SKETCHES

By J. C. R.

ON GRADUATES

a locking group as ever assembled, stood on the stage at College Auditostood on the stage at College Auditorium fast Thursday evening . . . and fifty-four beribboned scrolls were dis-. . diplomas that tell the wide world in their engraved perfection that high school days are over for fifty-four boys and girls. It was a pleasing sight for the eyes . . . no doubt about that . . but, on the other hand, there's something a little grain sad about graduations . . they represent the fade-out of glorious developed through four years of class they write finis to many a well-developed case of puppy-love the line of demarcation is reached, childhood into the responsibilities of grown-up people. Yes, the free-wheel-

Some high school graduates feel that they are equipped to carry on, that life with its manifold problems is a soft bargain . . . that schoolbook knowledge will, within itself, make the path sasy and the burden light. ers look with doubt to the future, take stock of their deficiencies and prepare for further study. And then there are those, dragged through by the skin of their teeth, absorbing a little here and a little there, who think not or care not what the years may bring. It takes these three groups to make up a graduating class... or any other sort of a class.

But as time slips by, as unforeseen burdens drop on the shoulders of our graduates, as sorrows gather 'round like the mists of morning . . . they'll all find out that "book larnin" wasn't quite all . . . that the character they bave builded during school days, that the ability to drive forward where other fall lame by the wayside, that the honesty and fairness which has been inculcated into their very hearts by conscientious tutors . . . that these are the real weapons that will take them to victory in the battle of life!

Fufty-four girls and boys in caps and gowns . . . fifty-four future citi-. rich men, poor men, beggar men, thieves . . . maybe!

A TATTOO, IF YOU PLEASE

For the benefit of those who know not the gentle art of expressing "Friendship," "Love," "Patriotism" and the other ceautiful sentiments which originate in the heart, we are becrowing the following advertise-ment from a North Wilkesbore newspaper:

"Electric Tattooing! Bright colors, Friendship, Love and Patriotism are best expressed with a beau-tiful TATTOO. Get Tattooed! It's the only true way of expressing sentiment. Located next to Reins Marble Yard, North Wilkesboro."

So there you are! If dear old mother has passed away, just have a life-size copy of her tombstone crocheted on your manly bosom! If you desire to express love for a maid in its very tenderest, most potent form, just have the lady's willowy figure, preferably in the nude, tattooed on your muscular forcarm! If you should purse an ingrained passion for snakes, a couble of cobras, in color, would look just too sweet crawling up your fuzzy legs! And if, perchance, your patriotism has lain dormant on account of poor expression, battleships, guns belching hell-fire and stuff, would be quite the berries as an abdominal decoration! And then there are eagles, and cowgirls, and anchors, and mottoes, and daggers, and pistols, and dice, and playing cards . . . any one of which would express a "beautiful sentiment!"

So there you are, folks! To express the proper sentiment in the proper manner . . . get one of those "beautiful tationes!"

SOMETHING NEW!

For years and years and years the human race has been forced to grovel at the feet of science . . . to accept its cowless milk, and synthetic gin and milkless butter, and iceless ice and a thousand other aggravations

but a news story in Monday's paper knocked the props clean out from under we denizens of the blue Z. Linney. babies," the professors' latest offering to a waiting, dizzy world. Twelve MRS. DOUGHTON normal infants, including "test tube" twins, have already been 'hatched'

and Drs. Seymour and Koerner in charge of operations, readily admit that several others are "on the fire" up New York way.

We're entirely too ignorant on scientific matters to go into the details of this intricate performance . . . in fact, we wouldn't care to even hazard a guess. A sure-enough mama and an anonymous papa figure in on the newly-planned deal . . . and, we sup-pose, the balance is left up to the scientists. Unmarried women, desiring the pleasures of motherhood minus the worries of a husband, are falling for this idea in gobs, and production is expected to be at high-tide soon.

It's a great scheme . about that . . . but somehow or other we just sorter hope that folks down this way will continue to live like grandpa lived!

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BOONE, WATAUGA COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA, THURSDAY, MAY 3, 1934

HEALTH CLINIC FOR Fifty-four boys and girls, as fine SCHOOL CHILDREN

Drs. Hagaman and Perry to Be in Charge. Work to Begin Tuesday at Demonstration School Building. Tonsil and Adenoid Operations Will Be Performed, Eyes Examined and Glasses Fitted.

care-free school days, they stamp out for a day or two following, a clinic, the close friendships that have been conducted by Dr. H. B. Perry and On next Tuesday, May 8th, and Dr. J. B. Hagaman, will be hold in the Demonstration School building at Boone. The clinic is for the purpose the graduate steps right out of four through thirteen, in Watauga County to have any and all physical conditions corrected at once so that ing days end . . . the grade is reached. children may be in as fine a condition as possible before the beginning of the next school term.

Both physicians will be equipped to remove tonsils and adenoids the rate of \$12.50 per child; sil work done will be on a cash basis. Dr. Ha-gaman will be assisted by Dr. Baugnman of Johnson City. An examination for defective sight will be made at a reduced rate; glasses will be provided at cost plus ten per cent.

P. T. A. to Aid in Work Members of the local P. T. A. are assisting the physicians by providing cots or small beds, and other neces sities. Those who have cots which they are willing to lend are asked to notify Mrs. Tracy Council, Mrs.

Guy Hill or Mrs. Russell Hodges. Those who wish their children's tonsils removed will bring with them two sheets, one pillow and case. The child whose tonsils are to be removed should eat a very light supper, such as milk and toast or a poached egg and toast, the evening before the operation is to be performed. He should take no water nor food on the following morning. A specimen of the child's urine must be taken to his physician's office on or before the

day of the operation.

Professional services will be rendered in order of arrangements made The quicker a parent sees his physician, the more intelligently he can plan to do the work. It is hoped that all parents will take advantage of the fine spirit of helpfulness on the part of these local physicians and have their children's physical imper-fections attended to during this

JOSEPH LINNEY ENDS OWN LIFE

Nephew of Late Col. R. Z. Linney Drinks Poison in Alexander County Sunday. Ill Health Blamed for Tragic Death.

Joseph T. Linney, 50, resident of Gwaltney Township, Alexander County, committed suicide Sunday evening and that the outside demand would take care of the output, but that he county years and accompanying despon- to enjoy its part dency are said to have contributed to self-destruction.

School Sunday morning and in the ings and make the grounds a recreaternoon was present at a religious ation spot. Picnic tables are availagathering in Stony Point. Returning ble, and motor parties will find a home he carried a bottle of carbolic hearty welcome in a beautiful setacid with him to the woods near the ting. house, and after drinking it, returned to his room and expired in about twenty-five minutes.

Mr. Linney was unmarried and for number of years lived alone at The Linney homestead. Two months ago he moved into a house on his farm occupied by a Mr. Reeves and family. taught school for a number of years in Alexander and surrounding counties, and was known as a literary genius. He was a rell known naturalist and had accepted an invita-tion to address the Taylorsville Woman's Club on "Birds and Trees of North Carolina" May 9th.

Mr Linney, who was well known by many Watauga County people, was a nephew of the late Colonel R.

IS SERIOSULY ILL

Hon. Robert L. Doughton returned to Laurel Springs Wednesday morning, having been called from Washington on account of the se rious illness of his mother, Mrs. Rebecca Doughton. Mr. Doughton came to North Carolina Friday when he was advised of his aged parent having suffered a paralytic stroke, and returned to Washington Tuesday when an improvement in her condition had become apparent. He had only been back in Washington for a few hours when a message told of the more serious condition of his mother.

Mrs. Doughton is 96 years old and was felicitated on her last anniversary by President Roosevelt. Because of her extreme age, little hope is held out for her recovery.



New Rochelle, N. Y .- Irving C. Brower (above) is a city manager expert on a wholesale plan. On 1st, he takes charge here to pull the municipality out of a fin-ancial morass as he has previously done at Pontiac, Mich., Lima, Omio, and Greensboro, N. C.

SMATHERS ASKS WATAUGANS TO RESTOCK STREAMS

Manager of Fish Hatchery Says Only Four Applications for Trout Have Been Received from Local People and Asks Speedy Action to Aid in Program Here. Million Rainbow, Brook and Brown Trout Ready.

One million brook, brown and rainbut on the mountain streams, says and the eighth grade at the Blowing Rock school and the family, erwood Fish Hatchery, who points out that it is imperative that Wafaugans wishing to restock streams get in their applications at once, since it will be a year before another hatch comes off.

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Mr. Smathers states that he is exedingly anxious for this county share in the trout, but says that be fore it may be must have applications from individuals, and that no deliveries are made by him. He states that the other counties in his territory have been quick to see the op-portunities offered in increased tour-

Mr. Smathers tells The Democrat that he is anxious for the people to He attended church and Sunday visit the hatchery, observe the work

WOOTEN DIRECTOR

Wilkes Man in Charge of Office Which Controls Emergency Employment in Watauga and Four Other Counties.

Mr. R. L. Wooten of North Wilkesin that city, which handles the administrative affairs of Watauga and The committee on providing cars is four other counties, following the abolition of the respective county of and J. H. Councill

The five counties which comprise North Wilkesboro district Wilkes, Watauga, Ashe, Alleghany is urged to be present, and to bring and Alexander.

No other re-employment offices will be maintained in this district, Mr. Wooten's office to take care of LITTLE GUY WEST re-employment work in all five of the counties.

No announcements have made as to the details of the duties of the new office, but it is presumed the work will be carried on largely as heretofore. Placements on the various Public Works projects will be made as they materialize through the North Wilkesboro office.

Seed Loans Are to Be Made Until 15th

Federal seed loans may be made up until May 15th, according to word coming from Mr. D. M. Hale, manager of the local seed loan office. The time for the closing of the office had been set for last Saturday.

City Manager Expert AGNES HARTLEY KILLED AS TREE CRUSHES AUTO

Fourteen-Year-Old Blowing Rock Cirl Receives Fatal Injuries in Unusual Accident. Death Comes at Caldwell Hospital, Timber Cutters Fell Tree as Car Approaches. Occupants were En Route to School.

Agnes Hartley, 11-year-old high school student of Blowing Rock, died at Caldwell Hospital on Friday from injuries received Thursday as a fall-ing tree crushed the automobile in which she, her father and two sisters were riding. A fractured skull was given as the cause of her death, and from the first physicians held out little hope of her recovery.

Mr. Hartley was driving along the Hughes road en route from his home at Aho, and was near Blowing Rock when a tree, felled by sawmin workers, crushed the light vehicle in which he was carrying his children school. Besides Agnes and her father, two sisters, Irene and Clara, occupied the front seat, while Virgil Walser was riding in the rear of the ve-

The impact of the falling timber was so great that Mr. Hartley was endered unconscious for the time be- Dozen High Officials of Order Gathing. Sawmill employees succeeded in extricating the entrapped occupants f the car within a few minutes. Mr. Hartley was quoted as saying that he tree fell without warning to him. Slight injuries were also received by

The wounded girl was taken immedistely by Cecil Critcher to Caldwell ganization, scheduled to begin at 3 Hospital for an emergency operation, o'clock with a business session at

Surviving are the parents, one brother and five sisters.

Registration Books Being Distributed

Registration books to be used in connection with the primary on June 2nd are being distributed to the vari-ous registrars this week by R. S. Swift, chairman of the election board, and will be open next Saturday and on two subsequent Saturdays for the registration of new voters. Saturday, May 26th, is the day set apart as

Hickory lawyer, is opposing Solicitor Spurling for the Democratic ation. There are no Republican

Loyal Member Day to Be Observed Sunday

Loyal Mmeber Day will be observed at Boone Methodist Episcopal Church South on next Sunday, May 6th. Provisions are being made so that all members who have no means of transportation may be brought to Sunday School and church services. boro has been named as manager of The committee on shut-ins and transthe National Re-employment Office portation is Mrs. R. L. Bingham, Mrs. J. D. Rankin and Mrs. J. B. Steele.

Special programs for the Sunday School hour and regular service hour have been prepared. Every member

***************** IS KILLED BY AUTO

Telegraphic information reaching Boone Tuesday tells of the death of Guy H. West Jr., who was killed by a passing automobile in Clarksburg, W. Va., where the famfly lives. A fractured skull was given as the cause of the child's death. but further details of the accident and funeral arrangements are not known here.

The deceased child is remembered a son of Mrs. Mary Annie Trivette West and Mr. West, and a grandson of Rev. and Mrs. W. L. Trivett of this city. The Wests have many friends here who are grieved because of their bereavement.

Visitor Here Today



W. Snyder of Winston-Salem, field secretary for the Junior Order United American Mechanics, who that organization here today.

JUNIORS HOLD DISTRICT MEET

er in Boone Today with Delegates from Three Counties. Public Meeting at School.

More than a dozen high officials of the Junior Order United American Trane Hartley, who was cut by flying Mechanics are in Boone today (Wednesday) in attendance at the semiannual district meeting of the or-

ARE RECAPTURED

Sheriff Howell Jails Buret Presneil and Howard Hardin on Advices from Raleigh, 27 Apprehended for Outside Authorities Thus Far.

Buret Presnell, Watauga County penitentiary for the larceny of a car, and who made his escape from the Perquimons County State Farm, was captured by Sheriff Howell last Sat-urday near the old West End Garage, Little interest develops locally in the body of a truck. The capture the June voting, since only one contest is submitted to the electorate in the local official. In the local official in the local ell states that Presnell has three ceny of automobiles and has three

times been apprehended. Howard Hardin was also taken by Sheriff's forces last week at his home on the Yonahlossee Road. He had escaped four months ago from the Hudon Prison Camp where he was sent at the fall term, 1933, for six months. He had been found guilty of carrying a pistol, shooting into a residence and public drunkenness.

The Sheriff says that these arrests make twenty-seven escapces and men wanted by other states and counties that he has taken since going into of-

Two Boone Students Win Unusual Honors

Two students of the Boone graded school, members of Miss Eula Todd's class, took first and second place in the seventh grade examination for Watauga, Ashe and Yadkin counties, it was learned Wednesday. Papers for all seventh grade tests were for-warded to the Boone Demonstration School for grading, when it developed that Miss Imogene Norris of Route 2 the highest average had secured grade for the three counties, and that lames Norris of Boone was second

Imogene is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Norris, while James is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Norris. Friends of the students and of the families are extending congratulations on account of the high honor, and Miss Todd, their teacher, takes justifiable pride in the accomplishments of her pupils.

One-fourth, or 70,000,000 acres, of the farm area of the South is in forest or woodlands.

RUFE LEWIS GETS **30 YEAR STRETCH** ON MURDER COUNT

\$1.50 PER YEAR

Slayer of Police Chief Hagaman Given Maximum Second Degree Term After State Fails to Make First Degree Case, Violet Adams Gets 2 to 3 Years. Fred McDaniel Sentenced to 18 Months on Reads.

Rufe Lewis was sentenced by Judge

Oglesby to a term of thirty years in the State Prison in Superior Court last Thursday, after the State had accepted a plea of second degree mur-der in connection with the slaying of Police Chief Hill Hagaman last tember, and Violet Adams, young Caldwell County woman, was sent to the penitentiary for a term of 2 to 3 years as an accessory after the fact. The judgment of the court stip-ulated that Lewis should be confined at hard labor and should wear stripes Lewis went on trial for his life Thursday morning after a jury had been completed the previous evening from two venires of 75 men each, and the evidence of the State was completed in early afternoon. One character witness for the defendant was examined following which counsel for the defense pleaded guilty to murder in the second degree, which found immediate acceptance on the part of the State. In passing judgment Judge Oglesby told of a conference with attorneys on each side of the case, and expressed doubt that a first degree verdict could have been se-

laud Watauga County people for their unusual sense of fair play in connection with the trial. The State's evidence consisted principally of testimony on the part of officers who were with Mr. Hagaman when the raid on the Blue Goose filiing station in Boone caused his death. Defense attorneys took advantage of every detail in the cross-examination and especial emphasis was laid on the testimony of Sheriff Howell to

cured by the State. At the same time

he opined that liquor was the cause

fo the tragedy, and took occasion to

dealing automatic. The conversation between the boy and the defendant was said to have been carried on after

she had been placed in jail.

McDaniel Sentenced Fred McDaniel, lessee of the Blue Goose at the time of the fatal shooting, received a road sentence of 18 months after he was adjudged guilty of possession for the purpose of man who was serving a sentence of the twenty-odd pints of whiskey from three to five years in the State which precipitated the raid on the place. He had appealed from the Recorders Court on a sentence of six

> Following are the other sentences of the court:

sentenced to 12 months on roads. while Parlier was given 8 months. All to wear stripes. Charles Green, assault with dead-

y weapon, 6 months on roads. Charles Green, larceny, 6 months on roads. Two sentences to run con-

Com Green, larceny, four months Charles Walser, assault on female.

Pleads guilty to forcible trespass. Four menths on roads. Lonnic Ward, assault with deadly

eapon, four months on roads. Boone Grimes, assault, and violation prohibition laws. Thirty days on

roads to begin in 30 days. John Johnson, possession of whis-key, 60 days on roads. No stripes. Johnnie Tester, larceny, 60 days on

TEN PRISONERS BEGIN SENTENCES

Large Group Taken to Road Camps as Criminal Court Ends. Two Yet to Be Taken to Penitentiary. Seven Untried Cases in Jail.

Ten prisoners, sentenced to road terms from Judge Oglesby's court, were taken to the Hudson prison camp to begin their terms last Mon-Prison Superintendent Laney came for the men and they will be worked under the direction of the State Highway and Public Works Commission.

Rufe Lewis and Violet Adams, who are to serve their sentences in the State penitentiary, will be taken to Raleigh Thursday. Seven others are in the county jail, having been incar-cerated after the grand jury had been dismissed, and some of them after the departure of the solicitor.