

## This, That & The Other

By Mrs. Theo. B. Davis

An item used as a filler in a newspaper informed me that Josephine, wife of Napoleon Bonaparte, bathed in a mixture of crushed strawberries and milk, perfumed. No wonder Napoleon divorced her.

In the Clayton public school is a young lady I have never seen and whose name I am not certain I know. She teaches my one and only granddaughter and my opinion of her is formed by what Lynne tells me. I like that teacher very much.

One day Lynne was trying a story in a book she had not seen before. Laboriously she pronounced words and put them together into sentences. Then she exclaimed, "I'm not doing this right. My teacher says we should read like talking and nobody would talk like I've been reading." She started again, more familiar with the words, and really did expressive reading.

Yesterday when we had a family reunion and in order to come Lynne had to miss part of the day from school I asked her how she managed. "Well," she said, "you see we just have 'rithmic, spelling and reading. I said my 'rithmic and my spelling and then, so I could be marked present on reading, my teacher let me read before the others did; so I was really present for all my lessons and could come here, too."

I am glad that teacher impresses on her small pupils the fact that work must actually be done if one is to be given credit for it. And, since children reflect the ideas and ideals of their teachers, I am grateful to all whose influence is good.

Have you gone over the text for next Sunday's lesson in Bible school? If so, did you notice how "they read in the book in the law of God distinctly, and gave the sense, and caused them to understand the reading?"

And did you wonder whether, if the reading had not been clear and distinct, the people would have listened "from the morning until mid-day" as we are told they did? To many it is a species of torture to be compelled to sit and listen to readers who fail to pronounce words correctly or to give the sense and cause them that hear to understand.

The Bible is an intensely practical book.

We hope music pupils will not feel hurt because for lack of space this year we are not printing the names of their recital pieces. To tell the truth, with most of us the player is of far more importance than the notes struck. Besides, there are so many different arrangements of music that the name means little as regards its grade. My youngest son's favorite is Brahms' Lullaby, and we have a very simple arrangement of it. He can play it for himself by going slowly and watching the notes. I might do a little better, but it would still sound like something by a second-grader. Last Sunday Mrs. Griffin played this Lullaby as an offertory. With the chords and added notes she used the whole church was filled with beautiful harmony; yet the melody was the same.

If I were a preacher, I'd get up a sermon about melody and harmony and grace notes and such.

## Mrs. J. C. Mitchell

Final rites for Mrs. J. C. Mitchell, 79, were held Sunday afternoon at the Baptist church. Pastor Griffin being assisted by the Rev. R. H. Herring and the Rev. C. B. Howard of Buies Creek. Burial was in the family cemetery near New Hope in Franklin County.

Mrs. Mitchell had for some time made her home here with her daughter, Mrs. M. T. Debnam. Her health gradually failed and she was taken to Rex Hospital several weeks ago, dying there on Friday, May 18.

Surviving besides her daughter, Mrs. Debnam, are two sons, H. G. Mitchell of Burlington and C. P. Mitchell of Elizabeth City; and several grandchildren.

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## Wakelon Commencement

Wakelon School opened its commencement series on Tuesday night, May 15, in the high school auditorium when the high school mixed chorus, under the direction of Mrs. Robert D. Massey, and six of Mrs. George Griffin's advanced piano students presented a varied and most enjoyable program.

On Friday afternoon, May 18, piano students of Mrs. Griffin and Mrs. John Horton played exceedingly well in their spring recital, which is an annual feature of commencement.

Taking part were the following pupils: Jean Parker, Jo Anne Jones, Betsy Wright, Fay Pearce, Rodney Bell, Gayle Privette, Cloyd Wade, Jr., Hilda Morris, Shirley Faulkner, Ben Allen Rhodes, Arletia Bailey, Bettie Lou Bunn, Anne Allman, Katherine Baker, Linda Bridgers, Jean Robertson, Fay Privette, Eva Pulley, Aleigh Perry, Betsy Pope Simpson, Aileen Baker, Norma Fay Gill, Robert Winston, Joellen Gill, Evelyn Curtis, Joellen Wall, Jean Jones, Gwyn Kitchings, June Chamblee, Dorothy Carter, Jack Terry, Cleo Baker, Willie Brannon, Clyde Morris, Mary Sue Long, Billy Brantley, Kenneth Hopkins, Elizabeth Baker, Linda Massey, and Laura James Sexton.

Dr. Robert B. House will deliver the commencement address to the thirty-six seniors of the Wakelon High School Tuesday, May 29, at 8:30 P. M.

Sunday night, May 27, at 8:30 p.m. the Reverend George J. Griffin, pastor of the Zebulon Baptist Church, will deliver the Commencement sermon. The invocation will be given by the Reverend R. H. Herring. The mixed chorus of the high school, under the direction of Mrs. Robert D. Massey, will sing "Jesu, Word of God Incarnate" by Mozart, and "Now Let Every Tongue Adore Thee" by Bach. Betty Lou Carter, soprano, will sing The Lord's Prayer by Malotte. The Reverend T. B. Davis will pronounce the benediction.

Monday night, May 28, at 8:30, in the school auditorium, Senior Class Night exercises will be presented. In the play "Mystic Night" the following make up the cast: Salutatorian, Hilda Winstead; Mary, Margaret Horton; Queen of Light, Jewell Hood; Spirit of Education, Jane Baker; Initiative, Margaret Pearce; Loyalty, Carolyn Mangum; Obedience, Elizabeth Baker; Service, Marjorie Murray; Appreciation, Mary G. Massey; Health, Dorothy Denton; Learning, Elmarie Brewer; Cooperation, Dorothy Oakley; Puck, Vernon King; Gypsy, Betty Lou Carter; Pirate, E. G. Richards; Witch, Peggy Perry; The Wise Men, Crocker Perry, Robert Denton, Leonard Draughton; Senior 1, Hilda Lewis; Senior 2, Emma V. Gill; Senior 3, Geraldine Gay; Senior 4, Nannie Ree Parrish; Senior 5, Louise Jeffreys; Senior 6, Mayon Duke; Statistician, Mitchell Duke; Testator, Elsie Doyle; Valedictorian, Carrie Bridges.

### Dr. R. B. House

A versatile gentleman and scholar, Dr. Robert B. House, Chancellor of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and Vice-President of the consolidated University, will deliver the Commencement address at the Wakelon High School this year.

His interests extend to many fields, and in all he excels. It has been so ever since his student days at the University when he was first honor man in his class, president of Phi Beta Kappa, active YMCA worker, intercollegiate debater, editor of the Carolina magazine, winner of the Eben Alexander Prize in Greek, class poet, and member of the campus' highest honor society, Golden Fleece.

Although he modestly describes his job as "axle grease on the wheels of progress", Chancellor House is regarded as a most capable administrator. He has little patience with dilatory tactics and

likes to get today's work cleaned up today.

But a man with such enormous capacities could never be confined to one field. And so you find Chancellor House a happy combination of wit, genius, and geniality, also rated tops as public speaker, Sunday School teacher, harmonica player, and square dancer.

He was the students' first choice for Dean of Administration at Chapel Hill when the consolidated program was effectuated by the 1931 Legislature.

A native of Halifax county, where his father, the late J. A. House, was sheriff for many years, Bob House was graduated from the University in 1916, from Harvard with a master's degree in 1917. In 1941 Catawba College conferred on him the honorary degree of doctor of laws.

During World War I he saw front line service in France as a First Lieutenant.

Just before leaving for France he wrote President Edward K. Graham: "Before I go I want to send my love to you and Carolina, because you two both send me and at the same time make me hate to go. You send me because you have taught me ideals that won't let me stay here. You make me hate to go because I cherish you with the same love I bear my parents."

Prior to his appointment as Executive Secretary to the University in 1926, Chancellor House taught at Greensboro High School in 1919, served as Secretary and Archivist of the North Carolina Historical Commission from 1921 to 1926, taught history at State College during one summer session, and was a member of the Public Archives Commission of the American Historical Association in 1921.

After serving as right-hand man to two University presidents, Dean House was elected by the Trustees Dean of Administration in 1934, soon after the consolidation program went into effect. He was elected Chancellor of the University at Chapel Hill and Vice-President of the consolidated University last February.

He was a leader in organizing the Citizens Library Movement in North Carolina, the State Fine Arts Society and the Department of Art at the University. He is a classical scholar and philosopher of rare cultural insight and still reads Latin and Greek in the original. His main interest lies where history crosses the paths of philosophy and literature.

Chancellor House married Miss Hattie Palmer of Warrenton and they have two children, Lieut. Robert B. House, Jr., and Miss Caroline House, journalism student in the University at Chapel Hill.

### THREE IN A ROW

The Wakelon High School baseball team made it three in a row against the Wendell High School nine by defeating them on Wednesday by a score of 23 to 10 in a loosely played game at Wendell. Wakelon used three pitchers. Locklear started the game and was relieved at the beginning of the eighth by E. Finch. Wood pitched the last inning. Richards caught the entire game.

E. Finch, Hopkins, Richards, M. Duke and Martin led the Wakelon attack. Richardson, Henderson, Nowell, Underhill and Joseph led in hitting for Wendell.

### TOMMY TEMPLE HURT

Tommy Temple, grammar school pupil and son of Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Temple, suffered a serious accident at school last week. He was on his way to "activity period" when he stumbled undetermined cause he tumbled in the hall. Throwing out his arm to save himself from a fall, he broke a glass in a door, cutting a large artery. Loss of blood was so serious he was taken to Rex Hospital, where he is making good progress toward recovery.

## Big Bond Rally Here Saturday

In connection with the selling of bonds for the 7th drive for war funds, an auction will be held in Zebulon on Saturday afternoon of this week. This sale begins at 3:00. Valuable prizes have been donated for buyers of bonds. A band from Fort Bragg will parade and give a free concert. Men who have been prisoners of war will be present, as will some community soldiers who have taken active part in the fighting overseas.

Everyone should realize the seriousness of the situation at present and the dependence of our forces on those who are at home. Money for carrying the war to a victorious conclusion must come from the people—and quickly. Now that our main strength may be concentrated against Japan, we must hasten that nothing be left undone that might speed the days of peace.

Come to Zebulon Saturday prepared to buy bonds.

The Bond Drive Committee requests all business firms to close during the bond sale on Saturday, between 3:00 and 4:00 P. M.

## Church News

### BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday's services will be held as follows:

10:00 Sunday Archivist.  
11:00 Morning Worship. Sermon topic: "Christianity for All."  
No evening services because of the commencement exercises at school.

### W. M. S. MEETING

The Dora Pitts W. M. S. met Monday afternoon with Mrs. G. K. Corbett hostess. Mrs. Eugene Bailey, in charge of program, led the devotional and presented Mrs. W. A. Nowell of Wendell, guest speaker, who ably discussed obligations and opportunities of individual Christians in the Centennial Crusade, pleading for entire consecration and zeal in winning souls.

Mrs. S. A. Horton conducted a short business session.

The hostess served refreshments and a social hour was enjoyed after the meeting. Mrs. J. B. Roberts of Wendell was a visitor who added to the interest of the program by acting as pianist.

### CLEAN CEMETERY

All who have plots in the Wakefield cemetery are asked to put them in good order before next Sunday. The morning service at the Baptist church will conclude with the processional to the cemetery and placing flowers upon graves. This observance is an annual custom with the church on the Sunday nearest Memorial Day. The directing committee hopes that everything may be made ready in order that the ceremonies may be properly impressive.

## ROTARY

Last Friday's meeting was Ladies' Night for Zebulon Rotarians. Members of the Woman's Club decorated the clubhouse auditorium with pink rambler roses and clematis, using white tapers on tables.

After the meal an enjoyable program was given. Wakelon's glee club, directed by Mrs. R. D. Massey, sang several numbers and Charles Horton gave a piano solo, also accompanying the singers at the piano.

President D. D. Chamblee called on members of the club for short talks. Mrs. Irby Gill expressed the appreciation of Rotary Anns for their husbands' organization.

Several visitors were present in addition to the Rotary Anns.



Coast Guardsman Billy T. Ferrell, seaman first class, of Route 3, Zebulon, has recently participated in the initial assault landings on Aka Shima, Zamami Shima, Ie Shima and Okinawa, while serving aboard his vessel, a Coast Guard-manned LST. Previous to his present assignment in the Asiatic-Pacific theater, he served 28 months on anti-submarine and convoy duty in the Atlantic. He is the son of Mrs. Willie Ferrell of Zebulon and the late Mr. Ferrell.

An Eighth Air Force Fighter Station in England. — The Air Medal has been awarded to 2nd Lieutenant David W. Windsor of Guyton, Ga., for his meritorious service on numerous operational missions over Germany.

The 26 year-old P-51 Mustang fighter pilot participated in strafing, dive-bombing and bomber escort missions spearheading the Allied advances in Germany. The lieutenant is a member of the 361st P-51 Mustang Fighter Group. He is the son of Mrs. Pearl B. Windsor of Zebulon. His wife, Mrs. Doris S. Windsor, lives in Guyton, Ga.

### UNCLE SAM CHANGES MIND

As Ted Davis reached home from taking a load of his household furniture to the home of his wife's mother at Middlesex on Wednesday morning, he had a long-distance phone call from Wilson's draft board chairman. The message was that because of the latest ruling Davis would not be taken in the number inducted on Thursday morning, when he was supposed to report at Fort Bragg. Reason: Inductees from now on are to be younger than he is.

Lt. Wilbur Debnam is here on 30-days leave from Blackstone, Va. His wounded arm is healing satisfactorily, but is still in a cast.

Aboard a U. S. Battleship off Okinawa. — Grady B. Doyle, seaman, first class, USNR, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Doyle, reside at Route 3, Zebulon, and Harvey Crawford, seaman, second class, USNR, of Wendell, N. C., whose sister, Hazel Manning, resides in Zebulon, were aboard this veteran battleship when she poured a withering torrent of high explosive shells into the Okinawa beaches as a unit of the greatest naval bombardment force in history.

With other ships in the mighty task force, she swept the western side of the island with her main and secondary batteries and 40-mm. automatic weapons. So accurate and devastating was her fire that Marines and 10th Army troops encountered only slight opposition when they landed.

Highlight of the ship's action came during an air attack. One of the enemy planes broke through the sheet of anti-aircraft fire, singling out this battleship for a suicide run. Seconds later a cheer went up from gunners and crewmen when a hit sent the plane flaming into the sea.

With the U. S. Forces in Belgium. — Equipped with outboard motors and ready for service on the Rhine, 300 assault boats for the 3rd U. S. Army were taken from barges and put aboard Germany-bound trains recently in one afternoon by men of Engineer Depot E-519 in Channel Ease sec-

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