



On "Amounting To Something"

The new "hired girl" was due to arrive that afternoon. Her brother was driving her over from Batesville, 6 miles away, and Grandmother was getting her room ready.

"The Wagners are substantial people," Grandmother said. "They keep a clean house and pay their bills. I'm expecting this Milly to amount to something. Now that Poe girl . . . tch . . . tch . . . just look at the way she left her room! I don't think she swept under the bed the whole time she was here."

Grandmother had never approved of the Poe girl. She had "ratted" her hair and made eyes at the hired man and complained of being tired on wash days even before all the sheets were on the line. And by the time she was hanging out the colored clothes, she would stop and rest, on her way in from the line, on the bench under the apple tree and fan herself with her sun bonnet.

A "hired girl" who got tired before the Monday washing was on the line was just out of luck in Grandmother's household. Because after that there was dinner to get for grandfather and the boys and the hired man. A big dinner of meat and potatoes and vegetables that had to be brought in from the garden and a pudding or pie cooked over a wood fire in the range. Afterwards there were dishes to do, and the wash house to scrub. Later on in the afternoon the sweet-smelling clothes had to be brought in off the line, then sprinkled and tucked away in damp rolls in a big wicker basket. Then there was supper to get and more dishes to wash; chickens to feed and water and the milk from 6 cows to strain before the milk things could be washed and scalded.

Tuesday was ironing day and no matter how hot the weather, Grandmother and the "hired girl" kept at it until it was done, their irons heating on the big cook stove. Grandmother always baked bread on ironing day so that the fire might do double duty.

Wednesday was cleaning day and Grandmother was not content until every square inch of carpet in her big house had been swept and all of the wood work as well as the furniture dusted and the 12 coal oil lamps given more than their daily cleaning.

Thursday was mending day and a girl might expect to get some rest while she sat darned sox and putting big honest patches on torn blue work shirts. Only that Grandmother always found "extras" for mending day.

Friday mornings Grandmother spent weeding in her vegetable garden and in the afternoon she hitched old Cleo to the phaeton and drove to the village to do her week's buying. The girl was expected to go along for company and to have a chance to look around the stores herself. It was her afternoon off whether she wanted to go or not.

Saturdays there was so much bustle and stir in Grandmother's house getting ready for Sunday that no one ever had time to so much as sit down even for 5 minutes. Bread and pies and cookies were baked. Chickens were killed and dressed; vegetables gathered and cleaned for two days instead of one. And if company was coming for Sunday dinner, there was extra cleaning to do.

Grandmother worked right along with the "hired girl", as was the necessary custom in those days. And it was no easy job for either of them to cook and clean and wash and mend for a household of six without a single piece of mechanical equipment.

In those days before modern conveniences had transformed her world, a woman, whether mistress or maid, jolly well had to "amount to something!"

W. M. S. MEETS AT WOODLAND

The Woman's Missionary Society of Woodland Church met at the home of Mrs. Clifford Lane with Mrs. Lane and Mrs. Carson Jordan as joint hostesses on Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Elmer Wood conducted the devotional, reading the Scripture from 27th Psalm. Prayer was offered by Mrs. Ernest Cartwright. A responsive reading was given by several members with Mrs. W. H. Cartwright as leader. "More Love To Thee" was sung, and a reading, "The Pastor's Place in Missions," was given by Mrs. Odell Cartwright. The leaflet was given by Mrs. Jack Benton, and the meditation, "My Lord Calls Me," was given by Mrs. Ralph Harrell. The president, Mrs. Jack Benton, presided over the business session, after which the Lord's Prayer was repeated in unison as a benediction.

During the social hour ice cream and cakes were served by the hostesses to the following: Mesdames J. T. Wood, Jack Benton, Odell Cartwright, W. H. Cartwright, Ralph Harrell, Ernest Cartwright, George Jordan, Will Everett, Carson Jordan and Clifford Lane, Misses Sallie B. Wood and Elinor Jordan.

New Law Affects Markers In Primary

Registrar Is Required To Keep Record of All Those Voters He Assisted

The 1939 General Assembly made a very drastic change in the use of markers in primaries.

The only voters who may be assisted in the marking of their ballots are those who cannot read and those who by reason of physical disabling defect, are unable to mark their ballot.

In an official opinion, the Attorney General ruled that only those illiterates registered under the Grandfather Clause of the Constitution were entitled to assistance by reason of their inability to read.

When a voter is entitled to assistance in the marking of the ballot, he must obtain the assistance from a near relative, (husband and wife; parent and child; brother and sister; or grandparent and grandchild) but if no such near relative is present, he may then ask any other voter of the precinct who has not assisted any other voter, to give him the assistance. If, however, there is present no near relative, or other voter who has not marked another ballot, the voter may then, but only then, call upon the registrar or a judge of elections for assistance.

The registrar is required to keep a record of all voters who receive assistance and the names of the persons giving assistance.

It is not only unlawful for any person to give assistance, but also unlawful for any person to receive or permit assistance except under the terms of the Act.

The Act does not prevent members of the same family (husband and wife; parent and child; brother and sister; grandparent and grandchild) from assisting one another, and no record is required of such.

Electricity Put To Work On Farm

Rural electrification has brought light and modern conveniences to thousands of North Carolina farm homes within the past few years.

"Now," says D. E. Jones, rural electrification specialist of N. C. State College, "farmers are learning how electricity can be put to work to lighten burdens and economically operate heating and refrigeration units on the farm."

He named the operation of brooders for chicks, dairy equipment, and feed grinders, and the heating of plant beds as ways that farmers are using their new-found source of power and heat.

Electric brooders are becoming popular, and among those who have expressed themselves as thoroughly satisfied with this modern equipment are J. A. Rowland of Stanly County, John Workman of Cleveland County, and Mrs. J. C. Barber of Rowan County. Mr. Rowland figured his cost at slightly more than one cent per chick despite the severe winter just past.

P. A. Irvin, a large retail milk producer of Mecklenburg County told Specialist Jones that his total electric bill for the many jobs performed in his dairy is no more than was his cost for ice alone before he installed electrical equipment.

Ralph Scott of Alamance County, and Roy and Francis Siegman of Catawba County are enthused over their new feed grinding mills operated by electric motors. Mr. Scott says: "I am convinced that the feed grinding problem on my farm is solved through use of this mill. I can grind nearly 60 bushels of ear corn an hour and use only five kilowatt hours of electricity."

Jones also reports that Ira and High Bailey in Rowan County are using electricity to pump water for the irrigation of their truck crops, and to heat plant beds to start lettuce, pepper and tomato plants. "A few farmers are also using electrically-heated sweet potato plant beds," Jones stated.

CENTER HILL NEWS

Mrs. Stoker has returned to her home at Albemarle, after a week's visit with her sister, Mrs. Elliott Belch. Mr. Stoker came Saturday night and accompanied his wife home Sunday.

Mrs. Rosser Bunch and son, Rosser, spent the week-end with Mrs. Bunch's mother, Mrs. Ownley, of near Hertford. Mrs. Ownley has been ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Jones, of Norfolk, Va., spent Sunday with Mrs. Ida Reed.

Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Stanford and their nephew, H. Pickett, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Lane, Mrs. W. H. Lane, Mrs. E. B. White, J. S. Turner and Mrs. J. G. White attended the District conference at the Edenton Methodist Church last Thursday.

Rev. and Mrs. R. E. Walston, of Pink Hill, were visitors in the community Thursday afternoon.

Miss Bettie Howell, of Norfolk, Va., was the week-end guest of her

aunt, Mrs. N. Bunch.

Mrs. Mollie Bunch has returned home after spending last week in Edenton with her son, Sheriff J. A. Bunch, and Mrs. Bunch.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Turner and two children, Peggy and Robert, visited Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hollowell, at Sunbury, Sunday afternoon.

Miss Tommie Goodwin has returned home after a visit with her niece, Mrs. Rufus Garrett, in Norfolk, Va. Mr. and Mrs. Garrett accompanied her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Westbrook, of Cincinnati, Ohio, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Barnett.

Mr. and Mrs. Cotter B. White and son, C. B., Jr., Mrs. J. G. White and Miss Mamie Byrum spent Wednesday in Durham.

Miss Beulah White returned home Thursday. After the closing of the school at New Salem, Miss White entered the Charlotte hospital for an operation. She is now getting along nicely.

Mrs. J. S. Turner, Miss Lennie Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Winslow and daughter, Miss Eleanor, visited Miss Beulah White Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Carey Hollowell, Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay Evans, of Cross Roads, visited Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Furry Sunday evening.

Mrs. Bernice Smith and daughter, Betty, of Fort Royal, Va., are guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Goodwin.

Mrs. Lloyd Bunch and son, Dallas, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hassell, at Columbia, this week.

Mrs. J. S. Turner, Miss Lennie Wilson, Mrs. J. P. McNider, Mrs. Nealie Bunch, Mrs. Herman Lane, Mrs. Jesse Dail visited Miss Mamie Byrum Saturday afternoon. Miss Byrum is very ill.

Mrs. Henry Goodwin and daughter, Mary Ellen, of Greenhall, visited Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Furry Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Edward Byrum and daughter, Doris Jean, spent Monday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Byrum, of near Cannons Ferry.

Mrs. J. T. Stanford visited Mrs. Ida Reed Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. White and two children visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. White, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Byrum visited

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Byrum and Miss Mamie Byrum Sunday.

Miss Kathleen Ward spent Tuesday with Mrs. Otis Ellis.

Misses Mary and Pasco Hollowell and a friend, of Hobbessville, visited Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Boyce Sunday evening.

Mrs. Ira Perry spent the week-end in Rocky Hock with her daughter, Mrs. Herbert Byrum, and Mr. Byrum.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Byrum and daughter, Shirley, spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Byrum.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Byrum, of near Cannons Ferry, visited Mr. and Mrs. Edward Byrum Sunday evening.

Miss Frances Dail has returned home after spending last week with her sister, Mrs. Nearest Jordan.

Mrs. Oliver Jordan, Mrs. Nearest Jordan and children visited Mrs. J. P. Byrum Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Winslow and daughter, Ruth, of Elizabeth City, spent Sunday with Mrs. Winslow's mother, Mrs. J. M. Turner.

Miss Lucy Myers White is visiting relatives in Norfolk, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Arphie Lane visited Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Lane on Sunday evening.

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BRITISH BUY CORN

The sale of 20,000,000 bushels of surplus American corn to the British under a newly organized export subsidy program has been announced by the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

IS THERE LIFE ON MARS?

A distinguished astronomer tells of astonishing changes he observed on the face of our puzzling neighbor planet during its recent close visit to the earth. Read this unusual story in the May 26th issue of

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Friday, May 24—
Errol Flynn, Miriam Hopkins and Randolph Scott in "VIRGINIA CITY"

Saturday, May 25—
Jack Randall in "OVERLAND MAIL"

Sunday, May 26—Double Feature
Laurel and Hardy in "SAPS AT SEA"

Weaver Brothers and Elviry in "IN OLD MISSOURI"

Monday, May 27—
Loretta Young and Ray Milland in "THE DOCTOR TAKES A WIFE"

Tuesday, May 28—
George Brent and Merle Oberon in "TIL WE MEET AGAIN"

Wednesday, May 29—
Zane Grey's "Light of the Western Stars"

May 30-31—"REBECCA"

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