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THIS, THAT, & THE OTHER

MRS. THEO. B. DAVIS

Coming to work Thursday morning we saw a group of men gazing seriously at something just in front of Kannan's Cafe.

One of the sons asked if we supposed there had been a robbery on that spot during the night. Not so. They were looking at the long, heavy bench which has for years supported the tired—or otherwise—frames of men who foregather to discuss the affairs of Zebulon and the universe, and at times to pass judgment thereon. At one end the bench's legs had buckled under it. I think it may have been because of so much weighty evidence.

Later in the day I passed again. The bench had been mended enough to use and the tribunal was once more in session.

On Thursday afternoon Ruby Dawson called to me from the postoffice, and I understood her to say they had a new dancing machine in there. It was a new canceling machine instead. They let me go in where they work and look at the new piece of equipment. Instead of whacking the letters one at a time to postmark "Zebulon, N. C." and the date on each, they simply feed them into this new machine, turning a crank meanwhile, and out they come, all stamped without any noise. Just like Raleigh and other cities, I was told. They are tremendously proud of it, but, seeing my interest, half-way promised to let me turn the crank some day, though they didn't promise to have any letters in while I turned.

I remarked that I shall miss hearing them at work in there. You see, our shop is in the same building with the postoffice and when they get busy not long before traintimes we can listen and count how many pieces of mail go out—if we want to, and have time. Marie Watson delicately hinted that our presses are not exactly quiet, but politely added that the only time she notices them is when the big one has been going for some time and then stops. The silence sounds so loud then.

It was Friday of last week and the editor of Old Gold and Black, Wake Forest College weekly, had decided he needed an editorial on Mother's Day. He called to Phil Latta, sports editor of his paper: "Hey, Phil! Go write us something on Mother's Day. We gotta have it."

Obediently Phil sat down at the typewriter and I heard the rapid clicking of the machine and envied the facility with which he produced words. But after a few minutes the clicks were slower; then came intervals of silence. Finally Phil left the office. A little later I went in. On my desk lay the editorial he had written, and I read it with delight. He had begun with the usual flowery, sentimental phrases which most of us know by heart—about mother-love, sacrifices, mother's deepest joy being in service, et cetera, et cetera. Then his mind or his mood changing, he went on in another strain, winding up with

CLUB NEWS

ZEBULON ROTARY CLUB

The club accepted an invitation for supper at the Corinth-Holder School last Friday evening, May 12. There were four or five members absent. It was a splendid supper and much enjoyed by the members.

Professor E. H. Moser had the program, the subject being "Things I Am Interested In": Namely, the Wakelon High School. He gave a review of the things Wakelon School has accomplished in the past, how students had led the state in athletics several times, the honors that had been won in the literary department and in music and science. Such honors are a credit to our community.

I don't suppose a member of the Rotary Club knew that Wakelon had won such honors in the state.

It was a very interesting program and one that will long be remembered as this was the first talk that had been given us on a review of our school.

WOMAN'S CLUB

The last meeting of the woman's club for the year was held on Tuesday afternoon. There was no set program, the time being taken up with reports from chairmen of various departments and other business.

Of special interest was the announcement that the last of the club debt had been paid.

It was voted to sponsor again the library work during the summer, plans for this being presented by Mrs. A. N. Jones.

Mrs. Bunn told of a WPA project for adult education in this section, Miss Mary Kilpatrick being in charge, and asked that the members extend all possible aid.

Mrs. Irby Gill stated that somewhat different plans for the department of literature will go into effect next fall.

Mrs. F. E. Bunn presented to Frederick Page the prize offered by the club to the pupil in Wakelon's elementary school making the highest grade in literature tests given during the year.

The secretary was asked to write to Mesdames C. H. Chamblee and M. F. Grote, former presidents of the club, telling them the building is free of debt.

Since members of the garden club were going to Lake Myra on a picnic, there was no social hour after adjournment.

what seemed to me the most sincere expressions I ever read upon the theme.

When Kelley saw what Phil had composed he yelled, "What are you trying to do? Ruin the paper? You know we can't publish this!" They didn't, but because it seems to me a pity for so much effort to be wasted, I am giving the closing paragraph below.

"Honor and love your mother and pray God that he may see fit to keep her here on earth with you a long time. Now is the time for all good men to come to the aid of their mothers. Now is the time for all good men and all bad men and all indifferent men to come to the aid of their mothers. Now is the time for my mother to come to the aid of me. Now is the time for me to write an editorial on Mother's Day, but somehow or other I cannot gain any inspiration. I have a sore finger and cannot write."

Rev. Alfred Allen Pippin—A Man We Delight To Honor

On next Friday, May 26th, Rev. A. A. Pippin of Wakefield will be 80 years old. Those who knew him 25 years ago discover little change in his physical appearance. He carries himself erect and walks with an elastic step like a man years younger. His hair is still dark and his mind clear and alert. He has labored more than a half century in the gospel ministry. He has preached to three generations, baptizing men and women, marrying them, then in turn baptizing and marrying their children and their children's children.

Mr. Pippin was born May 26, 1859, near the present village of Bunn. He was given the names of two uncles, Alfred and Allan Pippin. When 14 years old he was baptized into the fellowship of Poplar Springs Baptist Church. He attended the public school two months each year and worked on his father's farm the other months of the year. The school of that day was taught in a small log cabin without windows and having a stick chimney daubed with clay.

In 1882 a school was opened at Wakefield by Rev. O. L. Stringfield and to it came the girls and boys seeking better educational advantages. Though little better than many of the state's schools this academy had a very pretentious name, the Wakefield Classical and Mathematical High School. Young Pippin entered this school the year after its establishment. Three years later, after teaching one year, he entered Wake Forest College. Just before his graduation, at the suggestion of his former teacher, Mr. Stringfield, he became principal of the Stanhope school near Bailey. During this time he was ordained to the ministry. Rev. Mr. Stringfield and Prof. Exum Beckwith of Wake Forest College formed the presbytery. Later he was associated with Mr. Stringfield in the Wakefield school, teaching for fourteen years.

During this time he was pastor of from four to five churches. He was in the "waiting list" of many churches who desired his services as minister. He has actively been engaged in the gospel ministry for fifty-five years. Through all these years he has lived within twelve miles of his birthplace. He has in this time served nineteen churches. His shortest pastorate was two years; his longest was 33 years. Others were from 28 to 29 years. His total service as pastor to churches is 228 years.

No pastor in all this section has baptized more people than he. There have been more than 4,000 of these. He has conducted thousands of funerals. Even today he is called miles away to bury those he pastored years ago. From parents to grandchildren he has ministered in spiritual things in almost countless numbers. He has held revival meetings in eight counties, preaching from ten to twenty weeks each year for 35 years.

For years this minister of God and of the people drove across the country in four or more counties. The roads were little better than paths, yet winter and summer he traveled, preaching and visiting (Please Turn To Back Page)

CHURCH NEWS

BAPTIST CHURCH

The following are the announcements of the services to be held in the Zebulon Baptist Church, Sunday, May 21:

9:45. Sunday School.
11:00. Morning Worship. Sermon: "A Colony of Heaven".
7:30. Young People's Meeting.
8:00. Evening Worship. Sermon: "What Is Salvation?"
G. J. GRIFFIN, Pastor.

ZEBULON METHODIST REVIVAL SERVICES

Our revival services began the first Sunday in May and they will be continued through June. These services are being held on Sundays at the regular worship hour. Many of our members are manifesting a deep interest in these services, and it is hoped that many others will decide to attend church regularly. If you discover in your own heart that you are not as true and loyal to God and His church as you should be, will you not decide now to make a new beginning? Do something for God and His church and you will discover that He is doing marvelous things for you.

Schedule of services for next Sunday:

Church School—10:00.
Young People—7:00 P. M.
Worship Service—8:00 P. M.
Pastor's subject: "Methods of Christian Nurture"
BEN F. BOONE, Pastor.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY MEETS

The Ida Fisher Missionary Society met with Mrs. Chas. Flowers, Mrs. Bridgers being assistant hostess.

Rev. B. F. Boone made a brief talk in connection with his revival services he is conducting at the Methodist church for the next two months. He appealed to the Missionary Society to co-operate with him in getting in touch with members who don't attend church services and those who don't belong to any church.

Mrs. Irby Gill had charge of the program. The subject was "Broadening the Horizon." Mrs. Sexton had the devotional. Mrs. W. D. Finch, Mrs. F. D. Finch, Miss Jocelyn House and Mrs. Fred Page were on the program.

Mrs. A. R. House announced that the spring mission study class will be conducted at Wendell May 23 (Tues.), at 10 o'clock. A very interesting program is planned. Take light lunches and everybody will enjoy a happy day we always have with the Wendell ladies every spring. The program will close at 1 o'clock. Be on time to begin.

The hostesses served delightful refreshments.

Wake Court Jurors

For the criminal term of the Wake Superior Court, in June, names of the following from Little River Township have been drawn to serve as members of the jury:

R. T. Harris, Thomas Carter, B. A. Antone, J. C. Debnam, Waldo Hagwood, R. F. Eddins, L. C. Allen.
For the civil court those from this township whose names were drawn are Crudie Perry and Walter Crews.

DEATHS

DEATH OF MRS. J. H. HUNTER

Mrs. J. H. Hunter, 51, died at her home on Wendell Rt. 1, Thursday, May 11, at 5:30 P. M. She had been confined to bed for two or three months.

She leaves the widower and five daughters and three sons: Mrs. Charlie Holland of Zebulon route 1, Mrs. Cecil Hocutt, Mrs. Leonard Atkinson of Wendell route 1; Bertie of Virginia, Braxton, J. H., and Al Victor.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Debro Stancil at Corinth and interment took place in the church cemetery.

Active pallbearers were: Valton and Alton Alford, Eark Batchelor, Milton Mincey, Leonard Woodruff and Odell Murray. Honorary pallbearers were: Phillip Hood, Will Fowler, Wade Richardson, R. B. Batchelor, Roy and Russell Nowell.

Center Destroyed

Early last Sunday morning the recreation center in Wendell was completely destroyed by fire. The Zebulon and Raleigh fire companies responded to a hurry call, but the fire had progressed so far that about all that could be done was to protect adjoining property. There was no insurance on the building. The contents were partially insured. Mr. Cecil Perkins, who operates the bowling alley in the building, will just as soon as possible re-establish his business.

Japan as an Ally

Japan's apparent disinclination to sign an iron-clad agreement with Germany and Italy, is of immense importance to the U. S. For, in the opinion of military experts, we could keep out of a European war if we wanted to—but we couldn't keep out of a Pacific war.

Germany and Italy are extremely eager to obtain Japan as an ally. And for a while it looked like Nippon was a 100 per cent supporter of the Rome-Berlin axis. But now, going by recent cautious announcements of Japanese Foreign Minister Hachiro Arita, it looks as if Japan is working slowly toward a policy of semi-neutrality.

Reason for that is supposed to be a "Japanese fear of American participation in a future European war—which, in the event Japan was lined up with Hitler and Mussolini, would automatically mean war between Japan and the U. S. And apparently the Japanese government (which is now controlled by more moderate officials than were in power a year or so back) is anxious to avoid that. American-Japanese relations are comparatively good at present, and are getting better. And both governments would like to keep them that way.

Loss of Japan as an ally would be a blow to the Axis powers, which have depended on Nippon to keep Russia busy in the Far East when and if war comes.

Pleased

Currituck County farmers generally are highly pleased with the amount of their 1938 agricultural conservation checks, reports Farm Agent L. A. Powell.