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THIS, THAT, & THE OTHER MRS. THEO. B. DAVIS

Dr. Barbee read the riot act to me Monday morning. He said I have talked and written about Black Mexican corn until there is a real demand for it, gardeners standing around with mouths watering for ro's'nears, and no Black Mexican to be had. Philip Massey has ordered three times and hasn't yet had an order filled. And they all blame me. I'm as much disappointed as the rest. But there's still time to plant it. Let's keep trying to get the seed.

My youngest son wanted to know why all pictures of mothers used in the special Mother's Day ads showed such elderly ladies. He thought they looked more like grandmothers. I told him the popular idea may be that a young woman doesn't look motherly enough to be appealing. They want to make us appear old, and rather on the disconsolate side, so our relatives may be more easily induced to buy gifts for us.

Years ago my younger sister and I were playing one day when we found a clump of pokeweed, long sprays of ripe berries crowning it. We sat down after gathering a supply of the purple berries and stained first our toenails, then fancy borders around our feet. Next with renewed inspiration we made criss-cross lines over the tops of our feet and on up our legs to about where shoetops would have stopped. The effect delighted us and we strutted around until Mother called. She wanted to send us to see how Grandma was, a walk of nearly two miles. And for some reason she did not like the pokeberry decorations. What she said plainly described how silly we had been and looked. We felt she had spoken truly and did our best with homemade soap to remove the stains. Some came off, but some didn't, and we went consoling ourselves by thinking the red dust of the pathway would pretty well hide everything else by the time we reached Grandma's. We knew that coloring our toenails with pokeberries was foolish and childish.

Still it may be adult and sophisticated to use paint on one's toenails.

On Monday afternoon of last week I missed the train to Raleigh when I had meant to board it here. Our clock was slow, and so was I. And there was the train, puffing smoke casually as it left Zebulon while my husband and I were just leaving our yard. He yielded to my plea to hurry over to Wendell and got me there with a minute or two to wait.

Seating myself on the shady side of the coach, I began to wonder whether in my haste I had forgotten to bring the notes for the talk I was to try to make that night. I opened my traveling bag (to be entirely honest, it was my son's bag; I don't own one) and got out the Newberry edition of the Bible, which was supposed to have the notes stuck between its pages. To my intense relief they

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CHURCH NOTES

The W. M. S. of the Wakefield Baptist Church met on Monday afternoon, May 9th, with Mrs. D. S. Joyner. An interesting program was rendered on the topic: Japan—Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow.

Thirteen members were present and Mrs. Mary Kemp was a welcome visitor.

The next regular meeting will be held with Mrs. Richard Harris the second Monday in June. After the meeting adjourned the hostess served delicious refreshments.

Mesdames W. S. Cheaves, C. M. Rhodes, and Willis Strickland were hostesses to the members of the Fidelis Matrons class of the Baptist church on Tuesday night in the Cheaves home. After the business session, presided over by the president, Mrs. L. M. Massey, a social hour was enjoyed with games and a contest in which Mrs. V. T. Scroggins and Mrs. James Belvin were prize-winners. Delightful refreshments were served.

Rev. Ollin Owens of Wilson supplied the pulpit of the Baptist church here on last Sunday morning. Mr. Owens is a '38 graduate of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky. Pastor Herring was able to attend the service and to introduce the speaker, though still unable to preach.

Mr. and Mrs. Pittman Stell were elected delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention, meeting this week in Richmond.

The Northside Circle of the Baptist W. M. S. met on Monday p. m. with Mrs. Victoria Gill hostess and Mrs. R. R. Creech directing the program. The Central Circle met Monday night with Mrs. Philip Massey hostess and Mrs. Graham Conn in charge of the program.

Library Open During Summer

The Library, sponsored by the Woman's Club will be opened at the Club house Wednesday, May 18th. It will be open from 9 to 12 and from 3 to 6 daily except Saturday. I hope everybody will feel free to use his library and if the books you want are not available, you may leave your request and I'll try to get them for you.

MRS. ANDREW JONES.

Young Wendell Man Killed

On Tuesday afternoon at the Rolesville rock quarry a steam shovel fell on Glenwood Dorman, 26 year-old man of Wendell and crushed him to death. His wife and one child, father and mother survive. He was killed almost instantly.

PLYMOUTH ROCK GOES COMMUNIST

Plymouth, Mass.—For the second time in two years, Plymouth Rock, reputed landing place of the Pilgrims, has been smeared by vandals with brilliant red paint. All attempts by local authorities to locate the perpetrators have failed.

Recorder's Court

The last Recorder's Court was a long drawn out affair, lasting till it was too late for the clerk to go fishing or the judge to visit around. It was also too late to be published in the Record.

Oliver Brock and his beloved had some sort of difference that led to a small imitation of Japs and Chinks up and at it. It seems Oliver came out on top and so came to court charged with assault. He admitted the charge, prayed for deferred sentence till

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Prizes Awarded At Wakelon

Among the other interesting happenings at the Wakelon commencement exercises was the awarding of prizes for school excellences. Dorothy Mizelle won the medal given by Mrs. Barbee for that student excelling in music. In reading, Virginia Bridgers won the medal and Viola Hopkins received honorable mention. In the declamation contest it was a close race between Bobbie Alford and R. H. Brantley, Jr. Bobbie won.

Lillian Wells and Hilton Gay joined in forensic battle with Janette Massey and Cecil Alford. Taking the affirmative of the subject, Lillian and Hilton won the argument.

Lillian received the medal for the best debate.

Dr. Bryan's Address

Dr. D. B. Bryan, dean of Wake Forest College, delivered the address to a capacity audience. Dr. Bryan reviewed the progress and change of things generally and especially education. He spoke of the great difference today between our school system and a few years ago. The local school board has little to do with the responsibilities of running the schools, he said, but as a school board member, he confessed he liked it. He emphasized the opportunity given by the state to every child to obtain an education and also emphasized the development of character with mental training. The address was well received.

The Dinner.

The big community dinner spread under the trees on the school grounds has become an institution on commencement day. This year the crowd was larger and the dinner better, no doubt, than usual. In the afternoon the alumni covering a quarter of a century gathered in the auditorium to narrate and review the incidents and events of the passing years. A game of base ball was played between Wakelon and Millbrook schools, Millbrook being the winner.

The Play.

Commencement closed with the Senior Play at night. The play, entitled "Aunt Cindy Cleans Up" was given by ten or twelve seniors. Those attending say that the play was well acted and very amusing.

The End.

The past year added another to the many successful years of Wakelon High School. On Thursday most of the teachers living away from Zebulon went home, the boys and girls began tasks at home and on the farm, while Mr. Moser began thinking and planning for another year's work.

CLUB COLUMN

The Woman's Club will hold the May meeting on next Tuesday afternoon, May 17, with Mrs. Theo. Davis directing a program on poetry. Mesdames R. H. Bridgers and M. T. Debnam will be hostesses.

PRIZE WINNERS IN FLOWER SHOW

Roses:

Mesdames T. B. Davis, F. D. Finch, Fannie Jones, C. V. Whitley, C. G. Weathersby, Jethro Stell, C. E. Flowers.

Iris:

Mesdames W. C. Campen, C. G. Weathersby, C. E. Flowers.

Peonies:

Mesdames A. G. Ray, and Billy Chamblee.

Pansies:

Mrs. J. K. Barrow.

Poppies:

Mrs. Fannie Jones.

Annuals:

Mrs. F. H. McGuire.

Perennials:

Mrs. W. C. Campen.

Scotch Broom:

Mrs. A. A. Pippin.

Daisies:

Mrs. C. E. Flowers.

Syringa:

Mrs. Jethro Stell.

Dianthus, pink:

Mrs. F. D. Finch.

Verbena:

Mrs. Stell.

Miniature Arrangement:

Mrs. C. E. Flowers.

Bubble Bowl:

Mrs. C. E. Flowers.

Arrangement in White:

Mrs. C. V. Whitley.

Fernery:

Mrs. C. G. Weathersby.

Tables:

Mesdames E. C. Daniels, F. D. Finch.

Outdoor Living Room:

Mesdames W. C. Campen, H. C. Wade.

Niche:

Mrs. C. G. Weathersby.

Pan garden:

Dave Finch.

Bird Box:

Charles Hinton.

Arrangement by School Child:

Mrs. Wallace Chamblee's grade.

Sweepstake:

Mrs. C. G. Weathersby.

Prizes were donated by the following business firms and individuals: Antone's Dept. Store, Baer's Dept. Store, Shorr's Dept. Store, Debnam Hardware Store, Home Fertilizer and Chemical Co., Massey Bros., Temple Market, Stell's Pressing Club, Carolina Power and Light Co., Standard Service Co., W. B. Bunn, Little River Ice Co., W. C. Campen, Stedman Store, Texaco Service Station, Wakelon Theatre, J. A. Kemp & Son, J. M. Chevrolet Co., Armour Fertilizer Co., per F. D. Finch, M. B. Chamblee & Son, Philip Massey, City Market, Zebulon Record, Zebulon Drug Co., Zebulon Supply Co., C. M. Watson, City Cafe, Zebulon Dry Cleaners, Hocutt Grocery, Mesdames F. H. McGuire, C. E. Flowers, F. E. Bunn, W. C. Campen.

A drug store in Austin, Texas, recently sponsored a top-spinning contest with prizes for the most expert twirlers. Needless to say the youngsters enjoyed the fun—and the store sold 300 tops during the contest.

NEWS OF THE WEEK

PRESIDENT RETURNS

Washington, D. C.—President Roosevelt landed at Charleston, S. C., after an eight-day cruise in the Caribbean Sea on the cruiser Philadelphia. His first conferences upon reaching the White House were with Vice President Garner, Senate Leader Barkley, Speaker Bankhead and House Leader Rayburn. Later he discussed developments during his absence with Secretary of State Hull and Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau.

CITIZENS BACK HAGUE

Jersey City, N. J.—Two Congressmen, with a weather eye to publicity, packed up the speeches they declared they would deliver in this city and returned to Washington, when 20,000 citizens in a mass demonstration solidly backed up Mayor Hague in his determination to bar all agitators and spellbinders from speech-making in Jersey City. Huge banners bore the slogan, "Other Cities Have Their Strikes and Riots. Jersey City Has None!"

LEAGUE WEIGHS ETHIOPIAN PLEA

Geneva, Switzerland.—Haile Selassie is expected to appear in person before the League of Nations Council in connection with the efforts of Lord Halifax, British Foreign Minister, to clear the way for Great Britain's formal recognition of Italy's conquest of Ethiopia.

TAX BILL THIS WEEK

Washington, D. C.—Efforts to speed up the \$5,330,000,000 Tax Bill and the \$4,500,000,000 Recovery and Relief Bill will be made by Congress leaders this week. Members are frankly impatient for an early adjournment, and the chances are that any opposition will be quickly over-ridden by Administration forces.

TOO MUCH REALISM

Chattanooga, Tenn.—During a sermon on the evils of war, the Rev. Herbert Morgan held aloft a bayonet with the cry, "This sword, like the Gospel, is two-edged". Just then he tripped on a rug and the weapon passed through his leg, necessitating his removal to a hospital.

UNDER HOUSING REVEALED

Washington, D. C.—On the basis of a nation-wide survey by the U. S. Public Health Service, it is estimated that 3,000,000 urban families live in fewer rooms than there are members of the family. It was found that in New York City a fifth of the households checked had more than one person per room.

JAPS FACE SACRIFICES

Tokyo, Japan—Calling on the Japanese people to prepare for "extreme personal financial sacrifices", Foreign Minister Koki Hirota in discussing the Sino-Japanese War declared that "no optimistic view of the future was warranted."