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CHRISTMAS eve. Streets white with swirling snow flakes. Marionetta, behind the counters of the five-and-ten, peered into one of the little ten-cent mirrors it was her business to sell.

Marionetta was crying because there was no Santa Claus. More than anything she hated to go back to the tiny basement flat that she and mother and Jim called home. and tell Jim the truth.

Jim, or Jimmy, as Marionetta always called him, was crippled. Marionetta insisted that he was too little yet to know about Santa Claus. She had gone without her lunch for days and days and saved her nickels and dimes to buy the things Jimmy wanted.

That very morning she had started out to work, her precious savings tucked away in her purse, her heart all but singing out loud.

Then, when she got off the car, omeone in the motley crowd bumped her elbow and her purse was knocked from her hand. Marionetta dived for



Jimmy shouted with delight.

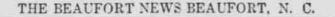
it, but another dived at the same time and when she straightened up a small, flying figure was crossing the street. That was why her feet lagged on her homeward way.

Her hand on the door of the basetoent flat, at the dirty tenement house where she lived, she noticed a big automobile drawing up at the curb, and an elegantly dressed lady slumming. Showing off! She turned her back on the picture, flung open the door and stepped inside.

the blank plates below. The fin-"Hello, Sis." Jimmy looked up brightly. "Tonight's the night!" Marionetta looked dully at her

of numbering as DaVinci himself could do. Six plates can be paintmother. ed at a time, and two frames are "I lost my purse," she said tone-

lessly. "Some kid snatched it this being worked constantly. morning. It looked just like that McCarty kid that comes here to play has been numbered on the red with Jimmy so much but he ran so



NYA SLASHES ITS PERSONNEL Holds Its Annual

RALEIGH, Dec. 17 .- A reduc-tion in NYA area offices in North Carolina from nine to six as a part of the current curtailment of NYA activities resulting from cuts made by the Federal Bureau of the Budget in national NYA appropriations was announced here today by State NYA Administrator John A. Lang.

Beginning January 15, area of- Lynch. fices will be operated in Washington for area one: Kinston, area two; Raleigh, area three; Greensboro, area four; Leanoir, area five; and Asheville, area six. Offices being discontinued are Henderson, Wilmington, Sanford, and Charlotte.

"This reduction, totaling \$28, 400,000 in the Nation will result in a curtailment of NYA activities in this State by approximately 25 percent," Lang stated. "Thea consolidation of areas will effect a Agent, and Mr. J. Y. Lassiter, proportionate saving in administrative costs," he added.

Areas, with counties to be served under the consolidation include candy and "rosy apple Santas"-Carteret.

WPTF Broadcasting 24 Hours Each Day o'clock in the Home Agent's of-Due To News of War fice. The topic for this meeting will be "Poultry."

WPTF has been operating steadily, 24 hours a day since sign-on Age Limit For U.S. Sunday morning, December 7 and will continue to do so until further notice.

While programs were frequentadditional help to catch up with 1y interrupted during the earlier

the perpetual task of keeping part of the week to bring the lat-For Army Vehicles Camp Davis neatly painted. The est flash, WPTF and NBC are now job is comparable to that of the making every attempt to include crew that paints Brooklyn bridge. news Lefore the beginning of a 000 government vehicles at Camp As soon as they have finished one program and refrain from any inend, it is time to begin all over terruption until it is over. Exception will be made when the news

is vital. This is in line with radio's policy to entertain as well as inform.



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4-H County Council Christmas Program

The Beaufort 4-H County County Council held its annual Christmas party in the Home Agent's office on last Saturday morning at enlisting all former Marines who 10 o'clock. The Beaufort 4-H Club have not reached their 35th birthgave a very interesting Christmas day and are not married. These program. It was as follows:

Poem: "Old Christmas"-Kitty

Trio: Song: "Old Holy Night"-Sarah Dudley, Kitty Lynch, Jean Springle.

Poem: "Christmas In England' Sarah Dudley. Christmas Story by Hans C. An-

derson-Manda Congleton. Poem: "Christmas Everywhere Jean Springle.

After the program Christmas gifts were exchanged and all joined in singing Christmas Carols and playing games. The recreation was led by Miss Evelyn Horne, Home Farm Agent.

Delicious refreshments were served, consisting of Christmas made by the Newport 4-H Club nembers.

The next 4-H County Council will meet Saturday, Feb. 14, at 10

Marine Recruits Is **Raised to 35 Years**

For the first time since the present emergency has come into effect the United States Marine Corps is now enlisting men between the ages of 17 and 35. Prior to this the Marine Corps was only enlisting men who had reached their 30th birthday.

This five year difference in ago is expected to bring many men into the ranks of the Marine Corps,

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many men between the ages of 30 cies for those that desire to enlist and 35 were told that they were too in the reserve. These men will reold for the Marine Corns and were ceive the same pay, promotions turned down. All of these men are and other advantages that the now urged to come back to the Regular Marines receive. The only Marine Corps Recruiting Stations' afference being that the Reserves and enlist. The Marine Corps is also now ed.

former Marines who have some clerical experi nce will be retained if they so desire, for recruiting duty. These Marineas are rejuesetd to report to the Raleigh Marine Corps Recruiting Station for reenlistment. The Marine Corps Reserve is now open, with unlimited vacan-

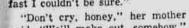
will serve till the duration of the emergency and then will be relas-

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Yours



said. "We'll make out, somehow." There was a knock. Mrs. Clancy went to the door and opened it. There stood the lady of the big automobile, her arms piled high with packages. "Is this where Jimmy Clancy

lives?" "Yes, ma'am." Mrs. Clancy stepped back. "Won't you come in?" The lady stepped inside. She kept

smiling at Jimmy, whose eyes were wide and bright.

"I met Santa Claus down the street this afternoon, Jimmy," she said, "and he asked if I would bring these things to you. He said he was going to be very busy tonight." Jimmy was feverishly tearing at the packages, which the lady had dropped into a big chair beside him. As his heart's desires emerged from their tinsel wrappings Jimmy shouted with delight.

Under cover of the excitement Marionetta drew near the pretty lady and whispered:

"Tell me how you knew about Jimmy?'

3:3:3 "Why, my dear, it's such a strange story! This morning I saw a little boy snatch a purse that someone dropped, and when he ran away 1 had my chauffeur follow him and bring him back to me. He told me he wanted to keep the money to buy some toys for a little crippled friend whose folks were too poor to buy things for him. I promised him I'd play Santa Claus to Jimmy if he'd promise me to wait on that corner for the girl who dropped the purse, every morning at the same hour, until he found her and gave it back to her."

"Why," cried Marionetta, "did you ever hear anything so like a fairy tale? That was my purse, and it really was Jerry McCarty, mother! There was such a crowd he couldn't see who dropped it. He'd never have stolen-but it wasn't stealing. And just to think that a moment ago I was doubting the Christmas saint!" The lady laughed. Then in that

clear voice she said:

"Well, just to make you even more sure of him, I'm going to bring a famous doctor to see Jimmy the day after tomorrow, and I'm going to have him take Jimmy to a hospital and cure that bad leg of his. The good Christmas saint doesn't want to find him crippled when he comes back next year." Associated Newspapers-WNU Service.

plate, the battery number or letter is painted in by hand, as are the truck numbers, which are placed in small figures on the left of the large regimental number.

After the regimental insignia

The painting job at Camp Davis never finished. The 12 employ-es of the shop are kept busy con-antly, fixing up soiled paint jobs, and keeping new buildings tastily recorated in governmental colors. s never finished. The 12 employees of the shop are kept busy constantly, fixing up soiled paint jobs, and keeping new buildings tastily

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