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This, That And The Other

Perhaps among all the complications of human living none is more frequently nor more forcibly emphasized than that of "in-laws"—with the possible exception of step-parents, especially step-mothers.

An oft-repeated couplet declares that—

"A son is a son until he gets him a wife;
A daughter's a daughter all the days of her life".

Dr. Sledd honored and beloved poet-professor at Wake Forest College, numbers as one of his most popular productions a mournful poem in which a melancholy mother deplores her son's marriage and declares that she could rejoice in a daughter had she not lost a son. She laments the fact that "the wife will claim her own" and goes on to relate sadly that when her son greeted her that night he called her "simply mother".

The concluding wail is that this bitter loss "is what all mothers have known", and asks if she may not weep. It seems that she did.

I am not denying that in many instances there is too much truth in the picture Dr. Sledd used words to paint; but in justice to another side of the matter I desire to offer a few lines of plain prose.

Not all wives of sons cause them to care less for their mothers. Not every gain of a daughter costs the loss of a son. There are brides whose entrance into the husband's family draws firmer the ties between him and his mother; whose sweet courtesy and affectionate consideration set for him an even higher standard of behavior than had been his before; who as the months and years pass make for themselves such fixed places in the hearts of mothers-in-law that it becomes mother-in-love.

Why need one weep for "the old sweet names of endearment," which the son in the poem transfers to the bride? What rational mother of a grown man wouldn't feel at least a little foolish at being called the names he calls his new wife? One wonders if a shade of jealousy does not color the sentiments of the tearful lady.

In any normal situation it would seem preferable for the mother to remember that "for this cause shall a man leave father and mother and cleave unto his wife; and they twain shall be one flesh"—which the mother and son cannot be. Let her rejoice that he has become a man and has put away the childish thing of dependence upon her for his progress and his happiness.

In this way she can enjoy the love of two instead of one; can feel a glow of pride as she watches her son take on added responsibilities and measure up to them; can know the joy of a fuller understanding of this being who owes his life to her, yet never was hers alone, as he is interpreted by her daily reading of his life with the woman he has chosen.

Behold, I show you a mystery: A

Hen Contest Closes May 1

WHY NOT WIN \$25.00?

SIX more days yet before the contest closes. Some one will win the Record's big prize for largest hens. Why not let it be you? You still have a chance to win, for the largest hen entered weighed two and a half pounds less than hens sold on the local market. In fact one man had a hen that weighed more than any brought which died the night before he planned to bring her. By waiting a day he probably lost \$25.00 or at least \$10.00.

Don't wait! Bring your hen to one of the stores near you which is receiving and weighing the hens for the Record. You will get a receipt for your hen and a full year's subscription to this newspaper.

We are sending 2,500 copies of the RECORD to as many families this week through the schools. Some boy or girl may win one of the big prizes \$25.00, \$10.00 or \$5.00. Boys and girls, bring a hen right away. Don't wait. You may win \$25.00 but you will certainly get more than value in an eight-page weekly newspaper with a 12-page monthly photographic supplement that is worth the price of the ZEBULON RECORD.

You can pay old or new subscriptions with any sort or size hen. After May 1 the price of the RECORD will be \$1.00 a year, cash in advance. Bring your hen to one of the following stores right away and win one of our cash prizes. You will get the RECORD FREE till May if you act at once. Catch that old hen and bring her on now.

Here are the stores to which you may carry your hen:—

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| Bailey—Baker | Harris School—Hagwood's |
| Bethany Community—Robertson | Fowlers Bridge—Perry's |
| Broadway Community—Allen | Pearces—Perry |
| Bunn—Weathers | Pilot—Stallings |
| Corinth—Holder—O'Neal | Pine Ridge—Mullins |
| Eagle Rock—Martin | Rileys—Johnsons |
| Hopkins X Roads—Bunn | Riley Hill—Weathers |
| Knightdale—Doub | Rolesville—H. E. Perry |
| Middlesex—Bunn & Co. | Samaria—Morgan & Frazier |
| Mitchells Mill—Perry & Son | Union Hope—W. E. Brantley |
| Mt. Pleasant—Brannon & Son | Wake X Roads—Jones |
| Murraytown—Murray's | Wendell—Marshbourn's |
| New Hope—Stallings | Wilder's Grove—Wilder |
| Rocky Cross—R. C. Supply Co. | Wakefield—Joyner's |

CLUB COLUMN

MEETING POSTPONED

Because of the illness of Miss Campen, director of the program, there was no meeting of the Woman's Club this week. The regular business will be transacted at the meeting of the Department of Literature next week, when all members are asked to attend.

DISTRICT MEETING

Federated Home Demonstration Clubs of the 8th district will hold their annual meeting in Durham in the Home Demonstration Room at the Farmers Mutual Exchange Building. The program begins at 10:00 A. M. and will close by 1:00 P. M. Those attending are asked to take lunch with them to be served during the social hour following adjournment.

Drowsiness shall clothe a man with rags.—Bible.

Beauty is its own excuse for being.

girl may "come between" a son and his mother and hold them more closely together than if she were not there. And this thing I know to be true.

PUBLIC CHARACTER

The subject of this week's sketch is another of the "native sons" who feel there's no place like home for living or for business. He served in the U. S. Army during a part of 1918 and 1919. Operated a dairy from 1919 till 1924.

Name—Merritt L. Massey.
Native of—Wakefield, Wake County.

Domestic Status—Married
John Thomas O'Dear Aug. 22, 1925. Has two daughters.

Church Affiliation—Baptist.
Business—Building Material.
Has been in this business—12 years.

..Came to Zebulon in—1916 as postoffice Clerk.

Farm Wages

The Bureau of Agricultural Economics at Washington reports that on April 1 farm wages were higher than at any time for that date since 1931. The average wage for the country as a whole is \$30.87 per month without board, or \$1.43 per day without board, which makes a difference of about 30c a day when included in the wage. Wages are the highest in the Pacific states and lowest in the South Central States of the east.

Farmers in Raleigh

Farmers in numbers estimated at 6,000 went to Raleigh on Tuesday to ask that Gov. Ehringhaus call a special session of the State Legislature to enact laws for tobacco control. Headed by J. E. Winslow of Greenville, president of the State Farm Bureau Federation, the farmers met in State College Stadium, from which place speeches were broadcast. The governor spoke at length, making it plain that he distrusts such legislation as enacted by neighboring states and that he will not call such a session in N. C. without great pressure being brought to bear. Several members of the Council of State expressed themselves as being ready to vote for the special session at any minute.

Suicide Rate

Statistics show that there are fewer suicides according to population in Ireland than anywhere else. That country has a suicide rate of only 28 per million annually. Austria has the highest rate, since there every year 3445 persons to the million kill themselves. The United States occupies middle ground as to rate of suicides.

SEEN & HEARD

NEW HOES

Talk about styles in clothes! This year's style in farming tools and equipment put changes in garments to shame. At some of Zebulon's stores you may find the very newest in hoes—a sort of safety razor type to be used in scraping yards or rows of vegetables, and too light to be a burden to the women of the family. We are wondering if the man who invented them is not trying to make hoeing attractive to the female of the species.

If you are among the number who have been somewhat puzzled as to the classification of the dog recently seen with Mr. L. T. Farmer of the Record force, you may like to know that it is a Chow Chow, being of the kind bred for centuries in China for food. They are heavy set, with coats that resemble wool. And this wool grows toward the head instead of back as with other breeds. They also have black tongues and the inner membrane of the mouth is black. They make an admirable appearance, but don't make the mistake of trying to pat one, unless he is very well acquainted with you.

Walking down to the shop on Tuesday morning we were surprised to see such an immense amount of traffic on the highway. And all cars seemed headed toward Raleigh. Regretting that we had not noticed whether a hearse led the procession, and also noting that the cars bore only state licenses, we paused to ask Mr. Price, at the chair shop on the corner, what it all meant. Of course it was a part of the rush to Raleigh to demand that the governor call an extra session of the legislature which so many feel will insure prosperity for the farmers. Our preoccupation with other things had made us forget the date.

"Well," we remarked. "Mr. Ehringhaus will probably not have to call very loudly, as from appearances the whole state will be there."

"Pshaw," said Mr. Price. "There won't be more'n a half a dozen or so of that crowd at the meetin'. The rest will be roaming 'round takin' in the city."

Traps

Have you seen those new-fashioned mouse and rat traps in Debnam's? You can bait them with no danger of catching your fingers and they are such new styles the rodents will not recognize them as the traps all mother mice teach their children to dread.

Weiner Roast

Mrs. J. G. Bunn's Sunday school class of Hopkins Chapel church will have a weiner roast at the H. K. Baker's pond on next Saturday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock. Every member is invited to be there.

FROST HURTS FRUIT

Frost on last Sunday did further damage to the fruit crop, though it is hoped that leaves were large enough to afford protection. Both dewberries and strawberries were also hurt.