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THIS, THAT AND THE OTHER

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When others bewail the loss of things and customs that belonged to the dear dead days beyond recall I always want to put in at least one small private and personal lament for the good, well fitting, mercerized lisle hose we used to be able to buy and which if asked for now cause the salesman — or saleswoman — to look uneasily to see whether an attendant is near in case one becomes violent.

Nothing I do seems to me quite so foolish, not to say foolhardy, as putting on heavier clothing because of bitter cold weather, wrapping myself in a warm coat with a muffler about my throat, and then leaving exposed inches and inches of lower limbs (I was brought up not to say legs unless it was absolutely necessary) with only thin silk hose to protect them from the icy air. But what can I do?

I went in Kemp's Store last week and asked for the heaviest service weight hose they had. And I asked why I couldn't find some like I had bought there years ago at 50 cents a pair — lisle ones. Mr. Watson showed me the best thing they can get now in that line — and they're no kin in the world to what I want. They'd fit about like overalls and would ruin the looks of any outfit that included them. And they get fuzzy after being washed a few times. The chickens and the cow don't mind how one's ankles look, so that's where I wear the "neat, durable cotton hose" we are now offered. But even my years and experience are not enough to persuade me to go forth on Sunday's clad in them. If I freeze, let it be fashionably.

I'm thinking of writing Mr. Sears Roebuck to knit me some lisle stockings that will fit.

If there's a woman in this section who has had no trouble with the family laundry recently she must be either mighty rich or mighty careless about her house-keeping. We ordinary mortals have had our trials. No use trying to hang wet clothes in a basement; they'd hang there all week wet and cold. No use leaving them on the line; they'd get wet again before drying enough to iron. No use trying to iron them dry; they'd make such a steam you couldn't see what you were doing.

The only possible solution was to hang garments on chairs all around the stoves and fireplaces wherever a fire was going, and spend as much time as could be spared turning them so that the wettest spots might have the benefit of being tried to keep the fit of the heat. The rest of the other members of the family from upsetting the laden chairs — this happened frequently in spite of all you could do so that some of the "clean" clothes looked curiously spotty when put on again.

And most probably the family in some vague, unaccountable way,

Club News

The general meeting of the woman's Club will be held on next Tuesday p.m. beginning at 8:30. The program will be on Welfare and will be directed by Mrs. R. H. Herring, chairman of this department. Members are asked to arrive on time.

P.T.A.

The January meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association was held on Tuesday night with Atty. Irby Gill, v. p., presiding. The attendance was unusually good.

It was stated that more than \$20.00 worth of Christmas Seals had been sold by pupils, 75 per cent of this amount being kept for local use. Other committees made encouraging reports.

In stressing the goals set for the year it was stated that one is every member to take some part in the study course as outlined for the year. So far only about one-sixth of the members have done this.

Also of interest was the announcement that all pupils are being taught the importance of obeying traffic rules and of their responsibility for highway safety.

After the business session the faculty staged a performance that won enthusiastic applause. With Mrs. Wallace Temple as teacher and all others as pupils a school scene, realistic, if not ideal, was presented. Various numbers were given by individuals and groups, climaxing in a debate on the query: Resolved: 'T were better to have loved and lost than never to have loved at all. In this Supt. Moser, Prof. Gerow and Mrs. Wallace Chamblee upheld the affirmative; Misses Alston and Webb and Mrs. Page supporting the negative. Gauged by audience applause the negative seemed to have won by a few hands.

The concensus of opinion was that this was one of the most amusing programs ever given at a P. T. A. meeting.

A.&N.C. Railroad Is Losing Money

Mr. Crowell, executive vice president and manager of the A. & N. C. railroad, in his first monthly report, shows that the road lost over \$6,000 in operating expenses. The deficit under the new management is actually about \$11,000, but \$5,000 of that was incurred in getting the new set-up installed

held you responsible for the weather. There was mild reproach in their tones as they asked about a change of wearing apparel. It was: "Don't I have a SINGLE clean shirt?" or: "Mother, I have looked and looked and I can't find a clean pair of my part-wool socks", or: "Good gracious! Where ARE the towels?"

And if ever you lost patience, they'd say in injured tones: "Well, I just ASKED you. No use snapping at me."

Heaven may temper the wind to the shorn lamb, but it hasn't done much lately for the country house-keeper.

PUBLIC CHARACTER

Many and varied walks of life are represented in these sketches; but, so far as we know the subject for this week is the only one of his profession among us. There are few of our readers to whom he needs any introduction. We are glad to present.

Name — Pittman Stell.

Native of — Wake County — Born ten miles west of Zebulon.

Domestic Status — Married Miss Florence Pippin in Dec. 1891. Has one son, four daughters.

Church Affiliation — Baptist. Has served as deacon and taught S. S. Classes for years.

Profession — Surveyor. Has Been in this Profession — Forty years. Also taught school in Wake County 11 years.

Came to Zebulon from Wakefield in 1918.

Corner Stone Laid At Wakelon Gym

At 10:30 Monday morning the corner stone of Wakelon gymnasium was laid. The pupils of the entire school assembled to the music of the high school band, and an interesting program was given. The school, led by the band, sang "America," and a number of speeches followed.

Eunice Outlaw spoke of the Value of the Gymnasium to the Wake- lon Girls. She pointed out that the gym will mean a desirable place to play basketball and indoor sports; and that at last they will have a place to practice and to combat other schools. A speech entitled The Benefits the Boys Will Receive was made by Richard Hoyle. That the building will furnish a place for boxing, wrestling, indoor baseball, volleyball, and football workouts were the main points brought out by him. James Alford next spoke on the Value of a Gymnasium to a Community, and he suggested such benefits as a place for banquets, as an exhibit hall in case of a real community fair and for such public gatherings as club meetings and dances. Mr. Moser then expressed his appreciation of the interest of the community in making possible this building from which will be derived cultural and physical benefits.

Innie Perry, president of the Senior class, concluded the ceremonies by placing the brick which will be marked. She dedicated the building in the name of the Senior Class of 1936 to the pupils now in school and to those who will follow in generations to come. She expressed appreciation to Mr. Phillip Whitley and Mr. Hugh Richardson the WPA authorities who used their influence in making possible the gymnasium, and to the County Board of Education for their willingness and cooperation, to the local board for their untiring efforts, to the people in general for their interest and to Mr. Moser, the faithful friend of the school, she expressed heartiest congratulations and thanks.

On the same day earthquake shocks were felt in Montana, but no damage was reported.

FEELINGS NOT FIGURES

General News Briefly Told

Taxed \$26

Figures made public by the Bureau of Internal Revenue show that during 1935 taxes paid into the Treasury amounted to an average of \$26 for every man, woman and child in the country. This was an increase of six dollars apiece over the year before. The collection of this enormous sum — more than \$3,000,000,000 — cost the government \$1.54 on the hundred dollars.

Of commodities taxed tobacco paid the largest amount, and of the total paid on tobacco that on cigarettes was 84 cents of every tax dollar.

Ford Gains

The Ford Motor Co. has announced that for 1935 its world production made a gain of 56 per cent over 1934. This includes the entire output. In the United States and Canada the per cent of gain for last year over 1934 was 77 per cent and meant that 1,272,885 automobiles and trucks were manufactured.

Merchant Killed

On last Saturday night W. F. Jones, elderly store-keeper of Eagle Rock, was called to the door of his store by a negro who made some purchase and then attempted robbery, shooting Mr. Jones who died from the wound.

Nathaniel Gooch has been charged by the crime and two other negroes Booker T. and Frank Goodson, have also been arrested. The Goodsons claim to have good alibis and evidence points to Gooch it has been stated.

The dead man at one time operated a store in Zebulon near the oil mill. He was unmarried and no one knows of relatives. He is said to have stated shortly before his death that there was no one who should be notified of his condition. This same statement was made on another occasion when he was hurt and was asked by a doctor whom to call. He told before death where money could be found to pay for his burial and directed that contents of his store should be sold and any amount left after paying his expenses should be given to the needy in Eagle Rock.

Fair Leased

Norman Chambliss of Rocky Mt. and George Hamid of New York have leased the State Fair for five years. A shorter period of time would not have justified their making the changes and improvements which they are said to be planning and which will make the Fair outstanding from various points of interest.

While some will contend that a fair thus managed is not really a State Fair, others hold that it is much better to lease the project and thus be assured of a certain rental as well as a carefully arranged program.

Chevrolet sales for December in used cars totalled 122,301, and the sales for January are already on the way for a new high record.

Roger W. Babson before New York Sales Executives Club.)

All statistics indicate that business is getting better and should soon be back to normal . . . Therefore as we are emerging from the business depression, it is up to us NOW to tackle this more fundamental problem of raising the standard of living. This is a spiritual, rather than a political or economic problem. . . . Gambling is more rampant in this country today than ever before. . . . The liquor business and all forms of questionable amusements have been booming as never before. . . . This activity, however, has done nothing to improve the standard of living, but rather, has tended to reduce the standard of living.

Money which should have been spent for food, clothing, education and culture, has been used for gambling, liquor, night clubs and the like. I am not preaching a sermon! I simply am emphasizing that we can have apparent business prosperity and at the same time a declining standard of living. This standard is determined by the Desires of people, which in turn are determined by their spiritual attitudes. . . . Do people want education or do they want amusement? Do they want to work or do they prefer to gamble? Had they rather buy clothing or buy beer? . . . questions of fundamental importance to sales executives, yet the answers lie wholly in spiritual conditions. . . . Only a spiritual awakening on the part of both employers and wage-earners will truly solve the unemployment problem. . . . Tell me what people want and I will tell you where they are going. Tell me whether employers pray, and I will tell you what they will accomplish. . . . Unemployment will disappear when a new generation comes along imbued with a spiritual creative desire to accomplish things and to be of service.

"Baby Bonds" To Finance Bonus

Dispatches from Washington say that the senate committee has agreed upon a bonus bill to take the place of the one passed by the house of representatives last week. The house bill made no provision for raising the money to pay the bonus. It is understood that the senate bill proposes to issue bonds in denominations of \$25.00 and multiples thereof which will be offered to the public in the near future.

Tobacco markets re-opened after the Christmas holidays on Monday. Prices paid were perhaps slightly above prevailing prices in December—which averaged about 17 cts. a pound. There is still a good deal of tobacco in the country.

The Fuquay Springs market set ten million pounds as its goal last fall. Monday's sales brought the total close to that figure. It now appears that the goal will be exceeded within the next week or ten days. The Fuquay market has also maintained its reputation for paying the highest prices in the belt.