

The Newspaper

The first newspaper published on the islands "hit the stands" on December 6, 1951. It was the Beach Bulletin, a family project of the Barrett Browns. Barrett was salesman reporter and editor; Adelaide, assistant editor and typist. while young Duff took care of such odd jobs as stapling, folding and delivering the papers. A number of the young business men hereabout were once part of his delivery crew. That first paper consisted of six eight by eleven mimeographed sheets, hand stapled together and delivered door to door.

A second weekly made its appearance in the mid '50's but expired before many months. The community could not support two papers.

Over the years the Bulletin has grown into a second-class publication, unpretentious and friendly, using offset printings. At the peak of the season it carries up to thirty pages. Duff and his wife, Virginia, are the present editors and the senior Browns are gingerly stepping out of the business, but ink in the veins, like sand in one's shoes, can present problems.