

This, That, and the Other

By Mrs. Theo. B. Davis

A group of young folk, talking, brought up this oft-discussed question: If you were cast ashore on a desert island, what three books would you prefer to have with you? For the first time I gave it serious thought. It was easy to decide on the Bible and the new Merriam-Webster unabridged Dictionary, but the third book was hard to select. A boy spoke of someone else saying he would take Bartlett's Familiar Quotations and Ferd said he would choose a book on calculus. But I wanted neither of those.

The question kept coming into mind and suddenly I knew the answer. If I could also have lead pencils, I'd choose for the third book to be blank. That desert island would give me time to think and to study and to write. It may be I could figure out much that has puzzled me and I might find an answer or two. It would be worth a fairly long stay; but rescue parties would probably meet a hearty welcome after the first few weeks.

Coming to work one day last week I met a small, woolly white dog that I had seen often. He comes up to inspect our garbage at fairly regular intervals, and when discovered lopes off as fast as his size and strength permit. But I had never heard him make a sound. Last week, however, after watching me advance until near him, he began a furious barking. I said, "Well, if you want the sidewalk that badly, I'll take the street"; and stepped off the curb. Even that did not satisfy the little rascal and he dashed at me, nipping at my ankle. I was astounded and affrighted, being notoriously afraid of dogs. But my fright must have been all that canine wanted, for with tail high he pranced across the street to join some other, much larger, dogs, that were evidently on a courting expedition. He must have felt that his ego demanded a certain amount of showing off and knew there was no sense in making a bigger member of his tribe, so I got picked for the occasion. The others had looked on with calm interest but not one had barked or advanced towards me.

All the magazines are chock full of suggestions and recipes for Christmas feasts and gifts and parties, clothes, decorations and whatnot. Which is highly interesting, if one has time to follow them up, but tantalizing, if too busy to do anything beyond reading them. My own suggestions are few and meant to save work and worry. They are: If you use holly or other berried evergreens in the house, put in water, if possible. The berries dry and fall off to be trodden on and muss rugs and floors, making bad stains. Outside they keep fresh much longer and those who pass can help enjoy them.

And, if you go to the woods, even your own woods, for evergreens, do not cut or pull a lot more than you will need. Holly can be trimmed heavily without hurting it, but it takes a long time to make a tree. Why cut one down when only branches or sprays are needed?

Of recent years it has amused me to see how often we use the word *imported* when we want to

Garden Club Sponsors New Decorations

Because of the present ruling forbidding the use of outdoor lighting for decorative purposes, the Garden club has decided to put the Christmas display at the combined Garden Club and Senior Woman's Club meeting on December 16 on a competitive basis. The contest is not limited to club members, but is open to the public. Any interested person in this or a nearby community is cordially invited and urged to enter a display.

Prizes will be given for the best exhibit under the following divisions:

1. Christmas scenes
2. Console table display
3. Gift packages (limit of 3 to a person)
4. Tray of Christmas cookies
5. Small Christmas trees (living or artificial)

The door, mantel, and window decorations will not be included in the open competition.

Persons interested in cooperating in the club house contest should contact Mrs. Robert Daniel Massey as soon as possible.

Tentative plans have been made for an outdoor contest to be held in case the ban on power is lifted before the holiday season. If such is found to be possible, prizes will be awarded for the best display under the following divisions:

1. General appearance of a large home
2. General appearance of a small home
3. Outdoor tree
4. Window scene (from outside)
5. Door
6. Outdoor feature

Cat Kills Snakes

When the assistant editor answered a ring at the telephone one day last week Billy Bunn was at the other end of the line.

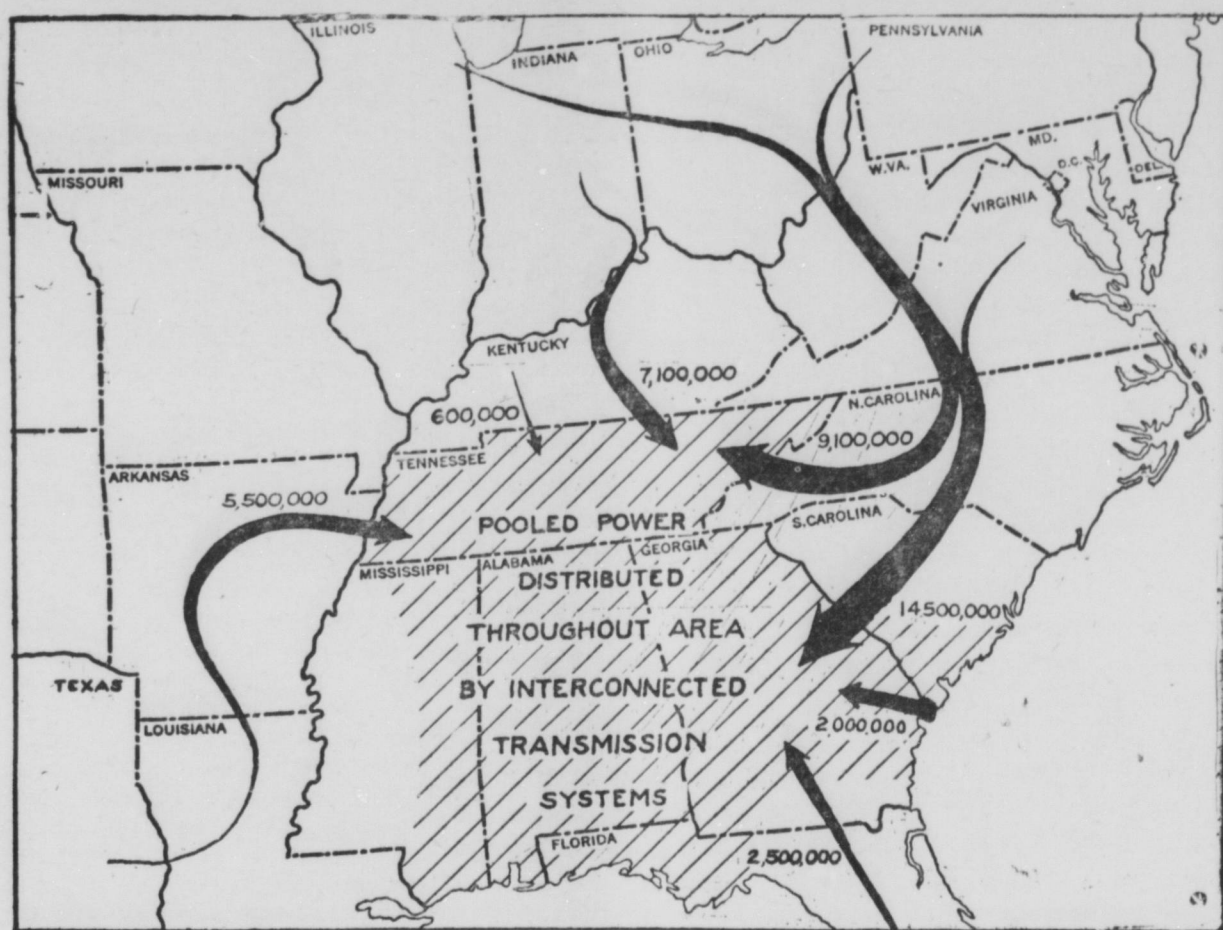
"What do you s'pose our cat did?" he inquired. The a. e. had no idea, and Billy said, "She killed two snakes in our back yard. One black snake of some sort and one highland moccasin. And she ate the moccasin and Daddy hung up the black snake. And did you ever know a cat to kill snakes before?"

Asked what kind of cat he had, Billy replied that she was a "plain, ordinary cat." But she must have unusual qualities.

be impressive. Of course time was when to say a thing was imported meant it was out of the ordinary, more expensive than the usual stuff, and, consequently, more important, giving prestige to the owner. But with changing conditions there is little of distinction in saying something was imported, which merely means it was brought here from another country. Some of the very cheapest firecrackers on the market are imported and ten cent store counters are loaded with inexpensive articles brought from abroad—Czechoslovakia, Germany, Japan and China formerly figuring largely in shipments. The war has changed that to a great extent, but we still import much that costs little.

And among other importations are English sparrows and Japanese beetles. I am no rabid American, but I do believe we have over here articles lovely enough to satisfy most tastes and expensive enough to jar most pocketbooks. And I see no real reason for stressing imports unless they are in some way remarkable.

Here Is How Southeastern Power Pool Works



Shown at a glance in the above map is how the power pooling plan is working in the drought-stricken section of the Southeastern States. Surplus power from other states is now flowing into this shaded area of the Southeastern States, where lack of rain and heavy demands for power by national defense industries have brought about a serious power shortage. The width of the arrows indicates the volume of power transfers as additional power is picked up all along the line. The figures show the kilowatt-hours of power each arrow brings into the area per week. However, there is nothing shown to indicate the approximate 14 million kilowatt-hours per week that Duke Power Company, Carolina Power and Light Company, and other companies deliver to the Carolina Aluminum Company at Badin, N. C. All the states through which the arrows flow are contributing to the pool. The power pooling arrangement is being carried out by order of the Office of Production Management.

Another Speaker Praises Rotary

The Zebulon Rotary Club held its 94th 100 per cent consecutive meeting.

Professor Moser had the program, his subject being "An Outsider Looking In." He stated that the first Rotary Club meeting that he attended was in Raleigh in 1917. He has visited Rotary clubs in Bristol, Monroe, Winston-Salem and Wilmington, and was much impressed with what Rotary stood for and was trying to do. When the Rotary Club was organized in Zebulon he was the first to join. Prof. Moser stated that an outsider could not know what was going on in the inside of an organization until they went in and found out. Often times organizations have been criticized by outsiders and the criticism was unjust; that often times people in the community say why don't the Rotary do such and such. That is the way of passing the buck. They don't realize that Rotary members are busy about their own affairs. They are people who try to help their fellow man. The motto for the Rotary is Service Above Self.

"He Was A Gay Senorita"

The seniors of Middlesex High school will present a comedy play, "He Was a Gay Senorita," Thursday night, December 4, at 7:30 in the school auditorium, under the direction of Mrs. Joyce Hill Hales.

Taking part are: Frances Barnes, Lloyd Liles, Hartwell Philips, Frances Fulghum, E. Jay Cone, Gene Brantley, Bruce Hawkins, Earnestine Strickland, Ethel Bilbro, Frances Overman, Junius Stone, Charles Cone.

Methodist Church

5th Sunday Services:
Church school—10:00.
Worship Service—11:00.
Young people service—6:45.
Next Sunday being fifth Sunday our Church service will be held in the morning at 11 o'clock. Every member of the church is expected to be present. Your loyalty is greatly needed.

Methodist Men Meet Tuesday

The Methodist men held a business meeting at the Woman's Club on Tuesday night, for the purpose of planning ways and means for a new church.

A beautiful Christmas table was arranged by Mrs. S. G. Flowers and Mrs. Coltrane. Each man found his chair when told to look for his "Baby picture" on the place cards. These were made by Mrs. B. F. Boone and Miss Jocelyn House. A chicken dinner was prepared by Mesdames M. J. Sexton, W. D. Finch, A. R. House; Mrs. Gregory and Miss Ena Dell Anderson assisted in serving.

The meeting was a very successful one. A large number attended.

J. E. Carter, 50, Dies Friday

A large crowd gathered here Sunday afternoon for the funeral of J. E. Carter, 50, World War veteran who died on Friday of last week after a long period of illness. The final rites were held in the Baptist church, Pastor Griffin being assisted by Pastor Boone of the Methodist Church.

Burial was in the town cemetery.

The casket was draped with an American flag and was attended by legionnaires as honorary pallbearers.

Surviving of the immediate family are the wife, formerly Miss Ettrix Brantley; a son, Jeffrey Carter, of the U. S. Navy; three daughters, Misses Gertrude, Faye and Bettie Lou Carter.

DOUBLED

W. M. Southerland of Creston has more than doubled the grazing capacity of his pastures by applications of lime and triple superphosphate.

SHOW

Four-H Club boys of Durham County who obtained pigs through the chain started by a large mail order house exhibited their animals in Durham at the annual show November 21.

Local Chairman Asks For Aid In Seal Sales

We think of the period around Thanksgiving and Christmas as a time of Charity, Helpfulness and Good Will. One of the best ways to express this Spirit of Helpfulness is to do our part in stamping out Tuberculosis in our Nation, State and Community, by buying Tuberculosis Christmas Seals.

Tuberculosis rages the year around and our children as well as ourselves are in constant danger of this life destroying microbe. The battle of this disease must be fought by specially trained doctors and nurses, who have at their disposal medicines, X-rays and sanatoriums for administering to this important cause and educating the public against a life of Tuberculosis. This work is going on in our community today and it is very vital that it be continued. Let's show how civic minded we are in Zebulon by contributing to this worthy cause.

Last year Zebulon and community contributed \$61.00 toward Tubercular prevention. Let us this year reach \$100.00 goal, which certainly seems small for such a worthy cause.

Beginning this week Seals will be made available through mail, schools, and a Tuberculosis Booth at the Zebulon Drug Store. Buy these Seals so that your letters, packages and Christmas greeting cards will bear the stamp of Health—the signifying emblem of your interest in your children and humanity. We have been wonderfully blessed with all the fine things that life can give in our community. May we show our thankfulness and be made happier by bringing health and happiness to others.

MRS. CHAS. E. FLOWERS,
Chairman of Zebulon District of Tubercular Control

Baptist Church

Services in the Baptist Church for Sunday, November 30:

- 9:45—Sunday School
- 11:00—Morning worship. Sermon topic: "Christ's Picture of John the Baptist."
- 7:00—Young People's meeting
- 7:30—Evening service. Message: "The Road of Life."

Hill, who was hurt but is able to be up.

Wakefield to Hold Special Service

A special Thanksgiving service will be held at Wakefield church on Thursday night, Nov. 27, at 7:30. At this time the ordination of new deacons, Clarence Hinton, Claude Baker, Douglas Pace and Harold Greene, will take place with Pastor Whitted in charge.

The Rev. G. J. Griffin will preach. The public is invited.

Recent Wrecks

MAN HURT HERE

On last Saturday at the Phil-ette Station an unknown man who tried to thumb a ride was hit by a passing car and badly hurt. He was taken to a Rocky Mount hospital. The driver of the car did all possible for the injured man and gave bond for appearance later. It is said the man hurt was en route to Durham for work.

NEGRO GIRL KILLED

Cora Lewis, young Negro girl, was killed Wednesday night when thrown from a car that had run up on a bank at the roadside just west of Zebulon. Her neck was broken. Driver of the car is said to have been Lewis Perry of Riley

SAILORS LEARN METALWORKING



Enlisted men in the U. S. Navy and Naval Reserve have the opportunity to learn more than fifty different trades and vocations. This schooling, worth hundreds of dollars, is free, and the sailors are paid their regular Navy pay while learning.

One of the most popular trades chosen by the bluejackets is metalworking. Pictured here are two enlisted men receiving instruction in acetylene welding from a quali-

fied Navy instructor. Courses included at the metalworker's school are blacksmithing, oxy-acetylene welding, arc welding and cutting, coppersmithing, sheetmetalworking, general metalsmithing and boilermaking. Any ambitious young man will be given the chance to qualify for one of the Navy trade schools if he enlists for service in Uncle Sam's new "Two-Ocean" Navy.

SOUTHERN WILDLIFE

There is something new under the sun! It's a burro that trails deer. . . .

John R. Wood, a state game warden, brought in the story of "Old Whitey," a long-eared donkey attached to the Comanche Trail Council Boy Scout camp in San Saba County, 12 miles west of Richland Springs, Texas. The donkey's hunting ability was discovered accidentally.

Lee R. Tesson, scoutmaster at Mullen, was riding the burro one day when the animal reared its head into the air, sniffed tentatively, and changed his course.

Whitey picked his way cautiously over rock and through brush, testing his footing with each step lest he snap a twig or click a stone. In 15 minutes he took Tesson to a sleeping doe and fawn.

Tesson put that down to coincidence and decided to test Whitey the next day. He took along a camera. A half mile from camp Whitey tossed his nose into the air and took off through the brush, again avoiding contact with anything liable to make noise. Within 200 yards he came upon a doe and a buck. Tesson photographed them.

Again Whitey was on wind. This time he led Tesson to within 30 feet of a buck sleeping under a cedar tree. By night Whitey had "flushed" 13 deer.

Whitey is a fixture at the camp but sorry, hunters, he's not for sale or rent. Mullen plans several demonstrations during the summer.

A fellow sportsman from St. Louis, Missouri, was by the other day talking about tarpon fishing, deer hunting and what not. He kept telling me about some new comfortable camp slippers he'd found made of lambskin. Noticing the word "Beans" in his conversation occasionally and not being able to connect the proceedings with anything to eat, I asked about it. He looked at me like surely I was next to the dumbest sportsman in the South. I know there is a Bean's sporting goods company all right, but he just sort of caught me off guard. And while we're in the beans, they've got a big, new catalog ready for distribution showing a complete line of outdoor equipment. It comes without obligation. The address is L. L. Bean, Inc., 196 Main Street, Freeport, Maine.

North America was originally a "dry" country. North American Indians knew little about the process of fermentation for beverage purposes. Holding some dough in the mouth for some time was an Indian method of making yeast for bread-making purposes.

During the mating season big-horn sheep rams often face each other, back up as much as 100 feet, then, running at the rate of about 20 miles per hour, crash into each other head on!

Edwin Perry Buried Nov. 17

Funeral services were held on November 17 for Edwin D. Perry of Wake Forest, Route 2. Officiating were the Rev. A. D. Parrish and the Rev. Mr. Poole. Surviving are the wife; three sons, Doyett, Everett and Eric Perry; a daughter, Miss Annie Perry; the mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Perry; two brothers, Allen and Max Perry; three sisters, Mesdames Pearl Martin, Ivey Bridges and M. W. Page; and several grandchildren.