

This, That and the Other

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As a masterpiece of understatement I'd like to call attention to the bulletin saying that bombing by the RAF is "highly unpopular" in Germany.

We do get some queer gifts at our place. Last Friday James Belvin gave my husband a baby 'possum. It is mostly black with sad dark eyes and it has to be fed with a medicine dropper. It weighs less than two ounces, and has taken four droppers of modified milk at a feeding. It will reach out a tiny paw and hold the dropper exactly as a hungry baby holds a bottle. Evidently it thinks Barrie is its mother, for it will curl its tail tightly around his finger. This morning, to my surprise, I saw it washing itself like a kitten, but the possum used a hind foot instead of a front to scrub with. Its housekeeping equipment is a box and a price of an old dress to hide in.

Feeding is somewhat complicated at our house. In addition to the baby 'possum there are the squirrels, Genevieve and Esmeralda, which Staley Denton gave Barrie, cage and all. They eat nuts of all kinds and Genevieve is also fond of ripe strawberries and fullblown roses. Esmeralda is less aesthetic and does not go in for fancy diet. Genevieve will take a berry and hold it stem up until she has nibbled off and tossed away all the hull. Then she daintily consumes the berry. But one is enough.

I have to feed the last-donated kitten, which begins calling me before I am ready to arise. Her name is Horace and her feelings are hurt if she does not get a lot of attention. I don't mind feeding her, but when she slithers around my ankles I could shriek; it makes my flesh crawl.

The Massey Hatchery biddies got so tall they had to stand stooped-over in the brooder, so they are now in a little yard, fat and sassy, but without the sense to go in out of the rain or to roost. So some one has to go out and put them to bed each night, as well as to see that feed and water are plentiful.

Ferd bought a lot of biddies Mr. Sexton auctioned off at the post office and they have to be looked after several times a day.

I can't really be sorry the duck that was another gift escaped from its pen one night and has not been found since.

Feeding the goldfish is simple. We have only to toss in a handful or two of "quick oats," the kind we cook for ourselves. But they are very fond of worms of any kind and we give them some when there is time for the digging. Or did you ever watch a goldfish eat a caterpillar?, I gave ours a whole nestful Theo got out of a tree. Their fur kept them from sinking

Henry Kirby Is Rotary Speaker

Hoss Thompson Is The Regular Rotary Speaker

Zebulon Rotary continues to hold its record of 100 per cent meetings.

All members were present last Friday. Kirby was the five minute speaker. He spoke on the sugar proposition and who should register explaining the questions that would be asked.

Hoss Thompson had the program. His subject was the water system of Zebulon and how water is being used in other countries. He told the Rotary that London, England, used less water per person than any other large city and that Chicago used more water per person than any other city. Water is used more in Italy to produce power than in any other country. The reason is scarcity of coal. He told of cities and towns that use the gravity system, of which Asheville is one. Hoss told of ancient water systems which was very interesting. He explained the water system of Zebulon. The water is first pumped into the filter plant, there alum is added to help purify, then it is run into another tank where lime is added to get rid of the alum; then it runs into another tank where chlorine is added to further help to clean and purify. A sample is taken every day to see that it meets all requirements.

Two Accidents Injure Several

On last Friday evening a car driven by Elizabeth Kannon collided near Wakelon school with one from Creedmoor. No one in the Kannon car was much hurt, but occupants of the other car were injured and both cars were damaged. Miss Kannon was making the turn from the highway to the school campus at the time of the accident.

On Sunday night Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Antone were hurt near Emit when their car collided with one driven by Frank Chamblee. The Antonese, Chamblee and two young girls from Johnston County were seriously injured. Whisker Medlin, the fourth occupant of the car, escaped practically unhurt. The girls were taken to a hospital, as was Chamblee. Mr. and Mrs. Antone were confined to bed the first part of the week. He was suffering from pain in the chest, where he was struck by the steering wheel, and she suffered a broken nose with minor cuts and bruises. They were taken to the hospital on Tuesday for X-rays.

A Mr. Joseph and son-in-law in the Antone car were slightly hurt.

and the fish had a great time with them.

We are all hoping no misfortune befalls the brown thrasher which is nesting less than three feet from the corner of our house. We dread the thought of another feeding job.



WHEN PERSHING HONORED MacARTHUR 23 YEARS AGO—This picture, made on a blustery March day in Remagen, Rhenish Prussia, shows the commander of the A. E. F. pinning the Distinguished Service Medal on General Douglas MacArthur then commanding the 84th Brigade, 42nd Division. The photo is from the World War files of the U. S. Signal Corps.

This was General MacArthur's second decoration. He was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for gallantry in action in March, 1918. He also wears the Silver Star Medal with six oak leaf clusters. A bill is pending in Congress to award him the Medal of Honor.

Wakelon Has Final Exercises for 1942

The series of events leading to graduation exercises at Wakelon Tuesday morning brought the usual interested crowds, eager to see relatives and friends receive rewards for studying and awards for excellence.

Class night on Friday of last week was given in "Cinderella" style. This occasion sees all senior girls in long dresses and specializes in attractive settings.

The sermon on Sunday night was by Pastor B. F. Boone of the Methodist Church with special music by the glee club. Mr. Boone gave pertinent and practical

advice and encouragement to the graduates and also paid high tribute to Supt. Moser as the highest type of Christian gentleman.

Tuesday morning brought Prof. George A. Carver from Wake Forest to make the address, which was considered as among the best heard here on similar occasions. Dr. Carver was for some time a missionary in China under the Southern Baptist Board.

Announcements and awards were made by Supt. Moser who spoke briefly to the seniors.

The annual picnic was not held this year, though patrons and friends who found it more convenient to bring dinner did so.

Tuesday night the commencement exercises were closed with the presentation of the Senior Play, "Wild Ginger." Elsie Privette, the heroine, did splendid work as "Ginger," while Ervin Joye as her miserly father played his part well.

Others in the cast were Dave Finch, Henry Massey, Fred Bobbitt, G. C. Brannon, Marshall Keith, Edna Phillips, Alease White, Nannie Gordon and Doris Kimball.

GRADUATES

Below is given a list of this year's graduates from Wakelon high school. Because of the addition of a twelfth grade there were no grammar school graduates, the plan being to put the new grade between the elementary and high schools.

The class motto is "United we (Continued on page four)

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"The discontented man finds no easy chair"—Franklin

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- 7—Hitler and Mussolini exchange friendship pledge, 1938.
 - 8—1st American Legion convention, St. Louis, 1919.
 - 9—Columbus sails on fourth voyage of discovery, 1502.
 - 10—Germany invades low countries, 1940.
 - 11—American Bible Society organized, 1816.
 - 12—First observance National Hospital Day, 1921.
 - 13—Colony at Jamestown, Va., settled, 1607.

Local Post Office Made 2nd Class

Biggest Little Town Is Now Slightly Larger

A former citizen of Zebulon delights in calling it "the biggest little town on earth." We admit that in many, possibly most, respects, Zebulon is not to be classed with Wilson, Rocky Mount and Raleigh, but it is some town just the same.

There are many straws pointing to it as a mighty good place in which to live. Besides its fine highway system reaching North, East, South and West, one of the best farming sections in Central Carolina, and other advantages space will not permit mentioning, there is this new evidence that Zebulon is on the map in a permanent way: On July first the Zebulon post office will be advanced to second class rating. While the post master will receive little advance in salary, the clerks will be put on a 40-hour week basis and an additional clerk will be supplied. The office hours will be from 8:00 o'clock in the morning till 6:00 o'clock in the evening. The mail schedules will remain as they are at present.

In order for a post office to have second class rating it must sell over \$8,000 in postage a year. The annual requirement is nearer \$9,000 business since it must be enough to make a 15 per cent margin at any time during the year.

The local express office is said to do more business than all others between Wilson and Raleigh. And the mail coming into Zebulon four times each day, exclusive of three rural routes makes a small truck load often as it is carried to the station.

Every once in awhile our people wake up to the realization that our town is worthy of our best efforts to tell others how good it is and what a fine place it is to make one's home.

Baptist Church

Services to be held Sunday, May 10, are as follows:

- 9:45—Sunday School
- 11:00—Morning Worship. Sermon topic: "God's Unit of Society."
- 7:30—Young People's Meeting.
- 8:00—Mission Night. This program will be in charge of Mrs. Annie Jones, president of the W. M. S.

Methodist Church

Mother's Day—this coming Sunday.

Church school—10:00.
Mother's Day service—11:00.
Young People's service—7:15.

If you are a mother, come and attend a Mother's Day service. If you have a mother living come and bring her to this service. If your mother has crossed over to the other side come and attend a church service in her memory. If you attend a Mother's Day service, you will pay a tribute to all mothers. We will have a red or white rose for every one who attends.