



Can The Geese Zero-In Lake Mattamuskeet?

—Canada To Mattamuskeet—

Natives Begin To Listen For First Call Of Geese

By JUNE BUNDY

Against the night air, the clear call of the "lead" goose will be heard and behind him a solitary line of geese will be seen against the autumn moon. Thus begins the migration for tens of thousands of ducks and geese to their winter feeding ground at Mattamuskeet.

To those who live near Lake Mattamuskeet the return of the geese is an experience of the heart. For some it marks the end of waiting for there are those who wait for the first lone line to wing homeward. For some it is a day that holds silent joy because it speaks of the beauty of living things and the orderliness of all creation.

For the sportsman, the migration stirs a restlessness to put on his boots, clean his gun and set out for the lakes and the marshes.

GEESSE AROUND

Containing 50,000 acres of land and water, Lake Mattamuskeet is a federally-owned, state-managed waterfowl refuge. One of the largest assemblages of Canadian geese on the Atlantic seaboard winters here each season. Two areas along the lake's south shore have been set aside for managed hunting where shooting is under the direct control of the state.

There are about 25 blinds on the lake; reservations, which should be arranged well in advance of the season, may be made through the state game protector, North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission, New Holland. Bordering the lake are hundreds of field blinds from which more birds are shot than on the lake.

One of the reasons Lake Mattamuskeet is a favorite winter resort for the geese and ducks is its abundant crop of scirpus americanus or bullrush type of plant which geese consider quite a delicacy and echinocloea crussalli or duck millet which is tops on the duck's winter menu.

212 SPECIES A variety of other plants favored by wildfowl abound here which provides a well rounded diet for a variety of species. Since Mattamuskeet Wildlife Refuge was established in 1934, 212 species of birds have been counted in the lake area.

The official hunting season opens in North Carolina on October 15th. The hunting dates for ducks and geese is November 7 through January 15. Doves may be hunted September 10 to October 6 or December 14 through January 10. Rails, callinets and sora hunting dates are September 1 through November 3. Woodcock season is November 22 through December 31 while coot and brandt may be hunted November 7 through January 15. The dates for Wilson's snipe is November 22 through December 21.

Hunters on the Refuge are required to have a North Carolina hunting license, a lake hunting permit and federal duck stamp is required for ducks, brant and coot. Mattamuskeet Lodge, a modern and comfortable lodge, operated by a concessionaire, has space for 45 to 50 people; there are also numerous other accommodations in the area.

The lodge will provide guide service, board and room. Just west of Mattamuskeet is River Forest Manor at Belhaven, on U. S. 264, where visitors may also stay and receive similar accommodations. License and ammunition may be obtained locally.

Lake Mattamuskeet is located at New Holland, on U. S. 264.

PEOPLE: Star-Gazing Mrs. Kelly Lectures To Starry-Eyed Young Audience

By CHARLES KURALT

Sagittarius, in case you are one of those who think it looks like an archer, really looks more like a teapot.

Argon, a gas which is inside light bulbs and hardly anywhere else on earth, is just all over the place on Mars.

And Mars, we would note in passing, is a mere 36 million miles away from Charlotte this week. You'll have to wait until 1971 to feel the same proximity again.

WE PICKED UP THESE GEMS of astral intelligence from Mrs. Luther W. Kelly, the other afternoon while star-gazing under the inky 14-foot dome of the Children's Nature Museum planetarium.

Twice a week, more often by special request, Mrs. Kelly sits at the planetarium control panel, brings on midnight by turning a knob, and fills the "sky" with stars and planets. Then she tells the story of the universe to an audience of open-mouthed youngsters.

This is a fairly large order, calling for a poet as well as a scientist. Mrs. Kelly would deny being either, but she is both.

"Mars," she told her listeners, "will be perfectly beautiful for the next two or three months."

SHE AIMED AN ARROW OF LIGHT to point out Mars.

"It's the nearest to earth of all the planets," she said, "and it is an interesting planet with markings that seem to change colors with the seasons and polar caps that advance and recede . . .

"Someday, scientists say, maybe within our lifetime, men will find out much more about Mars than they now know — and someday, undoubtedly, they will actually reach it."

The hum of the machine was the only sound in the room, as her listeners, caught up in the mystery of Mars, watched it disappear on the horizon.

"Venus is the morning star now," Mrs. Kelly went on. "I saw it the other morning, very, very early, passing beside the thin crescent of an old moon . . .

"I felt I could almost touch it. It was a beautiful moment, but I had to get up early to see it.



MRS. KELLY: "I Felt I Could Touch It."

We miss many things like that. We sleep right through them."

HER VOICE, COMING FROM THE darkness with Venus rising in the east, somehow reminded her listeners that it had been a long time since they had looked to see if the stars were still there.

It suddenly seemed a good idea to walk away from the street lights that night to find a hilltop under the cold serenity of the Milky Way, and to seek out Sagittarius.

If you didn't find it, that would be all right.

THE WORRY CLINIC: Hoover's Typing Paid Off

By Dr. George W. Crane

Notice how Herbert got a job by his persistence and use of a typewriter. A used typewriter costing no more than \$25 can change your life now.

"It is now Friday afternoon, so why do you say you will not be available on Monday?"

"Well, sir," Herbert answered "it will take me that long to get hold of a typewriter and learn how to use it."

"Then the job is yours. If you have that much grit and self-confidence, you can start on Tuesday morning."

And that was how former President Herbert Hoover was launched into his successful career.

If you parents have children who are below par in their school marks, by all means purchase a typewriter, even if you procure one for one dollar.

A typewriter is one of the best forms of insurance for your child's success in life. It will encourage him to pay closer heed to the internal arrangement of letters in the words he types.

And as a result, he will improve in his spelling, as well as his vocabulary.

Since words are the basic tools of the mind, you will thus help fill his mental tool box (mind) with a much richer supply of precise instruments.

High school and college English professors are bemoaning the fact that modern teen-agers are deficient in spelling, reading and grammar.

The fault is partly that of the parents, for fathers and mothers must team-up with school teachers and help encourage their children to be swift readers.

Reading is the motor of the entire educational machine, so tutor your child at home by det methods so that he will not develop an inferiority complex in grammar school.

A little tactful home tutoring can change the entire future course of your child's life.

For further specific advice, send for my booklet, "How To Tutor Your Child at Home," enclosing a stamped return envelope, plus 20c.

You mothers don't need to have any college education to tutor your children expertly and make them topnotch students. A mere 15 minutes per day will do the trick.

For a high school diploma is worth \$40,000 to him the rest of his life in cash earning.

And each year of college adds an additional \$25.00 to his total earnings, so your parents can make your child relatively wealthy by your deft home tutoring now.

If he is a poor reader, have his eyes checked. Then use flash cards on which you print words from his current reading book. Hold them up, one at a time, and slowly count to ten.

If he can identify the word, give it to him. If not, place it in your stack of cards. The one with the larger stack, wins the game each night.

Use flash cards for arithmetic, as by 5, 10, etc. And keep helpful comic books available to encourage more reading.



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THE CHARLOTTE NEWS Feature Page

Edited By Jim Banbury

—MARY HAWORTH'S MAIL— Lonely Man Seeks Friends In Bar

Dear Mary Haworth: When my son came into the world, my wife was taken. Not long afterward the boy died of polio. All this happened a few years back, and I have since overcome remorse. Now, at 40, I am energetic, ambitious, personable, articulate, literate—and lonesome. Loneliness is pain; it isn't good to suffer long periods of loneliness. At 5 or 6 p.m., it starts, when everyone is hustling home by bus, subway, commu-

er train, etc., to family life. At this hour I am purposeless, alone, heading for some cocktail bar to kill time over a drink and relax until dinner and another night.

At the "right" cocktail lounges there are always a dozen or more persons, you know the kind: well dressed, alert, sophisticated, "successful."

Is there a reasonable solution for us, without resorting to marriage brokers, or to phony "get-

acquainted" clubs; or to "why not call up" this-or-that relative or fellow worker?—P. B.

Dear P. B.: You have a problem of emotional isolation, so let's not beat about the bush, talking in terms of masses of people.

In perspective, from the vantage point of a good deal of living, the big city cocktail lounges are like stichows in a circus atmosphere. They are corridors of unreality — and soci-

ally healthy individuals recognize them as such during their visits of patronage. But lonely, socially rootless persons tend to regard these places as possible foci of helpful fellowship—when in fact there is as little chance of that, as finding water in a desert mirage.

The reasonable solution of your headache is to stay in the real world, instead of heading for a dream world, after office hours. Go home to the sticks (or establish a home on the outskirts) and put down roots there—becoming involved in neighborhood and community activity.

There you will more readily find plain garden variety womankind—the sort of woman who might value you as the answer to prayer.—M. H.

Mary Haworth counsels through her column and not by mail or personal interview. Write her in care of The Charlotte News.

Read And Remember

The U. S. Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 provides for a minimum age of 16 for workers producing goods sold in interstate commerce, but allows the employment of children of 14 in some types of non-manufacturing and non-mining jobs.

Coffee, when it was first introduced into Europe, was supposed to be a remedy effective against colds, hysteria, and toothache.

Earl Wilson



Scribe Pulls Sneakie

NEW YORK — Posing as an old messenger boy, I sneaked up the service elevator to Princess Grace Kelly's private homecoming and witnessed the Buffet Dinner of the Year — by spinning through a crack in a screen.

It was so easy! A crew of about 40 from Louis Sherry's, the caterers, had been lading out cake and hospitality — especially cake — to Grace, Rainier and 16 guests. Maybe the help thought I was a member of the crew because of my crew cut.

Photog Gary Wager came along and struck a shot of the gigantic cake. . . 3/4 feet tall, as wide as Toots Shur, and made in the shape of three crowns: Papa crown, Mama crown and a teeny-weeny baby-sized crown.

"Who are you?" a delectable-looking guy asked me as I hid from the back elevator at Grace's 5th Av. apartment. . . into the welcoming arms of a garbage can.

"I'm from the Embassy!" I hissed. (The Embassy Cleaners, E. 72d St.)

"And you?" they asked Gary, who snugged "I represent Monaco." That's the name of a 22d St. strip joint.

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—The Everyday Counselor— How To Grow Old Gracefully

By DR. HERBERT SPAUGH

Growing old gracefully is a process which has to be commenced when you are young. The first lesson is to learn that one day, if you live out a normal pattern, you are going to be old yourself. The way you treat older people when you are young is usually the way you are going to be treated when you get old. Young people should never forget that. This goes for teenagers, and also for younger married couples. Many have treated parents and elders disrespectfully and unkindly, only to reap the same kind of treatment in their old age. I've seen it happen too often.



"Children come home to root" and no more so than in the way youth treats age. Dr. Maria Haynes of the University of California, after three years' research, comes up with some interesting information as to how oldsters have been treated throughout the ages, and follows them with some rules for maintaining happiness through the passing years.

"Senior citizens of ancient Rome were revered—or else. A Roman father had absolute authority. If junior kept the family choir out all night, he could be murdered or sold to Carthage.

"The Greeks were more like us. Sons were allowed more say once they reached majority. Dad was respected, not worshipped.

1. "Never praise the good old days. Live in the present.

2. "Learn early in life how to be well-balanced emotionally, how to control anger. Oldsters who aren't upset by unpleasant events, who can deal with crises wisely, are sought out by young people as sources of advice and strength.

3. "Keep alive intellectually. This means not only reading and other cultural activities, but maintaining a lively interest in all things going on around you.

4. "Maintain strict adherence to principles of personal hygiene. Neat personal appearance and good table manners make oldsters attractive to the younger generation.

5. "Cultivate a groundwork early in life. You can't be a pleasant old man or woman unless you cultivate these qualities long before you grow old. They don't come naturally with age."

Growing old gracefully is a process which commences with youth. Happiness in later years is determined by it. But this is true of other elements of an enduring, worthwhile and successful life. The patterns are set in youth. The most important one is establishing early a partnership and a daily working agreement with God. Nothing can take the place of that.

Learn to select the more important and the less important. Do these tasks well. "Peel one potato at a time."

Follow the ten-ten plan with your money — ten per cent for benevolences and ten per cent saved (including life insurance). Learn to give yourself away.