

### IN WASHINGTON WHAT IS TAKING PLACE BY P. R. Reynolds UNITED STATES SENATOR

The visit of Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, wife of the President, to North Carolina, where she will be the honor guest of the stalwart citizens of the Eastern section of the state, at Wallace, is more evidence of the part women are playing in public affairs. Like her distinguished husband, Mrs. Roosevelt utilizes every opportunity to meet and mingle with people and her many visits to the state are evidence of her keen appreciation for North Carolina where she is always given a hearty welcome.

Therefore, the great gathering scheduled for Wallace on Friday, with the First Lady as the guest of honor gives me a long-postponed opportunity to commend the part that women generally have in civic and political functions. No longer do they just attend banquets and applaud the words of mere men; they now have an active part in the arrangements and share the responsibilities. And their activities are having a wholesome effect on these affairs. The hands that keep order in the home and office are truly exercising a beneficial effect on public activities of every character.

The part that women are playing in national affairs is no better evidenced than in the records of our great national conventions. In this connection, it is interesting to note that at the Democratic National Convention of 1912—the first attended by President Roosevelt—there were only two women delegates. But at the convention of 1932, which nominated our illustrious President, there were 206 women delegates and more at Philadelphia in 1936. And everyone concedes that the presence of the fine women who are leaders in the affairs of their respective states has meant more orderly and pleasant gatherings of national leaders.

It is all evidence that our country is beginning to make a greater variety of abilities and less possessed by women, and the limitations which were characteristic of the position of women in our earlier order are now being overcome.

Except for an aged lady from Georgia who held office for one ceremonial day, no woman had been either appointed or elected to the United States Senate until the autumn of 1931, when Arkansas elected the widow of a statesman to succeed her husband for the unexpired term. Since that distinguished lady, Senator Hattie Caraway, has been elected in her own right and is now serving with honor. Her daily presence in the Senate is an inspiration to her colleagues. In addition to being chairman of a committee—the Committee on Enrolled Bills—she also serves on the Committees on Agriculture and Forestry, Commerce and the Library. It is needless to say that she bears her share of Senatorial responsibilities.

In the House of Representatives are a number of active women who merit their offices. It is a far cry from the furor created in 1916 when Montana elected the first woman to the National Legislature.

But whether serving in public office, at a desk, in the home or on the farm, women are proving their right to assume greater responsibilities and have greater recognition. And the visit of Mrs. Roosevelt to North Carolina, where the First Lady will mingle with Carolina women who are first in the hearts of their communities, is more evidence of the part women have and deserve in our affairs, national, state and local.

### SNOW HILL NEWS

Mrs. Seth Spivey, of Petersburg, Va., and Mrs. Butler of Richmond, Va., dined at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Wood Sunday. They also attended the funeral of Thomas Smith, of Richmond, Va.

Misses Sallie B. Wood and Maude Keaton and Garland and Marvin Onley spent Sunday at Ocean View.

Misses Catherine and Eunice Harrell, Lucille Cartwright and Hazel Matthews were the dinner guests of Miss Elmer Jordan Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Matthews, M. and Mrs. J. T. Benton, Ida Perry Matthews and Nelson Overman spent Sunday afternoon in Suffolk, visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Odell Cartwright spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ned Matthews.

Mrs. Willie White and son, William Edward of Mantoo are visiting her sister, Mrs. Odell Cartwright, in Suffolk.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Harrell and family were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Benton Sunday.

Mrs. Edna Harrell and son, Lee

## THE HOME DECORATOR

Houses—Tall and Narrow



You like to put up a good front—who doesn't—and that goes for houses too. Sometimes, however, the architects who build our homes aren't too critical of the outside, are too engrossed with fitting the plumbing into its allotted space, in making rooms light and airy, and attempting to get a maximum of house space into a narrow little plot of ground. That tall, narrow house is a problem and unless great pains are taken in

the exterior painting it isn't going to be the credit to you it should be. Not that it can't be remedied, however for it can. It is possible these days to create an illusion of space where space just isn't, to produce a feeling of height when it doesn't exist, and to modify the effect of height into a happy medium.

The choice of a color is most important. A tall, narrow house can be made to appear lower, for instance, by painting the roof and upper body in a dark color, and the lower body in a light color. If it can't be divided in that fashion, simply use a neutral color for the entire body, or a dark color with only the eaves in a lighter trim color. And if the windows are also long and narrow, do something about them. Your neighborhood carpenter can work wonders in a few hours—have him break out the wall and insert good wide windows—the wider the better, and insert venetian blinds, if possible. The horizontal slats of the blinds will break down the vertical spread of the whole exterior and give you that feeling of width that you need so badly. And above all do not use a vertical striped material for draperies. They can be seen from the outside, and might ruin this whole new exterior for you.

There really isn't a home-making problem that can't be solved these days, in one way or another... by fresh plans, by ingenious color choices, by originality... and very little expense.

ard, have returned home after a stay of two weeks in Norfolk, Va., where Leonard was treated for his eye.

Miss Elizabeth Lane is visiting her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Proctor, of Pender Road.

Friends are happy to welcome in the community Mrs. R. R. Keaton and children who are now making their home with Mrs. Keaton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Wood.

Miss Stella Mae Benton is visiting her father, Claude Benton, at Drivers, Va.

Mrs. Ralph Harrell and Mrs. D. M. Cartwright were in Elizabeth City Friday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Benton and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Benton were in Hertford Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Ashby Jordan visited Mr. and Mrs. N. O. Chappell at Belvidere Sunday. Mrs. Chappell was ill at this time.

Quite a number of people attended the funeral of Thomas Smith of this community, Sunday.

### Timely Questions On Farm Answered

Question: How can I cure colds in my young chicks?

Answer: Colds usually are caused

by overcrowding, chilling, overheating, an unbalanced diet, or a drafty house and the first step should be to find the cause and correct it. The worst cases should be destroyed and Epsom Salts given to the remaining birds at the rate of one-half pound to each two and one-half gallons of drinking water. This should be kept before the birds for one day and a suitable germicide kept in the drinking water while there is evidence of the trouble. Usually an outbreak of colds runs its course and if good management and sanitation is practiced only a few birds are lost.

Question: In topping tobacco, how many leaves should be left on the stalk?

Answer: This depends to a great extent upon soil conditions and the amount of fertilizer used. On the average soils of the State, tobacco will mature when fifteen to eighteen leaves are left on the stalk. On poorer soils the plant should be topped lower and on the richer soils it should be topped higher. Be sure and begin topping just as soon as the seed parts of the plant begin to show. The tobacco will run up enough to top every three days and should be topped as uniformly as possible so that the plants will mature more evenly.

Question: Should silage be used

for feeding dairy animals in the summer?

Answer: Silage has its place in summer feeding only as a supplement to short pasture. Where the silage crops yield well they furnish a cheaper and more convenient supplement to the short pasture than do soiling crops. Where it is available, it is also well to feed a reasonable amount in the morning for the first several days after cows are turned on pasture. This is advisable even with an abundance of grazing as it prevents the animals from gorging on the tender, watery grass which tends to scour them.

### Treated Seed Checks Damping-Off Disease

Despite unfavorable weather, fairly good stands of cotton are growing on some 250,000 North Carolina acres which were planted with seed that had been treated to control damping-off disease.

This disease, which has been a menace to the cotton crop, is being brought under control as more farmers treat their seed, said Dr. Luther Shaw, extension plant pathologist at State College.

Last year, he said, good results were obtained on some 20,000 acres, and this year 12 times as much land has been planted with treated seed.

A recent survey of 47 farms in 16 counties representative of all the cotton-growing sections of the State showed that an average of 452 plants were found in 100 feet of row where treated seed was planted, whereas only 307 plants per 100 feet were produced by untreated seed.

Moreover, Dr. Shaw said, the treated seed will produce healthier, more vigorous plants that will make bigger yields of better quality lint.

The treatment costs about 27 cents per acre and increased the value of

the crop by \$13.85 per acre in demonstrations conducted last year.

Similar benefits are expected this year, he added.

The treatment recommended is dusting the seed with two per cent ethyl mercury chloride, commonly known as Ceresan.

### WHITESTON NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. J. Hugh White and baby, Dorcas, of Winston-Salem, arrived Friday to spend some time with his mother, Mrs. Mary J. White.

Miss Lillian Winslow returned to her home in Washington, D. C. Thursday, after visiting her parents here for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Winslow visited Mrs. Winslow's sister, Mrs. Sallie Whitehurst, in Elizabeth City Wednesday evening.

Merrill Winslow of Greensboro, spent the week-end here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Winslow.

Miss Martha Lane left Friday for Charlotte, where she has accepted a position with the Southern Bell Telegraph Co.

Miss Mirian Lane has accepted a position with J. C. Blanchard & Co., and began work Friday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Murray White and children, Jack and Mary Ellen, of Winston-Salem, who are visiting Mr. White's father, F. C. White, of Belvidere, visited relatives here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Winslow and baby, Kay, of Lewisville, arrived Sunday to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Winslow, for some time. Miss Burnette Winslow, of Hertford was the week-end guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Winslow.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Winslow and son, Jarvis, spent Sunday in Chapel Hill, as guests of Mr. Winslow's niece.

### PENDER ROAD NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Owens and son, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Lane and daughter, Nina Grace and Mrs. Ella Owens of Elizabeth City, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. Ed Lane Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Stallings and son, William, visited Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Hobbs near Elizabeth City on Sunday.

Mrs. Maggie Hughes, of Ballhacks is spending the week with Mrs. R. A. Perry.

Mrs. Reuben Stallings and Miss Adelaide Eaves attended the Taylor Sullivan wedding at the Hertford Methodist Church on Saturday evening.

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