

-Looking Back-

From the files of the Weekly:
IN 1923 -

From Chapel Hill Chaff:
"I have always had a great envy of people who manage to look cool in hot weather. My neighbor, Varnon Kyser, father of the celebrated poppy-reaper, Sarah Curtis Kyser, comes out into his garden, just beyond the stone wall from my back door, clad in immaculate white flannels and white canvas shoes, and digs potatoes. While I am all wilted and bedraggled, he pursues this occupation, which looks extremely fatiguing to me, without ever perspiring or getting his clothes soiled. This I consider a remarkable gift. Another man who seems to be able to defeat the temperature is the laundry superintendent, G. H. Paulsen. I went into his laundry and it was one of the most comfortable places I have struck in Chapel Hill. He had installed a battery of exhaust fans which kept the air in constant circulation through the building. Why can't modern inventive skill, which has done so much in the way of perfecting furnaces to heat homes, produce something equally effective in the way of cooling them?"

IN 1933 -
'RAILROAD' RAY SURRENDERS TO POLICE OFFICER

"M. P. Ray, known as 'Railroad' Ray, who had been hunted as a suspect in the recent bank robbery in Battleboro, in Nash County, surrendered in Carrboro Tuesday morning.
"He sent word to Chief of Police Wright that if Wright would come to the home of his brother he would give himself up. Wright went, took the fugitive into his automobile, and drove with him to Nashville, and delivered him to the Nash County Sheriff.

"It is said that a complete investigation has revealed that Ray is innocent of the bank robbery, but he is held on other charges.

"Ray told Wright that he had been at the home of his uncle, Robert Davis, near the Chapel Hill-Hillsboro highway, since he escaped from the jail in Greenville three weeks ago. It was after his escape that the Battleboro robbery was committed, and at first suspicion pointed to him . . .

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"Ray is a former catcher in the Piedmont baseball league. He was once a member of the Greenville Police force, and was a fireman on the Southern Railroad. He is married and has four children."

IN 1943 -

Gus Harrer, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Harrer, was here on furlough last week. When a student in the University he specialized in modern languages and was a junior assistant in the Library. Soon after his induction into the Army about 5 months ago he went into training as an interpreter for the examination of German prisoners. He is now in a unit whose business it is to search, fingerprint, photograph, and interrogate prisoners of war."

"Robert Varley of Chapel Hill has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the Marine Corps and assigned to active duty with a flying squadron. He received his commission after graduating from an advanced flight training school at Pensacola, Fla."

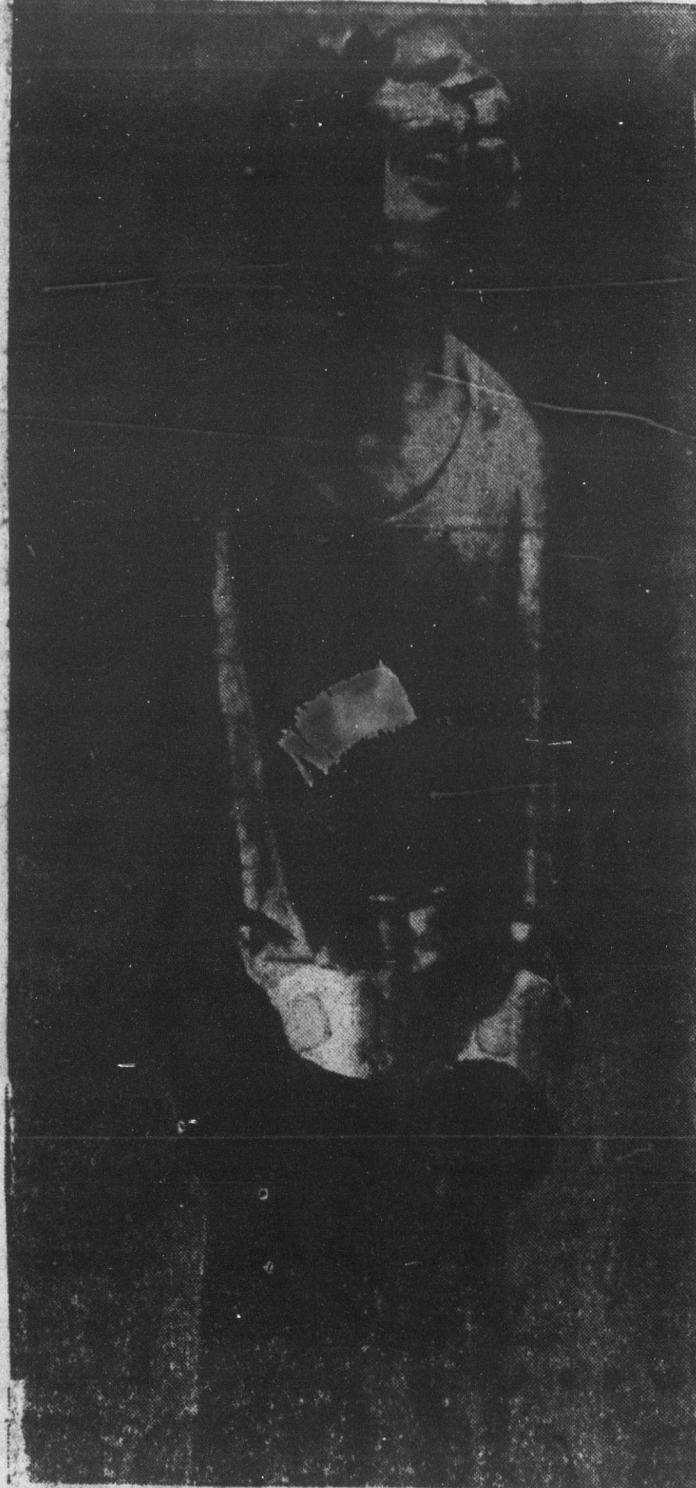
"Miss Rachel Johnson, who left her teaching at St. Mary's School to join the Women's Army Corps, writes a friend in Chapel Hill that she has finished her basic training at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., and doesn't know yet what her next move will be."

IN 1953 -
House Falls on Dog, Breaks His Pelvis

"The John Foushees' German shepherd dog Buddy is recovering in good shape from serious injuries he sustained recently when a house fell on top of him.

"Mr. Foushee said the accident occurred while he and several helpers were moving a small dwelling house to a new location on his farm. They had unloaded the house onto some temporary loose cement block foundations and were jacking it up preparatory to lowering it onto its permanent foundations. One of the jacks suddenly slipped and the house slid sideways to the ground off the foundation. Unknown to them at the time the dog had crawled into the shade under the house and was unable to get out from under when the building fell . . .

"The men jacked up the house a couple of inches and dug under the dog with a pick and shovel and got him out in about five minutes . . . he had no serious injuries other than a broken pelvis. . . .



"CHORISTER"-This statue by German sculptor Ernst Barlach is among 34 other sculptures and over 65 drawings by Barlach now en route to the North Carolina Museum of Art in Raleigh. An exhibition of Barlach's work will open at the Museum August 18. The exhibition has already been in Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Georgia, Iowa, New York, Illinois, and Indiana. From North Carolina, it will go to Virginia, and will complete its U. S. tour in Missouri. The exhibition is sponsored in this country by the Smithsonian Institution. It will be at the Raleigh Museum through September 15.

The County Agent's Column

Ed Barnes, Orange County Farm Agent

TOBACCO

Three Orange County tobacco producers, in cooperation with the State College Extension Service, are carrying on field demonstrations this year.

Elbert Allison, in the Walnut Grove Community, has a demonstration on sucker control. He is using three chemicals to control the growth of suckers.

Draughn Rountree, of the Cedar Grove Community, has a demonstration on the use of extra phosphate above that recommended by soil tests. He has applied different rates up to 2,500 pounds per acre of extra P2O5.

Harvey Ray, of the Buckhorn Community, has a demonstration on the spacing of plants from 14 to 35 inches in the row and on height of topping from 16 to 20 leaves per stalk.

By use of colored twine all primings on the various plots are kept separate. After all the tobacco has been cured, an official grader will grade and weigh all of the tobacco produced. The results in Orange County will be added to other similar demonstrations throughout the State. The final results of these tests will be available to all tobacco producers this winter.

TOBACCO BLIGHT

As usual early blight on tomatoes is beginning to take its toll. This blight causes the bottom leaves to become yellow, brown, and finally die. The blight comes on up the stalk and finally kills all of the leaves of the plant, leaving the stems and a few small tomatoes. Weekly dusting or spraying with a fungicide called Manzate will largely control early blight and other leaf diseases of tomatoes. If dusts are used, it should be about 6 or 7 per cent Manzate. If sprays are used, the 80 per cent concentrate Manzate should be used.

LARGE TOMATOES

Raymond Weaver, of Hillsboro,



Hicken Freeman

Route 1, has grown a lot of large tomatoes in spite of the dry weather. Mr. Weaver mulched his tomatoes with black plastic and has a number of tomatoes that are weighing 2 pounds and over.

4-H CLUB ITEMS

The following delegates from Orange County attended State 4-H Club Week at Raleigh: Ellen Bacon, Larry Thompson, Karen Baird, Harriet Walker, Catherine Auman, Rachel Phelps, Linda Allison, Paul Latta, Nita Spencer, and Bill Fudge.

They were accompanied by Bryan Smith, Assistant Agricultural Agent, Mrs. Jane Recktenwald, Assistant Home Economics Agent, and Mrs. James Bradshaw, 4-H Club Leader.

The St. Mary's 4-H Clubs are sponsoring a series of recreational training programs for 4-H Club members throughout the County. These programs are being held each Saturday night at the St. Mary's Orange Hall. All 4-H Club members are cordially invited to attend. The programs are being directed by Bryan Smith, Assistant Agricultural Agent.

Davie Baird, of the St. Mary's Community, had a profitable year with his 4-H sheep project. Davie purchased 6 ewes last summer for \$78, and he sold \$206 worth of lambs and wool from his sheep. Feed, salt, etc. cost \$70 which left Davie a good profit. He believes his sheep will be more profitable this year than they were last year.

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'Mix Two Cups Granulated Sugar...'

By PAQUITA FINE

Home Economics students at the high school and junior high are in for a real treat this coming school year. Not only will they be learning the simple ABC's of cooking, but Mrs. Kenneth Putnam will be teaching them the art of cake decorating.

Deciding to do something different in the way of summer school, Mrs. Putnam attended the Wilton School of Cake Decorating in Chicago this month to acquire her certificate as a Master Cake Decorator. Her teacher, McKinley Wilton, a former Gypsy candy-maker, has gained international fame for the cakes he has decorated for such personalities as Queen Elizabeth and the Kennedys. His "pulled sugar" or "satin-ribbon" decorated cakes, which resemble delicate creations of crystal, would alone insure his fame.

"Mr. Wilton not only demonstrates his art," said Mrs. Putnam, "but he gives each student's work individual attention. His classes began at 6 a.m. and I've never worked so hard in my life. I think everyone in the class was exhausted at the end of the two weeks, but it was worth it. We worked on boards, of course, not cakes, while learning to make the various designs."

To receive her certificate, Mrs. Putnam had to decorate two small cakes and a tiered wedding cake to meet Mr. Wilton's approval. The wedding cake, packed in two boxes, accompanied her home. "I wasn't sure I would be permitted on the plane with two such large boxes," said Mrs. Putnam, "but the Eastern Air Lines stewardess couldn't have been nicer. She not only helped me get them aboard but fastened them to a shelf so they wouldn't be jostled."

While Mrs. Putnam doesn't plan to teach her students how to make pulled sugar cake decorations which are difficult even for a professional, she does plan

to introduce them to "picture painting" on cakes with icing. "Some of my artistically talented students will find it a real challenge to paint with thinned down boiled or royal icing," she said. She explained that small paint brushes and tinted cake paste or icing are used to produce the effect of painted scenes. "For instance, if one is planning a Halloween scene against a background of sky and a crescent moon, the design may be outlined and then 'painted' in with icing the consistency of oil paints."

Mrs. Putnam also intends to show her students how to prepare decorations of roses, pansies, and drop flowers that can be stored in the candy boxes until they are needed for special occasion cakes or tarts.

Even the least artistic student in her class will be able to make beautiful "sugar molds" of birds, flowers, books, seashells, wedding slippers and the like. While Mrs. Putnam has brought back an array of mold-forms from the Wilton School, she sees no reason why plastic molds, such as the ones children use in making clay designs, or even seashells, unusual shaped ashtrays and jello molds wouldn't serve the same purpose. "The recipe is very simple," she said. "Just mix two cups of granulated sugar with three or four teaspoons of water, depending on the humidity. Dust the mold lightly with corn starch and then pack the sugar mixture solidly into the mold and scrape off the excess with a knife. Place a cardboard square over the mold and turn upside down. The candy will dry very quickly and shrink away from the mold. Once it has hardened, it's ready for use as a cake decoration, a place-card holder, or any number of other uses." Mrs. Putnam particularly likes a tiny pink baby bassinet she made with this method and which she decorated with miniature satin roses. A tiny plastic doll completes the "baby shower" decoration.

Mrs. Putnam's candy mints are already well known to patrons of the Ranch House and other Danziger enterprises with which her husband is associated. This year, she plans to decorate the mints by using "the tiniest tube" she has ever seen, one she acquired at the school.

Eager observers and tasters of Mrs. Putnam's new skill are her four children, Harriet, 18; Ceci, 17; Kenny, 15; and Janice, 10.



Mrs. Putnam And Her Cake

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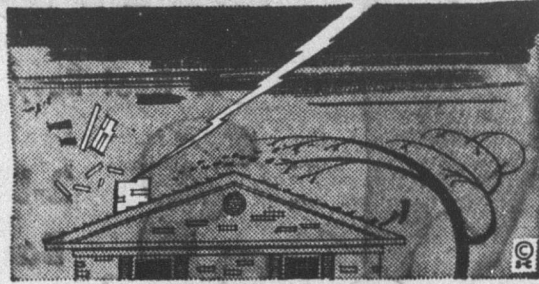
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STONES IN 'CAGE'

Hopkins Jewelry Is Being Exhibited

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Mr. Hopkins' entry in the exposition is a unique ring in which the stones are mounted loose in a "cage" rather than fixed in the conventional fashion.

The ring was produced by a secret lost wax casting process known only to Mr. Hopkins, who re-discovered the technique used by the Egyptians in the time of the Pharaohs. Less than a dozen of the rings are in existence.

Mr. Hopkins' ring will be in competition with the designs of craftsmen from Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North and South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia.

Following the close of the competition and the awarding of prizes, the entries will be displayed at the Museum of Contemporary Crafts in New York from late November until January.

Republican School Scheduled Aug. 17

Republican workers must register now for the school to be held at Duke University on August 17.

The school, offering training in precinct organizational work, will be held in the air-conditioned Duke Biological Science Building from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The school at Duke is a part of a nationwide effort being made by the Republican Party.

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