

I do hope your closets don't smell musty like ours. If not, please tell me how you overcome the dampness. At our house even the pillows and blankets have a musty odor. Our winter shoes show luxurious fronds of mold unless they have been carefully looked after—and daily. Books are mildewed as to covers. One of the neighbors said her rugs have mildewed. This is the inside story of weather.

Outside the weeds have grown so tall we are almost afraid of them. Grass is fairly galloping and reaching out to choke whatever it touches. However, grass is all that keeps me from sinking to the knees in our garden as I try to find a few vegetables.

Farmers have my sympathy and admiration as they contend with the elements and save the crop of tobacco. They deserve a good price.

Mention has already been made in this column of fads in the use of words. You who are old enough will remember that during the first World War we all had our zero hours no matter what time our clock kept; that we went over the top of everything from molehills to mountains; that everything intrigued us.

Right now the word is escape. According to Webster escape is a successful flight from captivity, slavery, danger, annoyance, etc. We who set ourselves up as having a knowledge of psychology and psychiatry use the word to apply to the mind and heart. We say that men under a prolonged strain drink, smoke, use profanity, drive like demons, or whatever they do, as a means of escape. With an air of wise tolerance we state that women are also escaping when they smoke too much, drink, flirt, read too many trashy books, say cuss words, or otherwise waste time and themselves. It all adds up to saying those trying to "escape" can't stand up to what life hands them.

The trouble with seeking escape is that we are liable to find ourselves in the middle of a worse fix than the one we fled from. Like the convicts who tunneled from their cell under the floor of the jail until they calculated they were beneath the yard. Instead, they came up in the warden's office with the warden sitting there watching them.

There is another word we might learn to use. It is endurance. It means the power to suffer and keep on; the ability to continue under great hardship or strain without giving up. It is not a pretty word, holding pain that may reach anguish, hope deferred until the heart is weak, discouragement that never shakes hands with despair. It hints of the bleakness of frozen heights and the heat of torrid deserts. It reaches out beyond human frailty and lays hold on greater strength than the escapist may ever know. In the midst of the struggle it gives one the feeling of the soldier, wounded and exhausted, who said:

"I will lay me down and bleed a while
And then I'll rise and fight again."
The Bible praises endurance, urging that we "endure hardship", reminding us that love "endureth all things," and promising that "he that endureth to the end shall be saved." Paul urges us "having done all to stand."

T'was, beyond the grim struggle is calmness and peace, and above the noise of conflict is the faint, far note of the bugle that sounds the victory.

School To Open Tuesday, Sept. 4

Announcement has been made that Wake County Schools will open on Tuesday, Sept. 4. Complete lists of teachers are not yet available; but, since resignations are not permitted without 30 days notice, few changes are expected from the present lineup.

A man should never be ashamed to own he has been in the wrong, which is but saying in other words that he is wiser today than he was yesterday. — Pope.



In Service

Pfc. Herman T. Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Jones, is at home on furlough after 9 months overseas in France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany. He wears three battle stars. Pfc. Jones is a cook.

Sgt. B. Frank Massey, son of Mrs. Guy Massey, reached home on furlough last Sunday after more than eighteen months in the European area of war. Sgt. Massey is with the ground crews of the AAF. He has two brothers in service overseas — Pvt. Robert D. Massey and Sgt. Melvin Massey. A sister, Ensign Zyba Massey, is stationed at Portsmouth with the Nurses' Corps.

Sgt. Charles Winstead of the Army Finance Corps is in Zebulon with his parents, the W. H. Winsteads, and other relatives.

Aboard the USS Petrof Bay in the Pacific.—Charles A. Lewis, aviation chief machinist's mate, USN, of Route 1, Zebulon, helped polish off Japanese planes and shipping when this small aircraft carrier fought at Okinawa, Iwo Jima, and in other engagements that sometimes carried her within 15 miles of enemy-held bases.

Fighting off suicide planes, torpedoes, bombs, strafing and surface and undersea attacks has been a daily routine for the PETROF BAY since she first tangled with the Japs in September, 1944, at Palau.

Pilots from this carrier have knocked down 20 Jap planes and the ship's gunners accounted for five more.

Officers, pilots and men aboard the carrier have won 103 decorations for outstanding devotion to duty from September, 1944, to February, 1945.

Church News

WAKEFIELD
Schedule of services for Sunday, August 12, 1945:
Sunday School, 10:00 A. M.
Worship service 11:00 A. M.
Rev. R. L. Hughes, pastor of the church will preach.

WRECKS

Another automobile collision has brought suffering and distress to Zebulon. Last Sunday a car driven by Bennett Kemp, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Kemp, met one driven by a Negro, as each was making the sharp turn on the road near the colored Baptist Church at Wakefield. A witness said the cars seemed to almost stand on end as they struck head-on.

Young Kemp was badly hurt and is in a Raleigh hospital. Of the others in his car, Harold Bunn suffered a sprained ankle. Rebecca Horton had two teeth knocked out and her skull was fractured; Mary Kemp and Wilbur Conn had lesser injuries. Kemp is said to have been driving on the right side of the road.

On last Saturday night a bus loaded with passengers collided with a truck loaded with lumber. One person was killed and others badly hurt. The accident occurred on the highway passing the Avon Privette farms.

Search for the truth is the noblest occupation of man; its publication is a duty.—Mme. de Steel.

What a man knows has to be put into action to really count. — Roy L. Smith.

The objects we pursue and the spirit we manifest reveal our standpoint, and show what we are winning. — Mary Baker Eddy.

Henly Hinton

Funeral services for Henly Hinton of Zebulon, Route 1, who died at his home Friday morning following a long illness, were conducted at the Hales Chapel Church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Pastor Cherry was assisted by former pastors Theo. B. Davis and H. C. Upchurch.

Surviving are his wife; one son, Morin Hinton; three daughters, Mrs. S. J. Driver, Mrs. J. D. Driver; and two sisters, Mrs. J. P. Price and Mrs. M. C. Driver.

Tall Corn

Mail-carrier Pearce brought in on Thursday of last week a stalk of corn grown by Frank D. Bunn on Route 2 in Franklin County. The stalk was 15 feet and four inches tall. It bore two ears, still in the early roasting ear stage, and nine feet above ground. Measurements were carefully taken.

Ration Calendar

Period August 1-18

PROCESSED FOODS—
Blue Stamps Y2, Z2, A1, B1, C1 now valid, expire August 31.

D1, E1, F1, G1, H1, now valid, expire September 30.

J1, K1, L1, M1, N1, now valid, expire October 31.

P1, Q1, R1, S1, T, now valid, expire November 30.

MEATS AND FATS—
Red Stamps, Q2, R2, S2, T2, U2, now valid, expire August 31.

V2, W2, X2, Y2, Z2, now valid, expire September 30.

A1, 1, C1, D1, E1, now valid, expire October 31.

F1, G1, H1, J1, K1, now valid, expire November 30.

SUGAR—
Sugar Stamp No. 36, good for 5 pounds, expires August 31st.

SHOES—
Airplane stamps No. 1, 2, 3, and 4 now good.

FUEL OIL—
Periods 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 valid for 10 gallons each. Period 1 coupon (new season) valid for 10 gallons.

GASOLINE—
A-16 coupons valid June 22 through September 21.

Rationing rules now require that every car owner write his license and state in advance on all gasoline coupons in his possession.

Miss Inez Pitts has returned home from a visit to Oakboro, where she played the wedding music for a friend. She was accompanied by Miss Madeline Brummitt, who spent the week end here.

Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Pitts leave Friday for a week at Seven Springs. During their absence their daughter, Miss Inez Pitts, will visit in Washington, D. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Jethro Stell visited Seven Springs this week.

Mrs. Ruric Gill went this week to Richmond to visit relatives, making the trip with her mother, Mrs. Norman Dean, and other members of the family.

W. B. Bunn is spending this week at Myrtle Beach.

Mrs. W. B. Bunn and Mrs. Ruric Gill were hostesses to the Davis Fidelis S. S. class Monday night of this week.

Mrs. Urban Ray and sons, Otis and David, of near Raleigh, spent several days last week with Mrs. Bernice Bunn, leaving Sunday when Mr. Ray came for them.

Lynne and Teddy Davis are here from Clayton for this week.

Miss Jocelyn House left Monday for Junaluska where she will be pianist for the Leadership Conference.

Army Conducts Informative Meet In Rocky Mount

Rocky Mount, August 5th.—Newspaper editors and radio broadcasters gathered here today to hear four overseas veterans outline the problems facing the United States in writing end to the war with Japan.

The meeting today was one of a series being held in the southeastern states to supply the editors and broadcasters with the latest War Department information on the program and problems of the Pacific War, and to show the magnitude of the task facing us.

Speakers on the program were: Colonel Cyril Bassich, F.A., veteran of the North African and Italian campaigns. Colonel Bassich served with the British First Army up to its dissolution in 1943; then with the American Military Mission to French West Africa at Dakar and later on the Allied Staff in Italy. He wears the Mexican Border Service Ribbon awarded in 1916; the First World War Victory Ribbon with two campaign stars; the British General Service Ribbon; American Defense Ribbon; European Theater Ribbon with four stars and the British African Star with Field Citation.

Major Harry R. Van Arnam, Infantry, of Syracuse, N. Y., veteran of the Fourth Armored Division in France and Germany; participating in the St. Lo breakthrough, and the break-through in relief of the troops at Bastogne. Major Van Arnam wears the following decorations: Silver Star; Bronze Star; Purple Heart with Oak Leaf Cluster; Distinguished Unit Badge; Combat Infantryman's Badge; American Defense Ribbon; and the European Theater Ribbon with three campaign stars.

Sergeant William K. House, 22-year-old Infantryman, from Portland, Oregon, veteran of the Leyte and Okinawa campaigns. Sergeant House wears the following decorations: Silver Star, Purple Heart, Combat Infantryman's Badge, Philippine Liberation Ribbon with two stars, and the Asiatic Pacific Ribbon with two stars and Arrowhead. The Arrowhead signifies that the wearer has actively participated with the assault forces against a hostile shore defended by the enemy. The son of Mr. and Mrs. T. M. House of Portland, Oregon, Sgt. House left the University of Oregon after his freshman year to join the Army in 1943.

Captain James G. Pate, F. A. veteran of the Aleutian Islands campaign in 1943. Captain Pate wears the Asiatic-Pacific Ribbon with campaign star, American Theater Ribbon and American Defense Ribbon.

(The Zebulon Record was represented at the conference by Ted Davis who gives a resume of the main topics discussed in the following articles.—Editor.)

In mobilizing ourselves for the final push of the war — the long, hard push against Japan — it is important for Americans to recognize two hard realities: the Japanese are a tough enemy, and they are a distant enemy.

They are tough because they have a tough army and navy, a big industrial potential, a vast manpower reserve, a belt-tightened civilian mobilization, all welded as a single weapon of war by leaders who are ruthless, determined, and despotic.

Distance in warfare is to be translated in terms of supply lines, the turn-around time of cargo vessels, the availability of ports and of big bases close to the enemy. The vast, empty miles of the Pacific have to be conquered before we can come to grips with the Japanese enemy in large numbers — a thing we have not done despite our outpost only 350 miles from the Japanese homeland.

And lastly, we have to keep fighting until the Japanese admit complete and utter defeat because we must not give the Japanese warlords a chance to plot another sneak attack, another war of con-

PERSONALS

Fred Allman of Washington City is home for a week to see his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Allman, of near Wakefield, who have been ill for some time.

Miss Margaret Bunn is spending this week at a house party at Myrtle Beach, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Durham Moore of Raleigh. Miss Margaret Moore, daughter of the host and hostess, is a suitemate of Miss Bunn at Meredith College.

Mrs. Josephine Hales Perry and little daughter, of Raleigh, visited their cousin, Mrs. Marshall Jones, and other relatives here last week.

Mrs. Willard Gill is home, much improved after an operation and convalescent period in Mary Elizabeth Hospital.

E. H. Greene is able to be out again after an attack of illness. His daughter, Mrs. Montgomery of Raleigh, has been with him a month.

Mrs. S. G. Flowers has returned from a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Ted Pippin in Charleston, S. C.

Mrs. Alvin Bridges and son, John, spent Wednesday with the Oren Masseys and Mrs. Dora Massey, who is with them this week. Mrs. Bridges will teach the eighth grade at Buies Creek during the school term.

Mrs. Pattie Harris is home from Fountain, where she spent two weeks with her son, Roderick, keeping house for him while his wife and daughters were in Florida. Mr. Harris has joined his family at Daytona Beach.

Mrs. Donald Stallings and her sister, Mrs. Chappell and children, of Henderson, spent last week at White Lake.

Mrs. G. R. Massey and son, George, were among last week's visitors at White Lake.

The H. C. Wade family, Mrs. Houston Hudgins and little daughter, Patricia, Virginia and Linda Bridges have a cottage at White Lake this week.

Mrs. Julian Horton is confined to bed by illness.

C. V. Whitley is away to buy furniture for Zebulon Supply Company.

Ruric Gill, Jr., is spending this week with his uncle, S. P. Gill, in Wilmington.

Mr. and Mrs. Irby Gill, their daughter, Joellen, and niece, Norma Faye Gill, are on a trip to Asheville, where they will visit relatives.

quest, another Pearl Harbor, Nanking or Hong Kong.

These articles have two major objectives:

First: To inform the American people of the enormity of the job ahead in defeating Japan, because many Americans are unaware of the strength of Japan and are now confident of their own power, there is grave danger of a "let down" on the home front. Specifically, people should be encouraged to (a) Stay on their war jobs until released; (b) Continue to purchase War Bonds; (c) Continue to observe all wartime regulations, especially those pertaining to rationing price control.

Second: To inform American people that a negotiated peace would be nothing more than a pause between wars, while Japan reorganized for more bitter, costly struggle. President Truman has stated clearly that we demand "unconditional surrender" from Japan. She now has conquered territories which can provide her with an abundance of raw materials and a huge reservoir of manpower. Once organized we would face a far more formidable enemy than Japan of today.

THE NATURE OF THE JAPS
Gumbatsu is a Japanese word which symbolizes the core of Japanese aggression. It means "mili- (Continued on Page 4)