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## THIS, THAT, & THE OTHER

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More suggestions have come in regarding the most complete waste of twenty-five cents.

Mr. J. C. Strickland of Middlesex advises that I "Just buy a rattle-pacifier for some brat. One has never been pacified, and can 'bust' your eardrums without it." Seems to me Mr. Strickland must be a bachelor.

From Norfolk, Va., came my last week's column, clipped from the paper, and on the margin was penciled in blue. "Buy bootleg likker and feel blue." But I wanted to squander the quarter only; not my reputation and well-being. Still, that would be a complete waste of money.

The entire community is sort of whirling around this week with the schoolhouse as the center of the vortex. Commencement week, you know, and we are all proud of our young folk. We fill the auditorium for the different programs, at times making the small children squeeze themselves together, two on a seat definitely meant for one; we tell each other how well the children did their parts; we try not to look self-conscious when our own are speaking; we have grand times talking as we make our way slowly down the aisles after the curtain has come down.

I should not like to live where they do not turn out for occasions at school. Some of us whose youngest finish this spring have jestingly remarked that hereafter we shall go only when it suits our convenience; but the probability is we'll keep right on attending every commencement feature; though our feelings may be somewhat different. Our churches and our school are the very biggest enterprises we have, and we can't afford to neglect them.

Class exercises Monday night seemed much as usual except to those whose offspring or special friends were involved. Still, there were features that differed. I'm always impressed by the change long dresses make in the looks of the girls. This year I was right up front and couldn't help seeing how those same long, full skirts bothered when the wearers mounted those steps to the stage. After seeing one girl after another step on net and silk and seeing only one who realized how high the lift must be to keep her feet free, I

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## HELP CENSUS ENUMERATORS

Work of census enumerators must be completed at an early date. If, for any reason any family or person has not been placed on the lists, communication should be made to one of those doing the work. It is important in many ways that the lists be complete and accurate. Co-operate by notifying list takers if you have by mistake been overlooked. Absence from home or place of business, change of address or other factors may have caused delay or omission. Help, if necessary.

## Public Question Number 1

(An Editorial)

Of the seven candidates running for Governor in North Carolina, only one has expressed publicly his views on the liquor question in our state. Desires, wishes, requests and what not have failed to get an expression as to this matter in any positive way. A friend to the editor handed him a few days ago a letter from one of the candidates in reply to the direct question as to how he stood on this question. We give his views in the form of quotation from himself. It is our opinion, in the light of our observation and information, that this statement might very well be signed by any of the gentlemen as his views on this question. Here is the statement:

"On the question of whether or not there should be a state referendum, I am of the opinion that this is a question that will have to be settled largely in the election of members of the General Assembly. It is a question for the General Assembly to determine, if the question is raised. The members of the General Assembly have to be elected by the people. If the majority of these people should feel that their election was under such circumstances as to constitute a mandate from the people to submit a referendum, I would not undertake to block such legislation; on the other hand, I would not feel it my duty, nor even proper, for me to drive or influence the legislators in their action on this question."

This reply appears to us to be an "evasive answer."

We wonder, too, if this gentleman proposes to take this attitude towards very important matters coming before the General Assembly. Does he mean to say that, as Governor of the state, he would not feel it his "duty to undertake to . . . influence the legislators in their actions?" Does he propose simply to "rubber stamp" what the General Assembly does? If there are to be exceptions, why make the most important moral questions before the people of the state an exception?

And, further, does any one believe members of the General Assembly feel they must act only on such matters of public concern as those commanded by the people's "mandate"?

We read on in his letter: "In connection with a referendum, it will be recalled that the dry forces of the state several years ago were vigorously opposed to any referendum on this question and fought a bill that was introduced in the Legislature for such purpose."

May we ask again, is not this gentleman cognizant of the reasons why the wets wanted and the dries opposed such a measure at the time? Is he not familiar with the underlying motives that prompted the proposal after all means failed to secure such legislation as the dries proposed at first? Does he not know that the previous Legislature railroaded the present liquor setup through that body when the people had previously voted overwhelmingly against such legislation? And was not this body composed of many of the same representatives who had steam-rolled the people's will, and did not the dries have good reason to believe they would do it again?

We believe every man running for office should give the people a full statement of his stand or belief on any matter that relates to their welfare, with which his position has to do. Is there not good reason to believe that any candidate who refuses such statement is either insincere or suppresses his convictions for the sake of votes? We hope some day to have the opportunity of voting for a man for Governor of our state who will freely and frankly answer any and every question from the people that pertains to their interest and welfare. At this time it appears we shall not be able to have that privilege at the coming primary. Yet these are, we believe, all good men, "but—"

## JUNIOR WOMAN'S CLUB

The last meeting of the Junior Woman's Club for the present year will be held at a supper on May 16. The place is Tipplon and the food will be chicken barbecue with accessories. Should any besides club members wish to attend, communication should be made with Miss Ruby Dawson or Miss Marie Watson. Plates are 75c each, but must be engaged beforehand that preparation may be made for all who may be present.

Glaring headlights caused 180 fatal accidents in the United States last year.

## TWO BUSINESSES

### CHANGE HANDS

The Parkway Store here has been sold by its owner to Rigsby Massey, the transfer having been made this week. The new owner will retain J. T. West, former manager, and hopes for the continued patronage of all former customers. See the advertisement in this issue.

Melvin Massey and Steve Blackley have bought out the Sinclair Service Station formerly operated by Mr. Brannon and invite those wishing service in their line to stop by. A complete line of Sinclair products will be carried.

## AT CHURCHES

### METHODIST CHURCH

This coming Sunday, May 12, is "Mother's Day." Let us pay a tribute to our mothers by attending divine services.

Services for Sunday, May 12:

Church School—10:00

Church Service—11:00

Young People's Service—7:00.

Our Vacation Church School will begin Monday, May 20th. We will have classes for primaries, juniors and intermediates. We shall need the cooperation of parents, teachers and members of the church in order to make this school a success.

### HALES CHAPEL

Everyone is invited to the service at Hales Chapel, five miles south of Zebulon, on each second Sunday. Rev. H. C. Upchurch, pastor, will preach next Sunday. Special Mother's Day sermon next Sunday. Come, help us honor the day.

R. F. Bailey.

### ZEBULON BAPTIST CHURCH

G. J. Griffin, Pastor

The following services are to be held in our church Sunday, May 12 9:45—Sunday School.

11:00—Morning Worship. Sermon subject: "A Mother of Old"

7:15—Young People's Meeting.

8:00—Evening Worship. Sermon topic: "Contrasted Foundations." Our Vacation Bible School will begin this year on Monday, May 20.

### WAKEFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH

G. Carl Lewis, Pastor

Services for Sunday, May 12.

10 A. M.—Sunday School.

11 A. M.—Worship. There will be a special service in which the High School graduates of the 1940 class and their parents will be honored. The Pastor's topic will be, "The Home For Christ."

### HEPHZIBAH BAPTIST CHURCH

10 A. M.—Sunday School

8 P. M.—Worship. Sermon topic: "Mother's Love."

### BAPTIST BARACA

We now have 93 members and are working for a membership of 125.

Next Sunday will be Mothers' Day and a special program has been arranged. All members are urged to attend. Help us make the attendance at least 100. We need new members and you are cordially invited to join.

D. L. Culpepper.

### METHODIST WOMEN

#### TO MEET HERE

Women of the Knightdale and Wendell Methodist churches will be guests of the Ida Fisher Missionary Society on Thursday, May 16, when a study course will be given in the local Methodist church. The program will begin at 9:00 in the morning and will be concluded at 1:00. Lunch will be served by the Zebulon organization. All ministers of Zebulon with their wives are invited to be present. Members of the Methodist church are specially urged to attend.

One of the policies of the Record is to help Zebulon merchants. Advertising is the form of aid we give to the merchants. Those who advertise get the benefits.

## Wakelon Finishes School Year On Wednesday Night

The auditorium at Wakelon was crowded, as usual, for the finals of commencement on Wednesday morning. Promptly at 10:30 the seniors began their last class procession, led by their mascots, Gayle Privette and Clويد Wade, Jr. Following the custom of years "Lead On, O King Eternal" was the marching hymn. The invocation was by the Rev. B. F. Boone after which Bobby Alford, class president, spoke words of welcome. Viola Hopkins gave a piano solo.

Supt. E. H. Moser presented Dr. L. M. Massey, chairman of the school board, as a man deeply concerned with the progress of the community. Dr. Massey commented briefly upon changes in conditions since he was himself a member of a graduating class at Wakelon, and introduced John Lang, NYA Director, as one who is studying and solving the problems that confront youth today.

Mr. Lang spoke on Finding Jobs and Preserving Democracy, stressing the importance of realizing how conflict in other countries affects the United States. He declared that the one-third of the country's young people, already in the South, may find here as good opportunities as elsewhere. Some problems mentioned as in need of solution are food, housing, and property ownership. He urged hearers to learn North Carolina and the South; to fit themselves for work and not to feel too good for manual or menial labor, if nothing more desirable was obtainable. He stated that every person should take an active part in government; should be definite about his own work and prepared to do it well; should be a good neighbor; should serve his community in some way, and above all, should be of good character.

Supt. Moser addressed the graduates, reminding them that education is not finished with high

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### SENIOR FIDELIS

Because of Wakelon's commencement exercises the time for the Senior Fidelis class meeting for May was changed to Monday afternoon. Mrs. R. H. Jenkins was hostess. Mrs. G. J. Griffin gave the day's lesson, "Table Talk in the Home", and a brief discussion followed. The hostess served refreshments after the business session.

### AT IT AGAIN

The Zebulon Junior Chamber of Commerce is at it again! Four people who came to Zebulon Saturday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock went away with extra money given by local merchants through the Jay Ceas.

Curtis Harris, a Negro farmer drew \$5, Frank Kemp, employee of Page Supply had \$5 to the good; A. B. Hinton, farmer living on R.1, was also recipient of a new \$5 bill, and E. G. Richardson walked away with \$10.

Trade in Zebulon and be here every Saturday afternoon at 3.