

*This, That And
The Other*
By Mrs. Theo B. Davis

Have you ever seen magnolias lovelier than they are this year? As a Southerner I'm not specially rabid, but I am very glad to live where magnolias grow. The trees alone are wonderful; straight, symmetrical and sturdy, their stiff leaves glistening in the sun? And words can hardly do justice to the blossoms. If ever flowers have dignity, magnolias have with added perfection in shape and fragrance. They are not one bit adaptable, but insist on dominating both an arrangement and the arranger. As Elizabeth Horton (Mrs. Robert Edd) said to me last Sunday when speaking of the large container of magnolia blooms she had brought for the table in front of the pulpit in our church: "You just needn't try to do anything with them but put them in water." But that is enough for me.

Somehow I feel that we owe it to Northerners to grow magnolias all along the highways that they may see them as they pass through. The trees grow fast. We have one set out about twelve years ago that measures twenty-six inches in circumference just above the ground. We also have another variety that blooms at intervals all summer; but it is not such a handsome tree; is smaller, though older; and its leaves are not nearly so large as the old-fashioned kind, which is the larger one.

Like other broad-leaved evergreens the magnolia sheds its leaves in spring or early summer; but it should be excused for that one annoying trait.

Now is the time for all housekeepers to look over the jars of fruit and vegetables they have not used. It doesn't pay to keep canned stuff too long. It may not spoil, but the flavor is certainly inferior to more recent canning. And I believe those self-sealing tops eventually get tired of holding on so tight and loosen their grip. Rubber rings, like the old gray mare, ain't what they used to be, many being reclaimed or synthetic rubber. They do all right, but just don't try to can for five years ahead.

My son's wife is working on a bathing suit for herself. Her interest in the job is bigger than the suit is. I look at it and remember the suit I had at Morehead City some thirty-five years ago. It would have made about three of Selma's. The material was dark blue mohair, fairly heavy and unfairly scratchy. It had a shirtwaist top with large collar and elbow sleeves. It had full, gathered bloomers that were held in at the knees by elastic. Over the bloomers was a pleated skirt that also came to my knees. Black, ribbed cotton stockings completed this jaunty costume. No wonder I felt embarrassed when seen arrayed in it. Nor is it any wonder that I was hardly able to move around once that suit soaked up all the water it could hold.

In those days it was perfectly terrible to lose a stocking when in swimming or splashing, and I've known girls to stay in the water till they were shriveled rather than come out and walk to the dressing-room with one leg bare.

This is no plea for or against modern styles. But I am quite sure the suits of today allow one to enjoy the water far more than we could.

Corinth-Holder Commencement

On last Sunday afternoon at 5:30 a large crowd heard Rev. C. E. Vale preach the baccalaureate sermon at Corinth-Holder School. Monday evening the Senior class gave an entertainment. Mr. Freeman, who has just completed his first year as Superintendent of the school, has had a very successful term. Zebulon members of the faculty are Mrs. E. H. Moser, Mrs. C. G. Weathersby and Mrs. Ralph Bunn, teachers in the grades, and Mrs. Ollie Pearce, music teacher.

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Church News

REVIVAL AT WAKEFIELD

Rev. J. L. Jenkins, pastor of the Baptist Church, Boiling Springs, N. C., is assisting Pastor Turner in a meeting at Wakefield this week. Mr. Jenkins is one of the best pastor-evangelists in North Carolina. Services are being held each evening. The public is invited to attend.

The Young Married Ladies' Class held its May meeting with Mrs. M. M. Turner. There were twelve members present.

Mrs. Lionel Bunn had charge of the program. Mrs. Theo. Davis gave an interesting talk on trees and plants of the Bible. The hostess served peaches with cream and cake.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Services for Sunday, June 4.
10:00 Sunday School.
11:00 Morning Worship. Sermon topic: "God's Farm."
7:15 Training Union.
8:00 Evening Worship. Sermon topic: "The Way to Brotherhood."

NOTICE

Beginning June 1, 1944, all stores and the beauty shop in Middlesex will close at one o'clock each Wednesday afternoon, and at 8 o'clock each night in the week except Saturday nights.

With The Men In Service

Sgt. Dwight Tant of Fort Dix, New Jersey, recently spent fourteen days at home with his wife, the former Miss Betsy Upchurch, and son of near Zebulon.

Chief Pharmacist's Mate B. Brantley Boyette of the USN, and his brother, Sgt. Vernon W. Boyett of the Army had a happy reunion in England recently after not having seen each other in over three years. Brantley entered the Navy in 1941. Vernon entered the Army in 1939 and since then he has served in Africa, Sicily and Italy. The boys are sons of J. F. Boyett and the late Mrs. Fannie Boyett of Raleigh, R3, and brothers of Mrs. Albert Pulley, Zebulon, R3.

Douglas Finch, Pharmacist's Mate 3c has been transferred to the Naval Hospital at Portsmouth Virginia for duty.

Eldred Rountree, USN at Camp Peary, Va., was here last week to see his family who are with Mrs. Rountree's parents, the Oren Masseys. Mrs. Rountree and their baby daughter accompanied him to Gates County, to visit relatives. He returned to camp Friday.

The contribution of North Carolina in building the Army of the United States to nearly 7,500,000 officers and enlisted men and women is 181,692, as of January 1, 1944, Headquarters Fourth Service Command revealed today.

This included 179,300 men and 2,392 women. The total strength of North Carolina in the Army on January 1, 1944 was given at 161,000 men and 1,733 women, while 31,805 men and 676 women have been separated from the service by discharge or other means. The total number given as entering the service does not include personnel who entered prior to November 1, 1940.

Lemoore, Calif., May 20—Aviation Cadet William L. Green, son of Mr. and Mrs. William L. Green, Zebulon, North Carolina, has successfully completed his basic flying training at the LeMoore Army Air Field and now takes his final hurdle at an Army Air Forces Advanced Flying Training School before receiving his silver wings.

Woman's Club

Of unusual interest and pleasure was the final program for this season of the Woman's Club on Thursday evening of last week. In connection with a musical program directed by Mrs. B. K. Miller, an exhibit of flowers had been arranged, adding color and beauty. No prizes had been offered, the work being done as a feature of the meeting.

In the business session, presided over by the retiring president, Mrs. Z. N. Culpepper, a paper prepared by Mrs. R. H. Brantley was read by Mrs. F. L. Page, bringing the club history up to date. A check for fifty dollars, to be applied on the existing debt, was presented by Mrs. John Barrow, Jr., from the Junior Club.

Prizes for outstanding work in Literature by Wakelon grammar grade pupils were awarded Fred Allen Mangum, Jr., and Howard Doyle, seventh grade boys who tied in the standard tests with scores of 11th grade, 7 months, as regards reading. During the school year Fred read 37 books from the school library and Howard read 45. Both had failed to keep account of extensive outside reading.

Mrs. Miller spoke of music as a magic link with God; the universal language; a force without color, race or creed, that gives to each according to his need.

Mrs. L. M. Massey sang "Indian Love Call", "Sylvia", and "Desert Song". She was accompanied at the piano by her daughter, Carolyn.

Mrs. Miller next introduced Mrs. J. W. Rose of Pikeville, who gave three violin solos with Miss Jocelyn House at the piano. Her selections were "Old Refrain" as arranged by Kreisler; "London-derry Air" and Intermezzo from "Cavalleria Rusticana."

Pastor C. E. Vale of the Methodist Church sang "Vale" (Farewell), "The Rosary", and "Forgotten." His accompaniments were played by Mrs. G. J. Griffin.

Miss Jocelyn House, dean of music at the State School for the Blind, gave three piano solos: "Butterfly", by Grieg; "The Hunting Song", Mendelssohn; and "Idilio", by Lack.

A social hour followed adjournment. Mesdames J. K. Barrow, C. E. Flowers, F. D. Finch and H. C. Wade, hostesses for the day, served punch and cookies from a lace-covered, candle lighted table, decorated with a large bowl of red roses, blue cornflowers and white dautzia.

Bookmobile Notes

Schedule Monday, June 12th. Halthcock's Service Station 9:10-9:30; Rolesville 9:45-10:00; Mrs. J. B. Watkins 10:10-10:25; Mrs. Blackwell's 10:30-10:45; Hopkins Cross Roads 11:00-11:45; Wakefield Woman's Club 12:00-12:30; Zebulon Woman's Club 1:05-2:15; Tarpley's Mill 2:30; Mrs. E. V. Richardson 2:50; Watkins Service Station 3:00; Wilder's Grove 3:15.

Schedule Tuesday, June 13: Knightdale 9:30-10:30; Wendell Woman's Club 10:45-12:00; W. T. Sherron's 12:30-12:45; Eagle Rock P. O. 12:45-1:15; Lake Myra Store 1:30-1:45; Bethlehem Church 2:00-2:15; Samaria Church 2:30.

Primary Returns

The tumult and the shouting have died; the captains and the kings have departed. Which being interpreted means that campaign headquarters have closed with the winning or losing of their candidates and that for a season politics will be less evident than for months.

Cherry, Hoey, Ballentine, Hatch, Allen and Ransdell had great or small majorities. A. R. House, local attorney, was fourth in the House race, making a far better showing than in his former candidacy. Pittman Stell had more opposition for srveyor than heretofore, but won out with a good majority. Home-town neighbors and friends gave House a big vote, far more than any of his opponents.

Norfolk Southern Planning Freight Service Expansion

The Norfolk Southern Bus Corporation, a highway freight and passenger carrying affiliate of the Norfolk Southern Railway Company has applied for extension of its motor freight lines from Greenville to Raleigh. The freight division of the Bus Corporation now serves the territory from Norfolk to Morehead City, extending as far west as Kinston and Greenville, and eastwardly to Columbia, Belhaven and Oriental. Under the trucking franchise sought the Company would provide co-ordinated rail and highway service to and from practically all of eastern North Carolina, connecting at Raleigh with the Norfolk Southern's main rail line to Charlotte, thus forming co-ordinated rail and highway freight service to and from the south and west through Charlotte, and from and to the east and north through Norfolk.

L. P. Kennedy, general superintendent of the Norfolk Southern Railway Company with headquarters in Raleigh, was in the city today and stated that the proposed extension of tucking operations of the Bus Corporation from Greenville to Raleigh would provide an ideal co-ordinated rail and highway freight transportation service to and from all eastern North Carolina east of Raleigh.

Mr. Kennedy expressed the opinion that there would be a rapid expansion in business following the end of the war and stated that the Norfolk Southern Railway Company and its subsidiary, the Norfolk Southern Bus Corporation, were making plans to be ready to render the sort of transportation service the public will need and demand when the country turns its efforts from war to peace time activities. Mr. Kennedy says the Railway Company already has freight stations conveniently located and the experienced organization necessary to properly conduct a co-ordinated rail and highway transportation service, also a vast system of private telephone and telegraph communication lines and established pick-up and delivery service in the principal cities and towns, all of which will be devoted to the co-ordinated rail and highway transportation service.

The advantages and many conveniences to the public of the co-ordinated rail and highway service proposed would be quite beneficial and would undoubtedly aid materially in the expansion of commerce, agriculture and manufacture in eastern North Carolina according to Mr. Kennedy who says the proposed service is something new in this section of the country.

About Typhoid

Since 1915, from year to year, the people of Wake County have had an opportunity to be vaccinated against typhoid fever. Since about 1923, from year to year, parents had had an opportunity to have their babies and young children immunized against diphtheria.

We know—and people living in both urban and rural communities know—that typhoid fever and diphtheria, two diseases for which there are known preventive measures, occur less frequently than they did 10 and 20 years ago. Statistical records prove this.

A community is no healthier than the individuals living in it. Each individual by taking advantage of these preventive measures to protect himself against disease plays an important part in making his community a safe and happy place in which to live.

The preventative measures and three essentials for good health and sanitary living in any community are: (1) The administration of vaccines and sera of known proven value; (2) A safe water supply; (3) Some approved type of sewage disposal; and (4) Screens to keep out flies and other insects. Add to these measures a sense of cleanliness and decency which every community should enjoy and we will have an ideal place in which to live and the satisfaction of knowing that everything is being done for welfare and comfort.

Sometimes, it is difficult by epidemiological investigation and laboratory analysis to determine the source of a case of typhoid fever, but this much we do know, it did not "just happen". We know that the germs that caused the case came from a person who at some time had had typhoid fever which may or may not have been recognized and had remained a "carrier" of that infection. If we could control the habits and customs of persons who are carriers of typhoid fever germs, we could very definitely control typhoid fever infection without vaccination; but, since all carriers are not known, we should resort to vaccination and the three essentials for every home for protection against the spread of typhoid fever.

The law passed by the General Assembly of 1939 requiring parents or guardians of infants between the age of 6 and 12 months to have them immunized against

Vaccinate Dogs

For the past three years the veterinarians of this county have requested the Wake County Health Department to make it possible for dispensaries to be owners of dogs could bring them held throughout the county where for vaccination against rabies, preventing the loss of their animals and possibly the spread of rabies to human beings. This is in compliance with an act passed by the General Assembly of 1935 and amended in 1941, requiring all dogs to be vaccinated. The charge of 75 cents for each vaccination will be refunded on the dog tax if the dog has been listed for taxes.

The dates and places for vaccination are as follows:

Wendell, Thursday, June 1, 2-4 p. m.; Zebulon, Thurs., June 15 2-4; Knightdale, Fri., June 16, 2-3; Eagle Rock, Fri., June 16, 3-4; Stony Hill, Mon., June 19, 2-4; Robertson's Store, Wed., June 21, 2-4; Rolesville, Fri., June 23, 2-3; Hopkins Cross Roads, Mon., June 26, 2-4 p. m.

BILLIONS FOR VICTORY

U. S. A. war expenditures abroad totalled \$30,362,687,362 as of April 1, last, the Senate was told recently. Of that amount, \$19,700,297,674 went to Great Britain, \$15,640,479,250 in Lend-Lease while Russia got \$4,214,921,439 and Latin America \$2,327,378,789. Loans, military outlays, and investments made up the balance.

BETTER BE A JANITOR

Sixty teachers in a school near Pittsburgh struck when they were refused a \$200 annual wage increase. Janitors got \$2,400 and teachers \$1,700 maximum.

diphtheria should be complied with 100 percent. However, up to the present time, this has not been accomplished, although we see improvement from year to year.

Two to three months after the last dose of toxoid has been administered, the Schick test should be given to determine whether immunity has been established. If the test is negative, the child is immune from diphtheria; if positive, another dose of toxoid is indicated. A Schick test should be repeated when the child is about three years old and again before he enters school.