

This, That & The Other

By Mrs. Theo. B. Davis

At times my son Ted irritates me with his comments; but when he remarked that some persons, instead of having plain "gray matter" for brains, have "tattle-tale-gray" matter, I was forced to agree.

It is pleasant to have friendly persons send in information. Since I said last week, in speaking of a music recital at Wakelon 28 years ago, that I could not exactly place Raymond Horton, former Wakelon pupil, Mrs. Curtis Land of Wendell, Staley Denton, Mrs. John Terry and Mrs. Henry Hood of Raleigh have told me he is Mr. Bunk Horton's son. And I know him; but he lived too far from Zebulon for me to see him when all our transportation was by foot power or pony buggy.

It may be I shall be fearful of asking favors of our postmaster, if I tell about his starting to take Laura Doubt to that recital in an automobile; and of how the mud was so deep it came up over the axle and the trip had to be finished on foot. The lady's new white dress was, however, not of the evening variety; neither was it as short as those she wears now; anyway, they made out.

Mr. Ferebee in the Zebulon Grocery last Saturday jokingly asked me whether I might be hired to keep in place the tools he uses cutting meat, saying that he always leaves them somewhere and forgets them. I told him that even if I were satisfactory as a finder and keeper of order, I would surely be fired for being disagreeable; because it worries me so to have to hunt for something another person has mislaid, that I keep fussing as I search. And no employer would stand that.

The above paragraph does not mean that I don't forget where I put things; but it is easier to forgive myself than others.

Over and over I have been asked when I think the war will end. Each time I reply that I have too little knowledge to form an opinion. My boys have picked up an Army slang expression, "I'm sweating it out," which means that the matter in question is one they are deeply concerned with but can do nothing about it, save to watch and wait anxiously. I am sweating out this war.

What was your first reaction on hearing last week of our President's death? I heard myself saying "No man should ever be allowed to try to serve as president of this country four terms." It is too much to expect of mortal strength, and I felt that way when he was nominated.

I feel, also, that no one man, however important, is indispensable; that our government will not wholly stand or fall by the life or death of any one person. This is a time for sorrow, not despair; for confidence, not doubt; above all, a time for all good men and true to forget self and political party, remembering only that we are one nation, indivisible.

The colored supplement to last Sunday's News and Observer showed cutouts of an evening dress and lounging pajamas drawn by Jewell Hood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Hood of Route 2, Zebulon.

H. D. CLUB

The Home Demonstration Club will meet at Wakefield Wednesday of next week, April 25, to discuss Color, Convenience and Comfort in the Home.

This is housecleaning time. Come in the morning and bring something for lunch, cooked or uncooked. It is hoped that all members may be present for at least a part of the morning to help with the work and to enjoy the lunch hour together.

TO OUR FRIENDS:

Please accept this as an expression of our appreciation of your thoughtfulness and kindness at the time of our bereavement. We shall not forget any of the acts or words which helped to lighten our burden of sorrow.

E. H. Greene and Children.

Mrs. S. W. Bass of Spring Hope spent Sunday afternoon with her niece, Mrs. J. R. McSwain.

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Governor Cherry Favors Campaign

Governor R. Gregg Cherry follows the lead of our President and other governors in issuing a proclamation designating April as Cancer Control Month. A summary of the proclamation follows.

Cancer control is a major health problem, since this disease ranks second among those causing death generally, and first among causes of women's deaths.

Cancer deaths in North Carolina were last year 2,298. One third of these might have been saved, if treated in time.

The program deserves full support of the State. Governor Cherry urges all citizens to obey the slogan of the campaign: "Guard those you love—Give to conquer cancer."

What better memorial to a loved one dead from cancer than a gift to help others live? Those who have known the horror of this dread disease have the opportunity now to aid measures for the prevention of more deaths from its ravages.

See names of the committee and give willingly. They are not doing the work from a selfish motive nor for pay. Your co-operation will be greatly appreciated.

Church News

BAPTIST CHURCH

10:00 Sunday School.
11:00 Morning Worship. Sermon: "What Is A Christian Supposed To Be?"
7:15 Training Union.
8:00 Evening Worship. Sermon: "Hearing God Speak."

W. M. S.

Mrs. Irby Gill discussed the benefits of giving to missions through the co-operative plan, when the Dora Pitts W. M. S. met Monday p. m. with Mrs. C. S. Chamblee hostess. Mrs. Theo. Davis led the devotional and Mrs. S. A. Horton directed the business session. A pleasing feature of the program was the singing of three numbers by Laney High, Negro christian worker. Refreshments were served and a social hour was enjoyed after the meeting.

Pleasant Hill

The farmers that are through weeding plant beds are having a rest as it is so dry no ploughing can be done. At this writing it is cloudy and we are hoping to have rain.

We are glad to report Mrs. Billy Horton, formerly of this section is at home in Wendell after a long stay in the hospital with several operations.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Williford and sons and Mr. Bennie Williford enjoyed a birthday dinner at their father's E. E. Williford of Bethany. The dinner was in honor of Bennie's birthday.

Mrs. Talmadge Gay and little daughter are spending sometime with their parents Mr. and Mrs. Bryant Gay. She is from New Jersey.

We are sorry to report Mrs. H. E. Whitaker is in Memorial Hospital, Morristown, N. J. She has undergone a serious operation. Mrs. Whitaker is the daughter of Mrs. E. W. Hood.

Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Puryear and children of Neuse and C. D. Puryear and family were visitors at T. Y. Puryear's Sunday.

Mrs. James Allen and baby daughter left Saturday for a visit with relatives in Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. Preston Smith of Wilmington visited the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Chamblee recently. Mrs. Smith was not well during the time here, but has recovered from her indisposition. Graham Chamblee was also home from Raleigh while his sister was here.

Mr. Randolph McSwain and Rex Tippet left Sunday afternoon for a brief trip to Norfolk, visiting relatives.

MAD DOG!

A. L. Hatcher, of the Wake County Board of Health gives notice that a dog recently killed in the Hopkins Chapel community was found to have been suffering from rabies. He had, since being infected, bitten a dozen or more other dogs and perhaps some livestock.

Owners of dogs, particularly those not vaccinated against rabies, should keep them tied for some time. Any person bitten by any dog in this section should see proper authorities as to whether the Pasteur treatment should be taken. Loss of life may be involved to say nothing of property endangered.

Vaccinate your dog, if it is valuable; if not, get rid of it. Rabies may be prevented; it cannot be cured.

SUPPOSE HE WERE YOUR SON OR BROTHER

Search is being made for a member of the Marine Corps who, in Birmingham, Ala., on April 12, was bitten by a dog, later found to have had rabies. He must take anti-rabies treatment or run the risk of having rabies himself. The treatment is expensive and painful—but the disease is fatal.

TOBACCO COAL

The Solid Fuels Administrator has issued SFAW Order No. 23 which provides that any dealer requiring an additional supply of bituminous coal for use in a brooder, hatchery or for tobacco curing for new users may obtain the additional coal if a separate order is filed with his shipper on or before May 15, 1945.

Mr. Russell Powell, chairman, urged that all farmers who have been unable to secure bituminous coal for use in a brooder, hatchery or for tobacco curing to contact the County AAA Committee and secure a certification to be filed with their order for coal from their regular dealer.

A. J. Wilson, Sec., Wake County A. C. A.

SENIORS PRESENT PLAY

Last Friday night, April 13, Wakelon seniors presented their class play, "Professor, How Could You!" The play, a 3-act comedy, was under the direction of Miss Dorothy Brake, senior home room teacher and dramatics club sponsor. It was well attended and greatly enjoyed.

Members of Mrs. Chamblee's seventh grade were guests of the seniors for the performance. They were second to the seniors in collecting scrap paper during the recent drive.

MRS. E. H. GREENE

The death of Mrs. Pearl Harper Greene on last Saturday morning brought sadness to a host of friends as well as her family. Though she had been in failing health for several years, none knew the end was so near and her going was a shock to the community.

The final rites were held at the Wakefield Baptist Church Sunday afternoon with Pastor Robert Hughes in charge, assisted by a former pastor, Theo. B. Davis. Burial was in Wakefield cemetery.

While her strength permitted Mrs. Greene was an active church worker, being also interested in all community enterprises.

Surviving are her husband; four sons, Robert and Harold Greene of Zebulon, Capt. Allan Greene, now in England; Albert Greene of the Marine Force; Mrs. Ethelyn Hawes of Supply; Mrs. Ruth Montgomery of Raleigh; a brother, Luther Harper of Rocky Mount; a sister, Mrs. Annie Liles of Wadesboro; and nine grandchildren.

Avoid planting sweet potatoes in fields that may have wilt or stem rot, black rot, scurf, and other such diseases, says Howard Garriss, Extension plant pathologist, State College.



In Service

CAN YOU BLAME HIM?

Some time in the course of its work the local Draft Board called for and sent out Peter Paul Montague of near Zebulon. This week the Board received a post card from Montague, now somewhere in Italy. He wrote: "Having fine time. Wish you were here."

Sgt. Abraham V. Starnes is with the U. S. Supply Forces in France. His Company, the 1783rd, landed in Normandy last November and operates an engineer depot in Southern France, which stocks over 70,000 different parts of equipment. Even at that, orders come in for parts not in stock, when immediate arrangements must be made to secure the needed item. Once when a small gear had broken, throwing the lighting system of a hospital out of use, the needed piece was located in Columbus, Ohio in an hour after the need was made known. That same day it was started by airplane for the Depot in France. . . . Before going overseas this Company trained at Camp Claiborne, La., and Columbus, Ohio.

Dwight Chamblee, USN, is at home on leave. His mother, Mrs. Ruth Chamblee, is expected home soon from a Raleigh hospital.

With The 83rd Infantry Division in Germany.—Pfc. Frank Parrott of Route No. 1, Zebulon, N. C., has been awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge for displaying exemplary conduct in action against the enemy. He is the husband of Ruth Lyles Parrott Zebulon, N. C.

Douglas Finch, USN, is home for a short furlough. He is with a hospital ship.

Lt. Col. Edward E. Hood spent a few hours last Thursday evening with his mother Mrs. E. W. Hood of Zebulon. He was on his way home in Boonville where his wife, two sons and small daughter reside.

Lt. Hood was in the 75th Div. going over seas in October. His army No. 2 was transferred to the first army then to the seventh and was in battles in Belgium, France and probably others.

He is home on a furlough and reassignment after his leave.

He is a graduate of Wakelon High School and N. C. State College, in Raleigh.

S-Sgt. Fred W. Johnson, son of Mrs. Nita Johnson of Route 3, Zebulon, is a surgical technician with the 316th Medical Battalion, now in the Po Valley, Italy. The job of this battalion is to evacuate wounded soldiers from the field of battle, and for the hospitalization of wounds that are not serious; also to supervise sanitation and food handling for 15,000 men. Leaving the United States in May, 1944, the outfit has seen duty in North Africa as well as Italy. The 316th has had more than 200 days of active service in support of combat operations and has been awarded the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque for superior performance of duty.

W. Basco Lewis, fireman first class, and his brother, Milton Lewis, are both in the Pacific area. They are sons of M. E. Lewis and the late Mrs. Lewis of Zebulon, RFD. Mrs. Basco Lewis is the former Ora Hough.

Pvt. William Glen Bunn, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Bunn, is now at Camp Butner after serving in

FARM BUREAU

Raleigh, April 18.—"High incomes for agriculture are essential for continued prosperity in the United States," Agriculture Commissioner Kerr Scott told 600 members and guests of the Zebulon Farm Bureau at their annual spring meeting last week.

In citing some goals for agriculture in the years following the war, Scott pointed to the need for more rural telephones, a rural health program, and far-reaching housing projects for country communities. These goals can be realized, he pointed out, by a stable agricultural economy.

"The Farm Bureau has shown its strength in Washington and elsewhere. Much of the credit for the farmer's present favorable position must go to the untiring efforts of this organization," said Scott.

He praised Flake Shaw, secretary of the N. C. Farm Bureau Federation, for his work in behalf of the farmer in the Legislature.

E. H. Moser, president of the Zebulon Farm Bureau, was master of ceremonies at the barbecue dinner which prefaced the Scott speech and the business meeting.

the European war theater 32 months. His wife is the former Dorothy Jean Strickland of Middlesex.

Sergeant "Dude" Brannon is spending a furlough here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kadar Brannon, and other relatives. He has been for some time in service in Italy and expects to return to that section of the war area.

T-Sgt. Melvin J. Massey, son of Mrs. Guy Massey and the late Mr. Massey, has, with his unit received a commendation for helping establish a new record for handling war supplies in the European theater of operations. Mrs. Melvin Massey is the former Lattie Johnson of Red Oak.

T-Sgt. H. K. Buster returned last week to McGuire General Hospital in Richmond, Virginia, after spending a 15 day furlough with his wife and daughter. Sgt. Buster spent 29 months in the South Pacific. His wife is the former Mattie Wells of Zebulon.

Army Ground and Service Forces Redistribution Station, Camp Butner, N. C.—Pfc. Arthur E. Creech, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Creech, Route 2, Zebulon, N. C., is currently stationed at the Redistribution Station, where he will spend two weeks before reporting to his new assignment in the United States.

Pfc. Creech was returned recently to the United States after having served 22 months in the Pacific theater of operations, where he served as a machine gunner in the Infantry. He holds the Combat Infantry Badge, Purple Heart, Good Conduct, and Asiatic-Pacific awards.

Atlanta, Ga., April 18.—Commercial laundries and cleaning plants in the southeast have returned \$25,974.11 worth of GI clothing to nearby posts.

This was in response to an appeal by General Uhl for the return of all types of GI clothes that may be found in homes, hotels, or business places.

Reports show that clothes from cotton drawers to wool overcoats were turned in by the laundries and were from bundles that soldiers had left to be laundered or cleaned. Post Quartermasters paid the laundry or cleaning bills on each bundle. Socks, handkerchiefs, caps, shorts, undershirts, were turned in by the thousands, while some of the more expensive items were 142 field jackets, worth \$10.50 each; 55 wool overcoats worth \$15.85. Then there were 1,914 pairs of cotton trousers and 866 pairs of wool pants and 2,099 cotton shirts on the almost endless lists.

The campaign is continuing and families of soldiers are again asked to bundle any GI clothing they have and send it express collect to the Quartermaster, at the nearest Army post or camp.