocent.

study area are cooperating by corders can be installed.

JURY LIST DRAWN FOR DARE COURT OCTOBER 20

Sixty persons were selected by the Dare County Tuesday Board of Commissioners for Jury

service at the term of Superior Court, beginning in Manteo Monday, October 20th, as follows: Manteo: Mrs. Virginia Fearing, Mrs. H. O. Bridges, Dameron

Hooper, and Dallas M. Gray. East Lake: Herbert L. Pinner, Roy Basnight, Jesse S. Twiddy,

Mashoes: Robert N. Midgett. Kitty Hawk: Mrs. Hallett Perry, O. Meekins, Mrs. Jasper Gaimel.

Nags Head: Dewey L. Hayman, Mrs. Lucille Winslow, Horace J. Barnett, and R. E. Jordan. Kill Devil Hills: Mrs. Jewel York, Mrs. Emily F. Mustian, E. L.

Avon: Willie J. Austin, Dallas Miller, Mrs. Dora Hooper, Otis

Meekins, Ebenezer Hooper. Buxton: Willie E. Midgett, Joseph D. Barnett, Mahonie A. Quidley, Mrs. Edna Gray, Mrs. Perley L. Farrow

Hatteras: Mrs. Leonard D. Gil-Hatteras: Mrs. Leonard D. Gli-liken, Melvin R. Stowe, Carlos D. Oden, Mrs. Viola Peele, Ina Ful-cher, Damon M. Gray Sr., Waves: Mrs. Cedric Midgett and Mrs. Ella Midacti

Mrs. Cedric Midgett and Mrs. Ella Midgett. In this list will be found names of postoffice clerks, persons re-siding outside the county, and others in non-resident employ, and some physically unable to serve. this past week end. Mrs. Ray Hurst and son of Nor-folk visited her grandfather, Ben Williams, recently. Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Hoggard, Jr. Her husband spent his recent Mrs. Ray Hurst and son of Nor-the cases of Edwin A. Joseph, Yorktown, Va., \$25; and W. L. Pittman, Richmond, \$20. leave with her and the children but has now returned to Cape May, N. J.

with his sister, Mrs. Annie Dud-Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Wikstrom and family of Skaneateles, N. Y.

flew in and spent several days at their new home here. Zion Foster is home from Wil

mington, Delaware. Mr. and Mrs. Jethro Midget

CORRECTION

Reference to receipts from the Andy Griffith movie, "No Time For Sergeants" printed in this paper last week. The picture brought in \$1,275 and not \$2,275 as printed by error. The proceeds were donat-ed by Actor Griffith, and H. A. Creef, movie operator to the Manteo High School.

GRADUATE IN NURSING

Miss Ruby Yvonne Gallop o their diplomas from the school of

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check, he came back later in Feb ruary, 1956 and paid \$100 and asked to be given until October next to pay the remainder.

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