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HISTORIC INNS

There are many hotels and inns on Long Island that have an interesting history. Among these is the Canoe Place Inn, at Canoe Place. The old hostelry, established in 1735 by Jeremiah Culver, was frequented by the British soldiers in the days of the Revolutionary War. Close by the side of the Montauk Highway, opposite the modern hotel now occupying the original site, is the Hercules figurehead from the ship Ohio, wrecked on the coast.

The famous old Whitman Tavern, at Smith town Branch, built about 1750, was used as a road house during the Revolution, and in early days was the stopping place for the second night on the journey from New York to Sag Harbor.

A Famous Long Island Innkeeper.

Benjamin Homan the younger, the innkeeper of Wading River, during his sixty years of administration made Homan's, Wading River, famous the length and breadth of the Island. He did not build the inn. No one knows who did. He had a genius for hotel-keeping. People came from New York and Brooklyn to taste his mulled cider and flip, his filches of bacon and corn-fed, home-cured hams, his baked blue fish, plank ed shad, his roast turkey and chicken pie baked in the capacious wide-mouthed, brick oven. And to travel the seventy-three miles from Fulton Ferry to Homan's then required courage and resolution. The road was sandy, up hill and down, most of the way through forest. The Riverhead stage coach, carrying the mail and passengers, stopped at Homan's. With a merry blast of the horn crossing the bridge over Wading River up comes the Riverhead stage, gay and bright with fresh paint, draws up before the Inn door with a flourish, and every male passenger alights and enters Homan's to "licker up", for it is the last stop before Riverhead is reached.

STRENUOUS PING-PONG

Today, Ping-Pong, a name evolved from the sound that the ball makes when it strikes the racquet and table, has graduated into the class where its equipment is as efficient as that needed for any recreation. The makeshift court has been discarded in favor of a table especially constructed for this sport. Rectangular in shape, the official court measures 9' x 5'. The net is 66" long by 5½" wide and is drawn taut between the posts 6¼" above the court. Wooden racquets are still in use, but serious enthusiasts choose a style that is rubber-faced with a cork handle, which weight is around five ounces.

The method of scoring is by single points; twenty-one constitute the game. In serving, the ball must bounce before it leaps the net into the opponent's territory.

There are two popular ways of holding the racquet. The first and older, is the "pen-holder" or scoop grip. This is the choice of European players and decidedly popular in the western part of our country. In the east the "tennis" grip is favored. Among star players, the latter hold has a slight lead in popularity.

Originally a "smash" game with simple rules, Ping-Pong has developed an original technique. It has annexed the various chop and spin strokes which are integral parts of tennis play, besides some exclusively its own, such as the knuckle-ball and finger spin. These two tricks relate to controlling the ball by twirling it before it makes contact with the racquet in service, thereby outwitting the contestant across the table. Incidentally, the lob, one of the most popular tennis shots, is worthless on this court, as it invites a savage reprisal from the other side of the net.

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KICKS & KOMPLIMENTS KOLUMN

In this Kolumn the Scribe invites all Critics, kind and the other kind, to express themselves.

KOMPLIMENTS

All drivers have observed how considerably one Shoreham resident, Mr. Cary D. Waters has trimmed his hedges; dense corners take notice!

Shaoreham's dramatic talent is most appreciative of Mr. Donald B. Upham's interest in improving the dramatic accoutrement of the club. An extension to the stage, which will include footlights, has been designed and is now being built under Mr. Upham's supervision.

KICKS

We're kicking because we tried to get something to kick about - but we couldn't do it!

CORRECTION

Mr. Samuel Tuthill writes, "My last name, for your information, is spelled 'Tuthill'. Not that spelling it 'Tuttle' makes much difference."

Seems to us a hill makes a lot of difference. Anyway, thank you, Mr. Tuthill.

WAMPUM

The shells of which the Indians made their wampum were found in great quantities on the shores of Long Island. Wampum, or as the Dutch named it, Seawan, was the circulating medium of trade among the Indians. It was composed of shells, or strings of shells, of a particular form and size, and constituted not only the money of the Indian tribes, but was used as an ornament to their persons. Also, when ever an important treaty was made between two different tribes, belts of wampum were exchanged as witnesses to the agreement.

WORLDWIDE

Subscriptions to the Shoreham Scribe have been received from:

Singapore, London, California, Missouri Michigan, South Carolina, Virginia, Florida Texas.

Many are from former residents in this locality who love to read news of old friends and familiar places.

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NEW TENNIS COURTS

Two of the four new tennis courts being built in Shoreham opposite the Warden cottage on the Main Road, are being rushed to completion for use this season. They were planned by Mr. Donald B. Upham, under whose supervision the work is now being carried through. Frank A. Gaias, noted for his success in the construction of tennis courts, is in charge. The courts are being built by the Suffolk County Land Co., and the surrounding fences will be furnished by the Village of Shoreham. When the two courts now being constructed (they are side by side and face North and South) are finished, work will begin on the second two. These will be located just a few feet east of the present two courts.

SHOREHAM COUNTRY CLUB

The string orchestra which came from New York to play during the afternoon at the Garden Party in Shoreham, played later at the Saturday night dance at the Shoreham Country Club. The dance was the third of the season and proved even more popular than the two preceding successful dances.

The Club's president, Mr. Frederick Wall Finn has returned to Shoreham.

Saturday evening, July 20 - DANCE.
Wes Oliver and his Vikings.

Sunday evening, July 21 - SONG SERVICE.
Conducted by Mr. William M. Van Arnam.

Wednesday evening, July 24 - MIDWEEK
DANCE. Miss Mary Mealia, hostess.

NOTICE

Members of The Strolling Players who are interested in putting on a production in August please see Mrs. T. K. Elliott during the week end. Those who are here all of the time, see Mrs. Elliott on Tuesday at 8 PM.

Bob Hyman, one of New York's most famous mural artists is visiting Faye Hall Stevens at Belle Terre and doing some charming oils of famous gardens.

Mrs. Donald B. Upham is appearing this year in a bathing suit built along the lines of a South Sea Islander's step-ins.

PORT JEFFERSON THEATRE

SAT. 20 Robert Taylor, Jean Parker & Ted Healy in "MURDER IN THE FLEET"

SUN. 21 Buck Jones & Noel Francis in
MON. 22 "STONE OF SILVER CREEK" and
Noel Coward, Julie Haydon &
Martha Sleeper in "THE SCOUNDREL"

TUE. 23 Marlene Dietrich & Lionel Atwill
in "THE DEVIL IS A WOMAN"

WED. 24 Fredric March, Charles Laughton
THU. 25 & Rochelle Hudson in
FRI. 26 "LES MISERABLES"

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SHOREHAM ITEMS

by Ann S. Waters

Miss Betty Brooks left Shoreham on Wednesday to return to her home in West Englewood. She was the guest of her aunt Mrs. M. E. Davis.

Mr. Albert Luedamann was the guest of Walter Comfort. He returned to his home in Englewood.

Mrs. William Birch and Mrs. Palmer Clingman have returned to their homes in Mountain Lakes and Bernardsville for the weekend. Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Gerhart and Mr. Shipway will be guests at their Shoreham home.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Wall Finn have returned from their honeymoon in the West Indies and are now in Shoreham.

Shoreham is happy to hear Mrs. Mervin Pallister, who has been very ill, has been up and around for a few hours.

The Uphams were visited last Sunday by Mr. Richard Archbold in his amphibian - the "Komo", the New Guinean word for "Duck". Mr. Archbold is planning another expedition to New Guinea this winter for which he is having a special "Fairchild" amphibian built, and which should be ready for delivery August 10th. Mr. Archbold has been making all sorts of test and practise flights to prepare for all sorts of trips over high mountains, landings on rough seas and on lakes of high altitudes. The expedition is for the Museum of Natural History.

Mr. R. King Hopkins, Staten Island, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Sackett one night this week.

LOST

A small row boat painted orange color.
Tom Hughes. Telephone Shoreham 126

Do you know that the Old Carriage House Players present performances nightly from Tuesday to Saturday, at Pleasure Beach, Lake Ronkonkoma, L. I.? Last week was a thrilling mystery. This week's is a sprightly farce.

ROCKY POINT

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Baumgardner, Mr. Chamberlain, and Mr. and Mrs. David Rau were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Louis McKesson on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Strieb announce the birth of a daughter at the Mather Memorial Hospital, on Saturday.

Miss Frances Hallock is attending the Blair Conference for Young People, at Blairstown, New Jersey.

Miss Isabel H. Tuthill has returned to her home in Brooklyn, after spending some time at her home here.

Archie Luce, of Glencoe, North Dakota, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. S. Tuthill and other friends in town on Thursday of last week. Mr. Luce was formerly a resident of this vicinity.

MOUNT SINAI

The Mount Sinai Girl Scouts of Troop 40, took part in the dedication of the new Setauket Fire House at Setauket on Saturday, July 13, 1935. The girls in full

uniform were given an ovation all along the line of march. They were awarded a cup as first prize for the most distinctive group. Troop 40 of Mount Sinai have been in existence only one year.

MILLER PLACE

The Misses Lulu and Jeanette Flynn and Miss Genevieve O'Connor spent the week end with the family of Mrs. H. Schmidt.

Samuel M. Tuthill of Rocky Point has been spending the week with his grandmother Mrs. S. H. Miller.

Mrs. Joseph Pringle and daughters Linette and Sue and Mrs. Edward Tierney are occupying the Watson bungalow for the week.

The Misses Lucile and Ethel Gibbs of Caldwell N. J. visited with Mrs. Irving Davis the past week.

Miss Florence Iverson is spending her vacation with her mother Mrs. Ferdinand Iverson on Sylvan Lane.

Miss Elizabeth Woodhull of Riverhead has been visiting with Mrs. E. S. Davis.

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WADING RIVER SQUIBS

Mr. and Mrs. V. Colos Trapnell of Man-
hattan are spending a few weeks with his
mother, Mrs. Edna Trapnell.

Miss Virginia Weevil of Yonkers and
Mr. and Mrs. Victor Heatley of Brooklyn
visited Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wince at Old
Grange Hall for the week end. Miss Wee-
vil is remaining for the fortnight.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Markey, Mr and Mrs.
Walter Lippmann, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Heat-
ley, Mr. and Mrs. Seldon Heatley, Mr and
Mrs. George Heatley, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur
Wince, Miss Ruth Wince, Miss Margery Mayers
Sidney Mather, Johann Bull, Marvin Markey,
Halsey Gosman, and Jesse Heatley were the
dinner guests on Saturday of Mrs. Chein at
her summer home at Mattituck.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Doane Jr. and daugh-
ter, Mary Jane of Philadelphia, are visit-
ing his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Doane
at the parsonage for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick von der Geest
and Miss von der Geest of Jamaica enjoyed a
week end visit at their home on North
Wading River Road.

Mrs. E. B. Woolery of Yonkers is visit-
ing Mr. and Mrs. George Heatley Jr. for a
fortnight.

Recent guests at Greenbrier Inn include
Miss Isabel McCord, Miss Loyal Godfrey
and Mrs. F. Fennessey and family of Manhat-
tan, Frederick Korres of Riverdale, Mr. and
Mrs. George Dayton and Mr. and Mrs. John V.
P. Lasso of Brooklyn and Mr. and Mrs. F. W.
Galloway of Flushing. Mr. and Mrs. Gall-
oway are remaining for the week.

Mrs. J. Thomas Mather and family, Mrs.
Kopf and daughter, Jane Kopf of Westbury
and James Pine of East Williston, were the
guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Miller on
Monday.

Miss Sara Culver who has been the house
guest of Miss Alice Miller for several
weeks has returned to her home in West-
hampton.

Mr. and Mrs. Elihu Miller and Mr. and
Mrs. Norman Bruen were the Thursday guests
of Dr. and Mrs. David Edwards at their
camp at Promised Land.

Miss Katherine Mulford and friend of
Easthampton visited Mr. and Mrs. Elihu
Miller on Sunday.

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