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THIS, THAT AND THE OTHER

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The sight of a woman with her mouth held carefully just so in order not to disturb the lipstick she has more or less artistically applied always makes me feel so uncomfortable I have to twist my lips into all sorts of shapes before feeling right again.

Is anybody else as careless as I about staking dahlias? I know good and well that the stakes should be put into the ground by the tubers as they are planted; but, always hoping not to be quite so rushed for time a little later I plant and don't stake. Then, when the first shoots come they look stiff and strong enough to stand up for themselves. It usually goes like that until they grow tall and a storm comes and blows them every way, breaking some of the best ones. Right afterwards I hurry out to salvage the remains.

Which explains why I was out so early last Thursday morning, like the graves of the Blue and the Gray, "wet with the rain and the dew", but hard at work driving stakes and tying up dahlias.

Be sure to stake yours before they get tall. But you probably do anyway. I just can't help giving advice.

We were out under the holly tree eating watermelon when something dropped into my lap, then jumped quickly to my neck. I screeched until one of the boys picked off the thing that had startled me—and also them. It was a praying mantis nearly 4 inches long and a queerer insect is hard to find in these parts. They look as if holding up their hands in an agony of supplication while the head moves slowly from side to side. One really doesn't feel much like laughing at them unless it is remembered that they are actually waiting for some other insect to come along and serve as food. The female is one of those over-affectionate wives who devour their husbands. Seems she ought to be praying for forgiveness.

Without boasting unduly I'd like to go on record as having done one good deed last week—or part of one. The youngest son helped. We were distressed because insects bothered the cows and realized the lack of bushes in the little pasture made it much harder for the animals to rid themselves of their torturers.

We got some burlap sacks, ripped them open and fastened them on a bar which extended from the top of a post to a corner of the barn at a height of about six feet. We nailed the sacks to the bar by one edge, letting the entire length hang down and using four.

And we had hardly driven the last small nail when both our cow and the little Weathers one began walking through that place, one right after the other. They kept it up for some time almost like a merry-go-round. They'd even stop and wrap their faces up in those sacks. We're ashamed of not having thought of it before.

Church Column

Since the regular meeting of the Baptist W. M. S. was held in conjunction with the neighboring societies on Monday of last week, and since the program from Royal Service for this month has not been studied, Mrs. Herring, president of the general organization, suggests that the mission study lessons be replaced at the circle meetings by the division of study as outlined for August in Royal Service.

Announcement has been made the the Children's Department of the Methodist Sunday School will be re-opened on next Sunday morning. All former pupils are requested to return and new ones are invited to join.

Pastor Read announced last Sunday plans for for a union revival meeting in which the Methodist Church of Zebulon and the Baptist churches of Wakefield and Zebulon will co-operate. Definite arrangements for the services had not been made nor had an exact date been decided upon. Notice of these will be given in later issues of this paper.

The Methodist W. M. S. of Zebulon and the Baptist Societies of both Wendell and Zebulon, the Christian Church at Wendell and Hephzibah Baptist Church were invited to be guests of the Methodist Society of Wendell on last Monday afternoon to hear Rev. Doan Stott, returned missionary and former citizen of Wendell. Mr. Stott spoke on his work in Japan and added interest was given to the program by Mrs. Stott, who spoke on the manners and customs of the country, illustrating her talk with miniature models of houses etc, and with curios.

Scout Jamboree Called Off by Pres.

President Roosevelt, after discussion with public health officers and many scout leaders issued Friday their combined decision that while the prevalence of infantile paralysis is not unduly alarming, it has been decided to be for the best interest of the scouts and all concerned to cancel the Jamboree. Some 30 000 boys will be greatly disappointed and partly to assuage their regrets plans are being made in Eastern Carolina for some sort of supplementary program of scout entertainment. Only one scout was to have attended from Spring Hope.

Monkey Freezing Said to be Faked

Dr. Ralph Willard, Russian-born chemist, startled the world last week by announcing that he had cured a monkey of tuberculosis by freezing it to death and then bringing it back to life. He said he could do the same thing for a human being.

However, Dr. Fishbein, editor of the Journal of the American Medical Society says the whole thing was a fake and that no new method was used on the monkey.

Club News

ANNOUNCEMENT

Mrs. S. H. Hoyle president of the Home Demonstration Club, states that the pressure cooker for use by club members is at her house now and can be obtained by those desiring it. When first called for it was in the Raleigh office and Mrs. Hoyle fears that members do not know it is available.

WPA Announces Its State Officers

The Works Progress Administration has established headquarters for North Carolina in Raleigh with eight district offices, directors and assistant directors for them. Nash, Wilson, Franklin and several other counties are listed in District No. 3 with home office at Raleigh. District Director is Phillip R. Whitley of Wendell, Assistant District Director is A. E. Perry of Raleigh. All projects are done by 90 per cent relief roll workers and must originate through the District office. All relief cases desiring work on Works Progress Administration projects must register with the State Employment in order that they may be classified and certification made.

Relief Workers Strike in N. Y.

Several hundred workers on relief projects in New York City went on strike last week, demanding the union wage scale. However, non-union labor did not follow them; the government folks said that there would be no relief for those who did not work, and that plenty of workers were eager for the jobs. So the strikers went back to their work.

Huey Long Says He Will Be a Candidate

Huey Long, the fire-eating senator and big boss of Louisiana, has tentatively announced his candidacy for president next year on a "share-the-wealth" platform. He is one of the principal opponents of President Roosevelt's New Deal program.

Congress May Quit About September 1

Indications now are that Congress may adjourn around the first of September. Much is yet to be done, but the members want to go home and will probably speed-up action. Several of the President's "must" bills will not be reached.

Death From Wager

Thomas Oddie, white man of Salisbury employed at Mt. Gilead, made a wager one day last week that he could drink a quart of liquor in thirty minutes. He won the wager by drinking the liquor in 27 minutes, but lost his life, dying from the effects a little more than six hours later.

Tax Rate To Be Settled on Today

The Wake County commissioners are scheduled to meet today to fix the tax rate for this year. Several of the members were expected to return last night from the state convention at Wrightsville.

Indications are that the county-wide rate will be fixed at 75 cents, a reduction of ten cents under last year. The Raleigh Township special tax may be reduced as much as 15 cents, bringing it down to 20. The city also promises some reduction in rate, probably making the new rate \$1.40—a cut of 10 cents.

If those figures prevail there will be a noticeable cut in the tax bill this year. Raleigh citizens still will pay \$2.35 total on every \$100 listed for taxes.

Says Bailey Runs WPA Patronage

Congressman Hancock of the 5th district has taken his grievance on WPA patronage to the newspapers. Mr. Hancock says that so far as North Carolina is concerned, WPA is run for the political benefit of Senator Bailey. Other members of the N. C. delegation are said to be of the same opinion. With all the jobs, there just aren't enough to go round. Senator Bailey has previously stated that there was no politics in WPA in this state.

King Selassie Is Ready to Fight

Emperor Haile Selassie of Ethiopia says he is ready to fight for the protection of his kingdom if Italy invades it. He will personally lead his army. Mussolini has also indicated that he will be on the firing line in the event of war.

Meantime a "battle" between Negroes and Italians was fought in New Jersey last week. A dozen or more of the leaders were arrested. The trouble grew out of an argument about the fighting abilities of Joe Louis Negro heavyweight boxer, and the Italian boxer, Carnero.

County Fathers At Wrightsville

The state association of County Commissioners is meeting this week at Wrightsville. Among the interesting questions discussed is the liquor situation and the probability of the State trying to take control and profits away from the counties.

Labor Opposes All Sales Taxes

The executive council of the American Federation of Labor proposes a concerted war on all sorts of sales taxes by organized labor. President Green says the sales tax is a levy on the poor. Meantime, sentiment in Washington for half-cent coins to make sales tax payments easier gains strength.

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NEWS of the WEEK

WESTOVER HEADS AIR CORPS

Washington, D. C. - Last June, the House Military Affairs Committee demanded Major General Benjamin D. Foulois' instant removal as Chief of the Army Air Corps. It claimed he bought airplanes by special contract and not from the lowest bidder. This June a board cleared him. Now General Foulois at 55 permanently retires from active service. Secretary of War Dern replaces him with Active Chief Brigadier General Oscar Westover, 52. Though thoroughly trained, General Westover has had only 17 years in the air army.

LUSITANIA TO BE SALVAGED

Kinsale, Ireland.—About 8 1-2 miles off Old Head of Kinsale, Capt. Henry Dell of the Ophir marked a spot to be the center of a square 3-5 of a mile on each side, which he will comb thoroughly for the gold laden hulk of the Lusitania, sunk by German torpedoes in 1915. A sonic depth-finder gives a constant profile of the ocean's floor in the chart room of the Ophir. When and if the Lusitania is found Chief Diver Jim Jarrett will descend in a 3,360 pound steel suit to start the hazardous business of cutting and blasting a path to the purser's office. If he follows the custom of many divers, he will shake the hand of the first corpse he sees before starting work.

FOUR-BLOW KNOCKOUT

Chicago, Illinois.—Joe Louis, 21-year-old, straight-living, colored youth made his entire camp promise to go on the water wagon for six months if he knocked out King Levinsky in the first round. For the first minute of the fight Louis followed Levinsky steadily around the ring. Then the "Brown Bomber" unleashed four blows which floored Levinsky three times, and awarded him a technical knockout in the first round. For his 2-minute 21-second defeat, Levinsky received \$31,972.20; Louis \$47,688.91.

HOUSEWIVES REBEL

Detroit, Michigan - For every 10 meat animals on farms and ranches in 1934, there are only 8 this year. From June, 1933 to June in 1935 meat prices jumped 54 per cent. Detroit housewives grumbled long enough. Then 1,500 of them met, formed the Women's League Against the High Cost of Living, and refused to buy meat. 400 of the town's butchers had to shut up shop. Packers and dealers squawked. They blamed high prices on the drought of last summer and the AAA's hog-killing program. The Women's League, headed by Mrs. Mary Zuk, still refused to pay the prices "that are unjustified."

THE POT SIMMERS

Rome, Italy—The fair sex enters

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