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THIS, THAT, & THE OTHER

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Last week while my husband's brothers from Washington were visiting us they heard me lamenting having broken a number of eggs trying to locate five hard-boiled ones that had been put in the refrigerator with others that were raw.

Grover asked in surprise, "Why, don't you know how to tell raw eggs from boiled ones?" I certainly did not, and he told me.

You place the egg on its side on a flat surface and try to spin it around. If raw, it gives not more than one undecided fraction of a turn before lying still. If hard-boiled, it whizzes around at a dizzy rate. Hereafter I shall be as careless as I please about keeping the eggs separated.

Should you meet those Davis brothers — R. L. and Grover — you will find them pleasant and courteous, listening attentively while you talk — unless a bird flies near by. Then they immediately lose all interest in the subject and the speaker, and tip-toe off, eyes on the bird. When it is identified and discussed, they are willing enough to resume the conversation where it was left off. I am sure they can name every variety of bird and almost the number of each kind on their fruit ranches in Washington.

No matter how nicely the weather may have been behaving, just let company come to our house and we have a wet spell, a drought, a cold snap, or the hottest day and night of the summer. It never fails.

And try as I may to make them believe we do have some lovely, normal seasons in this part of North Carolina, my visitors, from whatever section they may have come, listen with that expression of smiling disbelief one puts on when the mother of a spoiled child explains that the little darling does not often act that, but isn't feeling well today.

"Juarez" was one picture I had definitely made up my mind to see, partly because of its historical significance, partly because my father was a youth at the time its events occurred, and a little bit because Bette Davis was acting in it. Our theater showed it last week.

The acting was all right, I suppose. I don't know just how men look and walk when facing death, nor just how women go crazy. And the plot as lived in those by-gone days was thrilling enough to suit anyone.

It was the music that came near spoiling the whole thing for me. They may not have meant for it to swell and reverberate so that at times the voices of the speakers were completely submerged, but that was how it was. I don't want to have my moods directed, designated, or prompted by sound and fury chosen by others. I want silence for most of my thinking and all deeper emotion. It is not necessary for eardrums to ache because hearts do. I'd like to see one talking picture without music.

Zebulon Rotary Club Doings

The Rotary Club held its regular meeting Friday evening, August 4. Dr. Smith of Wendell was a welcome visitor. Dr. Smith always carries with him a smile which shows that he is glad to be with us. The members formed only a skeleton of the club as so many were away on their vacations.

It was Paul Cashwell's time to have the program, but as he was unable to be there, he had Professor Early Moser to "pinch-hit" for him. Professor Moser spoke with enthusiasm and power as if he had a sea of forces listening to him. His subject was "co-operation."

In the absence of Vance Brown, president, Hoyle Bridgers acted in his stead.

Local Farmers Waste Fields

The winter landscape around Zebulon is greener each year, but there are still too many barren fields that should be growing something the year around.

But too many farmers still think their year's work is done when they plant crops in the spring, gather them in the fall, and sell those for which there is a market.

We can plant crops in the fall that will keep the land busy during the winter making grain and hay for livestock, or gathering nitrogen from the air to be used as plant food when the crop is plowed under.

At the same time these crops keep the best part of the soil from washing away. They do not interfere with spring-planted crops, are inexpensive to grow, and require little labor to plant.

Some of the principal winter cover crops for laying a green mantle over North Carolina fields are: small grains, such as wheat, barley, oats and rye; and winter legumes, such as hairy vetch, Austrian winter peas, crimson clover, and bur clover.

The Dance of Danzig

Won without being wooed, Danzig awaits Germany's embrace. Polish and German newspapers continue bitter exchanges, centering contention on Danzig anew, while Europe's military forces engage in great show of power and preparedness. The roar of mighty war machines may sound in a day, or a year, and at present there seems to be no immediate likelihood of the war cloud's lifting.

Boy Hangs Self

Athur Boney, 8-year-old son of Dan C. Boney of Raleigh, while playing cowboy in the backyard of his home, slipped from a stool and hanged himself. A servant, hearing a gurgling sound, rushed to him. Blood was coming from his mouth and ears and it was some time before he fully regained consciousness.

Missionaries in Danger

Missionaries in Kaifeng Colony, China, are said to be in great danger from Japanese in an anti-American demonstration. Catholic, Free Methodist, and Southern Baptist missionaries are located in this province.

CHURCH NEWS

ZEBULON BAPTIST CHURCH

The following are the services to be held in our church Sunday, August 13:

9:45 Sunday School.

11:00 Morning Worship. Sermon topic: "The Spirit of the Lord's Prayer."

7:30 Young Peoples' Meetings.

8:00 Evening Worship. Sermon topic: "Running the Christian Race."

After this coming Sunday there will be no more preaching services in the Baptist Church during the month of August. Worship will be resumed, after the pastor's vacation, the first Sunday in September.

The pastor's study which has formerly been in the Drug Store Building has been moved to the church. Hereafter those desiring to see the pastor will find him at the new study each morning during the week.

The Fidelis Matrons of the Baptist S. S. met on Thursday night in the home of Mrs. G. R. Massey.

Mrs. J. C. Debnam led the devotional and the lesson from The Life Beautiful was conducted by Mrs. G. J. Griffin. Mrs. R. H. Brantley presided over the short business session after which the hostess led the way to the dining-room where refreshments were served from a prettily decorated table.

The Poet and Peasant

By DOCK

"Well," said the Poet, "What's on your mind this nice, warm day?"

"You know," said the Peasant, "our little conversation last week started me to thinking and I have done a little bit of investigating about the tax situation right here in Wake county."

"What did you find out?" said the Poet.

"Very first thing that I found out was that there has not been a financial report prepared by a certified Public Accountant in Wake county since June 30, 1928. I also found out that everything we said last week was true and that a lot more of deplorable things were going on in our county in this matter of wasting the people's money."

"Be more specific," said the Poet.

"Take for example the office of the Tax Supervisor and the office of Tax Collector in Wake county," said the Peasant. "These two offices cost the folks of Wake county \$19,906.58 and \$19,937.03 respectively, or a total of over \$39,000.00 to levy and collect the taxes of Wake county. Then we pay a treasurer and his TWO assistants \$8,475.00 to write checks on this money for the taxpayers. Now all together it costs Wake county over \$48,000.00 to collect and spend county funds. I believe that you will agree with me that if the average private business that does the same volume of business that Wake county does were to spend that much money in collecting and paying its bills that it would soon

go on the rocks."

"Say," said the Poet, "I thought that the sheriff's office handled all of this except the treasurer's office."

"He did at one time," said the Peasant, "but now we have both a tax supervisor and tax collector, both offices created in the past few years. Now when the sheriff's office was handling the taxes, I know that they had too much on them, but when the taxes were taken out of this office instead of reducing the appropriation for this office, it was increased until in 1937-38 it cost Wake county tax payers \$38,863.82 to operate this office. This does not include the ABC officers who are paid out of the profits on liquor. The percentage of the profits that comes from the ABC stores in Wake county will provide enough cash to operate a force a third larger than the force in the sheriff's office at present and would eliminate the cost to the taxpayers of nearly \$39,000.00 a year. Instead of having two groups in a divided capacity, we would have one group under ONE central head working toward the same end. Would you believe it? It costs us \$17,966.62 to operate the Register of Deeds office last year. Taking all of the paid HELP in Wake county and comparing it with the cost to other counties of like size, it runs nearly twenty-five per cent higher."

"That sounds bad," said the Poet, "and I agree with you, something ought to be done about it. There seems to be more truth than poetry in what you are saying."

CORRECTION

It is Mrs. James Pulley, not Mrs. Albert Pulley, who grows strawflowers. She sows the seed on Good Friday, preferably where they are to grow, as they do not transplant well. The seed may be bought from almost any firm handling garden seed and will grow in any good soil.

Local Sportsmen Given Dates for Hunting Season

Dates for the 1939 hunting seasons in Wake County and other sections of the state were made public yesterday by the Department of Conservation and Development in Raleigh.

The Wake County squirrel season for other than fox squirrel and Southern red squirrel (boomers) will be from October 1 through January 15. Johnston, Nash, and Franklin counties have the same season.

The quail season will open Thanksgiving Day, November 30, and will continue until the fifteenth of February.

The deer and bear seasons open October 1 and extend to January 1. Deer can be hunted in all the counties with the exception of Alleghany, Ashe, Surry, Wilkes and Yadkin, where the season is closed this year, while in Sampson county the season will be only from November 1 through November 30. There will be only a 15 day deer hunting season, from November 1 through November 15, in Avery, Caldwell, Cherokee, Clay, McDowell, Swain, Watauga and Yates counties, and in Macon county north and west of Highway No. 64. It is unlawful to hunt deer with dogs at any time west of Person, Orange, Chatham, Moore and Richmond counties.

Bear can be hunted in most of the counties during the general season above except in Alleghany, Wilkes, Caldwell, Burke, Rutherford and all counties west of these, where the season will be from October 20 to January 1.

The rabbit season will also be from November 30 through February 15, with no bag limit. The wild turkey and grouse seasons also extend from November 30 through February 15, with the exception that the season for wild turkey will be closed in this year in Alleghany, Wilkes, Caldwell, Burke and Rutherford counties.

The opossum and raccoon seasons, for hunting with gun or dogs only, is October 1 through February 1, while the trapping season is from November 1 through February 15, with numerous exceptions. Trapping of opossum and raccoon will be permitted in Dare county from December 1 to March 1 only, and is prohibited entirely in the following counties: Bladen, Columbus, Craven, Duplin, Graham, Greene, Haywood, Hoke, Pender, Robeson, Sampson, Wayne and Wilson, except on the premises of the owners for protection of domestic fowls and crops. It is also prohibited in and west of Surry, Alexander, Wilkes, Catawba and Cleveland counties.

No otter may be taken at all this year, the season being closed over the entire state.

Other details with regard to the hunting season will be announced later on.

Over in the Bear Creek community of Chatham county Bascom Sink, white, and Roy Pattisaul, colored, went digging for buried treasure which was reported to be buried with the body of one, Mrs. Bud Caviness. They opened two graves, throwing bones around their digging. No treasure was found, but they are waiting the judgment of the courts for grave robbing. The penalty for such crime is anything up to life imprisonment.