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THIS, THAT, & THE OTHER

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When I came back home last week after an absence of nearly three days and found the Record had made no mention of my being away, I asked why. Dorothy Horton said they were a little afraid something might go wrong with the paper and preferred having readers think I was here so that I'd be the one blamed.

They had done pretty well, but there were a gratifying number of unimportant things at the shop and at our house that had been forgotten or not done right, so that I didn't feel wholly unnecessary.

The fact that I have been almost too hoarse to speak since coming home is NOT proof that I talked all the time while away. It is my old throat trouble.

If I were a CCC head or had a prominent place with the WPA, one of the things I'd work for would be to have all fallen wood in our forests cleaned out and made ready for fuel.

Even in the ride up from Durham to Gladys, Va., a distance of about one hundred miles, I saw fallen trees and branches enough to keep crews at work chopping for weeks, which would mean assurance of warmth for many in need. Not only that, but it would add to the value, both present and future of the forests thus treated.

I remarked to a brother that few things worry me more than seeing such waste of wood; and he took up where I left off, going on to say the dead trees constitute a fire hazard of no mean proportions, besides harboring insect pests and diseases. Along with all the planting we are sponsoring, it would be fine if we would use to best advantage all the trees we now have. And by that I do not mean cut them all down.

The Norfolk and Western Railway is celebrating its hundred years of service. Passenger cars have large framed pictures of scenery along the railroad; but the pictures have no titles, and it is hard to guess just where they are. Of course one can easily place the picture of scantily clad persons lying around on the sand as being near Norfolk; but the mountains and streams are harder. The flagman on the train apologized very nicely for the omission of titles. He also feared the ride might seem tedious to me, and was cheered when I told him that branch of the N. & W. holds for me more memories than all the other railways in the country. I rode it to and from boarding school; to places where I tried to teach; my beaux came on it when they made trips to see me; my first children and I rode it when they were small and I went home for visits. Always conductor, flagman, and all the rest were kind and helpful. The Durham-Lynchburg train wanders along a bit like Mother and Cousin Wilsie Edmunds used to go across the fields to visit each

CLUB COLUMN

OYSTER SUPPER

The Fidelis Matrons Class of the Baptist Sunday School will serve an oyster supper in the Womans Club House on Wednesday of next week from 6:00 till 8:00 p. m. Tickets may be had for 35c, proceeds to be used for paint for the church. The public is invited.

GARDEN CLUB MEETS TUES.

The Garden Club will hold the January meeting next Tuesday in the home of Mrs. Irby Gill with Mrs. C. G. Weathersby associate hostess. At this time the District Pres., Mrs. C. C. Carpenter and the Garden Center Chairman, Mrs. Black, both of Wake Forest, are expected to be present and to speak. All members are urged to attend. The program begins at 3:30.

Zebulon Rotarians Play Santa Claus

C. V. Whitley had the program last Friday night. He had suggested to the Rotarians that they give gifts to some family that needed help during Christmas. Each one told of his experience during the program. Every member had taken part and had received much pleasure. Some had most unusual experiences in their giving.

John N. Medlin

John N. Medlin, retired farmer of Zebulon, died on Saturday morning at 8:15 following a stroke of paralysis on Thursday night, from which he never regained consciousness. The burial service was conducted from the home on Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, with G. J. Griffin, pastor of the Zebulon Baptist church, in charge, assisted by Rev. R. H. Herring. Mr. Medlin was 64 years old, being one of the first to settle in the community which is now Zebulon. He had lived here 26 years, was much interested in the development of his town, and belonged to the Junior Order.

His wife died a number of years ago. Surviving are two sons, A. V. Medlin of Zebulon and Dr. E. M. Medlin of Aberdeen; three daughters, Mrs. DeRock Vincent of Greenville, Mrs. C. A. Knott and Mrs. Edwin Richardson of Zebulon.

Services at the grave were in charge of the Junior Order, members of the organizations at Wakefield and Wendell serving as active pall-bearers. Honorary pall-bearers were: E. C. Daniel, George Lane, R. L. Isaacs, Avon Privette, Dr. C. E. Flowers, Dr. G. S. Barbee, J. T. Pully, Ivey Narron, Pittman Stell, A. R. House, Dr. L. M. Massey, Clarence Hocutt, John Clark, Theo. B. Davis, F. E. Bunn, R. H. Bridgers.

other, knitting as they went, but it has few accidents and eventually gets where it started. The seats have green plush now instead of red, but still you are asked whether the fire is keeping you warm enough, and every one beams if you tell them you've had a nice trip. I hope they keep on another hundred years.

Federal And State Solons Convene

PRES. ROOSEVELT ADDRESSES CONGRESS. STATE LEGISLATURE CONVENES; WARD IS SPEAKER

President Roosevelt addressed the seventy-sixth Congress on Wednesday shortly after noon. Both Houses assembled for the message and many visitors were also present.

North Carolina's Legislature convened on Wednesday. D. L. Ward of New Bern was elected Speaker of the house, defeating Bryant of Durham.

Seven Thousand Dollars For Local Cemetery Work

Mrs. Charles E. Flowers informs the Record that plans have been perfected by which Zebulon will have available from the government \$7,000 to be used in improving the local cemetery. This amount seems to be assured. Mrs. Flowers and others have been working on this project for some time. Mayor Avon Privette also has aided in the effort. A retaining wall will be erected around the cemetery, we understand, and other improvements will be made.

Work will start about January 28 and continue for several months or until the work is completed. No one will be employed locally that is, they will have to go to Raleigh to enroll for employment on this project. Those who need and want work may go to the 2nd floor of the Montague building, Raleigh, and see Mr. Bert Hall, who will give them assignment cards. These are to be carried to the Wake County Welfare office where the enrollment will be completed. Then when the work begins, local men who want employment will be put to work.

New Year Begins Quietly

The New Year entered Zebulon on scheduled time, but with little noise or display. A few firecrackers were exploded, a few bells were rung, and some of the younger set made merry; but there was no loud alarm.

Few changes in business have been noted here, though there is about as much moving as usual from one farm to another that may or may not be better or easier to cultivate. A few new families have come to the community; some have left.

Farm work has in some instances been begun, though not much can be done for some weeks yet, except such plowing as the weather may permit.

FIRES

Fire losses on farms this year will amount to \$95,000,000, which is approximately 5 per cent more than last year, according to the National Fire Protection Association.

CHURCH NEWS

BAPTIST CHURCH

The following are the services to be conducted in the Zebulon Baptist Church, Sunday, Jan. 8.

9:45—Sunday School.
11:00—Morning Worship. Sermon: "Christian Fellowship."
7:00—Young People's Meetings.
7:30—Evening Worship. Sermon: "Faith in a Preeminent Christ."

G. J. GRIFFIN, Pastor.

ZEBULON METHODIST

B. F. BOONE, Pastor

Sunday, Jan. 8, at 11 A. M., will be our first morning service for 1939. Every member should be present for this service. A cordial welcome awaits you and your friends.

Church School—9:45.
Worship Service—11:00.
Pastor's subject: "I Resolve."
(7:30 service will be at Wendell.)

A good resolution for you: I am going to be loyal to the church and attend its services. Every one should remember this: "I need the church and the church needs me."

CLASS MEETINGS

The Young Married Ladies' class of the Wakefield Baptist church held their regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Willie Bullock on Friday night, Dec. 23, with Mrs. Ballard Perry hostess. Fourteen members and three visitors were present.

Mrs. Garen Gay was in charge of the program. Her topic was: Christ at Christmas, or the Spirit of Christmas, with members taking part on the program, which was very interesting. Officers for the class were elected for the new year.

During the social hour the members exchanged gifts off the Christmas tree. Afterwards contests were enjoyed. Prizes were awarded Mrs. Harold Greene and Mrs. Raleigh Sherron.

The hostess served delicious fruit jello, cake and hot coffee, carrying out the Christmas motif.

The meeting adjourned to meet at the home of Mrs. Proctor Scarborough in January.

The Fidelis Matrons Class of the Baptist Sunday School met on Monday night with Mrs. R. H. Jenkins hostess. Because of a specially long business session the program was dispensed with. Plans were discussed for an oyster supper on Wednesday night of next week, proceeds to go on the bill for painting the church, which project this class has undertaken.

The hostess directed a unique contest during the social hour with a prize for the winner, after which Mrs. Donald Stallings assisted her in serving dainty refreshments.

The December meeting of the Wakefield Philathea class was held at the church with 20 present. Mrs. E. H. Green directed the program. Mesdames Phipps and T. C. Pippin also took part. During the business session officers for the new year were elected. Mrs. J. L. Glover, teacher of the class, was given a Christmas tree bearing gifts from the members in appreciation of her work. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

Proposed Soy Bean Plant For Zebulon

Plans are being considered to establish a plant for the manufacture of soy bean products in Zebulon. A Mr. Wolfe from Texas is the promoter. As some of us know, the soy bean and its products are even more valuable than the peanut and almost as varied. The Chinese have made great progress in the use of the soy bean for food and in the arts. Among some of its products is meal that makes a bread, we are told, that is even superior to corn or wheat. Good milk and delicious cheese are made from it. The oils are used extensively in paints and lacquers.

The plant is proposed to be located in the old Center Brick warehouse now owned by C. V. Whitley, or in the old Wiggs warehouse across the railroad. This last building belongs to Wake county and it is believed could be purchased very reasonably. The plant would need new large cooking vats and pressure cookers, such as the larger canneries use. It is hoped to secure one of those used by the government a few years ago in canning meats at a greatly reduced cost.

If this organization is perfected and the plant established, it will probably be the best enterprise ever located in Zebulon. It will operate the year around. Eastern Carolina grows large quantities of soy beans and Zebulon is ideally located to produce and distribute the products from the beans.

Stock would be offered to our citizens, either preferred or common. The shares made small enough that almost any farmer or business man could own one or more.

It is understood other nearby towns are interested in locating this plant there, so if Zebulon gets it, the people need to act quickly. It is an opportunity to get in on a business that will grow bigger and bigger and give its stockholders a big profit from their investments.

Local Masons Install Officers

In their regular monthly communication Tuesday evening the Zebulon Masonic lodge installed officers for the year. These were as follows:

W. S. Cheaves, Worshipful Master; C. E. Flowers, Senior Warden; W. G. Temples, Junior Warden; R. H. Bridgers, Senior Deacon; M. C. Carter, Junior Deacon; C. M. Shannon, Senior Steward; A. L. Lewis, Junior Steward; E. C. Daniel, Treasurer; G. S. Barbee, secretary; Theo. B. Davis, Chaplain; A. S. Hinton, Tyler.

The Zebulon Lodge has taken on new life during the past year. New members have been initiated and others have transferred their membership to the local lodge. A barbecue supper was served to the members present before the opening of the lodge.

Improvement in consumer demand for farm products, attributed to the rise in industrial activity and in consumer purchasing power in recent months.