

## Wear the Red Feather

The Community Chest drive, sponsored in Zebulon by the Rotary Club, is being conducted under the capable leadership of Willie B. Hopkins, who carried on such a spirited campaign for funds last year that he was given the task against his own desire this year.

As always happens, the newly-appointed chairman will have a hard time finding willing workers to help him solicit funds—not because asking for contributions is such a hard job, but because it takes time, and folks just naturally hate to give their own time. People hate to give time even more than money.

But the arguments for the Community Chest are many—and all of them are good. The Community Chest aids in the support of fourteen charitable organizations. By making contributions to the Community Chest, you are saved from being asked to make fourteen separate contributions throughout the year. You will save time by contributing liberally now, so that the Community Chest drive will be a success—and you will also save money.

Remember, when you are asked to wear the red feather of the Community Chest donor, that everyone contributes, and everyone benefits.

## Keep on Cleaning Up

One of the campaign promises made by the new municipal election before the election last year was that the Zebulon cemetery would receive more care than it has in previous years. The present town board provided in its current budget for the town cemetery, with an appropriation doubling the amount spent last year. During the past two weeks, town workers have spent much time clearing and rebuilding the walks and drives in the cemetery, preparing the way for work by civic and church groups.

Now it is squarely up to us who were so eager for the beautification campaign to carry on until the cemetery is no longer an eyesore. The newly formed Chamber of Commerce beautification committee can do much in leading the way, working in cooperation with the cemetery committee of the Woman's Club.

Last week was named by Mayor R. H. Bridgers as cemetery week, when lots were to have been cleared. But the weather during much of the week kept the work from going on, and, at the suggestion of Mrs. H. C. Wade, the program was continued through this week.

We believe, however, that this project is too large for only one or two weeks of work. October is the month for churches and civic groups to get together and plan landscaping, with trees, shrubs, evergreens, and anything else that will make the cemetery a year-round place of beauty; for October is the month for planting. It will be a notable achievement for this town, if the program is carried to a successful completion.

## Help the Scout Program

One of the greatest local problems facing us is the lack of capable adult leaders willing to take time to work with the young folks in this community. An example of this need is found in the local Boy Scout troop.

In the winter of 1945, when the membership of the troop totaled only nine Scouts, it was a fairly easy thing for one person to plan and direct all Scout activities. But today, with the troop nearly four times as large, one person cannot manage the work that must be done. Therefore, many phases of Scouting must be slighted, which handicapped the Scout work a great deal.

A plan has been worked out which will carry Scouting all over the community through the school. As each school boy reaches the age of 12 years, he will be presented a Scout Handbook as a birthday present. But that is as far as the present plan can go until more adults volunteer their time and effort.

Everyone knows the tremendous good of Scouting. Whether there are those in this community generous enough to give themselves in helping with Scouting is another question, one that needs and must have an affirmative answer.

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## This, That and the Other

By Mrs. Theo. B. Davis

Friends have called or written to inquire about the condition of my husband, now in the Deaconess Hospital, Wenatchee, Washington, with a broken hip. We are indeed glad to report that he is said to be doing as well as could be expected. Naturally, he is homesick and is suffering; but everything possible is being done for him. His brother's wife is my sister. They and their son and the son's wife are visiting Theo, taking him whatever he can use, from kleenex to a radio; their friends are kind, and if it were not for the thousands of miles between Wenatchee and Zebulon, the prospect would seem good. The hip is not yet in a cast. Until that is in place no definite arrangements can be made for bringing Theo home.

We are deeply appreciative of the sympathy shown him and us since his accident.

Old photographs often have a way of looking either sad or absurd. Changing styles have much to do with it, fading of the photograph is partially responsible; but there does seem more to it than that.

Last night I worked till twelve o'clock going over the contents of my desk and some boxes, trying

to decide what had best be done with them. In one container were a number of girls' photographs that had belonged to my oldest son. Some I know were given to him more than twenty years ago. They looked pensive or demure mainly, though a few were posed as what we then called vamps. One wore as fancy an evening dress as I ever saw. One wore a wrap and one of those over-the-ears hats that were both fashionable and hideous at the same time.

I thought first of packing the pictures away again. I realized that after me nobody would know what or why about them, and it seemed kindest not to leave them. So with a sort of graveside feeling I carried them all to the stove and did a small job of cremation.

Did you ever in your life see so many spiders, bugs and stinging worms as are plaguing us this fall? On the shrubs in our yard are spiders' cocoons as large as big scuppernong grapes. They probably hold thousands of babies to grow up into more pests. I get tangled in webs whenever going near the hedges, and am almost afraid to pick what few butterbeans we have. An enormous spider plopped to the floor from a shirt just taken in from the line, and I ironed a grasshopper inside a sheet. That was

hard on both the grasshopper and me. But I don't know what to do to help the situation.

Somehow I fear the fig bushes on our place make bugs and other insects worse. The wet weather made the figs burst before ripening and each was fairly covered with flies—black, blue or green—and more bugs than I could name. Hardly a fig was fit to eat. However, there are a few bushes on which the fruit is just beginning to ripen, and they are nice. The late ones are named varieties bought about two years ago.

I wonder how those who grow figs commercially manage. Perhaps this climate and seasons are wrong and figs shouldn't be raised. But at Morehead City there used to be fig trees so large children climbed them and played among the branches, and bushels of the fruit were sold. Something is wrong somewhere at our place.

My husband is able to read a little, and he wrote of seeing in the *Record* that boy scouts were going to Wake Forest and camp "in the trees" on the campus. He wanted to know how they came out. Or came down. Barrie used the wrong preposition, for he meant under the trees.

## Information for Veterans

This is the sixth in a series of articles about veterans' problems written for the *Record* by F. C. Sheppard of the Winston-Salem office of the Veterans Administration.

Veterans Administration today answered the 10 questions most frequently asked by World War II veterans about education under the G. I. Bill.

The veterans asked the questions in a study that VA conducted to learn how much they know about their Federal benefits. The questions and answers follow:

Q. How is the length of entitlement calculated and does a year of entitlement mean a school year or a calendar year?

A. Under the G. I. Bill, any eligible veteran is entitled to education or job-training for a period of one calendar year, plus the time he spent in the armed forces between Sept. 16, 1940, and the official end of the war. The total period of education or training may not exceed four calendar years.

Q. What schools may a veteran attend under the G. I. Bill?

A. A veteran may enroll in any approved school that will accept him.

Q. What books and equipment does VA supply the veteran in

school?

A. VA pays for all books and equipment that the school requires of all students in the same course so long as this amount plus tuition does not exceed \$500 a year for the course.

Q. How much subsistence is paid and how soon may the veteran expect to receive benefits after he is enrolled?

A. VA may pay eligible veterans without dependents a subsistence allowance of \$65 a month and veterans with one or more dependents \$90 a month. The length of time required to issue the first subsistence check varies with each case. Generally, the first check is issued within 30 days after the end of the first monthly pay period. Subsistence allowances in arrears are paid, but none is paid in advance.

Q. May the veteran change his course if he finds the original course in which he enrolled is not satisfactory?

A. Yes, providing he has VA's permission to do so. Whenever the facts in the case indicate that a change will be to the best interest of the veteran, VA will grant authorization for the change.

Q. May a veteran enroll in a night school or a part-time course?

A. Yes.

Q. May a veteran receive VA subsistence payments if he works while attending school under the G. I. Bill?

A. He may work part-time or full-time and still draw his full allowance, provided that the wages he earns for such employment, plus his subsistence allowance while attending school, does not total more than \$175 a month if he has no dependents or \$200 a month if he has one or more dependents.

Q. What happens if the veteran's marks are low or his progress is unsatisfactory?

A. He may receive the assistance of VA's educational and guidance service in an endeavor to correct those factors which may be contributing to his deficiency. But he is obliged to meet the requirements of the school if he wishes to continue his course.

Q. May the veteran take part of his training in one school and part in another?

A. VA may permit a veteran to take more than one course of study at the same time, either in the same or in a different school.

Q. May a veteran study with a private teacher and receive benefits under the G. I. Bill?

A. No.

## Letter to the Editor

To the Editor:

How many of you went into the grounds of the Five County Fair and heard the raucous feminine voice bellowing the invitation: "Come on, boys. Come on in and get your batteries charged!"

We were not among those receiving this invitation, having been busy with our farm work during the latter part of last week, but from a number of people who did receive the invitation came a report that this

year's hooch show, as usual, featured a girl well endowed in body but lacking in clothing. She was billed, so our informants say, as the Chesterfield Girl—"she satisfies!"

This writer is condemning the girlie shows. From the amount of patronage they receive, it seems there are lots of guys, both married and single, who desire the recreation of peering while the little lady sports her wares.

But this one question we'd like to ask: Do parents who have teen-

age boys willingly let the kids attend the hooch show? The kids were there, so they tell me.

We've got almost a year before we're likely to have another visit from the little ladies—that's a year to meditate on what they do to our fair community, a year for another crop of boys to grow big enough to want to pay their buck for a battery charge.

Do we want the Chesterfield Girl back in '48?

—A Zebulon Sunday School Teacher