

This, That & The Other

By Mrs. Theo. B. Davis

A plaintive call, "Mis' Davis", sent me to the door one day recently. A colored boy said on seeing me, "Mist' Davis say look und' de shelf and git his keys and send him." "Under what shelf?" I asked, and he said he didn't know; that Mist' Davis jus' said look und' de shelf — or sump'n. It took a bit of thinking to realize my husband had said for me to look on the chiffonier in our bedroom. But I found the keys.

After hearing so much and so often of the Four Freedoms, which we are beginning to think of as among our inalienable rights, I am wondering greatly how the Freedom from Want is to be achieved. It sounds good and as an ideal it is worth serious thought and concerted action. But deep down in our hearts — or 'way up in our minds — we know it is a state not to be regarded as anywhere in sight.

One trouble is, we are humans; that means we are not all going to be willing to work for what we want; nor will the workers stay willing to share the reward of their labors with those who toil not and spin only tall tales. Another trouble is, that ability to spend wisely is too often unknown by those who buy. In fact, those who need supervision or aid in earning frequently need supervision in expenditure. This would do away with democracy, if practiced by a government. Freedom from want could mean loss of liberty.

Not even Santa Claus can get equal results from equal opportunity. Years ago my older sister and I always found raisin clusters just alike in our stockings Christmas morning. They were my supreme delight in eating, and by breakfast mine were usually gone, except for a few of the smaller ones.

Annie would put hers away in the tray of her little trunk and for at least two weeks she would have some. The knowledge that they were available by pilfering aroused my baser instincts, though she would often give me a few when taking some for herself. And Santa might have come every month bringing raisins, and the results would have been the same. I'd have devoured mine immediately and Annie would have saved most of hers.

Some of us remember how compulsory school attendance was going to wipe out ignorance as completely, if not as quickly, as we used to erase writing on our slates with a wet rag. But, while a child can be forced to go to school, only something inside him can make him learn. And it is the same way with working and saving. Government can't do for us what we must do for ourselves, if we remain free men and women.

I wish we might leave off or change the wording of "Freedom from Want." Opportunity is all we can really give that will not react undesirably. The Declaration of Independence does not say that life, liberty and happiness are our inalienable rights; it is the pursuit of happiness instead of its possession. That pursuit implies work; work well done most often means freedom from want. And that is the only way we may deserve it.

Homecoming At Hopkins Chapel

Homecoming will be observed at Hopkins Chapel Church on July 29, the fifth Sunday. The services will begin at 11:00 o'clock in the morning and conclude at 4:00 o'clock in the afternoon. Dinner will be served on the church grounds. The public is invited to come, bring a lunch and enjoy the day in worship and fellowship with many old friends and neighbors.

Linda, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Bridgers, celebrated her birthday with a party last Saturday night.

The monetary unit in Honduras is the lempira.

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In Service



Pfc. Jasper H. Stallings, 25, veteran of 38 months overseas in the European Theater of Operations, where he served as a machine gunner, Infantry, and was awarded ETO ribbon, two stars, Asiatic Pacific American Theater, American Defense, Good Conduct, and Combat Infantry Badge, returned to the United States on July 13 aboard an Air Transport Command trans-Atlantic plane, landing him at LaGuardia Field, N. Y. He plans to visit his mother at Zebulon. He has 101 points.

Jack Hinton, son of the A. S. Hinton, is home on furlough after a period of service overseas.

Lt. Rom Moser is in Zebulon with his parents, the E. H. Mosers. Lt. Moser was for some time a pilot with the AAF in the European area.

Lt. Atlas Edwards, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Edwards of Route 3, was promoted from Sergeant to Lieutenant "for superior service and great courage" on the field of combat. He is in Germany.

Lt. Jack Gregory, AAF is spending a few days in Zebulon while awaiting reassignment after service overseas. He is numbered among Wakelon graduates now in service.

L. G. "Buster" Simpson, S. 2-c, wrote his parents, the W. L. Simpsons, under date of July 8 from Guam. He spoke of having eaten at the same table with movie stars who were there as USO entertainers, mentioning Peggy Rhyne, Eddie Bracken, Shirley Grey, Gilbert & Lee. Buster says letters from Zebulon reach him in nine days. His arrive here in seven.

Lt. Wilbur Debnam arrived in Zebulon Saturday night on 30-days leave after a recent operation in a hospital.

Mitchell Field, N. Y., July 15.—Pvt. Melvin E. Eason, 20-year-old Artillery veteran of Zebulon, arrived here this week from a Paris hospital. He is the son of Mrs. R. V. Boykin, 328 London Street, Fort Smith, Va.

Eason entered the service in September, 1944. He trained at Camp Blanding, Fla., and shipped to Greenneck, Holland in January, 1945. He crossed over to England, over to France and went into the 90th Artillery Division of the 3rd Army as replacement.

Eason experienced the heaviest fighting of his overseas duty on the Rhine. His was the fourth outfit to cross the Rhine. They crossed by pontoon bridge under heavy fire.

He went on up into Czechoslovakia to hold positions and remained there until wounded in May in Berglangon Field, Germany. He was in a German ammunition dump and had picked up a rifle. When he pulled back on the bolt, it exploded and four pieces of the barrel hit him. Most of his wounds are healed now except one in his right shoulder.

Eason said the first thing he wanted when he reached the United States was a glass of good, cold milk. He holds the ETO ribbon with three bronze battle stars and the Purple Heart.

He has two brothers in the service. One is Oscar K. of the Air Corps, recently returned from England and now in a hospital in New York. The other is Elbert, of the Coast Guard in Boston. Eason has been moved to another hospital for treatment.

Braxton L. Jones, son of Mr. J. D. Jones of Zebulon, has been promoted from the rank of Private First Class to that of Corporal. He is a member of Company B, 114th Engineer Combat Battalion,

That Airmarker

We hope that the farmers appreciate our efforts on their behalf. Every time we start to take a picture of the airmarker, it rains, which is what the farmers have been wanting. The only trouble is that we are afraid to start trying to get a picture again, because now the farmers here have had all the rain they want.

If there are any contributors who wish to see the marker before we can get that promised photograph, we'll gladly borrow a twenty-foot ladder and escort said person round-trip, free-of-charge, to the top of the Zebulon Supply Store.

Church News

Schedule of services, Sunday, July 22nd:
10:00 Sunday School.
11:00 Morning Worship. Sermon topic: "Verses On Love."
7:15 Training Union.
8:00 Evening Worship. Sermon: "How To Follow Christ."

W. M. S.

The Dora Pitts W. M. S. met on Monday afternoon in the home of the president, Mrs. S. A. Horton, with eighteen present. Mrs. K. P. Leonard led the devotional and presented Miss Annie Mildred Herring of Northfield, Mass., who gave a most effective talk on Christian Citizenship, beginning in the home and extending through the community to the ends of the earth.

At the close of the meeting refreshments were enjoyed.

Weil And Fletcher Rotary Speakers

Ted Davis had the program for last Friday night at the Rotary meeting, and had as guests speakers, Eugene Weil, commercial manager of the Tobacco Broadcasting Network, and Fred Fletcher, manager of radio station WRAL, Raleigh.

Weil spoke on "Radio, Its Relation to the Post War World". He brought forth the many developments and improvements in radio and television, and the highly efficient frequency modulation (FM). The speaker brought out the parallels of newspaper work and radio as informative mediums, and the freedom of speech so necessary to a free people. He urged that we learn all we could about radio so that we might better appreciate the many new and better electronic devices which are relative to the radio field, and which will soon appear on the market.

Fred Fletcher then gave a five minute explanation of the Tobacco Network and how it operated in relation to its own stations and the Mutual (nation-wide) Network. Other guests were Howard Gay, returned service man, and Bob Allen of Kittrell.

Irby Gill has the program this week on "How To Read The Rotarian Magazine".

of the veteran "Red Arrow" 32nd Infantry Division.

Cpl. Jones, who entered the army in November 1942 at Camp Croft, S. C., has seen two years of tough tropical campaigning. He sailed for the South Pacific in July 1943 and joined his outfit as a replacement in Australia. With them he saw fighting in the New Guinea operations at Aitape and Saidor and served on Goodenough Island, Finch Haven, Milne Bay, and Hollandia. He participated in the Battle of Leyte and in action along the Villa Verde Trail in the Caraballo Mountains of Northern Luzon.

Cpl. Jones wears the Asiatic Pacific Theatre Ribbon with three Stars and the Philippine Ribbon with Star. He has one brother in the service, Cpl. Alton W. Jones of the Medical Corps who is still in the European Theater.

Rotary Club Puts Freezer Lockers Over The Top

The committee in charge of the Freezer Locker Project for this community has completed its work satisfactorily. The applications have been turned over to authorities with 369 lockers certified. Of this number approximately 325 will be used by farmers. The sum of \$5,600 has been deposited in the bank in escrow.

A site for building has been chosen near the ice plant. Plans are being considered. Other details are being worked out, the progress being made proving pleasing to those concerned. The community as a whole appreciates the interest of the local Rotary Club in sponsoring so progressive a project.

USES Changes Its Office Hours

The United States Employment Service of the War Manpower Commission, in compliance with an order from the President of the United States, has gone on a 44-hour work week basis, effective July 1, 1945. Until further notice, the offices will be operating five eight-hour days, Monday through Friday, being open from 8:30 a. m. until 5:30 p. m. and four hours on Saturday, 8:30 a. m. until 12:30 p. m.

Please broadcast this to your friends who might be seeking service on Saturday afternoons so that they will not be making a useless trip to the office on those afternoons.

PROPERTY SALE

Myron Horton of Philadelphia is in the Zebulon community and will be here for two or more weeks, looking after his father's property. On Saturday afternoon August 4th, he expects to sell at public auction, all the real estate owned by his father and also some personal property. The sale will be at the old Horton home place in Zebulon.

Club Notes

HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

The Home Demonstration Club will meet on Wednesday afternoon of next week, July 25th. The topic for discussion is "You and Your Appearance."

A memorial service is being planned for a later meeting and the committee in charge is anxious to secure the name of every former member who has died. Help in securing a complete list is asked of the community as a whole. Communicate with Mrs. K. P. Leonard or Mrs. S. H. Hoyle.

Lone Star Hyar

The Cedric Harris Post of the American Legion will sponsor the Lone Star Quartet and the entire Farm Journal Gang in appearance in Wakelon School auditorium Thursday night, July 26, at 8:45. Tickets will be on sale at Zebulon Drug Store.

These entertainers are too well known to need introduction here and a large attendance is confidently expected.

The Rudolph Manning family is again living in Zebulon, moving from Durham. Mr. Manning is now with the Furniture Department of Zebulon Supply Co. Their many friends are glad of their return.

Congress Amends Farm Loan Act

L. M. Gould, Secretary-Treasurer of the Smithfield National Farm Loan Association, said today that under the new legislation recently enacted by Congress, it will be possible for the association to handle loans more expeditiously and that with more of the lending process turned over to the associations, the prospective borrowers will be told more quickly of what action will be taken on their application for long-term loans from the Federal Land Bank of Columbia.

Under the new law, the Land Bank may lend up to 65 per cent of the normal agricultural value of farms, whereas since 1917 it has been limited to 50 per cent of the appraised value of the land plus 20 per cent of the permanent improvements.

Land Bank Commissioner loans will be continued for one year from July 1, 1945. They may be made up to 75 per cent of the normal value of the farm. However, the contract interest rate on these loans will be 5 per cent except to veterans who may borrow at 4 per cent in the event the loan is guaranteed under the G. I. Bill of Rights. The contract rate for Land Bank loans through the association will remain at its present all-time low of 4 per cent.

Secretary Gould said that many of the Commissioner loans have been reduced to a point where they can easily be refinanced with 4 per cent Land Bank loans which will give these borrowers interest savings of 1 per cent.

The main office of the Smithfield Association is located in Smithfield, branch offices in Raleigh and Goldsboro, and handle Land Bank and Commissioner loans in Wake, Johnston and Wayne Counties.

CP&L Receives National Award

Raleigh. — The Carolina Power & Light Company has been notified that its two most recent annual reports have received national awards for excellence.

The Public Utilities Advertising Association awarded the company honorable mention for its 1943 annual report, submitted in the 1944 contest in competition with all power companies in the nation serving 100,000 to 400,000 customers each.

The "highest merit" award was received from the Financial World in its review of 1944 annual reports from various types of industries throughout the nation. The same report received honorable mention in an annual contest conducted by Ashton B. Collins of New York, originator of Reddy Kilowatt.

SARAH G. ALLEN RESIGNS

Raleigh, July 18. — Miss Sarah G. Allen, secretary to the State Chemist, has retired after 31 years in this position, it is announced by Agriculture Commissioner Kerr Scott.

Miss Allen came with the State Agriculture Department in September, 1914, and has served under three State chemists, Dr. B. W. Kilgore, W. M. Allen, and Dr. E. W. Constable, and three Commissioners of Agriculture, W. A. Graham, W. A. Graham, Jr., and W. Kerr Scott.

PURCHASES MARES

J. H. Alphin, Jr., of Wendell, has recently purchased two purebred mares, draft animals of the Percheron breed, from the Whitley-Davis Farms of Clayton, North Carolina.

The mares are Flowers, sired by Jantiner, and out of Rollick; and Flodro, a foal, sired by W. D. QuadroCarnot of the famous bloodline of Carnot, and out of Flowers.

Southeastern states are turning from mules and grades to purebred draft horses in increasing numbers.