

This, That And
The Other

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There are few poems quoted from more often than Gray's *Elegy*; and, sad to say, the quotations are very frequently incorrectly given. In this paper last week the editor wrestled long with one such quotation and at last it got printed wrong. "The plowman homeward plods his weary way" is how it should read. But we are as liable to see that the weary plowman homeward plods his way; or homeward the weary plowman plods his way; or any of several other transpositions as what Gray wrote. It may be his fault for having written so rhythmically that it is hard to spoil completely the music of the line.

And in that same poem is another line that very few ever say aright. It is "Far from the madding crowd's ignoble strife." But at least nine times out of ten you'll hear it given *maddening* crowd, which has a different meaning. The madding diffrent is a wild mob; a maddening crowd is one that drives you mad.

Although a firm believer in children, there are times when I have a secret sympathy for those who fail to make the effort necessary to get them to the service.

Our youngest grandson, Leary, is now twenty-eight months old, and we felt it was time to enroll him in the class of beginners, though he will be a cradle-roller for some time yet. Wanting him to feel as nearly as possible at ease, we brought Lynne and Teddy, who are five and three, to be with him at the initiation. All of us were excited over the event.

Fortunately, Sunday was pretty. We arose early and began on what had to be done. Soon after breakfast I got myself ready and covered my dress with an apron while doing what could be done ahead about dinner and helping Selma see to the children.

When I combed Lynne's long, waving hair, she told me she didn't want the plaits that I like so much; that she wanted to wear it loose with a bow above each eye. Into my mind came the memory of a time when I was having my first dates and one evening wore my hair "flowing" in an effort to look charming. Glamor was then only a word in my spelling book, but I was straining toward it, hair tangling as I went. Remembering, I did not argue with Lynne, nor did I remind her of the cause of the tangles I brushed out of her hair that afternoon. She also decided that instead of any of the dresses brought over in her suitcase, she would wear one that had been left here since last fall. It was quite short, but she wore her new coat over it.

Teddy did not like the suit I got out for him, preferring the one with the striped shirt that Grandpa Barnes brought him from Richmond. No belt for it was to be found, but he, too, had a new top-coat. We had to discuss the comparative value of blue socks to match the suit, red ones to match the coat, or white ones to go with the shoes, but he, too, was made ready.

Selma had Leary dressed and he had gone out to the car and was sounding the horn steadily, despite repeated reproof. He never cares now what he wears, but that time will come.

My husband had walked on ahead, his mind probably concerned only with things spiritual. Selma and I were rather fruitfully bringing into line the wholly temporal.

As I gave a hurried glance into the mirror while putting on my hat I saw the kitchen apron still doing its duty. If I had worn it to church, it would have been less embarrassing than things that have happened to me.

Finally we were on our way. Halfway there Selma exclaimed dramatically, if slangily, "Gosh, I washed everybody's face but my own."

Let me repeat, I believe in Sunday School; but if some time an official is making a speech and criticizes others who don't see to regular attendance on the part of their offspring, and you hear a

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The Lone Star Quartette To Be At Wakelon

The Lone Star Quartette will appear on Wakelon Auditorium's stage Thursday night, April 27, sponsored by the Junior Woman's Club. The public is invited. A full evening's entertainment is provided. Proceeds will be used to help make a payment on the clubhouse debt as will the amount raised at the recent bridge tournament. Advance sale of tickets has begun. See any member of the Junior Woman's Club.

Johnson W. M. U. Will Hold Meeting

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Johnston Baptist Association will hold its annual session with the Trinity Church on Wednesday, April 26th; opening hour, 10:00 o'clock. A splendid and timely program is being prepared by the Supt., Mrs. J. E. Wilder, of Mt. Moriah Church. She will preside over the meeting, assisted by Miss Alberta Boyette of Princeton, Young People's Leader. Special speakers will be: Mrs. J. S. Farmer, Miss Pearl Johnson, returned missionary.

A large delegation from every church in the Association is urged to come. The societies are again requested to send needed linens and cash contributions to our hospital in Winston-Salem.

Mrs. B. A. Hocutt, Publicity and White Cross Chairman, Johnston Baptist Assn.

Corinth Boys State Poultry Champion

W. M. Boykin, high school 4-H Club lad of Corinth-Holder School, Johnston County, has won first place in the State's 4-H Poultry Raising contest by producing eggs worth \$806.22 at a feed cost of \$306.30. His flock consisted of 77 Rhode Island Reds, which averaged 254 eggs each for the year.

Boykin also won a one-year scholarship at State College. He is a senior at Corinth-Holder, president of the local 4-H Club, dirves a school bus, plays on the school basketball team, and helps on his father's farm.

Church News

BAPTIST CHURCH

Services for April 23:
10:00, Sunday School.
11:00, Morning Worship. Sermon topic: "Observations On Christianity."

7:15, Training Union.
8:00, Evening Worship. Message: "What Is That In Thy Hand?"

Hales Graduates

Fred N. (Norris) Hales, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred N. Hales of the Zebulon community, graduated from the Army Air Forces Training Command at Blackland Field, Texas, on April 15. Fred is now ready to take over the controls of a Thunderbolt, Lightning, Mustang, or some other fighter plane in the AAF fighting service.

noise about the middle of the auditorium, it'll probably be me trying to make a few remarks and to ask the speaker if he ever tried getting there early.

Merritt L. Massey Dies Here Sat.

After a long period of failing health Merritt L. Massey died of a heart attack last Saturday afternoon, April 15, at about three o'clock. He had seemed as well as usual during the day and was stricken while at the J. M. Chevrolet place, dying before he could be taken home.

Surviving are the wife, formerly John T. O'Dear of Creedmoor; two daughters, Beth and Mary Gordon; his mother, Mrs. Daniel Massey; six brothers: Eger, Oren, Ormond, Luther, Dewey and Riggsby, all of Zebulon; one sister, Mrs. Joe Richert, Raleigh.

The final rites were held at the Baptist Church on Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock with Pastor G. J. Griffin in charge, assisted by Rev. R. H. Herring and Rev. Theo. B. Davis, both former pastors of the deceased. The choir sang "Sun of My Soul, Thou Savior Dear" and "My Faith Looks Up to Thee." Mrs. Lorenzo Bunn sang a solo, "Face to Face."

Active pallbearers were brothers and a nephew, G. C. Massey. Honorary were W. B. Bunn, J. K. Barrow, H. E. Mann, R. V. Brown, W. D. Finch, D. W. Stallings, L. M. Gould of Smithfield, P. F. Massey, R. J. Alford, N. R. Gill, R. L. Isaacs, A. D. Antone, F. E. Bunn, I. D. Gill, Avon Privette, E. H. Moser, N. R. Pitts, C. V. Whitely, R. H. Bridgers, W. P. Lewis, W. G. Temple, M. W. Page, Dr. J. O. Newell of Louisburg, Herbert Stallings, Maynard Hardwicke of Rolesville, W. C. Campen, Dr. G. S. Barbee, John Sumner, M. J. Sexton, Fred Page, Robert Edd Horton.

Mr. Massey was prominent in Zebulon's business life until ill health forced his retirement. He belonged to the American Legion.

Rotary Club

Rev. Charlie Vale had the program, his subject being "Can or Does A Man Change?" Charlie said yes and no. Man has changed very little from earliest history to date. He seems to have been born with the same intelligence as today in regard to disposition. Men today are fighting as fiercely as the ancient cave man did to protect his own.

Charles stated that the skill of the ancient engineers and their wonderful architecture and philosophy are accepted today as produced by master minds.

Man, it seems, has always been highly intelligent and capable in every age as today. Environment works changes and education has its points. Sometimes man makes changes within himself by learning to control his temper, etc. We have an example of this in the conversion of the Apostle Paul. Man has changed animals but it seems as if he can't do much about changing himself.

Personals

Mrs. Norman Dean, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Ruric Gill, became ill here and was taken on Monday to a Raleigh hospital. Two of Mrs. Dean's daughters are also in the hospital at this time.

Mrs. W. C. Stowd of Louisburg came last week to the home of her brother, Allan Pippin, after a stay in Duke Hospital. Her condition is said to be much better than for some time.

Miss Grace Coltrane and Mr. Arthur Opp of New York City are here for the week with Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Coltrane.

Mrs. Eldred Rountree and baby daughter, Betsy, have come from Wilmington to stay with Mrs. Rountree's parents, the Oren Masseys, for the duration. Mr. Rountree is now in training at Camp Peary, Va.

Richard Hoyle Killed In Crash

The following telegram was received by Mrs. Hawkins Vester of Spring Hope Tuesday night:

50 Government, El Toro, California.

Deeply regret the right to inform you that Second Lieutenant Richard Hoyle, U. S. Marine Corps, Reg., died as a result of multiple injuries received in an airplane crash at approximately 9:30 p.m., April 17, 1944, at the U. S. Marine Corps Air Station, El Toro, Cal. Please accept my most heartfelt sympathy.

W. P. Bowland, N. J. U. S. M. C.

Lt. Hoyle was the youngest of the four sons of the late Starkey H. and Mrs. Hoyle of Wakefield. Mrs. Vester is the only sister. Before entering service Richard graduated at Wake Forest and taught in the high school at Wilson. He was one of the state's best home players of baseball.

Definite funeral arrangements can not be made at this time.

U. S. Offers Good Jobs With Good Pay

The U. S. Government is asking for recruits in a number of openings that should be a great inducement to those qualified. The work is agreeable, the pay is good. Most of the positions are under the Civil Service department and the position would be permanent. Among the positions to be filled are:

For the Norfolk Navy Yard, painters, welders, electricians, machinists, gas welders, laborers, and many other positions.

The Civil Service Commission is seeking library assistants with pay from \$1,750 to \$1,950; dieticians at \$2,190.

For the Naval Air Station refrigerator mechanics, electricians, packers and craters are urgently needed.

Especially at Langley Field machine makers, and airplane model makers are greatly needed.

Public Health Nurses are wanted by the Civil Service. Salaries run from \$2,190 to \$2,433.

Information concerning any of these positions may be had by writing Fourth U. S. Civil Service Region, Nissen Building, Winston Salem 3, N. C.

Building Dedicated

On Sunday afternoon interesting exercises were held at the local Negro school in connection with the dedication of the new Vocational building. There was some good singing by the glee club. A number of colored and white citizens made short talks. The chief address was by Dr. F. D. Bluford, President of the A. & T. College, Greensboro. It was a very thoughtful and practical address. This was a very creditable occasion, reflecting the spirit of the school and the fine work Principal G. L. Crews is doing.

FARM BUREAU HAS BARBEQUE

The local organization of the Farm Bureau, 100 strong, met at the Wakelon school gym Tuesday night in a get-together meeting. A special committee had prepared a fine barbecue supper with plenty of cold drinks. This organization of farmers is getting a good start and is destined to become a useful agent for good in the community. Mr. E. H. Moser is President, D. D. Chamblee, Sec., and R. E. Horton, Treas.

Mrs. A. V. Medlin returned last week from Rex Hospital, where she went for operative treatment. She is making good progress toward complete recovery.

Pre-School Clinic

The clinic held each year for pre-school children at Wakelon serves not only as a means of discovering and relieving physical imperfections which would retard progress in classroom work, but is also one of the highlights of the school year. First grade teachers and a committee from the Parent-Teacher Association make preparation for entertainment and refreshment of the little folk and their mothers. Plenty of homemade cookies and lemonade are on hand and the year is enjoyed.

This year there were 43 children examined, all of whom were given the Schick test for diphtheria. It was found that 27 had already been given toxoid, which is a fine showing of interest on the part of parents. There were 34 parents who accompanied their little ones to school for the examinations. "Blue Star" pre-schoolers were Billie Martin, Doris Gene Privett, Hazel Tant and Luther Allen Williford.

New Ice Plant Here

Few if any people in the Zebulon and Wendell communities will ever forget the trouble they had through the hot days of last summer in getting even a few pounds of ice on the hottest days. Waiting for hours and begging for ice as though it was bread was a common experience. Folks would come for miles from the country and wait for hours to get a small piece of ice. It was not a bit funny, but, as the comic strip says, "Them days are gone forever."

By operating day and night the old plant was able to turn out about 12 tons of ice—enough to supply less than half the needs of the territory supplied. Trucks hauled ice from Raleigh and more distant places. When present plans are completed, the plant will produce nearly three times that of the old—30 tons or more a day. The big Deisel engine will be replaced with big electric dynamos; in fact, the whole plant will be electrified. All the old tanks, pipes and machinery have been taken out and new equipment, the very latest and best in ice production, is being installed. When completed this plant will probably be the most modern in the Carolinas.

A large addition to the building has been built, furnishing new offices, wash room, shower baths, men's room and toilets. In addition to the sale of ice the Little River Ice and Coal Co. will carry refrigerators and stoves. At present they have a few for sale, but hope to carry a full line in the near future. They are also prepared to supply coal of all sorts to the trade.

The company has an ice house in Wendell that will supply the people of that town and surrounding country with ice. So the people of this section, embracing Wendell and Zebulon, may expect plenty of ice this season to the hottest days of the summer. New delivery trucks have been bought and if help is available to make deliveries, no one need fear he will not be able to keep both food and himself plenty cool this summer if ice will do it.

All this progress and improvement has come to the Little River Ice and Coal Co. through Mr. E. L. Lowie, who purchased the business from Mr. R. H. Bridgers last year. While spending only a part of his time in Zebulon while the changes are being made on the plant, he expects later to bring his family to our town and make their permanent home. Zebulon is to be congratulated on having a progressive business man like Mr. Lowie among us and in having one of the most modern ice plants in the South to make hot weather more endurable with plenty of ice in the good old summertime.

Miss Daphne Lewis was taken to Rex Hospital last Saturday because of mastoiditis which began earlier in the week.