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Dollars Or Blood Plasma

Recent statistics from the Army Surgeon General's office to the effect that far less men are dying of war wounds than in World War I, means much to us here in Washington County, for it is a promise that more of our sons will be home with us again.

We are told that one of the greatest reasons for this lower death rate is the discovery of blood plasma, and its use on the battlefield.

For this plasma we can thank millions of blood donors over the nation, and the American Red Cross which has been since before Pearl Harbor, the collection agency. Like its work in teaching First Aid, and in serving a community in time of disaster, the Red Cross has done this task well.

Many of us have not been able to donate our blood to Red Cross blood banks, for despite the fact that there are processing stations in thirty-five cities and 60 mobile units working across the country, technical reasons will not permit blood donor centers in every town.

We can, however, give our dollars

to the Red Cross War Fund, knowing that many of those dollars will be used in supplying the life-giving blood plasma to the boys from this city who are wounded. If we can't give blood, let's give dollars to bring those boys back home!

For Women Only

By RUTH TAYLOR

One day out in the Middle West I was scheduled to speak to a women's club on "fighting ideals." But unfortunately at the luncheon before the meeting I happened to tell a few incidents dating from my days as an editor of a fashion magazine. Immediately I was asked to change my topic to "How to become a fashion expert."

It was rather a bad break for any speaker. I didn't know how to say no—and yet I did feel that the question of democratic ideals was more important than fashions. So I compromised.

I talked first about fashions and then I said, "Now if I had told you of some new styles, you could have made it the vogue here in your town—because you set the fashions. Therefore I say to you—if there is hatred, prejudice, ill will among the youth of this town it is your fault—because you could make it the fashion to be kind."

Maybe that was preachy, which is something I try to avoid doing, (I don't like women preachers either), but it is a subject that is so close to my heart that I'll have to ask you to bear with me.

It is because the women of the community, the mothers, have this tremendous power of leadership that their responsibility is so great. Training in friendliness must begin at home. Training in fair play must begin at home. But all that any woman has to do is to train one family for life—train one family in understanding. And the first thing to do is to begin at home—with ourselves.

Let no child hear you speak unfairly, show hatred or prejudice for any group. Let no child see you act unfairly or with discrimination. This does not mean a wholesale opening of the doors of your home. It does mean demonstrating that you can respect people and be fair to them, without living with them or making them your personal friends.

Don't be patronizing—don't teach a child to be kind to "poor" people. Teach him to be kind—period. Half

the class consciousness of this country would vanish if we would stop being charitable to the poor, truculent and "stand-offish" to the rich.

You must make your children thoroughly aware of the fact that hates and prejudices are things not tolerated by anyone of good breeding, any more than eating peas with a knife, that that sort of thing just isn't done by ladies or gentlemen in America.

It can't be done? Nonsense! There isn't a woman among you who doesn't know that you can make anything the fashion, anything the habit.

A child who hears no swearing, does not swear. A child who is taught politeness by example and precept is polite in times of strain. You do not allow your children to play with those children who habitually lie, or steal or use bad language. Why let your children be exposed to contact with the diseased minds of those who are intolerant or who hate?

There is a way that you and I can help to wipe out prejudice. We can control hatred at its very source, and substitute good feeling and understanding. We can do more to influence our children than any other group. We must teach them the fallacy of hatred, the peril of prejudice, the deadly evil of generalizations. Only in this way can we conquer the virus of group thinking, which has

Pleasant Grove

Mr. and Mrs. Deward Chesson, their son, William of the U. S. Army, who is stationed at a camp in Texas and Miss Mary Stillman of Philadelphia were the guests of Mrs. Lina Chesson and Miss Eva Chesson Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Barnes, Mrs. Joe White and son Joe Jesse visited relatives in Edenton Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Knowles went to Williamston Sunday to see Mr. and Mrs. Mark Chesson.

Miss Ceder Roy Phelps, of Roper, spent the week-end with Misses Christine and Katherine Grey.

Rev. Lee Phillips, of Plymouth, and Miss Mary Elizabeth Knowles were the dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Tarkenton Sunday.

T. W. Alexander and Mrs. Pearl Spruill motored to Virginia Tuesday to visit Mr. Alexander's sister, Mrs. I. A. Ambrose.

Mrs. Louis Temple and Mrs. Willie McCoy, Mrs. I. A. Ambrose accompanied them while there they attended the launching of the Shangri-La. Mrs. Willie McCoy returned home with them.

Mrs. Dennis Chesson, Marian and Merlin Chesson were the guests of Mrs. W. B. Chesson, Mrs. Frances C. Hutchins and Rebecca Hutchins on Sunday.

Dennis Chesson and Miss Eva Chesson went to Belhaven Sunday to visit Jim Snell who is still very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Davenport, of Columbia, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Chesson were the source of wars since the beginning of time.

ROPER

Miss Myrtle Peacock, of Oxford, spent the week-end with her sisters.

Mrs. Louis Sitterson spent last Tuesday in Rocky Mount with her mother, Mrs. Henry Freeman, who is in a hospital there.

Mr. and Mrs. Layton Owens, of Norfolk, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Highsmith Thursday.

Mrs. Mattie White is spending some time in Norfolk.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Poole, of Marion, announce the birth of a son, Charles Bryant. Mr. and Mrs. Poole made their home in Roper for several years.

Mrs. Pete McAllister and Mrs. Bill Marrow were in Williamston Friday afternoon.

Mack Marrow has returned to Washington, D. C., after spending two weeks here.

Mr. and Mrs. Asa Wilkinson, of Norfolk, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Hooker.

Miss Irene Davidson spent the week-end in Norfolk.

Miss Winifred Dozier was called to Greensboro last week on account of the illness of her mother.

ROPER BRIDGE CLUB
Mrs. Bob Armstrong was hostess to the Roper Bridge Club at a dinner

son and children, Marian and Merlin were the dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Collins last Sunday.

Mrs. Evelyn Lamb has returned from the hospital in Washington and is confined to her bed at her mother's home Mrs. Clarence Wilson; Mrs. Lamb is slowly improving.
Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Furlough were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Chesson Sunday.
Mrs. Joe Monroe spent Sunday in Elizabeth City with friends.

The PUBLIC Forum

ANSWERING "MRS. B"

To the editor: Today I received a letter, signed "Mrs. B., Roper, N. C.," relative to the Roper school; and I wish you would run the following answer in your paper, since no name was furnished and I am unable to write her personally:

"Mrs. B., Roper, N. C.: Replying to

party on Monday evening. The room was decorated with spring flowers.

After three progressions it was found Mrs. Aubrey Phelps held high score; Mrs. Bill Marrow was second and Mrs. Isa Johnston low.

your letter, beg to advise that your teachers are nominated and elected to the various schools by the local school committee in the township wherein they teach.

"I presume that the teacher in question was elected by your local committee. However, I am not the chairman of the board of education any longer, having resigned on February 7th.

"Yours very truly,
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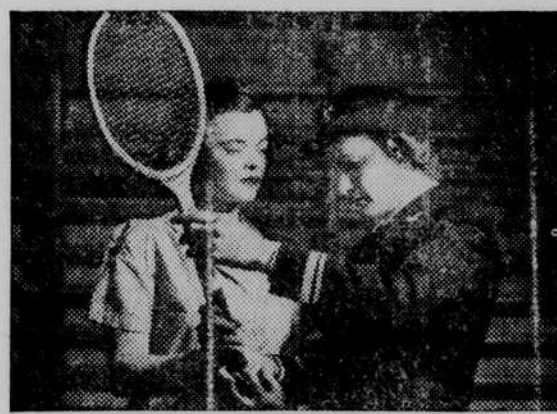
Come on in — the WAVES are Fine!



TRAVEL Anne Tisdale of Rocky Mount had always dreamed of travel to far, interesting places. "Now I'm actually here in New York," she says, "and I'm looking forward to seeing many other interesting places during my Naval service." *You will, too — when you're a WAVE of the United States Navy!*



EXCITEMENT Dull, commonplace work couldn't satisfy Faye White of Gastonia. She wanted an important, exciting job. "I'm training for it now," she writes. "I want to operate a Link Trainer — teaching men 'blind flying.' It's exciting work and I wouldn't trade it for any other job in the world!" *Nor would you!*



SPORTS Here's Eula Lipe of Winston-Salem with Lt. (jg) Helen Hull Jacobs, former American singles tennis champion, at the U. S. Naval Training School (WR), New York. "You'd be surprised how many sports champions are in the WAVES," she says. "Swimming, tennis, why, there isn't any sport you could name that we WAVES don't enjoy!" *You'll enjoy sports — with interesting people — when you're a WAVE!*



PRIDE Put yourself in this picture — as another North Carolina girl doing a grand job — helping win the war — as a WAVE! You'll find it the best job you've had — more exciting, more important, more appreciated, with *more* chance for real advancement! Yes, you'll take pride in being a WAVE — backing up North Carolina fighting men as North Carolina women have always done — in every war our country has fought!

SMARTNESS Like every girl, Marjorie Guilory (left) of Whiteville loves pretty clothes. She's wearing them in the WAVES! "Every one of my uniforms was designed by Mainbocher — and you know what that means in fashion!" she says. "No wonder every style authority — and every man — has said that our WAVES' uniforms are the smartest of any service in the world!" *You'll be just as proud of your WAVE uniform!*

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