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UDGE MARTIN WRITES

Editor, Journal-Patriot:

When the annual time arrives or the renewal of my subscripion to the paper you publish, I eel a kind of an urge to send again greetings through its columns to my many friends and relatives there, most of whom are regular readers of your paper. I was born there in Antioch township, on Oct. 1st. 1852, a. way back in the time when the whole world was really quite different from what it is now.

I came from a family who in the Brushy Mountain vernacular of those days "ownded niggera befo de war". My earliest recollection is when as a 7 year old boy I went with my father to charleston, S. C., at the time of the Democratic Convention there in April, 1860. I forget whether the Bank of North Wilkeshoro, tombstones of the old time ceme or not my father was a delegate. I have really vivid recollec-

tions of the Civil War days and especially its closing days, when, about a week before the surrender of General Lee at Appomatox. ie. Stoneman and also General Palmer. By the way, both of these generals were long afterwards prominent in localities in which I resided. Gen. Stonem n as Govvelopment of the city of Colorado Springs. During the closing days. f the Civil War, the spring of

Dr. Chas. W. Moseley Diseases of the Stomach and Internal Medicine In Wilkesboro on Mondays Beginning May 19th, Hours 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Ferguson Rock Build-

and borne a part." I will not undertake at this time to tell of much of my early dry school experiences there. All of that was amid conditions which the present generation could scarcely comprehend. Most of the school education I received was under the ministrations of the Rev. R. W. Barber, who made a school room out of one of his old time negro cabins and taught a small, select school, about & mile or so from where the City of North Wilkesboro now is. The ground where the city stands was then owned by the Finley family and the farmland near the mouth of the Reddies River was called the "Buzzards Roost."

I frequently studied lessons at

night by the light of pine knots as even a tallow candle was often an unattrinable luxury. I attended Mr. Barber's school three five months terms during the years 1867-68 and '69. Of my schoo! mates of the year 1869, I believe that I am the only survivor. I in the 48 states. will try to give a list of some of them; the most prominent fami- indeed heavily impressed with represented in Mr. Barber's lapse of time has brought about school; Edward Finley was the I read the names of about all o oldest boy in the school, and long my old time school mates and asafterwards was connected with sociates of early youth on the George Finley, Arthur Finley, teries of Wilkesboro, Roarin, Julius Rousseau, James P. Rous- River, White Plains, Ron.la. seau, whose sons are now prom- Pleasant Grove, Cramberry, Ock Barber and his sister, Miss Mam- Brier Creek where repose the re a raid through that country was Mitch V nnoy, who afterwards tors. being made by feder I cavalry became sheriff; James and tke under the command of General Welborn and two brothers, and years, I am still in what seems to also three more girls of the Rous- be excellent health, I st.ll eat seau families whose first names with good natural teeth and still I cannot now recall.

since pessed away and another walk several miles about every mer in the first founding and dewhich probably knows not the cumulated much of this worlds "Jacob of old."

I left that country first in the year 1865, there was in old April, 1870, when, as a green Wilkes scenes and condition country boy of 17. I introduced which are simply impossible to myself to the stern realities of describe which deeply impressed, like in the far west. I worked and my youthful mind with all the struggled through hards hins horrors of wer. However we must which the present generation back in the good old "State of leave to the histories the details could scarcely comprehend even Wilkes." of all this. With me it is as spok | h: d I the space and the ability en by Aeneas, only the memory to narrate them. I have lines Arco. Idaho. "of things most miserable I have those days of early youth lived 7 May 1st, 1941. years in Colorado three years in Arizona: then, three years back in old Wilkes and then came to Id: ho in the year 1883. With all most 58 years residence here, I have indeed become a kind of a professional "old timer."

> I visited old Wilkes during the month of April, 1937, and was of flue-cured leaf.

Wins Safety Award



Gov. R. A. Hurley of Connecticut (left) receiving the National Safety Council's 1949 grand award for states from Col. John Stilwell, presicontest is conducted in 1,281 cities

lies of that day and time were the changed conditions which the inent citizens there. William W. Forest, and, especially, dear old Ed Hackett, Tom Powers, mains of so many of my ances-

Now, at the age of nearly St do some work in the notary and However, all of them have long conveyancing line and am able to goods. Perhaps the greatest However, I am in independent circumstances: not yet "on the relief," and am seriously meditating another visit to the scenes of boyhoods sunny years, away

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achievement of my life is number of years to which I have attained.

JAS. D. MARTIN.

Arrangements have been combacco exports to England under provisions of the Lease-Lend Bill to bolster the dwindling supply

Joynes New

Work on the new electric line atives. through the community is going

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Ven ble and daughters, Jean and Patricla, April. of Galax, Va., visited homefolks

Miss Pauline Sale is spending a few days with her grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Joines on her way from Boone to her home in Dover, Delaware.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Spicer have a new baby boy, Carl, weight 8 pounds.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Joines had as Sunday guests Mr. and Mrs. Gerfield Trultt and little son, Page and Mrs. Gwyn. Truitt, of Sparta, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond DeJournette of Thurmond, Mrs. Mary Woodruff and brother, Mr. dent of the Council, whose traffic Wesley Joines of Traphill, Miss Pauline Sale of Dover, Delaware, Clements, North Wilkesboro; Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Joine, and Daphne Lewis, Greensboro; and Mrs. Josephine Johnson, of Susannah Matthews, Thomasville. Joynes. Mr. and Mrs. A. T., Sidden at-

ended the graduating exercises Their granddrughter, Miss Rosa

Mr. John S. McGrady visited cubation.

his brother, Mr. Moss McGrady,

Miss Eddie Caudill is as a few weeks in Eikin visiting tol.

Mys. Mary Kennedy reports that over 190 mattremes were made here during the month of

Miss Clements On Choir Committee

Greensboro .- Miss Nancy King, of Greensboro, will head the College Choir of Woman's college as president next year.

Assisting officers include: Misses Jean Booth, Durham, vice president; Helen Trentham, Mars Hill, secretary-treasurer; Anna Bell, Greensboro, librarian; and Ernestine Smith, Maxton, vestment chairman.

Also on the vestment committee are: Misses Mary Louise

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Lee Pendry, of Hays, was in the possible the removal of infertile armies in Louisiana. eggs after 15 to 20 hours of in-

War Games Involving 550,000 Soldiers Ordered For May 24

Washington, May 8. - War games involving a record total of more than 550,000 troops were average of farm real estate values ordered today, by the war department, which disclosed also that revealed by the U. S. Department study was being given to retention of national guardsman in service beyond a single year.

At the same time, there were reports in informed quarters that men who have become 21 years old since the first selective service enrollment would be directed to register for the draft on July 1.

Officials estimated that 1,000,-000 men have come of age since last fall when 16,500,000 men, 21 to 35, were signed up for possible military training. President Roosevelt could order the registration of the 1.000,000 youths without further legislation.

The war games, designed to test the training and fighting ability of the expanded land forces. will begin May 24 with exercises Poul'ry specialists of Iowa in California and work up to F it A. S. T. C., Boone, Friday, State College have developed an climactic completion in Septem-"egg-saver" machine that makes ber between the 2nd and 3rd field

Ads get attenthion-and results

A slight rise in the national

curing the past year has been of Agriculture. EXECUTOR'S NOTICE Having qualified as Executor of

he estate of Minday Almedia Anderson, late of Wilkes county, N. this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned whose address is North Wilkes-boro, N. C., duly verified, on or before the 6th day of May, 1942, or this notice will be plead in bar of their right to recover. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement.

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Andrew Gwaltney Anderson,
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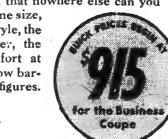
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