AS ONE EDITOR

SEES IT

By R. F. BEASLEY

When Admiral George Dewey smashed the Spanish fleet in Ma-nila Bay one Mayday in 1898, he became the national hero of They gave him a house in Washington and afterwards wanted to take it back. They talked of making him president but he said rather whimsically that it didn't take a very smart man to be president, and his pop-ularity finally dwindled away. But he retained his usefulness by sticking to his last and in the

man to be president, and his popularity finally dwindled away. But he retained his usefulness by sticking to his last and in the world war Josephus Daniels kept old George Dewey at his elbow constantly.

Young Thomas E. Dewey made a reputation in prosecuting the gangsters in New York, and as the custom of the country is, they began to talk about running him for president. He is one of the white hopes of the discouraged Republicans. Political parties are always searching for popular names and persons to appropriate. Charles E, Hughes came to the front as a prosecutor of life insurance frauds in New York, He had the goods and has been delivering through a leged smub of Hiram Johnson in California lost him the presidency. Scores of other prosecutors have climbed the political ladder through opportunism. Belgium made Hoover, and both parties bade for his name and fame. If Charles Lindbergh had remained at home and not talked too much he would have been grabbed up. So young Mr. Dewey has been encouraged to make a try. Popular polls, which are nothing but guess work of the compilers have had him running in the lead of all Republicans for some time. Last week he announced and went out west to make his opening speech. Mr. Dewey sas hif self himself, not to be.

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gles well with the platform of the congress. Both are very wordy. Both very well state the problem, and both are no doubt equally confused as to how to solve it. If this paper thought that Mr. Dewey and the gentlemen of the congress had a deep and correct conception of what free enterprise is, and were willing to fight even a skirmish for it, we would be very happy.

When a body of men require twelve or fifteen newspaper columns to write a platform in behalf of free enterprise it is a — MORE ON PAGE FOUR — MORE ON PAGE F

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OLD FRIEND PAYS GREAT TRIBUTE TO NATIVE OF MOORE

Mr. Lawrence Says Late J. McN. Johnson Was One of the Most Versatile of Men

WAS SCOTCH TO THE SCORE

By R. C. LAWRENCE

CHIEF FINISON WARNS AGAINST FIRECRACKERS

Chief of Police Finison wishes it made know to the town's younger set that the shooting of fire crackers and other explosives will not be allowed in Carthage during the holidays. It is not the desire of the Police Department to put a damper account of the danger to not only account o fthe danger to not only those doing the shooting, but to bystanders and passersby, it is deemed necessary to ban this form of celebration in public places. Fireworks have not been sold by any local establishment, and those in possession of local residents have been either bought in other towns or ordered from companies dealing in them. Chief of Police Finison wishes it

SORRY CHRISTMAS FOR HITLER IS WISH OF MRS. C. C. MOORE

But She Hopes That Readers of The News Will Have Merriest Holiday in Years

When the Postman Comes
One of my nice days came last
week. Though few realize it, getting
our daily mail plays an important part
with most of us. If our mail is delivered by the polite, neatly dressed city
carrier, we await his round with interest for he breaks the monotony of
the day. If we live in town, going
to the postoffice becomes a daily habit. It's something to look forward to,
and I doubt if any one thing interests
as many kinds of people as getting
the mail from "up town". On our way
we chat with an acquaintance, we
pass the time of day, or we shop a
bit. Anyway, getting our mail is a
pleasure.

sighted she mean mark. The world was a nice park. The world was a nice park this child.

With the card, but not visible, was a reminder of something else that will never be forgotten; the lovely heights of the Blue Ridge mountains as they rise like beautiful blue clouds.

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AN INTERESTING **COLUMN OF NEWS** AND INTERVIEWS

Granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs P. K. Kennedy, Breaks Out In Print

POLITICAL TALK IS HEARD

Mr. and Mrs. P. K. Kennedy of Carthage were proud grandparents the other morning when they received a copy of a New York paper containing a picture of their granddaughter, Miss Marie Kennedy. The occasion was Miss Kennedy's receipt of a major prize in a movie critic contest. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Kennedy of White Plains, N. Y., from which point Mr. Kennedy commutes to New York City where he has a bank position.

Local Jottings

Senator Frank Taylor of Wadesboro was in Carthage Friday on legal business. Mr. Taylor was regarded as one of the outstanding members of the last general assembly and is frequently mentioned as a possible candidate for lieutenant governor for congress.

riest Holiday in Years

JOHNNY FLINCHUM IS SICK

By MRS. C. C. MOORE

CARTHAGE R-4 (Along Highway No. 27), Dec. 19.—Here's wishing the personnel of The News and their loved ones the merriest and the finest Christmas they have ever known, and the very best New Year that ever ame their way!

Here's wishing the readers of The News, everyone, wherever they may be, the merriest Christmas and the appiest New Year that ever and ton, state and county the best Christmas ever!

Here's wishing for our beloved and ton, state and county the best Christmas ever!

Here's wishing the dictators the most borrible Christmas any one of them has ever known. May their conscience hurt so bad every one of them will commit suicide backwards.

And bless the poor, pitiful victims of these said dictators, and may God have mercy upon His earth at this of these said dictators, and may God have mercy upon His earth at this of these said dictators, and may God have mercy upon His earth at this of these said dictators, and may God have mercy upon His earth at this of these said dictators, and may God have mercy upon His earth at this of these said dictators, and may God have mercy upon His earth at this commit suicide backwards.

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service who earn less than \$5200 annually.

Tree Planting Encouraged
Colin G. Spencer, president of the North Carolina Forestry association, has received the following releast.

"Farmers are urged by Charus A. Gillett, industrial forester of the Seaboard Air Line Railway, to make plans now to plant at least four acres of forest trees on suitable lands during the spring of 1940. "This is the first time," Mr. Gillett says "that the Government A. A. A. program has provided additional payments for planting of forest tree seedlings. The 1940 program provides that the soil building allowances which may be earned on a farm can be increased by \$30.00 for such plantings. To earn this \$30 allowance it will be necessary to plant four acres of seedlings—one acre planted will earn an allowance of \$7.50 two acres \$15 and \$50.00 for \$5.50 two acres \$15 and \$50.00 for \$1.50 two acres \$15 and \$1.50 two acres \$1.50 two \$1.50

The Wm. Penn Theatre in Carthage will have a special midnight show on New Year's eve, with "Cafe Hosters," a picture that has proven a big hit everywhere it has been exhibited, as the main attraction on the program. The doors will open at 12:01 a. m., the show starting at 12:15.

"Cafe Hostess" features Preston Foster, Ann Dvorak, and the glamorous gals of "The Club 48." The local theatire announces that their booking office guarantees this to be one of the most entertaining pictures they have released in recent weeks. It will be accompanied by two or three excellent short subjects.

The Wm. Penn is resplendent in some of the prettiest holiday decorations to be seen in the town. The marque is topped with three colorfully lighted Christmas trees, which add much to the town's holiday atmosphere.

Chauffeur Drove Two Hours Before He Missed Passenger PARTIAL SIGHT OF

PINEHURST, Dec. 19.—Mrs. T. A. Cheatham of Pinehurst tells this one, which we repeat even though it's datelined October 1938;

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A girl employed by one of the larger Pinehurst shops was coming down to work from the North last year under the auspices of the shop's chauffeur. Several hundred miles above Pinehurst, the chauffeur, colored, stopped at an eating place to get a hamburger.

The girl, in the back seat, deciding after the chauffeur had left that she too could stand a little nourishment, also got out and entered the grill room reserved for white folks. She merely pecked at a lettuce and tomato sandwich, sipped a few sips of coffee, and then hurried outside again.

The chauffeur and the car were gone.

Meanwhile the chauffeur drove

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on and on, ignorant of the loss of his passenger. Two hours later, when he ventured to elicit conver-sation from her, he discovered that she was not with him; had probably been translated to an-other plane of existence. Hardly had this fantastical idea struck him then his more practical and him than his more practical and rational self fought to the top, and he turned the car around and headed back to the hamburger

joint.

By the time he arrived there, the shop girl had taken a bus.

Baffled, the chauffeur speeded once more toward Pinehurst; and because such buses are often slower than limousines, he reached his destination some time

Capture of Convict Recalls

PINEHURST GIVES TO AMBULANCE CORP. TO AMBULANCE CORP.

A volunteer American ambulance corps for service in France is being recruited, and Capt. Harold Buskley Willis, Boston architect who was a member of the Lafayette escadrille in the world war, says he expects to lead it overseas in January.

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Capt. Willis was here with Capt. Paul Rockwell, of Asheville, also one of the few survivors of the band of Americans who flew for France before the United States entered the world war.

Captain Willis, who has been in Asheville and Pinehurst collecting the state of the world war.

funds for the expedition, said the group would be composed of about 40 men and 35 ambulance cars. He said a car was donated in Asheville and that sums of money were pledged in both places.

PASTOR ADMITS **EATON NEGLECT**

J. L. Mann Says He Should Not Have Let Thirty Days Elapse Without Visiting County Jail

One local minister, J. L. Mann, pastor of the Yates-Thaggard Baptist church, admits neglect of Nellie Eaton, the unfortnuate young woman who recently hung herself in the Moore county jail. In fact, he thinks Mrs. H. F. Seawell, Jr., made an error in not denouncing him personally for his alleged neglect. Mrs. Seawell, it will be recalled, was the author of a communication in this newspaper in which she criticised ministers and christian people for what she considered poor treatment of the young woman.

Writing to the editor of The Moore County News, Mr. Mann says:

"Two articles recently carried in your paper—the first by Mrs. Jane Seawell and the second by Pastor W. S. Golden—bring to my mind many things that I should like to speak of if you can allow me the space to do so. If my letter contains criticism.

SANFORD WINS
The Sanford All Stars won over
the Siler City bowling team Tuesday
night at Siler City to give the All
Stars the championship pennant. John
Ashley scored high for the All Stars
and Chas, Sizimon for Siler City.

Equal to Occasion

"Sheriff, there is a mob coming here tonight to get Tyson. They are all strangers to you, but we've heard that you're a mighty fine man and they want to know how you feel about it."

Of course there was more talk and perhaps the stranger was not so pointed in his remarks. But he was plainly feeling out the Sheriff in the hope that he would express at least no more than passive opposition to the threatened lynching. But he was mistaken in his man.

Sheriff Fry, as his many friends are aware, is generally an exceedingly mild-mannered man, but he can be "anything else but" when occasion requires.

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"Lottie Moon" Program

Misses Janet McDonald and Jessie Page of Montreat college and Misses Jenet McDonald and Jessie Page of Montreat college a

"Christmas Ghosts." Don't miss this delightful short story by Christine Jope-Slade, telling about the romance of four ultra-modern young people, who agree to spend in a phantom-ridden cottage to prove it wasn't haunted. You'll be surprised at the way it turns out. Read it in The American Weekly Magazine, with next Sunday's Times-Herald, now at your news stand.

HOPE OF SAVING **CAMERON WOMAN**

Mrs. Raymond Ewall Received Injury to Eyes in Automobile Wreck; Othe, M.meron News

PRIZES FOR DECORATIONS

By MRS. J. M. GUTHRIE

by the time he arrived there, the shop girl had taken a bus.

Baffled, the chauffeur speeded once more toward Pinehurst; and because such buses are often slower than limousines, he reached his destination some time ahead of the lost girl. Quizzed by his employers as to what he had done with the body, the chauffeur guild only answer, "Jest seem lak she done give me the slip."

Pture of Convict Recalls

Threat to Storm County Jail

Firmness of ex-Sheriff R. G. Fry

Firmness of ex-Sheriff R. G. Fry Believed to Have Prevented Lynching of Innocent Man

Recapture of Temple Peace, colored serving a long sentence for attempted criminal assault of a young white school girl more than 14 years ago, recalls the exciting occasion in Carthage when there were threats of lynching his half brother, held as a suspect.

Peace was captured by Deputy Sheriff T. N. Slack when he was suspected of being implicated in the recent robbery of the Model laundy at Carthage and the Phillips store in Cameron. He was not recognized until after he had confessed to both jobs. He escaped from the prison about three months ago.

The half brother of Peace, Robert Tyson, was held after he hal been partially identified by the victim of the attempted assault and a colored woman who was in the vicinity. Although Sheriff R. G. Fry, then serving his first term from the governor eautioned him in strong terms against permitting mob rule. As darkness began to fall, however, Sheriff Fry bocame uneasy. The family of the little girl victim of the attempted assault and a colored woman who was in the vicinity. Although Sheriff R. G. Fry, then serving his fastelyem, had been dead to the first than the felt that he and his deputies could handle the situation, the governor cautioned him in strong terms against permitting mob rule. As darkness began to fall, however, Sheriff Fry bocame uneasy. The family of the little girl victim of the attempt had recently moved here from near Rockingham. News of the crime is an advance:

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is mid-mannered man, but he can be "anything else but" when occasion requires.

"Listen," he told the stranger, "I have two guns in this jail and I know how to use them. I have taken an oath to protect my prisoners and I have just assured the governor that there would not be a lynching. You may get me, but if a mob tries to come in that front door, I am going to start shooting to kill. And if you try to come in the side entrance, there is a wall I can shoot from behind. I mean business. As I said, you may get me, but I'll guarantee there will be several other dead men if there is an attempt to storm this jail."

The stranger made a hurried departure. Uneasy, Sheriff Fry sent his family away from the jail to spend the night with relatives and started a lonely vigil that lasted through the entire night. The mob failed to materialize. The leaders apparently wilted under the firm stand of Sheriff Fry. Peace was sentenced to a total of 55 years for the attempted criminal assault and a couple of store robberies to which he confessed.

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