SKETCHES

By J. C. R.

PASS THE POTATOES:

Potatoes, the crop for which Watauga County is noted, occupied the minds of a group of hangers-around at The Democrat office a few days ago. And the culture of spuds, quite naturally, involved the name of Walter (Watt) Beach who, with Cooter Haigler, his dusky assistant, can raise four hundred bushels to the acre without much more than half trying . . . providing, of course, that the elements are favorable. Willred Davis, whose mind runs to figures, reached for his pencil and a ragged copy of the World Almanae . . . and started calculations on a project that would made the Hoover Dam and the Norris Dam and all the other dams in the world look like a plug-dime. He proposed to drain the lakes and the seas and the oceans, all of the Blue Ridge near Blowing Rock, their fertile beds to good old Irish secretary-treasurer of the Appalachpotatoes. Around 164,999,000 square in Advent Christian Assembly, a non miles of the globe's surface, or 6- profit corporation recently chartered 599,960,000 acres . . . quite a sizeable by the State of North Carolina to car tract, and rich beyond compare . . . ry out the project. The huge venture was set aside by the Creator for the is outlined in the following story, tapropagation and amusement of sharks ken from The Lenoir News-Topic: and eass and whales and seaserpents and bathing girls. Young Mr. Davis multiplied these 6,599,950,000 acres

raised by the Watt-Cooter partner-ship, and found that just 2,639,984,-000,000 hampers of the "fruit" could and would be produced each year . . . 2,639 bushels for each and every heathen and Hindee and Christian on 13,195 bushels for each family of five. Just then some simpleton in the audience asked where the devil you'd put the water . . . and Wilfred, with a sweet little smile, used that portion of the temple that moves on hinges and scurried away

NOTHING MUCH

toward a nearby tavern.

Discarded, sosked with rain, an uich-long Camel "duck" lay on the sidewalk . . just an ordinary little fag-end it was! But the muz-zle, or that portion of the smoke which rests in a smokee's lips, bore the crimson stain of rouge . . . reminine brand, as it were . . . and the scribe's imagination went on a spree, as he tried to figger out the identity of the fair one who nonchalantly cast it there. Perhaps a country lass, a giugham-gowned blande from the cordwood bett, had fetched a dozen eggs over a dozen miles of rocky trail to get berself a smoke . . and had eagedly socked that good eigeratte in her jaw, took a couple of inhales, and ditched it just as Uncle Henry's shambling form made its appearance down the street? Or maybe cute little doll, in the company of her beyfriend, had harled it from a passing car in preparation for the sweet "smootch" she gave him? Or maybe a young mother released the "duck" as she began crooning a sweet melody to her fretful youngun? Or maybe grandma, she with the kind old face and the snow-white hair, had quieted her frayed nerves with nicotine as she prepared for the evening bridge ame? Maybe a waitress, maybe nurse, maybe a stenographer, maybe a black gal? It doesn't made much difference anyway...it was just a cigarette "duck."

who seeks your consolation and advice when you aren't even taking one The guy that writes this column has "wet-nursed" dozens of souses in his time . . . he's let 'emi cry on his shoulder . . . he's told 'em cry on his shoulder . . he's told 'em bed-time stories . . he's taken 'em home and been cussed out by their . he's held their heads and washed their clothes and run errands for 'em . . . and made himself miserable in a thousand different ways! He's glad to render all these services . . he's tickled pink at the confidence re posed in him by those inebriated ones . . . he likes to be of assistance to the down-and-outer . . . he doesn't like to refuse any sont of a favor . . . but in his "old age" he's getting just a trule cranky . . . he's sorter burnt out on the whole business . . . and hed' be much obliged if all his drunk friends would first call on Chief Gross . . . let Chief Gross lock them and later call on him to help get them out . . . if you please! In other words, just have a spree

UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS LISTS VACANCIES

we thank you!

on me on him . . , if you please! And

to fill vacancies that will occur throughout the United States Marine Corps during the next several months, according to an announcement by Lieutenant Colonel A. B. Drum, officer in charge, Marine Office, Postoffice building, Savannah, Ga.

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ADVENTISTS WILL HAVE MOUNTAIN **CAMPING GROUND**

Plan Institution Near Blowing Rock on Order of Montreat, Corporation Organized, Camp Ground to Serve Conferences of Church in Six States, Negotiations for Site Now Under Way.

A permanent camp ground and religious center, with a tabernacle, cot-tages and other buildings, to serve the same purpose for the Advent Christian Church that Montreat does for Presbyterians, and Ridgecrest for the Baptists, will be established on profit corporation recently chartered

Negotiations are now under way for a suitable site in the mountains, containing approximately 15 acres, by the inevitable 400 bushels of spuds Mr. Bolick said Saturday, and it is planued to begin construction this summer. The work will be financed by donations and by loans from conferences of the church in West Virginia, Virginia, North Carolina, Ken-tucky and Alabama, representing several thousand members, and which do not at present have such an institution in the territory named.

Refunding of construction loans from the several conferences, Mr. Bolick explained, will be accomplished by revenue from long-term leases on

Aims of Corporation

The assembly is empowered by its financing and administration, in founding non-profit institutions for the "promotion of vital piety through the promulgation of Biblical truth, espe-

geous for the promotion of the proper objects of the corporation. corporation is authorized to purchase There is no capital stock and indebtedness, after 1940, will be limited to one-tenth of the value of the corpo-

are J. Fremont Whitman, Charleston, W. Va., acting president; Frank J. all, one of whom is Edgar Greene, of Woodrum, Charleston, W. Va.; Hill Sugar Grove, president of the senior L. Bolick, Lenoir, acting secretary-treasurer; Charles J. Preslar, Hick-ory, acting vice-president; and T. W. was just a cigarette "duck."

Ferguson, Ferguson, N. C. Main of fice of the corporation is in Lenoir, and the charter authorizes establishment of a branch office in Charlestaga are Sallie Norris, daughter of things that make it tougher . . and one of those things is a drunk man one of those things is a drunk man or cone of those things is a drunk man or cone of those things is a drunk man or cone of those things is a drunk man or cone of those things is a drunk man or cone of those things is a drunk man or cone of the degree of the Demosthenial club, football team and basket ball team and b lick said, and a regular election of officers will be held later. Governing and a member of the football team. power is vested in a board of not less than five nor more than nine trustees, the five men named consti-tuting the board until their succes-gar Grove; Clara Norris, Boone. tuting the board until their successors are named.

Speakers of note from churches in the six states interested in the project will be heard at a camp meeting to be held August 4-12, this year, on the ground to be acquired near Blow ing Rock by the assembly, following custom of the past. This year the meetings. Il be held under a large tent, Mr. Bolick said, but it is expected that by the summer of 1935 commodious tabernacle will be

Garden Seed on Hand For Relief Families

seed are still available for relief familles, states Miss Theodosia Watson, director of relief, who urges those in need of the seed to call at her offices at the courthouse and secure them without delay.

CORPS LISTS VACANCIES

The seed will be distributed to any.

"Methodism's Part in the Early Sunone who now is or has been on diday School Movement," by Wheeler rect relief, regardless of whether or Farthing; short story, "The Christine Corps office has been authorized not they have received Federal seed tian Flagg," by Miss Trassa James; The seed will be distributed to any.

TO PRESENT PAGEANT

A pageant, "The Good Samaritan," will be given at Henson's Chapel Scripture reading, I Cor., third chap- Shulls Mills has taught for the past Methodist Church next Sunday eve- ter; brief address, "Fifty Years of term. The students engaged in an inning at 8 o'clock. The pageant dram-Young men who are graduates of stizes the Good Samaritan parable Development," by R. A. Farthing; high school and are not less than and is followed by a dramatization special music; address, "Challenges

Wrote Best Editorial



Atlantic, Iowa.-Shown above is the most recent photo of Editor E. P. Chase of the News-Telegraph here, who has been awarded the Pulitzer Prize for having written the best editorial of 1933.

FINALS PROGRAM AT BANNER ELK **BEGINS SATURDAY**

May Day Pageant to Open Events. Dr. Erdman to Deliver Baccalap-reate Sermon. Senior Supper Sunday Evening. Eighty-one Graduates.

cottage sites to be laid out around the tabernacle and by donations from day afternoon, May 19, with a May churches and individuals for that pur-Ferrin, of Knoxville, Tenn., will be queen, and many members of the The assembly is empowered by its senior class will take part. The page-charter to conduct missionary, welfare and educational work, including rah Turlington, Mooresville, of the

On Sunday morning the baccalau. Forth Carolinians interested in the production of Biblical truth, especially that the Bible is inspired by God and inerrant in the original writings and of supreme and final authorsity in faith and life."

Such promulgation may be carried at covince there will be a sense by the North Carolina high one under the charter by means of missionary, trades and other training schools, camp meetings, conferences, pasterates, radio broadcasts, issuance and distribution of books, paraphlets, and in other ways deemed advantageous for the proposition of the

On Monday morning there will be a field day program at ten o'clock. At two o'clock that afternoon there will be an informal meeting of alumor otherwise acquire and dispose of will be an informal meeting or otherwise acquire and dispose of mi and alumnae, who will be taken ni and alumnae, who will be taken on a tour of the campus. At three on a tour of the campus at three exercises o'clock the commencement exercises will be held. The chief speaker of the occasion will be L. L. Campbell, executive assistant to Dr. Arthur E. Hill Bolick an Officer
Incorporators named in the charter

Morgan, chairman of the Tennessee Valley Authority.

There are eighty-one graduates in class. Young Greene is a brother of Mrs. L. K. Pritchett of Banner Elk, is a member of the Demosthenial

is vice-president of the senior class to machine operators. Machine oper-

Lees-McRae this year are: Lucy Far-

Valle Crucis Church to Give Special Program

At 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon Hev. A. C. Glbbs, presiding elder of the Mount Airy District, will preach end then conduct the second quarterly conference of the Watauga Charge Valle Crucis Methodist Church will observe annual Sunday School Day next Sunday with a special program at the morning session. The program is prepared on the theme, "Challenges from the Past." This program one in a series of special programs A number of packages of garden is the 150th anniversary of the organized existence of the Methodist Church in America. The program will

be as follows: Introduction by Mr. J. M. Shull, superintendent; prayer by the pastor, Rev. G. C. Graham; brief address, salute to the Christian Flag by Intermediates, directed by Miss Thelma Thomas; hymn, "The Christian Flag," Juniors and Intermediates; Southern Methodist Sunday School

HIGHWAY WILL **BEGIN ON FRIDAY**

Expect to Complete Survey and Be gin Actual Construction Soon. Faver North Carolina Route. Delay in Survey Improves Chances for Carolina Route. Huge Fund Approprinted for Road.

Washington .- A. E. Demarsy, assistant director of the National Park Service, said Monday that plans for mother survey of the proposed routes for the parkway connecting the Great Snoky and Shenandoah national parks are now being made. The survey is scheduled to begin next Friday, May

A late winter has delayed the park service from completing the survey work necessary to locate the route of the parkway. But now with fair and warm weather prevailing Dem-aray is hoping that the surveys can be completed at an early date and of the \$16,000,000 allocated by the PWA for the parkway can be put to work in providing for the unem

The survey party which will too slated to begin work next Friday will be composed of Thomas H. MacDonald, chief of the United States Bu-reau of Public Roads; Thomas C Vent, chief landscape architect of the to Receive Diplomas. Watauga Well park service; Stanley Abbott, as-Represented in Enrollment. sistant to Gilmore Clarke, noted landscape architect, who is now em-Lees-McRae College commencement of the Virginia, North Carolina and dugout under a heap of cactus, aive, exercises, to be held May 19, 20 and 21, was announced Tuesday. The exercises will hear a transfer in April, was found Monday near Tuscon, chained in a shallow dugout under a heap of cactus, aive, others.

Demaray sala it has not been decorded whether Clarke will be in the Carlos Robles, assistant county at-

The more time that is given to parkway the better the chances are by information sent them by the aster adopting the route proposed by serted kidnapers.

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Unemployed of County Are Colled to Reregister

Unempioyed who have registered a the national re-employment office here and whose applications have not been renewed within 90 days will be placed in the inactive file, states R. John G. Allen Tuesday evening be-L. Wouten, director of the office here fore a representative group of citifor five counties-Wilkes, Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe and Watauga.

Renewal of the registration is necessary due to the fact that the office wishes to keep in the active file only ested in getting work through the re-employment office.

of the senior class ators, when re-registering, should the first step in reorganization, he other students from Watauga at state the particular type of machines stated, would be the payment of a with which he has had experience.

Files from the re-employment of-fice will furnish the list of laborers two stockholders and skilled workmen for contractors on projects of the State highway and was asked to speak on the subject public works commission.—Wilkes of liquidation, from experience gained Journal-Patriot.

Saturday Last Day To Register Voters

ers for the primary on June 2nd. Reg-istrars in the fourteen precincts of Mr. Zimmerman, as he pleaded for the county will be at the polling fuller co-operation of the people to places all day Saturday for the pursave the younger of Boones' two banpose of registering those whose king institutions. names have not hitherto been on the books. Those who have previously sents a number of the depositors of voted, of course, need no reregister. lenge day and no registration will be more money-that they had lost their allowed at that time.

IMOGENE GREENE STANDS

Students from eight elementary problem. chools met at Mount Pleasant High 27th and held a district commencement. Among them was Maple Springs, where Mr. Z. T. Greene of teresting spelling race, which was led fore the conclusion of the meeting. by Mr. Greene's daughter, Imogene who spelled down all other particisixty-six nuches in heighth are ellgible for acceptance. Applicants accepted are transferred to the Marine

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SURVEY OF SCENIC Returned to Her Parents RELIEF GARDEN



JUNE ROBLES

ROBLES CHILD IS FOUND IN CHAINS

Kidnaped Girl Chained Under Heap of Cactus in Scorching Heat, Quite III. Attorney and Uncle Made Find, No Ransom Paid.

June Robles, Arizona child kidnaped in April, was found Monday

ty Attorney Clarence Houston and torney and uncle of the six-year-old

The more fima that is given to girl No ransom had been paid and surveying the proposed routes for the the searchers say they made the find

State Examiner Tells of Local Institutions at Meeting Tuesday Evening. Attorneys Zimmerman and Bailou Make Remarks.

The opinion that the Watauga Courty Bank would open within the next few weeks was expressed by zens at the courthouse. The meeting was called primarily to discuss with interested parties the possibility of reorganizing the Peoples Industrial Bank, and in expressing confidence the unemployed who still are inter-over the other institution, Mr. Allen ested in getting work through the re-declared that he had opened banks which "were in worse shape than is balance of about six thousand dollars Owners Loan Corporation, and at in stock assessments due by twenty-

Attorney Charles T. Zimmerman was asked to speak on the subject while employed in the settlement of defunct banks. Mr. Zimmerman stated that many good, honorable men were financially destroyed through liquidation, whereas otherwise might be privileged to work them-Saturday, May 19th, it is ruled by selves out of their financial plight, the State Board of Elections, is the Liquidating agents, attorneys, etc., last day for the registration of votusually get the remainder of the asselves out of their financial plight.

Attorney R. L. Ballou, who repre the People's Bank, stated that while Saturday, May 26th, will be chal- his clients were unable to furnish time, and would co-operate in any FIRST IN SPELLING CONTEST other way possible toward the solution of the community and county

Attorney W. R. Lovill cited liquida Sci-ool in Wilkes County on April tion as the gravest consequence of 27th and held a district commence any financial disturbance, and joined with the others in a plea for method of procedure. Others in the assemblage made brief remarks be

WORK IS GOING ON IN COUNTY

Community Gardens Planted in Several Localities. Farm Superintendent Sees Much Progress in Work. Six of Seven Hundred Families Are Provided with Seed and Fertilizer. Scarcity of Plow Teams a Problem.

Work is progressing in several commurity garriens, being cared for through relief channels says Farm Superintendent L M. Farthing, who believes that the relief authorities are now on the right road to the final solution of some of the problems of destitution. A 14-acre community garden is being planted on the county farm, and seven acros in Watauga Township, Under this system a number of different families join in cultivating the plot each is given credit for the number of hours worked during the season, and at harvest time one-half the yield is divided between the families on the basis of time worked, and the remainder goes to the relief fund to assist in next year's work. Potaotes, cabbage, cora and chions are some of the crops predominating in the community and some beans and corr will be set aside for canning purposes to help with the direct relief problem later

Mr. Farthing states that the original plans called for the establishment of one of these gardens in each section of the county, but that because of the lateness of the season it will be impossible to carry the program through on this scale. A marked scarcity of plow teams has slowed down the work in some sections, he SHYS

At the same time about seven hundred families have secured seed and fertilizer for planting their own gar-dens, and in these cases the relief administration will recover payment next fall in work Projects will be devised to take care of the labor thus

Four Cases Are Tried Before Judge Sudderth

Only four cases came before Judge Sudderth's Recorder's Court for trial Therday, as ollows:

Calch to the possession of wais, key, a months suspended road sentence, assessed with the cost.

Adam Holler, violating prohibition law; 4 months suspended sentence, as-

sessed with the cost. R. L. Townsend, violating prohibition law; 6 months suspended sen-

tence, assessed with cost.
Fred Yates, malicious destruction of property, damaging automobile tires; ordered to pay automobile own-er \$25, to pay court costs, and given suspended sentence of six months on

FARTHING GETS FEDERAL PLUM

Boone Man Named Appraiser for the Home Owners Loan Corporation. Working Out of Greensboro, Albert Farthing Named Warden.

H. Grady Farthing, for several years local State game and fish war-den, was recently named as a preliminary State appraiser for the Home present is working out from the Greensboro office. Mr. Farthing will make his headquarters in however, but will be subject to assignments in any county in the State.

Mr. Farthing is being congratulated upon having secured the patronage, which came through the support and recommendations man Doughton and Senators Bailey and Reynolds.

Mr. Albert Farthing has taken over the warden's position, temporarily, and states that hunters who have paid their fees will receive licenses within the next few days.

McDade New Manager For Dry Goods Store

Mr. R. F. McDade assumed the general managership of the Five-to-Five Store Tuesday, when Mr. J. B. all in the bank closing—they were Brewer, its founder, left for Sparta, willing to be lenient in the matter of Tenn., where another Five-to-Five establishment has been put up and is reported as doing a splendid business. Other stores are being added by Mr Brewers' company at Crossville and Winchester, Tenn., and it is the ultimate purpose of the concern to have ten dry goods stores under the same firm name and management. Mr. operative action to forestall this Brewer will be general manager and

purchasing agent for all the stores. Mr. McDade, who has been on the sales force at the Five-to-Five for two years, is well known to the people throughout this trading territory. He came to Boone more than eight years ago as manager for Spainhours. and has been engaged in mercantile activities here since that time.