

This, That And The Other

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One of the words I get worried over at times is *argumentative*. I forget whether it is pronounced ar-gu-men-TA-tive or ar-gu-MEN-ta-tive. Saturday's looking it up reminded that one should accent the *men*, not the *ta*.

Gerry Parker told me about her little niece, Jo Crowder, not yet two, and very plump, who heard the Wicker baby crying and at once began wailing loudly and pleading, "Poor little fat baby, don't cry!" And Jo knows her "ABC's" already. Some niece, isn't she!

I noted that Hilda Winstead was toastmistress at Wakelon's junior-senior banquet Friday night. She is the youngest of twelve Winstead brothers and sisters to finish at Wakelon. And every one of them was good in glee club and on the stage while in school. I wonder how many families can equal that record.

Even before this paper goes to press I have found the Winstead record equalled. There are twelve of the E. P. Denton children and the youngest, Dorothy, is a member of the same class as Hilda Winstead. The eleven older Dentons have graduated from Wakelon. I move that next year at commencement some special attention be paid the Winstead and Denton parents.

Margaret Smethurst says in Sunday's News and Observer: "With the Wake County Red Cross quota still unmet, a new Easter outfit is going to be a questionable possession in any parade in these parts." She adds that the question is not whether we can afford to give or would like to give; but whether we are willing to weaken or break the one sure connecting link between ourselves and members of our family in service.

Mr. Sumner told me Sunday that the quota from this community is far from raised. If we don't do our best, how can we ask the Red Cross to serve us in sickness or death?

Last Saturday I wanted an arrangement of yellow flowers and, having nothing else, went to the garden and cut the blossoming stalks of collards and turnips. In a low glass bowl with my crystal swan at one side and carrot tops furnishing the "fern", they were beautiful. If you don't believe me, try it. The collard blooms are enough larger and paler in color to add variety; and, if you didn't know, you'd think the turnip blooms yellow alyssum.

Anyway, why shouldn't we use vegetable flowers? Sage has a pretty flowering spike of blue; the salad pea has clusters of lavender and purple that equal old-fashioned sweet peas in beauty; onions have lovely globe-shaped clusters of bloom. And since nasturtiums, chrysanthemums, violets and roses are used in salads or confections, we might swap about.

Rhubarb is coming up in our garden, and, if you want it, let me know. We don't have enough sugar to use much of it this spring, but I hate to see it go to waste.

And one more word about wilted lettuce. Several have asked how it is prepared. You use only the loose leaves, not the headed lettuce. Have the leaves as fresh and crisp as possible. Chop them in a bowl with a spring onion or two—or as many onions as you like. Fry bacon and take out the meat when cooked. To the grease in the pan add some salt and top milk or cream enough to make the liquid necessary to moisten the lettuce. Some like to add vinegar also. Let all boil up and pour it over the chopped lettuce. At once put a tight cover over the bowl and let it stand a few minutes before serving. You'll either like it very much or will turn up your nose at it. O, yes; you can use ham gravy instead of bacon, if you're lucky enough to have ham.

The disposition to give a cup of cold water to a disciple, is a far nobler property than the finest intellect.—Howells.

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Church News

The annual Easter Sunrise Service will be held this year at the town cemetery. The time will be 6:40 a. m. All the people in Zebulon, Wakefield, and surrounding communities are invited to participate in this service. Pastors of the local churches will be in charge, and Mr. C. E. Vale will bring the message. In case of rain this service will be called off.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Services for the Easter Season: Thursday evening at 8:00 the Lord's Supper will be observed. Sunday at 6:40—Easter Sunrise Service.

Sunday at 10:00 — Sunday School.

11:00 Morning worship. Sermon topic: "All Things New."

7:30 Young People's Services.

The Wakefield WMS will meet on next Monday night with Mrs. L. J. Glover.

'Wilton' Is 'Norris'

In a Philadelphia paper recently appeared the name of Wilton N. Bunn of Zebulon, now in the Navy, as having been granted license to marry. In the same paper was a picture of Bunn kissing his bride goodbye as she left after enlisting as a WAC. Some confusion was caused here by the news, as the only Wilton Bunn readily called to mind is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzo Bunn, only 17, and a very recent naval recruit. However, it has been learned that the Army's way of calling every man by his first name caused the misunderstanding. Wilton N. Bunn is Norris Bunn of the Hales Chapel community, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bunn.

Tar Heel Family Suffers Tragedy In Delhi, Canada

The wife and three of the children of Bernice T. Lewis, formerly of this section of the state, lost their lives in an explosion at their home in Delhi, Ontario, Canada, on February 25th.

The accident occurred when Mrs. Lewis was pouring oil in the heater in the living room. The oil can exploded, setting fire to the entire room. Highway men were attracted to the home by the explosion and the cries and screams for help from Mrs. Lewis. They removed the bodies of the children from the house, then extinguished the flames by shoveling snow on to the fire.

The dead are Mrs. Bernice T. Lewis; Elsie Bernice, 8 months; Ray Franklin, 2 years, and Richard Douglas, 4 years old. Surviving are the father, Bernice T. Lewis; Jacob Bascoe, 6 years; Jerada Clara, 8 years; and Seymour Donald, 9 years old.

Attending the funeral from this state were Mrs. W. B. Strickland of Spring Hope, V. Earl Lewis of Knightdale, Charlie Rhoar of Garner, and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd M. Edwards of Windsor.

Bernice T. Lewis is the son of M. B. Lewis and the late Mrs. Lewis of Zebulon.

FUTURE FARM PRODUCTION

The Secretary of Agriculture wonders "how much the American farmers can produce when this war is over and they are able to obtain enough help, machinery and materials," and take full advantage of technological developments. In his investigation he has concluded that so much progress has been made in agriculture that within the next six years the increase in our national production will be 60 per cent.

SPECIAL NOTICE!

The Bridge Tournament, sponsored by the Junior Woman's Club has been postponed one week and will be held Thursday, April 13.

Lucy Massey, Chairman,
Ways and Means Committee

Bookmobile Notes

All school students, and grown-ups, too, who are interested in reading from the bookmobile this summer, watch your school bulletin board and community newspaper for announcements of the bookmobile summer schedule. We can promise you new books and old, all kinds and all sizes, so, whatever your preference you're pretty sure to find that we have it. We'll be looking for you.

Some of the new books on the bookmobile this month are:

Journey into America by Donald Culross Peattie. Take a journey into the past and across the acres of America; hear the liberty bell ring joyfully for the surrender of Cornwallis; be with Dan'l Boone's daughter when she is captured by the Indians; hear the stories of living men who fought in the Argonne and whose sons are fighting today around the earth.

Maura Laverty, writer of *Never No More*, has come out with another story of Ireland, this one entitled *Touched by the Thorn*. It is the story of the tempestuous romance between Denis Doran and Mary Sheehy.

Where's the Money Coming From? by Stuart Chase. Mr. Chase is not the first to ask this question, but he is one of the few who can answer it.

All fans of Robert Nathan will be happy to know of his latest book, *But Gently Day*, about a soldier home from the wars, about the girl he meets and the strange events that befall him. It is a beautiful and revealing story.

Take Me Down to the Sea, boys: Those who like deep-water fighting should enjoy the book, *The Ringed Horizon*, by Edmund Gilligan because this story is one of furious action. It's a fight to death between a work-pack of U boats and a fleet of Gloucester fishing vessels, with plenty of good, salty, old seamanship thrown in between skirmishes.

You are invited to the biggest tea party in history. The place is Boston harbor! the time is December 16, 1773. Your host is Johnny, and is to be met anytime in the book *Johnny Tremaine* by Esther Forbes. It's quite likely that you'll run into Sam Adams, John Hancock and a host of other famous gentlemen.

Since the beginning of the war there has been a great deal of discussion of the Jews, pro and con. But perhaps you didn't know that the Jewish race is our ally in this war and although many of their activities have been kept secret, many more have been finally revealed to the public. Pierre Van Paasen has brought out his brilliant revelation, *Our Forgotten Ally*, written during the African campaign and presenting the Jews as fighters.

Bookmobile Schedule, April 17th

Rolesville School, Arrive 9:30, Leave 10:30; Rolesville A10:35, L10:45; Hopkins Cross Roads A11:15, L11:30; Zebulon Woman's Club A12:15, L12:45; Wakelon School A12:45, L1:45.

Lone Star Quartet Here April 27th

The Junior Woman's Club will sponsor the Lone Star Quartet here Thursday Evening, April 27, at Wakelon School Auditorium.

A mind conscious of integrity scorns to say more than it means to perform.—Robert Burne.

RFD Canning Sugar

Families needing canning sugar in addition to the five pounds per person obtainable with Sugar Stamp No. 40 in War Ration Book Four, may obtain additional allotments by mail from their local rationing boards, Theodore S. Johnson, district director of the Office of Price Administration, announced this week.

The maximum additional sugar allowed is 20 pounds per person.

Housewives may write to their boards for an application for extra canning sugar (Form R-323). Spare Stamp 37 from Book Four—a stamp for every member of the family whose name appears on the application—should be attached.

Johnson cautioned applicants to make sure they detach the SPARE stamp numbered 37 and not the Sugar Stamp No. 37. In addition to canning sugar for home use, as much as 250 pounds per family may be allowed those who can for sale.

Wakelon's Junior Senior Banquet

One of the most important dates on a high school senior's calendar is the junior-senior banquet. Wakelon's juniors this year rose nobly to the occasion and complimented the graduates elect last Friday night with a dinner and program worthy to be listed with those that have gone before.

Hilda Winstead was mistress of ceremonies. E. G. Richards, Jr., gave the toast to seniors and Bessie Kay Williams responded. Peggy Perry toasted Mr. Miller and other members of the faculty and Mr. Miller made response. Iris Pearce toasted members of the school board and other guests and Chairman Wallace Temple replied. Hilda Lewis toasted the waitresses. Jeannette Horton spoke in response. Pastor Griffin returned thanks. Special music was furnished by Hilda Winstead and Mr. and Mrs. Mark Osborne.

After dinner there were stunts by both classes, the faculty and guests.

The menu consisted of grapefruit, chicken salad, mashed potatoes, green peas, pickles, stuffed apples with cream cheese, rolls, punch, ice cream, cakes and nuts.

School News

Tuesday morning the high school met together in the auditorium for the devotional period. The group sang "Come, Thou, Almighty King," Nina Belle Horton read a poem, and Minda Pearce read the 1st Psalm. Frances Phillips then presented the Rev. Chas. Vale, who talked to the group for a few minutes.

The April P. T. A. meeting will be held next Tuesday night. Other than the regular program there will be an installation ceremony of the new officers. This will be followed by a social hour.

At pre-school clinic Tuesday the following children were awarded blue stars: Allan Williford, Hazel Jeannette Tart, Dottie Gene Privette, and Bill Ervin Martin.

HAVE PATIENCE!

"The idea that the United States is going to be a land of milk and honey after the war is a soap-bubble theory.

"It is just as well to begin to face the fact that we will have to pull in our belts several notches, because history always repeats its performance after the war."

Mighty right, brother. Heavenly conditions are still far, far away for us sinners.

\$2291.84 Is Raised By Local Red Crossers

The 1944 Red Cross War Fund Campaign came to a close on March 31st. While our quota was \$3250, a real effort was put forth by each worker. It is realized that it is impossible to give recognition here to everyone who participated in the campaign, but please be assured that the efforts put forth by everyone are appreciated by the Red Cross Organization and it represents a sincere interest in those engaged in combat duty as well as other services on the Home Front.

The total of \$2291.84 was raised and the following are the amounts solicited by each of the section leaders:

Special Gifts—

R. Vance Brown, leader, assisted by C. V. Whitley, R. H. Bridgers, Rev. George J. Griffin, N. T. Parker, \$847.10.

Block Solicitation—

Mrs. L. M. Massey, leader, with Mesdames Ralph Bunn, Irby Gill, A. S. Hinton, \$314.59.

Wakelon School Stunt Night—

Miss Rachel Bright, Mrs. B. K. Miller, B. K. Miller, assisted by Zebulon Woman's Club, Zebulon Junior Woman's Club, Wakefield Woman's Club, Boy Scouts, Organizations of the Wakelon School, \$210.05.

Wakelon Teachers—

Miss Dorothy Brake, Chairman, \$246.74.

Wakelon Theatre—

Miss Sarah Eaton, \$75.12.

Rural Solicitation—

D. D. Chamblee, leader, with Mrs. T. C. Pimple, Mrs. B. B. Richards, Mrs. W. I. Hopkins, M. G. Pulley, K. P. Leonard, Mrs. W. H. Green, Mrs. L. W. Bunn, \$448.03.

Colored Solicitation—

Robert P. Richardson, leader, assisted by Mrs. Christine Locke, Daisy Fowler, Lena Ivory, Saile Sills, J. A. Gresham, U. G. Jones.

As everyone knows, our goal was much greater than for any preceding year and many of us thought that it was twice as great as it should have been, however, none of us would have appreciated our responsibility had it been a figure below that of an average for a sectional like area. In other words, had we been assigned a quota of \$2000 we would have worked for this amount just as hard as for that actually raised.

Again it is regretted that we failed to reach our quota, but I feel that not only those who actually participated in the drive, but also those which contributed to this most worthy cause are to be highly commended.

—John Sumner.

Soldiers Save \$20,000 Monthly By Salvaging

Headquarters, European Theater of Operations.—Nearly \$20,000 a month is being saved for the Government by a United States Army quartermaster depot unit in England which reclaims damaged gasoline cans.

Most of the salvaged cans are United States Army "Americans," but the plant also repairs containers sent in by the British Army. "A few of the men in the unit have had prior welding experience," said Captain Wright, "but most of them never handled this type of equipment until they were trained by the Army."

North Carolina

Wendell, Corporal Julian P. Craft, 25, son of Mrs. Bessie Craft, Route 1, Wendell, was inducted 11 months ago at Fort Bragg, and received his basic training at Camp Lee, Virginia.