

Hazelwood Man Named No. 1 Marine Recruiter

Marine Technical Sergeant Joseph H. (Smokey) Lathrop of Hazelwood, attached to the Asheville Marine recruiting office is the top Marine recruiter in North Carolina, Major W. O. Cain, Jr., state Marine recruiting director, has announced.

Sgt. Lathrop, non-commissioned officer in charge of the Marine recruiting office located in the Asheville Post Office, was congratulated by Governor William B. Umstead during swearing-in ceremonies for the Carolina Recruit Platoon in the state capitol building Jan. 21.

In announcing the selection of Lathrop as top recruiter in the state, Major Cain pointed out the Leatherneck sergeant's outstanding work in making the Asheville recruiting the best in the Tar Heel state.

The Asheville office, which recruited one man in January 1953, began the new year by enlisting 50 men, Asheville recruiters went all out in June and July 1953 when they enlisted an entire recruit platoon in the mountain area, the 75-man Carolina Mountaineer Platoon.

Recently, Lathrop and his two assistants, Staff Sergeants Carl W. Ripley and William L. Stephens, enlisted over three quarters of the Second Carolina Platoon which was sent to Parris Island, S. C., Jan. 21 for recruit training.

The Asheville recruiting office was selected as the outstanding two-man recruiting station in the southeastern states four times last year during monthly recruiting competition by the 6th Marine Corps Reserve and Recruitment District at Atlanta.

To win the award, Asheville had to better the record of all two-man stations in the southeastern states.

Lathrop's first month as a recruiter made officials sit up and take notice. He enlisted 21 men, an outstanding record for a new recruiter.

In addition to Lathrop's fine achievement in obtaining applicants for enlistment, Major Cain also pointed out the sergeant's outstanding work in putting the Marine Corps before the public in the mountain area of western North Carolina.

Lathrop started out by placing Marine Corps recruiting bumper strips (Join The Marines) on all

Lower Crabtree Youth Attend Brevard Retreat

By MRS. MILLARD FERGUSON
Community Reporter

Mrs. W. J. McCrary accompanied as counselor the MYF members of the Crabtree Methodist Charge and also the Hazelwood members to the MYF Retreat of the Waynesville District which was held in Brevard College last weekend. Those attending from Crabtree were Frances Jones, Alice McCracken, Helen McClure, Sarah Jones, Carolyn Creasman, Billie Best and Phillip Davis. From Hazelwood: Wanda Turner and Clare Fulbright.

The Baptist Cottage prayer group will meet Friday evening, February 12, at 7 p.m. at the home of

laundry trucks in the area. He followed this up with the placement of recruiting publicity and recruiting literature, posters, cards and billboard advertising at strategic spots throughout the Asheville area in addition to obtaining wide publicity for the Marine Corps in newspapers and over radio stations.

The sergeant was commended by public information officials at Atlanta last July when he obtained full page advertising in The Mountaineer during the recruiting drive for the Carolina Mountaineer Platoon.

Lathrop has been closely watched by recruiters and recruiting officials in the southeastern recruiting area and has been used by officials as an example of how a good recruiter can turn a normally dead recruiting area into a most productive one.

Not a stranger to the Asheville area, Lathrop headed a laundry concern in the mountain area as a civilian. He knows the mountain area and its people and it's paying off on his present assignment. "Smoky," as his friends call him, is a go-getter and this attribute is keeping recruiting officials well pleased with the Asheville area Leatherneck's work.

A resident of Hazelwood, Lathrop, his wife Polly, and their two daughters, live at 106 Georgia Ave.

GOVERNOR WILLIAM B. UMSTEAD congratulates Technical Sergeant Joseph H. (Smokey) Lathrop of the Asheville Marine Recruiting station on the Leatherneck's selection as top North Carolina Marine Recruiter, during colorful swearing-in ceremonies for the Carolina Platoon Jan. 21 in the state capitol building in Raleigh. Lathrop, a resident of Hazelwood, was selected by



(Official Marine Corps Photo)

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Haney.

Several from our community attended the open house celebrating the 10th anniversary of our county-wide library service at the Library last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Ferguson announce the birth of a granddaughter, Martha Jane, to the proud parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alna Hyatt, of Hyatt's Creek. The baby was born February 1, at Haywood County Hospital.

Millard Ferguson has been having an epidemic of pneumonia in

his beef cattle herd. He hopes he has it under control and also that it will be confined to his herd and not spread to other herds.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Wells have had their house insulated and are now finishing an addition of two new rooms.

The Crabtree Methodist WSCS met Monday night at the home of Mrs. Fred L. Safford. Mrs. Hugh Noland gave the devotional and had the program.

The Rev. A. R. Davis conducted the first study in a series of four on missions, "Heritage and Destiny," last Sunday evening at the Crabtree Methodist Church. He will continue the series next Sunday, Feb. 14, at 7 p.m., with Davis Chapel in Iron Duff.

Mrs. Millard Ferguson attended the meeting in Waynesville Friday of the District program committee of the WSCS. Others in attendance were the president, Miss Laura M. Jones, of Franklin; vice president, Mrs. V. E. Wilson, of Canton; recording secretary, Mrs. Allen Siler, of Franklin; also Mrs. J. W. Fowler and the Misses Ray and Louise Ballard of Lake Junaluska.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Coleman, Clare and Robert, III, of Newberry, S. C., were weekend guests of Mrs. Coleman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Kirkpatrick.

Joe Palmer, who has been under treatment at the Victoria Hospital, Asheville, has returned home much improved. We are sorry Joe has decided not to represent us again in the Legislature. We need young men of his integrity to steer our political ship, and then too we will miss the prestige of having our own representative.

Miss Ervina Allen of Hollywood, Calif., a student at WCTC, was the weekend guest of Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Reeves, Jr.

J. Handy Kirkpatrick and daughter, Miss Mary Frances, of Canton, were dinner guests Sunday of Mr.

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA HAYWOOD COUNTY IN THE SUPERIOR COURT KLEBOON DIXON BLALOCK, BY HER NEXT FRIEND M. D. DIXON, Plaintiff VS JACK MONROE BLALOCK, Defendant

TO: JACK MONROE BLALOCK. The defendant, Jack Monroe Blalock, will take notice that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above entitled action, in the Superior Court of Haywood County, North Carolina by the above named plaintiff for an absolute divorce upon the grounds of two years separation. The said defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear at the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Haywood County, at the Courthouse in Waynesville, N. C. not later than April 6, 1954 and answer or demur to the Complaint in said action or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint. This, the 10th day of February, 1954.

J. B. SILER
Clerk of the Superior Court
Haywood County,
North Carolina.

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and Mrs. B. F. Nesbitt as was also the Rev. and Mrs. W. F. Ferguson and Mr. and Mrs. Millard Ferguson.

Mr. and Mrs. Mercus Massie and Earl were Sunday guests of their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Killian of Clyde.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn C. Palmer with Mr. and Mrs. Gudger Palmer of Canton attended the Dr. Rich funeral at Montmorenci Church, Candler, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Palmer, Jr., returned Wednesday from Raleigh where they saw the State-Duke ball game. They were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Corpening in Winston Salem.

Mr. and Mrs. Velde Barnes, David and Ann of High Point, were weekend guests of Mrs. Barnes' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Allen.

E. C. Beck and David Jones of High Point spent the weekend at their respective homes.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hill of Rat-

LIFE WASN'T WORTH LIVING



Mrs. Sheaffer

"Everything I ate seemed to hurt my stomach and frequently caused nausea," declares Mrs. Richard Sheaffer, Route 3, Marion, N. C.

"After a spell of kidney infection, it looked like I could never regain my strength. My stomach was so very unhappy I couldn't sleep at night. Loads of gas seemed to form on my stomach every time I ate and often I felt so sick and suffered such severe headaches I felt as if I were going to die. My mother told me how Scalp's Indian River Medicine had brought her wonderful relief from smothering gassy stomach pains and persuaded me to try it, too. Believe me, I'm ready to recommend Scalp's Indian River Medicine to anyone who suffers from upset stomach as I did for I can't find words to praise Scalp's Indian River Medicine enough after all it has done for me, and I'm now giving it to my little seven-year-old daughter.

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817 Licenses Revoked For Drunk Driving

For driving drunk 817 Tar Heel motorists lost their legal driving privileges in January the State Department of Motor Vehicles reported today.

The first month figures of tipsy drivers was down somewhat from January, 1953. Last year 938 drunk drivers had their license revoked.

cliffs Cove were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Parks.

Violations requiring the surrender of driving privileges were off generally in the first report for 1954. Driving after license revoked dropped from 62 in January, 1953 to 58 last month. Reckless driving was down, from 34 to 32 as were convictions for transporting liquor, from 51 to 29.

Speeding over 75 m.p.h., on the other hand was up. The monthly summary listed 225 convictions and subsequent loss of license for the speedsters in January. Last year only 152 such convictions were secured. The difference is credited to a sterner enforcement of speed laws according to department of

officials. The new anti-speeding effective last July, brought over 70 m.p.h. drivers, who suffered temporary loss of privileges. The law made day license suspension of 70 in a passenger car, loss of 60 in a truck. Drivers lost their license under the statute. Miscellaneous violations for use of drivers license included hit-and-run, and manslaughter in 1,117 revocations last month and 1,214 suspensions.

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Mildred Bryson, Tax Supervisor