Raleigh, N. C .- News-reel of the Windsor-Warfield wedding at stately Chateau de Cande tend to disillusion those of us who have followed this greatest of all modern-day romances. For the camera tells its



story candidly, brua Wally bearing the wrinkles and blemishes of former "matrimonial wars" . a Wally whose

smile and chassis and manner are not nearly so attractive as imaginative newsmen would have us believe. The ex-king of

Britain's far-flung empire, who dramatically cast aside crown and sceptre that he might indulge in God-given privilege of every man,' awkwardly parades across the screen with "the woman I love." Mr. Windsor, too, seems much the worse for wear . . his clothes hung badly, his graces are those of a Hollywood extra; no smile dissolves the blank stare on his nigh-expressionless mug; gesture reflects the amorous palpitations of his royal

Romance, somehow, has always associated itself with the effervescence and physical attractiveness of youth in the minds of most people. Fresh full dips, broad shoulders, plump accessories, bright eyes, windblown hair, eager faces . . . these are the ingredients of love affairs as we'd have them . . . with a dash of soft music and moonlight for sea-soning. But the news camera mixed a drab batter as it recorded the Windsor-Wally classic. It showed a couple of tired, washed-up pilgrims, young to be old, too old to be young . . . who sought romance and found, perhaps, a "sympathetic un-Edward's speech of abdication was

a masterpiece; it furnished excellent background for his widely-heralded affaire d'amour with Baltimore's for-. . his self-imposed exile in a Tyrolean hermitage whilst Mistress Simpson "pined" on the French Riviera and, incidentally, awaited action of an English divorce court, lent an international flavor to the thrilling life-drama . . . oh, the whole thing was honey-sweet, indeed! But what a pity it is that some buck like Tyrone Power couldn't assume the role of His Royal Highness . . . that Loretta Young, bubbling over with "it", couldn't take the feminine lead! That would be ROMANCE the kind we Americans sigh about at the quarter movie show.

REDUCING RELIEF

that relief expenditures will be drastically reduced during the coming year. And it's natural to suppose that many of those who have sucked the federal teat since Hoover times will be stricken from WPA rolls. These conclusions are by way of approaching a subject of vital importance: "How are the cuts to be made, and what will be the arguments of those who apply the knife?"

ence from time to time with Hopkins- within the next two weeks. trained social workers, the Sketch Man has written a little one-act drama, entitled "Oh Yeah!" The dialogue contains a few of the complex phrases and words commonly used by the profession, some of which are "Dutch" to the author

The scene is laid at the front-door of a comfortable three-room cottage occupied by Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Aers Miss Iva Theory, mannishly attired social worker, impatiently raps the oak panel. The touseled head of Mr. Aer, who's be Miss

Mr. way): Miss T. ments of renet become necessary tain people from projects.

Mr. A (yawning): Yeah, I've been working on the Mill Creek road all 2,009, more than four times as many along. What's this cuttin' got to do Arrests for drunk driving in South with me?

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Miss T: We must reduce quotas, as I've just explained, and, as you are possessed of a comfortable domicile, it seems the validity of your certification is somewhat in doubt.

Mr. A: I don't know what you're a-talkin' about; cain't understand them high-falutin' words.

Miss T: This house and farm belongs to you, don't they? Mr. A: Reckon they do; hain't

paid any tax lately. Miss T: Well, It is evident that you have a means of livelihood which (Continued on page 8.)

SKETCHES WATAUGA DEMOCRAT

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Philadelphia, Pa. - Billy Mc-Crae, age 2, shows how he stopped a train by sitting down on the track. Quick thinking on the part of the engineer stopped the train in time to save Billy's life.

B, & L. DIRECTORS NAMED LAST WEEK

Association Gets Report of Most Successful Year; Officers Named Monday

plete slate of directors was re-elected, and Secretary W. H. Gragg gave the history of the institution.

The directors are: W. D. Farthing, W. H. Gragg, L. A. Greene, R. H. Hardin, A. W. Smith, G. P. Haga-man, W. W. Mast, G. M. Critcher, H. G. Farthing, R. L. Bingham, W. L. Holshouser and R. C. Rivers.

On Monday evening the directors met and the officers were elected as follows: R. H. Hardin, president; L. A. Greene, vice-president; W. H. Gragg, secretary-treasurer. An executive committee was named which is composed of H. G. Farthing, R. L. Bingham and C. M. Critcher.

The report issued to the stock holders by the secretary indicated that during the last series $970\frac{1}{2}$ shares of stock were sold, which is It is generally believed hereabouts the highest mark attained during the history of the institution. The report indicated that new loans construction of homes and business houses had been approved to the amount of \$32,325.00 during the present year as against \$24,675.00 during 1936.

Mr. Gragg states that the associa tion is earning its usual rate of in-terest on stock and that the semiannual dividend checks will be mail-Having had considerable experi- ed out to the prepaid stockholders

Dry Official Says

the eighteenth amendment, and in the father had expired. connection with the field day which is to be held under the auspices of

he second Sun endment.

.l, claim-Arrests ... u.unkenness have increased under repeal. South Carolina has had repeal for three years. been employed, I believe, on In Spartanburg in 1932, the year before repeal, there were 479 arrests for drunkenness. In 1936 there were Carolina in 1931 were 586—in 1936 there were 2, 322 arrests. In Wilson county, N. C., there were 485 arrests for public drunkenness the year before repeal while the first year after

repeal, there were 689. increased 48 per cent under repeal city's most from 1932-35. Women drunks inhouses. The

creased 53 per cent. The National Life Insurance company's report shows that under re-

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BASIC FOODS WILL BE EXEMPT FROM TAX AFTER JULY 1 *

Ten Foods Will Not Be Subject To State Sales Tax Under Law For Next Two Years; Merchants Must Keep Accurate Records

Bread and rolls will not be subject to the sales tax after July 1, after which date nine other basic food articles will also become exempt, it was pointed out today by department of revenue officials, coincident with the announcement by Commissioner of Revenue Allen J. Maxwell that the tax would be more stringently enforced and collected than ever before, that merchants would be required to keep more complete rec-

The nine other exempted food articles are flour, meal, meat, sugar, salt, coffee, milk, lard and molasses, By meat is meant any fresh, smoked, salt or processed meat other than canned meat. For canned meat, also canned milk, will continue to be subject to the sales tax.

making their returns each month, will be held at the Mayview Manor merchants must list their gross reached then their total taxable sales 11 a. m. June 23. and total non-taxable sales. But if Among the out-of-state speakers they do not keep accurate and detailthe new rules and regulations.

CHILDREN SEE **FATHER DROWN**

Gurney Green, Former Watauga Resident, Loses Life in Mill Pond at Patterson

Two small children Monday afteroon saw their father, Gurney Green, 27, native Wataugan, drown in the additional contestant. Hagaman mill pond near Patterson. Two hours later, George Robbins of

It is believed that Green slipped Repeal Has Failed from a rock and fell into the deep water, and being unable to swim, Rev. M. A. Adams, director of perished almost immediately. A fivetemperance education of the United Dry Forces of the state, sends The to the pond, with another child ran Democrat the following statements to the home a few hundred yards relative to the increased wave of away, screaming, "Daddy's under the drunkenness following the repeal of water," but before help could arrive

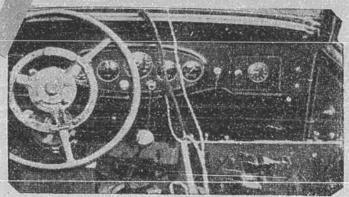
Funeral services were conducted at Laurel Springs Baptist church in organization in v auga county Watauga county Wednesday afternoon, Rev. Levi Greene being charge, and interment was in the

ition of nearby cemetery. and Annie Lee. Also surviving is the mother, Mr. Ellen Green, of Deep Gap; five bothers and one sis-ter: W. G. and G. G. Green, Deep Gap; M. C. Green, Johnson City; Conley Green, Fleetwood; R. Green, Boone; Mrs. Martha Ray, Miles City, Mont.

New Jewelry Store

Mr. W. B. Stallins, local jeweler, In Washington, D. C., drunkenness brick building, which is one of the D. B. Bingham of Sugar Grove, also since been unknown. She see with solid plate-glass front, and unique display windows are arrang-The brick work is to be finishpeal drinkers under 30 years of age ed in gray stucco, and the estab-increased 178 per cent from 1932-36, lishment will be one of the most while drunkenness from 30 to 45 modern to be found anywhere in this section of the country.

CONTROLS ON "MAGIC" CAR



A view of the control panel on the driverless car which feature the safety parade in Booone Friday. Capt. Lynch will direct the course of the Chrysler machine by remote control from a car far behind in the parade. Thousands of people are expected to witness the scientific performance

PROGRAM FOR B. & LOCAL RAILWAY IS West Main street at \$:30, and will be headed by state and city police, L.MEET ANNOUNCED NOW IN JEOPARDY

34th Annual Session of State Citizens Protest Proposal League to Be At Blowing Rock June 23-25

an accurate record of all sales of taxable and exempted articles, otherwise they will be required to pay of the North Carolina Building and the full 3 per cent sales tax on their Loan League, as announced here to-gross sales, it was pointed out by of-day by Frederick Willetts, president ficials in the sales tax division. In of the organization. The meeting

At a meeting of the stockholders ed records of both the taxable and Frank Hancock, Washington, repreof the Watauga Building and Loan non-taxable sales in their stores, sentative from the fifth North Caro-Association held last week the comtheir gross sales, it was pointed out. Preston Delano, Washington, gover-several different methods are being nor of the Federal Home Lend Barrier. a minute report of the business dur- outlined for use by grocery stores to aystem; Thos. W. Elliott, Washinging the past year, which he describ-ed as one of the most successful in taxable sales and these will be mailed Housing Administration; T. W. Atout soon to all merchants along with kins, Chicago, field service director

ing given to this problem and that grocery store operators may be required to record sales, on separate Haywood, Mount Gladda, A. F. Goodslips, so that there will be no danger man, Concord; J. B. Williams, North of charging customers the sales tax Wilkeshoro; J. L. Suttle, Sheiby; G. on commodities which are exempt B Howard, Spindale; D. R. Fonville, from it.

Burlington; W. A. Biggs, Durham; Geo. W. Crone, deputy insurance commissioner, Raleigh; R. H. Gregory, Jr., Rocky Mount; O. K. La-Roque, president of the Federal Home Loan Bank, Winston-Salem; T. B. Follin, Winston-Salem; Senator R. P. Taylor, Wadesboro; E. F. Allen, Lenoir; David J. White, Greens-

The Keesler Memorial essay contest will be held on Wednesday \$50 second; \$25 third and 10 to each about three pounds.

North Carolina Bankers association, will be the principal speaker.

GEORGE BINGHAM DIES AT AGE 72

Well-known Sherwood Citizen Succumbs in Statesville Hosital; Rites Thursday

resident of Sherwood, and a mem-ber of one of the county's most usindren: Junior, Jack, Betty Jane prominent families, died in a Statesville hospital Wednesday of last

> Funeral services were conducted from the Henson's Chapel Methodist Thursday afternoon by Rev. Parker, the pastor, and interment was in the nearby cemetery.

Survivors include the widow, four sons and three daughters: S. J. R. S. and W. D. Bingham, Kingsport, Is Being Occupied Tenn.; Herbert, of Sherwood; Lunda Nobles, Mrs. Lillian Brooks attractive business survive, as does one sister, Mrs. Jane The structure is of brick, Bingham, also or Sugar Grove.

throughout this section where he had tion as to her whereabouts. lived the greater part of his lifetime, and where he engaged in farming enterprises. His death has brought sorrow to a host of friends through- the summer school at Duke Univerout this section of the state.

Cripple Narrow Guage by Removing Mails

the people of the community a hear-ing before any changes were made. of this city.

and the college to a large extent.

part in the negotiations which result-ed in the building of the narrow-safe driving, and the wrecker and so far no definite system for separating taxable and non-taxable sales to the consumer, so that they will the consumer, so that they will the consumer, so that they will the consumer and the customer taxed for exempted articles, has not been worked out, it was said. But it was indicated that thought is being given to this problem and that the consumer of the United States Building and I cague.

Other speakers within the state are now in effect, and stated that his institution and the town should scarcely hope to continue their march of progress without railway service. The railway, he avers, cannot make a profit without the mail, and he of progress without railway service. Christenbury, chairman, A. E. The railway, he avers, cannot make a profit without the mail, and he Mayor Gragg has named Mr. Bercalled upon the citizenry to file vigorous protest against the movement which would be the "beginning of the end" for the narrow-guage.

Tourists Are Visiting Rutherwood Hatchery

The Rutherwood fish hatchery is rapidly becoming a sort of rendezvous for tourists, particularly those who come to Boone by way of the North Wilkesboro highway, and visitors never tire of watching the giant rainbow and brook trout, which Charles Smathers has tended from evening. The winners in this con-test will be awarded \$100 first prize; have reached the average weight of be made through the Veterans Ad-

Thursday evening at which Cy this region something like 800,000 Two hours later, George Robbins of Lenoir, succeeded in recovering the Hogue, Wilmington, will preside as trout, about evenly divided between apply for enrollment in the CCC toastmaster, and R. L. Pope, of the brook and rainbow varieties. His may secure application blanks from Thomasville, vice president of the hatchery has become a sort of showplace for the people of this section, place for the people of this section, A junior enrollment period will and literally millions of fish from his open in the early part of July and rearing pools have made their way youths interested in applying may delight the anglers and to draw welfare office in the courthouse countless visitors to this section of the state.

AMATEUR CONTEST TO BE GIVEN AT BLOWING ROCK

The Junior Community club of Blowing Rock, is planning to sponor an amateur contest early in July, George F. Bingham, 72-year-old which will include talent from any part of the county. Anyone who wishes to compete in this contest may do so. Mail your application to Grace Hartley, Blowing Rock, N. C., telling what you would like to do. These applications must be in by June 30th. And those who enter church in the home neighborhood will be notified of the exact date of the program. No entrance fee is being charged.

SEEKS WHEREABOUTS OF GIRL WHO LEFT SATURDAY

Edith Hicks, resident of the Lovill neighborhood, was in town the first and Mrs. Virginia Taylor Sherwood, of the week in quest of a sister, Adwas busy Monday moving his estab- of Watauga county. Two brothers, die Hicks, 18, who left last Satur-lishment into his recently-completed Attorney John H. Bingham, and Dr. day and whose whereabouts have girl wore a white suit when she left home for Boone, and that the family Mr. Bingham was well known has been unable to get any informa-

> Mr. Mack Cowles left last week sity.

MANY EXPECTED FOR SAFETY DAY PARADE FRIDAY

Driverless Auto to Be Attraction in Safety Parade; Mayor and Civic Organizations Cooperate in Making Event Success; Parade Will Cover Business Section

All is in readiness for the big safety day parade at Boone Friday, June 18th, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, and one of the largest crowds of recent years is expected in the business section to witness this safe-

The parade will form promptly on city officials, fire department, civic and fraternal bodies. Next in line will be the "magic" car, a new 1937 to Plymouth, and the control car, a Chrysler. These cars will be furnished by the M. M. Motor company. Both cars will be operated by Capt. J. J. Lynch from the control car. Merchants selling both taxable tives of the building and loan inter-and non-taxable articles must keep ests in North Carolina will gather at and non-taxable articles of Blowing Rock June 23, 24 and 25, orities at Washington against the tubes. The fine, delicate relays of the maji from the the magic car will receive their pownarrow guage railway, and it was er from Willard batteries, and the the opinion of the gathering that the cars will run on Purol motor fuel postoffice department would grant and oil, these latter products fur-

> Dr. Dougherty, Appalachian College president, voiced the opinion floats and trucks in the parade, supthat should the railway lose the mail porting this big safety movement. Merchants are expected to have contract, it would likely be a mat- All cars and trucks will be furnishter of only a few months until the ed banners free. At the conclusion company would be allowed to take of the parade will be a wrecker towup the rails into this city, thus ing a wreck, and an ambulance with thwarting the growth of the town a little child riding in it with a nurse, will be furnished by Reins-Dr. Dougherty, who took a leading Sturdivant Funeral Home.

> guage, and whose college plant is ambulance the futility of reckless worth a million and a half dollars, driving.

Scoutmaster B. W. Stallings will be on hand with the Boy Scouts to participate in the parade.

Th Lions club has appointed the

following safety committee: E.

nard Dougherty as chairman of the parade, and those merchants interested in being in the parade should get in touch with him.

CCC WILL ENLIST WORLD WAR VETS

Applications To Be Made Through Veterans Administration; Others in July

World war veterans will be enrolled in the civilian conservation ministration office in Charlotte, says Mr. Smathers says he now has Miss Marguerite Miller, county welfare banquet will be held on ready for releasing in the streams of fare superintendent.

into the streams of this section to file applications after June 15 in the

New Officers Named By Local Lions Club

At a meeting held at the Daniel Boone hotel Tuesday evening, the Boone Lions club elected the following new officers: President, Wade E. Brown; vice-president, R. W. Watkins; second vice-president, James Councill; third vice president, E. S. Christenbury; secretary - treasurer, W. Amos Abrams; Lion tamer, Murray B. Craven; tail twister, Richard E. Kelley. Frank M. Payne and W. G. Hartzog were named to the board of directors

The new officers will be installed at a ladies' night banquet to be held July 1.

Three new members were initiated at the meeting: Roy Keplar, Cliff McConnell and R. E. Hayworth.

Jones Building Is Now Being Remodeled

Mr. Roger McGuire, who recently purchased the Dr. Jones building, is having the structure completely remodeled, and will establish his Rudemar Beauty Salon on the street floor as soon as the repairs are comfor Durham where he will attend pleted. It is expected that the work will be completed during the next fiew days.