

**This, That And
The Other**

BY MRS. THEO. B. DAVIS

My son's wife is one of the Red Cross collectors for Zebulon and when she was making her plans for going out to call on householders she confessed to a certain amount of hesitancy. Already she had heard of some who expressed themselves as being tired of so many and such continuous calls for donations, and she feared this might react unfavorably both toward her and the fund.

It is true that never before have we had so many demands upon our pocketbooks. Institutions seem to feel that while money is comparatively plentiful is the best time for them to inaugurate enlargement campaigns. Home expenses are higher than for years. On every side are projects that are worthy and are financed wholly by public gifts. Add to all this the amount of taxes we must pay this year and probably for years to come, and you can understand why the hand that holds the pursestrings is quivering.

But how can we stop giving? And what causes shall we refuse to help? Least of all can we afford to neglect the one calling now for more money than ever before—to help where you and I can not go personally. Somehow, I'd feel terribly ashamed to say in effect to any Zebulon or community boy now in service, "Yes, son, we paid our taxes; we had to. We gave to several causes, but we thought the Red Cross wanted too much and we were worn out from being asked so often. So we let that go by, because it is the Government's place to take care of you after you enlist. We hope you didn't suffer; but, after all, a fellow has the right to keep what he wants of what is his." We need not put it into words; they'll get the idea, if we refuse to give.

Fairly often one hears the accusation that the Red Cross wastes money. That may be. It is hard, on the spur of the moment, to single out deserving from undeserving cases. But we don't feel the funds are wasted when it's a member of our family they are trying to locate, to feed, or to help when in a hospital. Let's try to forget all but the need and those who are standing—or falling—between us and danger.

Years ago I stood before a big, open fire wearing an outing dress. As a cold child will I drew too close to the flames and my dress caught fire. Fortunately my father was present and my first scream and the leaping blaze were smothered together in a woolen counterpane he snatched from the bed. Mother prized that spread and it was not helped at all by what it went through; but she only said she was thankful it was handy.

Which do we value more, our money or our men?

What do you do when you've filled your gardening and small fruit space?

My husband has for some time been in the throes of one of his intermittent agonies—that of deciding what to take out and what to leave where bushes, trees and plants are too thick to thrive.

This time it began with the winesap plum tree, which was once his pride and joy, bearing large, deep purple fruit, fine for eating or cooking. But it began suffering from galls—not gallstones—and the State College experts said it could not recover and might infect other trees, if left. So it was both dug up and cut down.

A partial compensation for its loss was the fact that it shaded the biggest fig bush to the sad detriment of summer figs. In looking after that bush the head of the house decided his other, smaller figs were also too much shaded by the scuppernong vine, and must be moved. Digging them up caused the uprooting of various and sundry clumps of bulbs with buds just forming.

The spot selected for resetting the figs included the winter lettuce bed and the lettuce plants, removed to make room, wilted sadly in the sunshine. Not so the bamboos painfully grubbed out from where they had taken possession of the iris row or had shot defiantly above the lilacs

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Church News

BAPTIST CHURCH
10:00 Sunday School
11:00 Morning Worship. Sermon: "The Home Field"
7:30 Young People meet.
8:00 Evening Worship. Message: "Walking in His Steps"
(Notice the change of hour for the evening services.)

In Memoriam

We the Board of Deacons and Trustees of the Wakefield Baptist Church, hold sacred memories of our departed brother, Will Ferrell, who was called by the Master on February 21, 1944.

For over thirty years he has served faithfully as a deacon in our church and when he died he was our senior deacon. His life has been an inspiration to those of us who knew him best. His presence will be missed in our circle when we assemble together in the future.

It was hard for us to give him up, but his gain is our loss.

Deacons and trustees of Wakefield Baptist Church.

More Fruits To Be Canned This Year

With about 400,000 steam pressure canners and 500,000 water bath canners to be produced in 1944, home conservation of vegetables and fruits should reach new heights and help to overcome the shortage of commercially canned foods.

Glass jars and tops manufactured for home canning this year will be of the same types as last year. Since zinc supplies are more ample now, the familiar procelain-lined zinc lid that fits standard mason-size jars will be manufactured again.

Manufacturers of the commercial "63" jars promise supplies of metal sealing disks to fit jars with this smaller-sized mouth. When these jars are saved, it is also necessary to save the metal screw caps that came on the jars. The jar cap must be screwed down over a new, flat metal disk to complete the home canning seal.

Rubber jar rings for 1944 will be made of reclaimed rubber and synthetics. These wartime rings require somewhat different handling from that recommended in prewar years.

The families who own can sealers will in all likelihood be able to buy plenty of tin cans, because no limit is set on the manufacture of them for home canning.

HEN HELPING TO WIN WAR

"Tommy" Williams of the Wakefield community brought the Record office an egg last Saturday morning that was some egg. It was nearly twice the length of an ordinary egg, and weighed full four ounces. That hen is patriotic in her efforts to feed fighting men and help win the war.

and forsythia. They stood as upright as if not convicted of wrongdoing.

I have no idea when everything will be straightened out. The plum tree has been turned into stovewood. Some of the bamboo canes have been sawed into lengths suitable for the grandchildren to play with. A little of the lettuce has been planted. The figs are to be persuaded to make little trees instead of bushes. The grapevines are bleeding where they had to be cut off to give more room for other things. For a while we shall walk in our backyard with heads up; but before we realize much time has passed we'll again be ducking and creeping, pushing back twigs and branches, stepping high over undergrowth, and finally going through the whole thinning out process again.

Red Cross War Fund Drive Begins

By JOHN D. SUMNER,
Local Director

On Monday night, February 28, a meeting was held at the Woman's Club in Zebulon to outline plans for the Red Cross War Fund Drive which is to start on Wednesday, March 1.

Mr. McCulloch, County Division Chairman for the drive, made a most able presentation of the activities of the Red Cross and also presented a film which was highly representative of the various services which are being rendered to our armed forces.

As most of us know that in order for this great organization to carry on this valuable work a far greater amount of money will be needed this year than ever before. Many of us will recall that the Red Cross Drive in previous years was usually thought of as a membership drive, the fee for which was one dollar, and most of us gladly gave this and no more. The drive this year is not merely a membership drive but a War Fund Drive, and in place of our usual donation let's at least double the amount that we have been accustomed to giving, which will be necessary if we are to reach our quota of \$3250.00. This figure is well over twice that of any previous one, but is not out of line with other quotas set for like size areas.

When we consider some of the following accomplishments of the Red Cross during the year 1943, I believe that it will be agreed that they are worth a liberal contribution from each of us.

Wake County

1. Work with service and ex-service men and women and their families through Home Service: 6181 cases handled during 1943.
2. One hundred and sixty-six nurses recruited for the Army and Navy.
3. Maintained a Disaster Preparedness Program.
4. 148936 Surgical dresses produced.
5. 2644 knitted garments produced and shipped to our Armed Forces.
6. 450 Christmas packages sent to sick soldiers.

United States

1. U. S. Service Men given personal aid: 3,800,000 by camp and hospital workers; 25,000,000 by Chapter Home Service.
2. 50,000 nurses recruited for the Army and Navy.
3. 65,000 Volunteer Nurses Aids trained for service.
4. 119,000 persons aided in disaster. 15,000 survivors of Marine disasters.
5. 925,000,000 Surgical Dressings produced.
6. 12,000,000 garments made.
7. 1,500,000 First Aid Certificates awarded.
8. 300,000 Home Nursing Certificates issued.
9. 5,000,000 pints of blood collected.
10. 350 Overseas Clubs for service men and women.
11. Participated in Foreign War Relief Program.
12. 5,300,000 Prisoner of War packages packed.

I am sure that few of us would have ever realized that it was possible for any organization to have accomplished so much in one year, and in view of this let's all greet the solicitor with a big donation when called on.

Red Cross Work Room

Workers this week at the sewing room were Mesdames G. C. Massey, W. D. Finch, A. S. Hinton, A. R. House, J. A. Kemp, M. J. Sexton, Donald Stallings and Theo. Davis. The room is open every Tuesday afternoon and helpers are gladly welcomed.

State College Hints To Homemakers

By Ruth Current
N. C. State College

Victory Gardeners: Buy only the best seed for the Victory Garden. Good seeds are usually cheapest. Don't buy more than you need. There will be enough for every gardener if this is done.

Plant enough seed for early canning and for sufficient vegetables for the table.

And don't forget, we need green, red, and yellow vegetables in our diets. Keep in mind the

School News

Monday during our rhythm class we were surprised and pleased to have with us Mr. Charlie Spencer and his assistant, Miss Ruth Moore. Mr. Spencer is head of the physical fitness program for North Carolina and rhythmic classes are part of the program he is working on for the schools of the state.

Tuesday morning Mr. Randolph Benton, County Superintendent, and Mr. M. L. Roberts, Superintendent of Transportation, paid a brief visit to the class also.

Mr. Benton and Mr. Roberts were down Tuesday to discuss with the bus drivers the gas situation. There is very definitely a serious shortage of gas in our community and it is necessary to conserve wherever possible in order to keep our busses operating at all.

The patriotic program presented at general assembly last Friday was especially good. Miss Smith's 3rd grade began the exercises with a devotional of songs and summaries of Bible characters studied this year. Two old war songs were sung while the boys wore soldier caps and the girls Red Cross bands. This part of the program ended with a dance to the tune of "K-K-K-Katie" by Eloise Bogen, Steve Johnson, Lowell Liles, B. B. Bryant, Charles Alford, and Rodney Bell.

Mrs. Bunn's 7th grade then gave a skit in which Miss Democracy, played by Becky Clark, with the aid of her loyal followers ousted Dictatorship, played by Johnny Gay.

Concluding the program was an original playlet written and presented by members of Mrs. Osborne's home-room. The authors were Penina Bunn, Betty Baker, Virgie Combs, and Virene Combs. The cast was made up of Grayson Fowler, Dwight Bunn, Georgia Edkins, Mickey Driver, Fred Bunn, Mary Elizabeth Ellington, Harold Denton, Cyrus Bennett Barbara Bobbitt, and Mary Fisher Finch.

Tuesday morning Mr. Griffin spoke to the high school group during their devotional period. 10-by Brantley and Kenneth Chamberlee gave a prayer and read the scripture. J. B. Croom presented Mr. Griffin.

Pippin Home

Allan Pippin, 51c, is home on furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Pippin. Allan has been on Atlantic submarine patrol for the past few months.

Save Paper

The paper shortage may not be felt yet in Zebulon save as newspapers and magazines have fewer pages; but cities in the state are being much inconvenienced insofar as grocery stores in particular are concerned. A lack of paper bags has caused economy on the part of clerks that is at times resented by customers who refuse to begin cooperating with government request and try to save as much paper as possible.

Ferrell Leaves

Billy Ferrell of the Coast Guard is leaving after a furlough spent at his home here.

Cropping

Several farmers in Hoke County have definitely decided not to grow any cotton this year, and to plant small grains and hay crops instead.

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a room don't take time out to do repair jobs. Instead, list on a pad all the repair needs and later, at a more convenient time, attend to each item in turn and cross it off your list.

Take Care, Lest You Be Guilty

Here's a message for everyone who goes into the woods for any purpose, work or recreation. The Southland's most dangerous woods fire season is just about here. When forest litter is dry and brittle. A tiny spark can start a roaring conflagration damaging or destroying timber vitally needed to fight the war. Don't aid the Axis with woods fires. Be careful with campfires, your match, your cigarette, when you are in the woods.

Mrs. L. M. Massey Announces Time Of Paper Collection

Mrs. L. M. Massey, local chairman, announces another collection of scrap paper next Monday afternoon from 2:00 till 5:00; All who will help are asked to have the papers or magazines tied in bundles of a size convenient for handling. Since the collecting will be done by women drivers assisted by boy scouts, it will be specially helpful for the paper not only to be bundled and tied, but also placed on street or porch it may be conveniently picked up.

The paper will be sold and proceeds used for payment on club building debts. All donations will be appreciated by the organizations and will help relieve the national scarcity of paper.

Tobacco

The Americas are commonly thought of as the original home of tobacco but native tobacco plants, different from those in the Americas, were later found in Australia, research men report.