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Week before last we published the Asheville Citizen's account of the Sandy Mush celebration on the 18th of September. The account published by the Asheville Times was somewhat different and as quite a number of our readers do not take either the Citizen or the Times, we are giving below the Times account of the meeting. We understand these people are planning another meeting of this kind to be held about the middle of October and we hope to be present and give first hand our own account of the coming meeting.

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We are giving each of these accounts for what they are worth, their authority being duly given:

SEE SUCCESS FOR NEW ROAD

TO KNOXVILLE

Canto, (Forks of Sandy Mush) Sept. 18.—A concrete boulevard piercing the heart of this beautiful and fertile mountain region, passnig westward through the mountain bar-riers, at Doggett's Gep, and cutting the distance from Asheville to Knox-ville by 30 to 40 miles seems certain to result from the powerful senti-ment developed here today under the most auspicious circumstances favor-ing the project. In this picturesque mountain cove where the traters of Hig and Little Gendy that most more than 5,000 parameter and pointer in a matter calebration designed as a for-ward step toward obtaining a new highway link, touching Buncombe, Madison and perhaps, Haywood coun-ties and entering Tennessee. Speech making, feasting and music were highights of the program. <u>Assure Support</u> Federal, state and county officials, addressing the enthusiastic assem-

Federal, state and county outcass, addressing the enthusiastic assem-blage of men, women and children as-sured the people of this region of their support in obtaining the prort in

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acre throat, he spoke briefly, but he didn't miss a chance to tell his old friends and neighbors he was with them 100 per cent for the good road. Representative Nettles voiced the same sentiment, saying he would work day and night if necessary to help bring about the improvement. W. R. Ellerson, a member of the board of commissioners of Madison county, pledged his support to the proposal, and so did 'Squire Jasper Ebbs, father of Senator Ebbs, also a resident of Madison. Col. Virgil Lusk, of Asheville, 91 years old brought lond applause with his speech in which he strongly ad-vocated the proposed road and de-lighted his hearers with a recital of his boyhood experiences in the hills and coves of Madison and Buncombe counties some 75 and 80 years ago. In spite of his advanced age, Col. Lusk held his own with the most alert and active of the speakers. When he told humorous stories about "court-ing" in the mountains around Dog-gett's Gap the crowd roared with laughter. Movel Feature of the day's pro-

A novel Feature A novel feature of the day's pro-gram was presented by Bascom La-mar Lunsford, of Asheville, attorney

concrete about 13 miles, and the re-mainder of the way is a fairly good soil road. From here wastward there is a rough road leading through Dog-gett's Gap into Madison County and thence into Tennessee. Over this route, it is estimated, the distance from Asheville to the Tennessee line is 36 miles. Coming here from Asheville the road passes through what is said to be most fertile agri-cultural county in Buncombe county shoul

his apple trees were not satisfied this year with bearing just apples, as fine as they are, bu they wanted to do something ou tof the ordinary, so there you find the pumpkins hanging from the apple tree limbs. See ing is believing. Ask Mr. Far mer how it is done.

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REFLECTIONS OF MOUNTAIN SCHOOL TEACHER

(By JACK V. JOYCE)

I was just thinking awhile ago a-bout the difference between duty and love. The question may be asked is there any difference? I believe there is a big difference. Are our actions controlled by a sense of du-ty or a sense of love? Let us take gram was presented by Bascom Lamar Lunsford, of Asheville, attorney and munician, and five young musticians from Madison county. John Woody, Bob Wells, Esy Willett, Raymond Willett and Monroe Webb composed the quintet from Madison. They accompanied Mr. Lunsford on their stringes instruments when he sang folk songs and ballads of the mountaineers of a century ago. Some of these ballads were collected by Mr. Lunsford from the settlers in Dog. gett's Gap. The compositions originating in and around the gap scored heavily. Especially one of the ballads containing the "Chestnut Tree, Chestnut Gap; Don't mind the weather in Dog. gett's Gap."
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bound folks and not enough love-bound folks. Which are you, dear reader? Let this question be answered in your life.

Have you ever sat in church and listened to a man preach and you knew that man's private life, and knew it's not altogether what it

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SERIOUSLY HURT IN GRINDING AXE

Marshall, N.-C., Oct. 6.—A report from an Asheville hospital this morn-ing was to the effect that Columbus Revis, young farmer of near here, was in a serious condition. Revis was injured while grinding an axe at his home Saturday. The axe was usught in some manner by a belt and town from his grasp and flung against his stomach. Although he suffered a great deal, his injuries were not thought serious until Monday after-noon when he was removed from his home to the hospital.

LIGHTING—What kind do you use? Is it safe? Electric wiring standard? Do you use kerosene oil? If so, are your lamps kept clean and filled by daylight only? CLOSETS—What is the condition of your closets and pack-rooms? Don't carry lighted candles or lamps into them THE ERSKINE SALE

In the sale of the J. J. Redmon propety as advertised elsewhere in this paper by the Erskine Realty Co., of Weaverville, one may see an avi-dence of a new day for Marshall. It is the changing owners of property, especially real estate, that brings about development and prosperity. As long as the real estate of a town or community is owned by one, two or three men, and they are able to con-tinue to hold to it and refuse to sell,

that community cannot develop. Marshall needs a greater number of wide awake business men who will pull together for community growth and expansion. One of the attrac-tions for such men is the offer of veal state at reasonable prices.

NONE CAN TAKE THE PLACE OF MOTHER

By OMIE KENT Whittler, N. C.

Oh, I often think today Of my own dear mother's way, With her hand upon my head Just before I went to bed. Yes, her loving hand was there, I can almost feel it now; As ahe taught to me my prayer. And the memory is so sweet, Of the one I long to meet.

ten, har face is on the wall, Or forgot her good night kins; Mother was to me, so near, With her comfort and her cheer; How I long that face to see,

Of the one who's gone from me. As I think of by-gone days, And of that dear mother's ways, Oh, how sad it was to my heart, When from her I had to part. There's father, sister, brother, None can take the place of mother. And the cross is hard to bear, But I'll live to meet her, some

ternatives. You need to hear this great You need to hear this great mes-sage, an unanswerable argument for Christianity, "Is Life Worth Living?" Christianity. "Is Life Worth Living?" Christianity. "Is Life Worth Liv-ing?" will be the subject of a sermon-ic lecture, 7:30 P. M. This is a de-batable question. Many a desperate plunge, deadly drug, and fatal pistol shot has tragically and dramatically proclaimed to the world as the cur-tain has fallen on the stage of a dis-appointed and broken life. that Life There's none can take the place of place of mother, For you'll never miss your mother un appointed and broken life, that Life is not worth the struggle. Whence the doubt that discredits the value of The preacher will answer the life? question.

KNOXVILE-ASHEVILLE ROAD chimneys and flues well built? Ter- ANOTHER MEETING TO BE ra-cotta and brick-on-edge flue are not safe. Have you metal protec-HELD ON SPRING CREEK IN NEAR FUTURE tion beneath the stoves, and are the How a

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fires with kerosene oil. Have screens

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LANTERNS—Discard the old lan-

tern and get a new one. Provide perfectly safe and convenient places

flashlight. AUTOMOBILE AND GASOLINE

FRACTORS must not be housed in

or adjoining a building where grain or stock is kept. Keep your gaso-line supply at an absolutely safe dis-

THRESHING, HAY-MAKING AND SILO-FILLING are times of danger

when the farmer must be all vigi-lance if he wishes to be safe.

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tion of civilization, are the only al-

Proposed Route Most Direct To National Park

Mr. Albert Teague of Sandy Mush was in Marshall Tuesday and reports to us that interest in the proposed road from Asheville to Knoxville is runbout farm buildings. It is the cause of innumerable fires. SUCH A FIRE IS A CRIME. MATCHES should not be lighted in a barn or warehouse, nor kept there, nor carried loose in the pockning high in Madison, Haywood and Buncombe counties. He says that in connection with the proposed highway a road from Marshall up Little Pine to hang your lanterns, or place them in the barn, and never hang or place them elsewhere. Better still, get a to Spring Creek would intersect with the proposed highway on a road up Sandy Mush to the Forks of Sandy Mush would give a direct route from Marshall to all sections north and northeast of Marshall-a direct routing to the proposed highway and to the great Nationel Park. He thinks that such proposed roads would This is the question Rev. Paul Hei-ligman will discuss in his sermon Sunday morning at the Presbyterian Church. In the critical hour of Christ's leadership, as the Emancias-tor of humanity, when most of file followers had desarted Him, and the outlook was most dismal, He turned pathetically to His Apostolic Band, and esked the question. "And will ye also go swiny?" And Peer's coply, "To whom shall we go?" is still the burning question of today. A ques-tion that challenges every man. Christ or chaos is the only choice. The philosophy of life that Christian-ity has laid down for a life to follow that has proven to be the 'uplifting force'' of the human race, or matter-ialism that has in it the seeds of death, and culminates in the destruc-tion of civilization, are the only albring thousands and thousands of tourists through Marshall every year as they visit the great National Park. Mr. Teague called our attention to an article which appeared in the Asheville Citizen last Sat-

urday as follows: Interest to the proposed route to Knoxyille by way of Sandy Mush, Max Patch and Sevierville, which its proponents point out will cut the dis-tance to the Tennessee city by 40 miles, continues to increase in both Madison and Haywood counties, according to Albert Teague, prominent Sandy Mush citizen who has dreamed

of this highway for many years. Mr. Teague was in Asheville Friday

posed road. Support in oringing the good road, that would skirt the edge of the proposed national park in the Great Smoky Mountains, a few miles from here, was pledged by Congress-man Zebulon Weaver, State Sena-tor Plete Whis Harry L. Nattles suppo

man Zebulon Weaver, State Sena-tor Plato Ebbs, Harry L. Nettles, representative in the general assem-bly, J. G. Stikeleather, ninth district highway commissioner and others. Don S. Elias, president and pub-lisher of the Times, drew rounds of lusty applause when he pledged his whole hearted support and that of his newspaper to the move to secure the good road. "The Times will do everything in its power" he said, "to see that this road is built. And if it cuts forty miles from the distance from Asheville to Knoxville it is cor-tain to come soon."

rounding country and from neu rounding country and from nearby towns and cities were congregated at the scene of the celebration, a beau-tiful meadow surrounded by high mountain peaks, when the program started at 11 o'clock. Albert Teague and P. V. Reeves, influential citizens and members of the committee on ar-rangements, were masters of ceremonies.

monies. Interest Runs High Two hundred or more cars were parked in one end of the meadow and at the opposite end of the low-land the speakers addressed the growds from a platform erected in the shade of an apple tree. Interest ran high throughout the day's pro-man

The shade of an apple the day's pro-ran high throughout the day's pro-ran bigh throughout the day's pro-ran bigh throughout the day's pro-sentence of the the thillest measure my co-operation and aid in this matter." Congressman Weaver pledged. The speaker pointed out the significance of the Great Smoky Mountain park, which he said is now assured. He innded the beauty of this region and the character of its itisenry, saying he would do every-thing within his power to further the merest of the section. The Stikelesther promised to give high way is destined to become a reality. "It is just a question of time when this road will be built." A novel feature of the program came when Mr. Stikelesther and Yonns fonger, sang "Swing Low, Sweet function," to the evident delight and musement of the crowd. "Youns stikelesther pulling his company on the speaker's platform. "but we won't let him all that easy."

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and there is certainly no other sec-tion richer in scenic beauty or in the high order of its citizenry.

CONVICTS MOVED FROM BELVA

The convicts, which have been building the road over Laurel, the camps being located at Belva, were moved Wednesday of last week. The av-

erage number during their stay at Belva had been about 135, and at the time of the moving there were 125. Of this number 60 of the A men were taken to Winston-Salem, where they are employed in a rock actions speak louder than words.' HEATING-All arrangements for quarry, the others being taken

back to Raleigh. Captain Raines, who was in charge of them while at Ivy and Belva, is now in charge of the 60 at MUSIC, READING, AND S. Vocal Solo by Miss Anna Kate

Winston-Salem.

The road project which they were putting through has not yet been completed but the Highway Commissioner proposes to finish this road with

free labor.

APPLE TREES BEARING PUMPKINS

Madison County has many things to boast of but one of the latest developments is an apple tree that will bear pumpkins. If you think this is not true, go over to Mr. Wm. V. Farmer's, right in Marshall, and let him take you out to his apple or-

chard. He has some of the ris.

should be? How do you feel? suppose the preacher is the most criticized person in the world. But But yet if he is really called of God, he should be able to stand it all. The more refining a metal gets, the purer it is, and the more valuable it is, too. Someone has said very truthfully, too, I think, that the greatest ermon that has ever been preached sermon that has ever been preached is the life of a man or woman dedi-cated to the service of God Almighty. What kind of a sermon are you preaching? Did you know, Brother, or Sister Christian, that the unsaved population of the world is not read-ing the Holy Bible, but that they are reading Gospel according to YOU? Your life, your everyday actions, not your words, your business transsc-tions, are living messages to the world concerning what Christ has done for you. When the revival comes around and the people of the church are loooking around to see who are saved and who are not, do they have to ask you whether or not farm houses and especially bar you are a Christian Let your actions when filled with hay or feedstuffs.

SPEECHES DURING

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mother, Not even father, sister, friend or brother. When she's gone from us away, How we miss her ever day. For there's none on earth can take the

til she's gone.

PREVENT FIRES

SUGGESTIONS SPECIALLY FOR FARMERS

LIGHTNING—Your property should be protected by lightning rods. They should be properly crected and efficient, in which case they will be valuable, affording a very high de-gree of protection. This applies to farm houses and especially barns when filled with hay or feedstuffs. Fear dwells in the heart of ev-ery one of us. We fear, sometimes, of losing out in our standing, or with those about us.

BANQUET Tuesday evening from 6:30 to 8:30 the ladies of the Marshall Chap-ter of Eastern Stars gave the busi-ters of Eastern Stars gave the busi-ters of Eastern Stars gave the busi-banquet at the Rector Hotel. About 52 plates were served as many as many men, the proceeds to go for furnishing the quarters of the East-ern Star in the new Masonic build-ing. Mr. John McElroy, young attorney of Marshall, was toastmaster and Masons in Florida. A representative of the Association left here recent'y to confer with officials in the devas-tated area and determine the amount of assistance needed from Masonic

with "A Little Bag Will Get You Some Day," which was well enjoyed. Mr. Oliver has the distinction of be-ing one of the greatest poultry spe-cialists in the Uunited States. Mr. Whitehurst told what he as cashier of the Citizens Bank had done to promote interest in poultry growing. of assistance needed from Masonic standpoint. A donation of \$2,500 for relief work was sent by the Grand Lodge of Masons of California. The mes-sage accompanying the money said that additional funds slas would be sent to Mobile, if financial assistance there is needed. One thousand dollars was sent to the lower East Coast shorm centers by Solomon Lodge No. 20, of Jack-sonville. The money was sent by a special representative to be deliver-ed in person to the Deputy Grand Master of the Sonth Coast Dutrict to be used as he new fit for relief

growing. Mr. Jeter, editor in chief of the North Carolina State Agricultural Extension department, then address-ed the banqueters on the importance of money crops other than the usual cotton, peanut, tobacco, etc. Live on, peaks and position bue doorque bibmelos

way of Spring Creek and Max Patch, finally reaching Tennessee and Knox-ville by way of Sevierville, following on the whole an almost straight line between the two cities. On the map the distance measures 75 miles by airline and it is believed, by those who are behind the road pro-ject that the highway as proposed can be built within a length of 95 miles thus shortening the distance between Asheville and Knoxyille materially. Further steps looking to the pro-

Further steps looking to the pro-motion of the project will be taken in n in the near future, it is understood from those who are behind the movement. and happiness. No one is by nature bad or wick-ed, or ever was, still few are forced to live in such a way that causes them to become wicked. Some are led in-to sin through ignorance. If we had more true friends It is pointed out that the close prox-imity of Max Patch to the Great Smo-ky Mountain national park will be a

State take up the question of this highway have received much encour-agement from James G. Stikeleather, highway commissioner, who says that he will lend his aid in getting the project through as soon as practi-cable. The fact that it leads to the caple. The fact that it leads to the park area by the most direct route leads to the belief that, once con-structed, the highway will became the most popular approach from Asheville to the national park.

My grandfather wrte a few po-

ems, of which I am rather proud, so when I was asked to give a reading at our church social I chose one of them

But I was so embarrassed by the snickers that greeted my introduction of the subject that I could scare ly get through. Perhaps it was a fright, but more likely just my grammar that made me say: "I now read you a poem written by my many, many years for his amusement."-O. C. S., in Ch Tribune.

Customer: "What is that noise?" Clerk: "It's the boss talking to

All Balls do

Washington, D. C.-The Masonic Service Association has telegraphed offers of aid to the Grand Master of

ing. Mr. John McElroy, young attorney of Marshall, was toastmaster and proved himself quits capable in this capacity. He called on the follow-ing for spacehes: Mr. Coleman Ram-sey, Dr. W. E. Finley, Mr. C. B. Mashburn, Rev. H. L. Smith, Mr. S. B. Roberts, Mr. A. W. Whitehurst, Mr. Earle Brintmall, Mr. Allen G. Oliver, Mr. F. H. Jeter. The blensing was invoked by Rev. Psul Helligman of the Presbyterian church.

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round us must be happy. Therefore, let us all seek know-ledge, and the worth-while things of this life. All will be better in the

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