

NORTH TRURO NOTES

By Dodie Captiva

Shades were slapping through the night as the wind freshened to the eastward and now we're back where we started same time last week. The Highland horn and the lonely grey sky and the weather thick enough to drink lie heavy over our heads, with a feeling of fall in the offing. It's this kind of a year . . . everyone remarks that the August madness began in early June this time so who knows what will happen when Leo roars in on the calendar.

But before the wind changed . . . what a lovely few days! We sampled nearly every beach; with a long hot walk on the dunes to the ocean, the sand scalding your feet so you leap from patch to patch of poverty grass and lichen, soothing the heated soles. And then plunging, welcoming the cold clear salty ocean. We found a spot without ooze, and marvelled again at a temperment of winds and currents and ooze when we found the stuff at another backshore beach the next day. Then we turned to the Bay with the flats bare and brackish in the sun and a warm salt bath in the gullies. And everywhere the children find treasures . . . shells and jawbones and driftwood, sea-

weed, and many lost bass plugs. Finally when the sun grew hot overhead we sauntered through the pinewoods and sat on the lush green edge of a pond, where the small fry were in and out of the water like frogs; and the lilies grew fragrant nearby.

Favorite Fisherman Slaving
Meanwhile the ease of life ashore led us to feel worse and worse for our favorite fisherman . . . slaving out on that nice cool sea while we played with life ashore. Progressively calls came through—collect—from Montauk, Block Island, Point Judith, Menemsha, Woods Hole . . . and finally . . . Come and get me . . . I'm in. It wasn't a bad trip for the scallopers this time. They found scallops but feel it's a long way to go and a lot of time spent travelling for what they can return to market. We were tempted to take up a Hellman offer of a house on Long Island in exchange for a house here. But the scallops are small, desirable for market but hard on the crew who shucks them. And the price is per pound and not per style on sea scallops. Meanwhile the whiting at home is spotty; some days the boats fishing off the race load a limit and come to

port early; other days they scrape all day. Ashore, the freezers which process whiting are loaded down with mink food, and are having a hard time handling the quick freeze on new stock; and the storage of already processed fish. Round and round it goes, and by the end of the week the situation may have changed. Groundfish prices are good, though few boats are groundfishing right now. There's murmur in our midst from the F. F. that this is his last trip so far from home; then he looks at the bills piling up in the overflowing drawer and thinks . . . the NEXT will be his last trip away from home.

Settled Down For Summer
The young folk have settled down to the summer. Blackberries are out and ripe, and most mornings we still have blue or huckleberry muffins. Baby sitting jobs are welcomed and the pockets are filling with cash in anticipation of the carnival. Rumor has it that it will be next week, and all the children are saving or trying to talk each other out of funds. Last week we satisfied the hopes of the Cub scouts who have been meeting informally on alternate Thursdays to cook supper on the back beach. Finally, we said . . . this is the late night . . . you may indeed stay out until dark and the moon has risen. So with each sack of vittles added to the pot we drove through the dunes and started the fires on the ocean. One fire isn't enough . . . no seven boys have the same idea about fires. The surf was cold and exciting as an appetizer, then the fires glowed and every variation of hot dog was created. Some with onions, some with marshmallows, some specials sprinkled well with sand. Some baked potatoes, grilled and toasted cheese, and in the end, everything that would fit on a stick or in a grill was roasted with something else. We staggered home under the rising moon, the children singing in the bright night

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air; and virtuously brought home all the bottles and broken glass along with our own debris, hoping that the seed, sown young, may result in a generation of non-despoilers.

We know another very young business, that of Hayden Phillips who lives with her mother, Elizabeth Blair, at the Tobey studio on Commercial Street. She scours the beaches for sand-blasted glass in muted colors and intriguing shapes. Then she creates earrings, and necklaces bound together with copper wire, and whoever sees them instantly offers to purchase them from the wearer.

Community Club's Square Dance is more popular than ever on Tuesday evenings. Mrs. Betty Tinker puts the younger members through their paces, and Jay Schofield continues to call for the senior dancers. Swimming classes are scheduled for next week, Monday through Friday the 31st, the time to be announced. Classes are scheduled to be held at the breakwater beach north of Fisher Beach;

weekend at his Dyer's Hollow home. He will leave soon for London and Paris, and return to Truro during the latter part of August.

Mary Reilly is spending a week with her family on Pond Road.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kirkpatrick and children Treacy and Timothy are expected at the Reilly house for several week's vacation.

Mrs. Helen Reilly will leave shortly for New York where she will join her sister Mrs. Marie Duffy, and both will sail in early August on the Vulcania for Portugal and Spain.

Mrs. John Worthington and daughter Diana are spending a few days in Boston.

William Resnick will arrive this week to spend an extended vacation with his family on Castle Road.

Geoffrey Hellman has returned to New York after spending the weekend with his family in the Tisch house.

Bill Smith spent last weekend at his house overlooking Longnook

Valley, after a quick trip by air to California and back before he realized the difference between the Atlantic and Pacific.

Carolyn Cook and Virginia Bird have returned to New York after spending ten days in Truro.

Lost Skiff Returned
Race Point Coast Guardsmen last Friday recovered a 12-foot skiff owned by Hudson Walker of 645 Commercial Street which had broken its anchor and drifted to the fish traps in the east end of the harbor. Manning the station's picketboat were Chief Engineerman James Avila and Seaman Ralph Morris.

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wednesday, july 29
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thursday, july 30
Dance in the Sun, a film of Daniel Nagrin by Shirley Clarke (World Premiere), Dr. Margaret Mead's Trance and Dance in Bali, Doris Humphrey's Air for the G String, plus films of Shan-kar, Josephine Baker, Alicia Markova!
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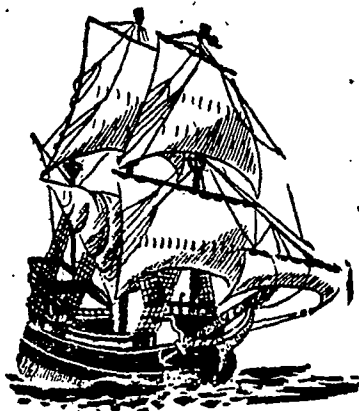
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