

This, That & The Other

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Now that summer is past and its gardens gone, it might be well to review the new vegetables tried out, if any. First, I shall mention the Gypsy Queen watermelon. It is fine indeed for the home garden and has but one flaw. Like the Kleckley Sweet, if really ripe, there is no rind for pickling or preserving. The red goes right down to the green. If Lyndelle Doyle Denton hadn't brought me some melons that had rinds, I'd never have made the preserves I wanted.

The Golden Jubilee tomato is delicious, thrifty and well worth growing. It is less acid than red tomatoes. Put a lettuce leaf on a blue plate, on the leaf place two quarters of red tomato and two of Golden Jubilee, alternating the colors, and you have about the gaudiest food combination ever seen. When my son Ted first saw it he said reproachfully, "Mother! At your age!" At this date our climbing tomatoes are still climbing with green tomatoes hanging on, but only one ripe yet.

I do hope the neighbors to whom my husband gave tamala plants last spring don't hold it against him. He meant well, even if the stuff did turn out to be so much like lamb's quarter, but not as good. One gardening expert who writes for the big magazines says tamala is better than spinach, but that is faint praise. It may be a big discovery or invention for localities that can't grow as many vegetables as we can; but it is not likely to become popular here.

My husband sowed some sugar beet seed later than the regular crop. The first sugar beet was cooked last week. It was white, firm but tender, and very sweet. I think it would be good chopped raw in salad. We thought the rabbits would enjoy these beets, but they don't seem to like them as much as I do.

Next, take Swiss chard. I hope you do—all of it. Mine was the error that put it again in our garden and faithfully I tried to use it. We had it with the green part of the leaves cut off and the white stalks cooked and seasoned like asparagus, and it tasted like nothing. We had it cut up raw, sprinkled with celery salt and mixed with lettuce, and it made a blank spot in every mouthful. I cooked it with onions and it wouldn't even soak up enough of that flavor to taste like anything. I mixed it with mustard greens and it flattened the taste till the flavor was spoiled.

Next year not even enthusiastic grammar graders trying to earn prizes for their rooms shall tempt me to buy chard seed. I'll give the nickel, but I won't take the seed. Nor shall I let northern magazine writers tempt me with accounts of how good it is.

We tried endive again after having had none for several years. The hot, dry weather hurt it and it never would curl up and bleach, but went to seed or parched before cool days came. But this was not the endive's fault. It tastes like lettuce with a dash of mustard. Some volunteer plants have come up and I mean to try them as winter salad.

The chief gardener said he was going to plant seeds of the "sugar trough" gourds. They are the kind our grandmothers used to hold soft soap or lined with cotton to keep eggs warm enough not to freeze in bitter weather. But the gourds we grew were so small I thought, till I found out seed had been changed, that they were for rationed sugar. They are too small to be useful and not pretty enough to be ornamental. One more effort to be credited to experience.

Mrs. Russell Raper is in Washington, D. C., with her husband, who is in a veterans' hospital for a serious operation.

Miss Letha Mae Simpson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Simpson, is expected home Saturday. She has been employed at Koppers in Baltimore for the past two years.

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Church News

BAPTIST CHURCH

10:00 Sunday School
11:00 Morning Worship. Sermon topic: "Are We Ready?" At this service the New Pulpit Bible will be dedicated.
7:15 Training Union
8:00 Evening Worship. Sermon: "Loving An Unseen Friend"

METHODIST CHURCH

The W. C. S. met in the home of Mrs. M. J. Sexton. Mrs. Mark Bunn was in charge of the Spiritual Life program with Mrs. A. R. House assisting.

Mrs. W. D. Finch led the devotional and Mrs. C. E. Flowers had the program on India, ending her talk with Tennyson's "Farewell." Present were Mesdames Mark Bunn, S. G. and C. E. Flowers, W. D. and J. D. Finch, Mahlon Temple, Pearl Massey, A. A. Pippin, J. L. Stell, M. J. Sexton, May White, C. E. Vale, J. G. Terry, A. R. House, R. E. Kitching; and Miss Doza Blackley.

Mrs. A. R. House attended the Educational Seminar at the W. S. C. S. at Hayes Barton Methodist Church last Thursday.

The annual series of revival meetings were held with the Pearce Baptist Church last week. Dr. Paul A. Bagby of Louisburg doing the preaching. Special emphasis was given to congregational singing under the direction of the pastor, Rev. Mark R. Osborne, Jr. Mrs. Osborne assisted, also, in bringing special messages in song, and Charles Horton of Zebulon served as pianist throughout the week. There were eleven additions to the church membership, five by letter and six coming upon profession of faith. The baptismal service will be conducted next Sunday afternoon.

PERSONALS

Guests in the W. O. Glover home for Sunday night supper were Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Perry and son, Chief Petty Officer Wade Perry, USN, who has been in service nineteen years and is now home on leave; Mr. and Mrs. Horace Perry.

Miss Vivian Parker has come from Baltimore for a visit with her mother, Mrs. C. E. Parker, and other relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Williams announce the marriage of their daughter, Mary Frances, to Pfc. Bert C. West of Santa Cruz, Calif., on Oct. 2 in Rockville, Md. The bride is employed by the Signal Corps in Washington, D. C. The groom is stationed with the Army Air Corps in Washington.

Mrs. Earl L. Hardison, who is teaching in the Grifton High School, spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Williams. Also visiting in the Williams home were Pfc. and Mrs. W. D. Archer en route from Baltimore to Savannah, Ga., where Pfc. Archer will be gunnery instructor at Chatham Field.

Mrs. Robert Edd Horton is visiting her mother, Mrs. T. B. Burke, and other relatives in Goldston. A brother in service is home on furlough.

Big Potato

O. N. Phillips brought into the office Tuesday a Porto Rico sweet potato weighing more than five pounds. He has many nearly that large and says they grow *too* big.

The feeding value of ground wheat for fattening hogs compares well with that of yellow shelled corn, results from an experiment at the Mountain Branch station show.

Pumpkin pie should be rich with eggs and top milk. Cider, too, may be added. Egg whites or gelatin may be used to make it a pumpkin chiffon pie.

Orphanage Appeal

The Oxford Orphanage at Oxford, North Carolina, has a record of seventy-one years of service to the children of North Carolina. Over five thousand have been cared for and trained. Its graduates and former pupils are in all walks of life and there is no record of a former pupil having been convicted and sentenced for committing a major crime in North Carolina. It is the oldest Orphanage in the State.

At the present time less than forty per cent of the population of the Orphanage is of Masonic parentage.

The annual budget of the Orphanage calls for an expenditure of \$170,000.00. This provides shelter, clothing, and food, recreation, heat, light, books, school supplies, health program, staff of trained workers, vocational training in several departments, laundry, repairs and upkeep to grounds, buildings and equipment, and experienced case work for a family of 308 children.

Liberal gifts are needed this year for operating expenses in order to maintain the Home.

The Oxford Orphanage is an investment in the lives of North Carolina boys and girls who would not otherwise have a chance. It pays to the State and its citizenship high dividends in character and trained young people.

The orphanages of the State use the Thanksgiving season as an occasion to appeal to the citizens of the State for so much needed assistance. The home is open for visitors each day, and hundreds of North Carolina citizens visit here every year.

Rotary Club

ROTARY CLUB SPONSORS NEXT WAR BOND DRIVE

Irby Gill had the program but gave way for John C. Anderson, Farm Agent and Gurney P. Hood, State Banking Commissioner, to outline and organize the next war bond drive. There will be much work for those earnest workers who wish to put it over. The allotment for Wake County is \$19,300.00. Raleigh expects to take care of \$125,000. The rural section is to take care of the balance. Mr. Anderson is organizing committees all over the rural section and is meeting with great success. These men and all who help are doing it without pay and expect no honor. The drive will start on October 20th. Volunteers will be announced later.

Prof. Moser instructed Prof. Lowry and Ralph Talton in the obligations of Rotary. They both joined some time ago.

Robert E. Horton was our latest member. He rejoined the club. His farming during the summer months took up too much of his time to attend regularly.

Harry Whitefield, state Ichthyologist, was a welcome visitor. He often visits with us.

Nimrod

When on his way to town last Saturday morning S. Turner who lives down on the Bunn road, was toying with a little round flint rock he had picked up at the roadside. Unexpectedly a dozen quail came walking across the road almost under his feet. What would you have done? Well, that's what he did. He brought the bird to Zebulon and gave it to Bailey Stallings who carried it to Martin's cafe and had it cooked for his dinner. The question is, Did Turner violate the law? He had no license, no dog, no gun, and was not hunting. Take the case.

Sweet potatoes and apples may be cooked together. The sweet potatoes are boiled until tender, then are cooled and peeled. Alternate layers of cooked sliced sweet potato and raw sliced apple are built up. Each layer is sprinkled with sugar and salt and dotted with butter or margarine. Water is then added and the whole is baked 30 to 45 minutes—until apples are soft and the top layer is brown.

Farm Bureau

A very enthusiastic meeting of the Little River Farm Bureau was held at the Wakelon school auditorium on Monday evening. There were about three hundred farmers present.

President E. H. Moser opened the meeting in a talk on the need of the farmers of this section to support the Bureau. The township has over 1,200 farmers, while the Bureau had less than 200 members last year. His objective is to enroll at least 500 this year if not more.

County Farm Agent W. T. Weeks introduced Will Rogers, State organizer of the Farm Bureau. Mr. Rogers discussed the present tobacco situation. He said if the farmers did not grow up to the amount required by law, then without legislative act, the whole present setup could be annulled, and probably would be. Dr. L. M. Massey also discussed the matter of growing tobacco and the importance of every farmer in this section joining the Farm Bureau. He introduced Mr. Alonza Edwards, prominent farmer of Pitt county, and also a member of the State Legislature. He emphasized the fact that every class of laboring people have long had their organizations and were thereby able to deal with the government in getting legislative action in matters relative to the farmers' interests. He said the farmers, to save themselves, have been forced to organize and fight for their rights. North Carolina grows more than half the tobacco in the United States, so one readily understands why our farmers must organize and work together.

Fifty-six new members were added at the meeting, making the membership 170. President Moser appointed in addition to the several vice-presidents a number of men in each community to solicit members. It is hoped that the majority of the farmers of this section will come in and help assure all the advantages farmers have, and gain others that will increase their incomes from the money crops from their farms. All business men are invited to join and help our farmers.

Seen & Heard

Wanted, A Name

Monday morning I went into the postoffice to mail some letters. A large young man was writing at the side table. Puzzled, he lifted his head, turned and looked around the walls, then out the window glancing at the buildings. I asked, "Do you want a calendar?" "No," said he "I want to know the name of this town." I told him it was Zebulon. "Do you spell it 'lon,'" he asked. I told him we do. So now I guess he knows where he was!

Union Hope

Our church attendance was very good today. We had visitors from nearby churches and also the sons of Mr. E. D. Brantley (Daniel, Alvin and Earnie) to sing for us. Everyone seemed to enjoy it very much.

Pvt. Earl Brantley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brantley sent home a German flag which he had captured along with 188 Germans. Not bad work for one soldier.

Pvt. J. T. Massey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Massey, was home for the week end. He is now going to school in South Carolina before taking up his basic training.

Pvt. Rudolph Brantley returned to camp Saturday after a weeks stay at home.

Cpl. William H. Brantley is at home on a 10-day furlough.

Mr. J. C. Strickland of Varina was a guest of Mr. L. C. Strickland last week end.

Mrs. Bernice Brantley and children visited her mother, Mrs. Pattie Cone, of Rocky Cross section last Sunday.

Sewing Room

The Red Cross sewing room will be open on Friday afternoon of this week; but hereafter, because of fuel scarcity, will be open on Thursday afternoons only.

More workers are urgently needed. After one sewing room session materials may be taken home for sewing, if preferred. Bandages are continually needed for the wounded soldiers and on hand are several hundred khaki kits which will be wanted for Christmas packing, as well as for other purposes.

If you are in any way concerned or interested, PLEASE HELP.

With The Men In Service

COMMUNICATIONS

To Old Schoolmates and Friends:

I am in far away Italy in body, but with you all in spirit. Would love so much to see and be with you. My work for the last few weeks has given opportunity to visit, and see some of the wonders of Europe. I saw the famed balcony where Mussolini spoke to the people, the Colosseum, Pantheon, buildings that the Romans built in the very early ages. I saw the Catacombs where the Christians took refuge when they were being persecuted. It is all underground and in stone. There are seventeen miles of underground rooms, and two million people buried in the walls. Then I saw Vatican's paintings of famous articles, the work of great sculptors and the Pope Pius. I also have visited France. It certainly shows the sign of the Nazis' Oppression. There is very little food for the people and no luxuries at all. The people act like a little child at Christmas time when you give them some food, candy, etc. The little children have the happiest look on their face when they get a piece of gum. I just can not understand how the people at home can be so complacent, and so unthankful when they have everything a person could ask for. I guess the war has to be seen personally before you really can comprehend the actual horrors. I know myself that I can feel so much more thankful for the smaller and better things of life than I ever did before. One of the most horrible sights I have ever seen yet was a place in France, where the Germans buried 320 innocent French alive in a bomb crater because on one of the allied raids they killed 32 German officers. I also saw the digging them up out of that crater, but never again.

Lt. J. Talmadge Harper

Edsel Outlaw Martin has arrived in Camp Croft, S. C. for basic training. He is the son of Mr. E. B. Martin of Zebulon, N. C. Route 3. He was inducted into the Army on Sept. 13 at Fort Bragg. He attended Wakelon High School. Before induction he was employed as a farmer.

Relatives are said to have been notified that Sgt. Albert Wiggs, earlier reported missing in action, is a prisoner of war.

New A Coupon

The present A Books expire on November 8th. The new basic coupons become valid on November 9th.

Application forms for the new basic ration may be obtained from OPA Inspection Stations throughout the county, also at the office of the War Price and Rationing Board, Raleigh, N. C.

Applicants are urged to get one of these forms and fill it out completely and mail or send it to the local War Price and Rationing Board together with the back of present A book so that basic rations may be mailed before November 8th.