

This, That & The Other

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Since frost has come the larger green tomatoes are probably on window sills or in barns to ripen. The experts now tell us that the tomatoes will do as well off the vines as on, once the vines have withered. They also say temperature and not light ripens, and that the best way to keep the tomatoes is to put about a half-dozen in a paper bag, then fold over the bag's top, placing it where temperature is always above freezing. Tomatoes will not ripen off the vine if too young for the jelly-like pulp to have formed around the seed. Tiny ones can be used for pickle, if you think it worth your time and sugar.

Just now the most beautiful tree in Zebulon is the maple in front of the Vance Privette home, with its vivid scarlet foliage. Second in beauty is the varicolored one at the A. C. Dawson home. However, if you'll excuse my saying so, no trees here are as lovely as are those in the mountains where colder nights and different climate work greater wonders than are seen in this section.

This week's *Saturday Evening Post* cover carries a picture of a meek, bewildered looking little man holding a newspaper with photographs of Roosevelt and Dewey side by side and the caption "Which One?" And I know exactly how that little man feels. From its official beginning this campaign has been a disappointment to me, I did so want to become wholly enthusiastic about one candidate or the other. Then Mr. Roosevelt let me down so hard with his teamster speech, which may have been all right for that organization, but which to my mind failed at any point to rise to the dignity of what our nation has a right to expect of its chief executive at such a time as this. I didn't want him to be sobbingly sentimental or pretentiously patriotic; but his going cute on us hurt me.

Mr. Dewey has said nothing else so good as was his acceptance speech when nominated; or, if so, I have not read it.

I do believe our president can do more for our country in post-war settlements; but I also believe the Republican candidate would give us a far better administration as regards matters at home. I believe peace will not be hastened nor delayed by the election of either candidate. Our generals are planning the military campaign, and all of us agree that needs of all branches of the armed forces must be adequately supplied.

I am not like the lady who declared she could never vote for a man who wears a mustache, nor am I swayed by the charms of our present first lady or of Mrs. Dewey. It's the husbands I worry about.

In the week that is left before voting day I shall try to do some real thinking. I've already thought that I shall go and have my name taken from the Democratic list and put down as independent; though that might not help.

It may be my indecision is largely because the name of the man I wanted to vote for is not on either ticket. He is dead; and, though I never saw him, I have a deep and personal sense of bereavement.

Headlines in a daily last week stated "More Tar Heel Battle Veterans Return to Bragg." And I thought why shouldn't they? If ever a soldier had a right to brag, ours have now. Just so they return, we'll all listen.

Miss Current advises in her Hints to Homemakers: "Never throw net curtains away purely because they are torn." Then she tells what to do about it. But she does not say anything of curtains falling to pieces when put into soapsuds, and that's what happened to mine.

Mrs. Robert Phillips went to Durham Monday to visit her mother, Mrs. M. A. Price and to see her brother, home on furlough.

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Sewing Room

Mrs. Wallace Temple, chairman of sewing room work, announces that the room will be open Thursday afternoon of each week from 1:30 till 5:30. For the cold months fire will be provided in the same room used during the summer. There is urgent need for sewers and cutters of scrap and it is hoped that their response may be adequate to meet the quota set for this community.

For the present an effort is being made to use wood in a sheet-iron heater for the sewing room, as this will afford quicker heat with less fire to be left when the room is closed for the day. Donations of wood, cut or sawed to stove length are requested. This will be a fine way for those unable to sew to give substantial aid.

Please remember the needs of our soldiers for what service we can render and come or send to the sewing room at the clubhouse on Thursday afternoons for materials to be made up.



With The Men In Service

Cochran Field, Macon, Georgia.—F. D. Finch, Jr. son of F. D. Finch of Zebulon, N. C. is stationed at this ARMY AIR FORCES TRAINING COMMAND PILOT SCHOOL while awaiting orders which will send him to pre-flight school. During this wait he is undergoing a comprehensive three-phase course of instruction in AAF administration, supply and engineering.

Wilbur White, USMC, son of Mr. and Mrs. Percy White of Zebulon, is in a California hospital suffering from malaria.

2nd Lt. Wilbur T. Debnam, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mallie T. Debnam, of Zebulon, is completing his training on a Liberator bomber at Pueblo Army Air Base. He is being fitted to be a valuable member of a "team" that will carry the fight into enemy territory. Debnam entered the service in February, 1943. His wife, Dorothy H. Debnam, lives in Zebulon.

Sgt. Willard H. Gay, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Gay of Zebulon, Route 3, has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal for courageous action on Bougainville Island last March. As chief of his gun section, he disregarded his own safety and inspired those under his command to continue firing until an enemy position had been wiped out, although the enemy was shelling Gay's gun post and the shells were landing all around. Sergeant Gay has been in the Pacific since March, 1942, and saw action at Guadalcanal as well as Bougainville. He also holds the Good Conduct Medal, a citation from the President, and a Navy citation.

There is a mistaken conception that tender cuts of meat are better. Firmer cuts are not only as good but give jaws and teeth a reason for being.

To avoid "boil overs" while cooking macaroni or spaghetti, add one tablespoon of cooking oil or shortening to the water.

To open fruit jars easily, set them upside down in hot water for a few minutes.

A Matter Of Life And Death

Never have there been so many things calling for money as now — opportunities to invest, to spend money, and to give it away. Perhaps War Bonds is the safest way to invest money. The government needs it to prosecute the war, and every one should buy some bonds.

A boom is beginning in real estate and many are considering purchasing a home or a farm. So it was during the first World War, and many did, thereby losing all their investments.

All must have food and clothes. So far, no one has suffered for the lack of either in all our land. We have had money enough to buy these and most of us have had some to save or to buy comforts and even luxuries. "In America," as one woman said to us a few days ago, "I do not know any one who has not had plenty to eat and who was not able to buy all they needed. Here we see no direct sign or serious result of the war."

It is right to bank our money or buy bonds, and the necessities of life. And, as we see life around us, there seems to be no reason why one may not spend his money for whatever he desires, or even throw it away in extravagance and waste.

But we live only on one side of the world. Today on the other side men are sick and in prison, and many are dying. They are our people and the people of our Allies. A little money to send them food or medicine would save lives. Certainly their enemies will not offer more than a sustenance for life, and many of them much prefer seeing our sons starve for food and die of disease. But if we send them what they most need, there is a way by which it will reach them.

For years now most of the peoples of Europe have been under the inhuman heel of the Hun. He has robbed them of almost every necessity of life. Homes have been destroyed, animals and crops have vanished, and the innocent sit shivering and famishing amid the ruins. Unless America, from the abundance of her plenty, gives liberally, then the guilt of neglect will be on us in the sufferings and deaths of fellow beings.

There are other great needs of mankind at home and abroad whose call and cry comes to us. Even the spirit and example of the One who gave His very life for our sake is calling on us to help in ministering to the starving and suffering millions across the seas. The Book says, "Whoso seeth his brother in need and shutteth up the bowels of compassion, how dwelleth the love of God in him?" Does God see us as such?

The United War Fund is calling on the people of Wake County to help in the national effort to relieve as far as possible the conditions as we have partially described them. \$193,884.00 is asked of the City of Raleigh and Wake County. Every cent of it is needed, and much more. Less than half has been raised and it now appears we shall be far short of our part. When a person who has hundreds of dollars in the bank gives 25 or 50 cents to this worthy and needy cause, how can he be friend to God or man? Many have refused or neglected to give anything. Only a few more days and the campaign will end. It is both an opportunity and a privilege to help in this effort. It is God's call—urgent call—to us.

God Almighty has blessed America in a wonderful way. We believe this is His way of testing our love for our neighbors, our desire, but surely the gracious God will not hold us guiltless if we fail to answer the groans and tears of our dying fellow creatures. An offering from every congregation of church people would be peculiarly Christian. It gives each of us an opportunity to show to the "Giver of every good and perfect gift" that we still listen to Him and love our fellow man enough to help rescue him from the terrible and devastating destruction and death following the scourge of the god of war.

Send or bring your contribution—and we hope you will do it now—to Rev. Geo. Griffin or Vance Brown, at the Peoples Bank & Trust Company.

Tobias Brantley School Of Missions

Tobias Brantley, 83, of Durham, died Sunday in Watts Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Monday at 4 p. m. from Sandy Grove Baptist Church, Nash County by Elder E. L. Cobb of Wilson. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Mr. Brantley was for years a resident of Zebulon and had many friends here.

Surviving are his wife, the former Martha Biggs of Nash County; nine daughters, Mrs. Christy Love of High Point, Mrs. E. D. Dosso, Mrs. A. H. Turner, Mrs. W. C. Perry and Mrs. L. C. Grady, all of Durham, Mrs. B. W. Brantley and Mrs. J. E. Carter, both of Zebulon, Mrs. C. E. Brantley of Winston-Salem and Mrs. Ettrix Brantley of Graham, and three sons, Ruffin A. Brantley of

A school of missions will be conducted at the Baptist Church the week of November 5 through November 10. All the evening services will begin at seven-thirty. The following study classes will be offered: for Juniors—Miss Ruth Smith will teach, "Topsy-Turvy Twins"; for Intermediates Miss Lowney Olive will teach "So This Is Africa"; for Young People and Adults—Miss Dorothy Brake will teach "Baptist Missions Among the American Indians." In addition to these courses being offered each evening, Monday through Friday, there will be a joint ses-

Washington, Quentin R. Brantley of Durham and Adolphus H. Brantley of Newport News, Va.

Church News

BAPTIST CHURCH
10:00 Sunday School
11:00 Morning Worship. Sermon will be delivered by a returned missionary.
6:45 Training Union
7:30 Evening Worship. Sermon topic: "A Greater Baptism" (Note change in hour for evening services.)

CLASS MEETS
The Davis Bible Class met on Monday night in the home of Mrs. Riggsby Massey with Mrs. Donald Stallings associate hostess. Mrs. Oscar Corbett led the devotional and Mrs. Fred Hood presided over the business session.

The program was based on Homemaking, with special emphasis on schedules of work including attendance at church and Sunday School.

The class decided until further notice to hold meetings in the Red Cross sewing room and to sew or do other work there during the time.

A social hour was enjoyed with refreshments in the dining room.

The W. S. C. S. of the Methodist Church had its Week of Prayer last week. It was attended very well. Mrs. W. D. Finch conducted the meetings. Miss Smith of the Wakelon faculty whose parents are missionaries in the Belgian Congo added much to the service.

The Missionary Study will be held after the conference by Mr. C. E. Vale, pastor at the M. E. Church.

Books—Unfolding Drama in South East Asia and The Indian in American Life, will be used.

Study leader, Mrs. A. R. House

Cannery Assured

Zebulon, Oct. 31—At a meeting of the local school board last night which met with Dr. L. M. Massey, Mr. C. V. Whitley, Mr. E. N. Meekins, and Mr. R. W. Bunn it was decided to apply for County and Federal aid in the construction of a cannery at the Wakelon School. Dr. L. M. Massey, a member of the State Board of Education, who has recently made an inspection tour of several canneries in the state, told the group about the fine contributions the canneries were making toward food conservations and better health in other communities. Mr. C. V. Whitley, a member of the County Board of Education explained that the county would pay about a third of the cost of the construction and equipping of the cannery. Mr. E. N. Meekins, District Supervisor of vocational agriculture told how other communities had gone about raising funds for a cannery and pointed out that the Federal Government would pay for about one-third of the cost of a cannery, and that the county and local community usually split the remaining expense.

Mr. R. M. Bunn said that the community had met last spring, the requirement concerning the teaching of a prerequisite course in preparation to the establishment of the cannery. Mr. Wallace Temple, Mr. H. C. Wade, Mr. C. S. Chamblee, Mr. J. P. Gay and Mr. R. H. Bridgers, the members of the School Board, urged that a cannery be built. R. F. Lowry was appointed treasurer of the local cannery fund. Another meeting was set for Nov. 20th.

Miss Mary Harris of Wake Forest spent Friday night here with her sister, Mrs. Ferd Davis.

Beth Massey is now a member of the Record Publishing Co. staff, beginning her "apprenticeship" last week.

Provision for all age groups in which will bring an inspirational message. All men and women, boys and girls in the community are cordially invited to participate in this school of missions. It will be sponsored jointly by the Wakefield and the Zebulon Baptist Churches.