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## THIS, THAT AND THE OTHER

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When we children used to have spells of the giggles my father would remind us of the Negro man who had such a habit of laughing that one day he went to his employer and said: "Boss, I want to see you 'bout a little business—heh heh-heh! One of my chillun died last night and I have to git a coffin—heh-heh-heh! Live you have to do for 'em, die you have to do for 'em,—heh-heh-heh!"

This actually happened.

Fortunately few of us have so marked a mannerism in speaking, but most of us have some personal peculiarity often entertaining or amusing to watch sometimes otherwise.

My husband always shuts both eyes tight when he phones; the family declare that I make gestures to it when I use it.

It is probable that in public speaking the mannerism of preachers are most noticed. Perhaps because they are heard by more persons than are the majority of men. I know one preacher who used constantly to jingle things in his trousers pocket when speaking in the pulpit; unless he became very much in earnest and began to "put on the rousements." Another preacher had a habit of pursing his lips and then twisting his mouth from side to side when he made a rhetorical pause.

Still another, in or out of the pulpit, had a way of taking a deep inhalation with a kind of loud snort that was at times startling, especially at the dining table.

A beloved pastor used to stand with his upper arms pressed close against his body, the forearms with the palms of the hands touching fingers apart. As he preached he would first press together his thumbs, next the forefingers and so on. And by the time his little fingers were together he had usually clinched the points of his argument.

I know a woman who, when much interested in conversation, will pull the lobe of her left ear with her right thumb and forefinger. Another has a habit of stretching her neck just as long as possible and swallowing.

Still another, far from young, used to have a most peculiar way of catching the crepe skin of her throat and pulling it out with one hand until it was on a line with her chin, then letting go. I would get so fascinated with the performance that it was hard to listen to what she was saying.

Only recently I heard a woman from another town declare that a splendid address had been marred for her because the speaker kept saying "and er" between sentences.

Of course we seldom are aware of our own mannerisms. However, I know that I have some because I sometimes catch myself in them. And when that is the case they are bound to be pretty much of a habit. And they probably worry others more than theirs worry me.

## Commencement At Campbell

Commencement at Campbell College will begin Sunday morning, May 26. The baccalaureate sermon will be preached at 11:30 by Dr. Oscar Haywood of New Bern.

Tuesday will be Society Day.

The address will be delivered on Wednesday, May 29, at 10:30 by Ambassador Josephus Daniels who spoke at Buie's Creek Academy on a similar occasion 46 years ago.

At the alumni banquet on Wednesday, Atty. W. Archie Dees of Goldsboro will speak.

On Wednesday evening "Robin Hood" will be presented by the Dramatic Club on the Paul Green theatre.

Miss Wilma Phillips, Zebulon, will contest in extemporaneous speaking on Society Day with a number of other students.

## VOCAL UNION

Don't forget the Vocal Union to be held at Wakelon the afternoon of the first Sunday in June. If you care for singing, you can't afford to miss this. The following choirs have registered to take part on the program:

Hales Chapel, Lees Chapel, Hopkins Chapel, Wake Choir, N B L K Choir, Nash Choir, Middlesex Juniors, Union Hope, Brown Home Choir, Rocky Mount Free Will Choir, Moseley Sisters, Bethlehem Choir (Franklin County), Macedonia, Corinth Choir.

Any others desiring to take part are asked to write Arthur Lewis, Zebulon, R.-1, or the Zebulon Record.

## Church Notes

The Circle of the Methodist Church will meet next Monday at 4:00 p. m. in the home of Mrs. Foster Finch. Mrs. A. R. House will direct the program.

The Northside Circle of the Baptist W. M. S. meets next Monday in the home of Mrs. R. H. Herring at 3:30 p. m.

## WAKEFIELD

A Memorial Service will be held at Wakefield Church Sunday. It is desired that the cemetery be cleaned before that time if possible. Those who can do so are asked to bring flowers.

## HEPHZIBAH

The Baptist Training Union of the Hephzibah Baptist church will hold its annual training school next week. Classes will be held each evening, beginning Monday evening and extending through Friday evening, from 7:30 to 9:15 with a twenty minute intermission for special features.

## Announcement

Next Tuesday afternoon, May 28, at three-thirty o'clock is the date and time for the final general meeting for the spring of the Woman's Club of Zebulon. All members are urged to be present. Mrs. Raymond Pippin, Pres.



HON. JOSEPHUS DANIELS  
UNITED STATES AMBASSADOR  
TO MEXICO, WHO WILL DELIVER  
THE LITERARY ADDRESS AT CAMPBELL  
AND WAKE FOREST COLLEGES NEXT  
WEEK

## Club News

### DEPARTMENT MEETING

The last meeting for the spring of the Department of Literature of the Woman's Club was held on Tuesday night. Besides the members present their husbands, Rotarians and their wives were invited guests.

An address by Supt. E. H. Moser was the main feature of the program. Mr. Moser made a splendid talk on the fundamentals of character building and not one of his hearers failed to be impressed by his earnestness. Two piano solos by Miss Eunice Outlaw and a reading, "Rosa", in Italian dialect by Mrs. C. E. Flowers were enjoyed after the address.

During a social hour refreshments were served and Miss Fannie Belle Bray at the piano furnished further entertainment with music.

### ANNOUNCEMENT

All members of the Woman's Club having in their possession books borrowed from the lot furnished for reading and study during the club year are requested to return them at once, as they must be forwarded to Chapel Hill at an early date.

Mrs. F. E. Bunn,  
Dept. of Literature.

### CLUB MEETING

The Home Demonstration Club met at Wakefield on Wednesday p. m. Mrs. McInness gave a demonstration of making scalloped fish and tartar sauce. Reports were made as to repairs and improvements made in homes of members during the past year.

Special emphasis was laid upon the importance of attending the district meeting of clubs at Mt. Vernon-Goodwin school near Raleigh on Wednesday, May 29, beginning at 10:00 a. m. Members who can go will please notify Mrs. Starkey Hoyle or Mrs. Mahlon Temple.

Dozens of persons have lost their lives in a heavy storm which ravaged large parts of Texas during the past week. Torrential rains, hail storms, electrical display have all taken their toll of human life.

## Local Young Men Badly Shot (At)

Douglas Finch and Claude Winstead were out driving with some lady friends last Friday evening in the Countyline community when two men at the roadside shot at them. Two guns were used—one loaded with buckshot and the other with smaller shot. The buckshot made a great many deep dents in the left side of the car and the smaller shots peppered the left headlight and hood of the car.

The men were colored or blacked it is said. It is supposed to have been a case of mistaken identity and that the shooters were gunning for someone else. It is thought that whiskey was at the bottom of the trouble, one bootleg crowd after another. One shot hit the glass of the car. It was a narrow escape, and if the car had been going a little slower or faster, someone would likely have been killed.

## In Storm's Wake

No one account—nor two—can contain all that the storm of last week did; but below will be found a few more incidents of interest.

The porch of the house on the Howard Massey farm, occupied by Tommie Williams and family, was blown away. Mrs. Williams was in bed with a new baby, born Monday, when one of the children ran in to tell that a large tree in the yard had been blown down. Just as he told of this disaster the porch was carried off.

The roof of the house occupied by the Hunter Bells, also the property of the Howard Masseys, was so badly damaged by hail that a new roof is thought to be a necessity.

Also connected with the storm was Avon Privette's losing the large diamond from his ring as he walked over his tobacco fields estimating damage done by the hail and wind. Long searching failed to reveal the diamond and Mr. Privette was trying to reconcile himself to its loss when it was brought to him late that afternoon by a small boy who had found it. The child had stopped dropping tobacco plants and had tracked Privette's steps by the footprints, finding the gem where its owner had entered his car. The rays of the sun stuck it and the glitter disclosed it to the child, who was given a most liberal reward in cash and in addition some ice cream. An onlooker remarked that the child seemed to appreciate the ice cream more than the hundred dollars in bills, which he nonchalantly crammed into the pockets of his overalls. He is a son of Ballard Hocutt, a tenant on the farm.

## Car Collision

What was very nearly a serious wreck occurred last Friday night just outside Zebulon on the Raleigh highway. Geo. Broughton started to turn into a side road leading to a tenant's home when Ted Pippin was passing. Both cars were damaged considerably, it is said, but neither occupant was hurt.

## Tom Thumb Wedding Delights All

The Tom Thumb Wedding at Wakelon last Friday night afforded genuine pleasure to all who attended. For a complete list of good actors see the names given in last week's paper; it would be unfair to mention one without speaking of all.

Young gentlemen acting as ushers hurried down aisles to step sedately back conducting lovely ladies to seats. Coattails of dress suits flapped with haste or drooped decorously as the wearers paused. Long evening dresses and corsages made tiny girls look surprisingly grownup, while the ones dressed as grandmothers were a joy to behold. Ringbearers in white satin and trainbearers dressed in pink did their parts a sthe spirit moved them.

Bridesmaids with big bouquets kept pace with music as well as older ones. Soloists and dancers added to the evening's entertainment. The minister was as solemn as life, the two bridal couples as composed as could be expected.

Every feature of the program was enjoyed whether it was meant to be carried out as it was or whether the young folks substituted or improvised. And after all, it is hard to improve upon spontaneous conduct of well-behaved children when it comes to amusing their elders, who even had a good time watching the youngsters eat the ice cream that was served them after the "ceremony".

## News Items Lost

We are very sorry that in some way the news from Union Chapel and Pleasant Hill was misplaced in the office and could not be found. Both writers told of disaster wrought by the storm of last week and were of interest to all our readers. We offer apologies to them as well as to Mrs. T. Y. Puryear and Mrs. G. B. Hodge, our correspondents.

## Pres.' Veto Holds

Washington, May 23—By a vote of 54 to 40 the Senate sustained the President's veto of the Soldier's Bonus Bill. The bonus measure is dead unless a new bill is offered or it is tacked on to some other important bill. Senator Reynolds voted against sustaining the President's veto while Senator Bailey stuck by the President.

## Ford Pays \$6 Per

Detroit, May 21—The Ford Motor Company announced today the restoration of the \$6 a day minimum for all employees. All employees working at the previous \$5 a minimum have been advanced to the \$6 standard. The new scales go into effect at all Ford Company plants and affect 126,000 workers, 81,000 of them in Detroit. It is estimated that the cost of the increase will be \$2,000,000 a month.