

**SPARTA**

**SPECTACLES**

By MRS. ED M. ANDERSON

Football was the chief topic of conversation over the week end. There are those that go for long distances as well as seeing Sparta play. Dr. Burgess says that he'll take Sparta anytime.

Walter Johnston, Bill Sprinkle, Dr. C. A. Thompson, Bob Randolph and Alton Thompson had much to say about the "Deacon Clubs" and the type of gridiron sermons being preached down at Wake Forest. But so did everyone else who saw the game Saturday, heard it or even read about it. And that included practically every one interested in the sport.

**What to wear there!**

If you are puzzled over what to wear to a football game, ask Tommy Burgess. It may be a problem for the ladies, but not for him. Last week he saw a double feature, the Carolina-Wake Forest and the State-Clemson games. He wanted to get a front view Saturday night and worked his way down and took his seat beside Coach Beatty Feathers! How he did it, well we will say it was because of what he wore, together with his ingenuity, of course! He wore his father's little red leather cap, which does not differ greatly from those worn by State College freshmen!

**Spraying to kill!**

We went by B. & T. Drug store the other day to buy a solution and sprayer for silver fish, moths, ants and other small pests. Two days later when we returned, instead of Dr. LeGear's we were handed a tiny nose spray filled with a pink solution that retards cold germs! We were a little startled by the sudden change and could not quite decide whether they thought we needed to kill the cold bugs that kept us sneezing, before we started on our house or that the old saying "bugs is bugs" might apply. But after seeing that we were puzzled, our order was reversed and we went happily on after those bugs that do machine-gun damage to sweaters etc!

**Discovering Independence!**

Just 455 years ago, this past week end, to be exact, October 12, 1492, Christopher Columbus discovered America. Here in Sparta, last week end, other discoveries were made, according to off-the-record reports from some of the reporters about town. A certain young man discovered his independence, and via Independence, Va., too. Numerous long distance telephone calls and personal calls won not his attentions for the lady in question. According to reports coming to us, he, like another great Virginian, Patrick Henry, found that liberty was preferable to all living things!

**Seeing double!**

Monday afternoon as we walked from the post office, we discovered that feminine charm can come in double doses. We met the attractive Dutton twins, Anna Joe and Dell Flo.

They were on their way home from school and looked as spic and span as when they started out. We don't know how one child does this after being in school all day, much less two.

**The Hunting Season**

The hunting season, like football, has its pull for many. We were hunting for Amos Wagoner this week, but discovered he was hunting for squirrels!

Amos is an exceptional hunter; but for many, this season, the squirrels seem to have it, that is the luck and skill of keeping out of sight of those who would put them in the pot!

**An Apple a day**

In addition to the beauties of the autumn colors, there seems to be an abundance of red apples hanging from the trees, as well as covering the ground. Like Representative C. W. Ervin, we hope that those who have so many surplus apples are conserving all possible for us this winter. There will be days when that "apple a day," will be wished for.

**The Everyday Counselor**

Rev. Herbert Spaugh, D. D.

Are you a procrastinator? Do you put off until tomorrow what you should do today? Is the Mexican word "manana," meaning "tomorrow," a prominent word in your vocabulary? If so, then read this definition of "manana" by an unknown author which was sent to me by a correspondent who is a well-known news commentator: "The watchword of the weary, the slogan of the slumbering, the password of the peepless." That definition is too good to keep.

We Americans need to read that, as we were certainly "slumbering" when World War I, and again when World War II, came upon us. Colonel Robert L. Scott, famous aviator of the Army Air Forces and author of the book, "God is My Co-Pilot," from which a motion picture of the same name was taken, delivered a noteworthy address in Charlotte, N. C., recently. In it he sounded a solemn warning that if we are to avert World War III and not be destroyed by it, we dare not slip back into the slumbering attitude which we had when World War I and again when World War II came upon us.

He said that Almighty God had already given us two chances, and

he didn't think that we would get a third. He sounded a stirring note of spiritual and military preparation. He reminded us that we are living in a world where a great totalitarian and godless power faces us.

I have often quoted Saint Paul's motto for dealing with evil, "Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good." Twice as a nation we accepted the first part of this motto, but failed to put the second part into practice. We fought two wars to keep from being overcome with evil. Now we must overcome this evil, which is again rearing its head, with good. We must make a practical demonstration of the Christian Gospel in the place of world leadership which we occupy today.

National habits are formed from personal habits. Many of us have a habit of putting off until tomorrow what we should do today. Life is made up of little things. So when we put off the little things, it follows that we put off the big things. We should live each day as if it were our last on earth; doing those things which call for our attention, and

**Mrs. Richardson Honored On Sun.**

A surprise birthday dinner was given in honor of Mrs. A. R. Richardson at her home, Sunday, on her sixty-third birthday.

Those present were, Rev. and Mrs. A. C. Wooten and son Paul, Rev. Walter Evans, Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Joines, Mr. and Mrs. Clint Caudill, Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Crouse, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Woodruff, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Johnson and children, of Thurmond; Mr. and Mrs. Willie Joines, Mr. and Mrs. Stevie Joines, Mr. and Mrs.

Ben Caudill, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Walter Brinegar and children, Mrs. Henry Evans, Mrs. Carl Edwards, Mrs. Mae Brown, Mrs. Sadie Billings, Mrs. Paul Andrews and Mrs. R. T. Landreth.

Misses Georgia Ruth Caudill, Lou Evans, Jessie Brown, Naomi Andrews, Cressie Bell Joines, Annie Marie Joines, Myrtle Evans, Helen Andrews and Lulu Royal.

Messrs. Floyd Brown, Luther Brown, Mack Edwards, J. M. Brown, Maurice Evans, Bert Holloway, Clinton Andrews, Dan Edwards, Grady Joines, Larry Caudill, T. N. Royal and Sam Huffman of Trap Hill.

If possible doing them now. One of Hitler's famous criticisms of the allies in the last war was, "Too little and too late."

In the parable of the Wise Fool, Jesus Christ pointed a solemn finger of warning towards him that "layeth up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God." (Luke 12:21). He then gave his own motto, "I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work." (John 9:4.)

In fitting a collar on a horse or mule, it should be put on and so buckled that the sides of the collar are snug enough against the neck to make it feasible to pass the fingers only, held flat, between the rim of the collar and the hides of the neck when the collar is pressed or drawn strongly back against the shoulders.

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This nation has just observed National Newspaper Week—a tribute to a free American press. "Freedom of the Press" is no mere slogan in America. It is the foundation upon which our freedom rests. Thomas Jefferson recognized this great truth when he said, "Our liberty depends upon the freedom of the press, and that cannot be limited without being lost."

In this country, we want the facts. Our newspapers give us the facts . . . the good with the bad. And that is the way we like it.

Up through the years, we have learned that light and truth are the greatest safeguards of democracy. In the future, as in the past, the people of this nation shall continue to look to, and depend upon, our great, free press to give us light and truth—for the free American newspapers are the first line of defense in our determination to preserve and hold fast to the American way of life.

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