

# "The Cliffs"--A Future Magnificent Park For Eastern North Carolina

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When memory goes back to the pre-war days, when gasoline was pumped out of service station wells much like water, I recall the many parks I visited in the northern and western states -- parks which often would be advertised by gorgeous road signs, but which, when one reached them, would be little more than a roadside woodland with a stream thrown in or it might be a local jumble of rocks which was the center of interest. In the broad monotonous areas of

agricultural land, these insignificant "back-to-nature" places did serve a real need as could be experienced by all Sunday visitors, when every fire place, every table, and every horse shoe court was overflowing.  
In North Carolina, the piedmont and upper coastal plain are great agricultural regions, regions which with their growing cities and towns, need to be setting aside now the beauty spots which in the years to come will be the recreational areas. Fortunately scattered here and there in the central part of the state are many localities of such scenic and natural history interest, that they far surpass most of the wayside parks of our northern neighbors.  
One such area is that of "The Cliffs" on the Neuse, just 15 miles southeast of Goldsboro. Here the river in a sweeping bend plays against a cliff some 90 feet high exposing rock, the origin of which the geologists tell us goes back many millions of years. But more about this later.  
From the top of this unusually elevated river bank, one may look to the skyline over the forest thickly covering the broad flood plain below. This makes the view to the southeast similar to a seascape with a great expanse of sky seen over waves of verdure rather than water. Directly below is the curving river, its shores broken by sandy beaches where the eddies in flood time have dropped the heavier sand, the finer silt going on down stream. The river here even at low water can carry a light motor boat so that an excellent basis is present for the development of the whole range of aquatic recreational activities.  
Mountain Streams  
Just as valuable as the high cliff with its scenic interest are the nearby "mountain streams", which at a lower level emerge suddenly from the rock strata as extraordinarily bold springs. For some distance they flow vigorously with all the murmuring whispers of a true mountain brook. Nowhere else could one find more limpid waters. And on the warmest day in summer one is amazed at the cold temperature of the water. To lie in the deep shade of the beeches and black oaks by one of these gossipping little streams is, without the aid of the imagination, to be transported at no expense whatever to an Appalachian mountain nook, the kind of place everyone dreams of as a temporary escape from the hurly-burly of ordinary living. This part of "The Cliffs" for interest and certainly for seclusion and rest, is just as intriguing and satisfying as the high bank itself. Convenient trails lead to all parts of these thickly wooded lowlands.

As if to enhance the mountain character of this area, Nature has managed to preserve here from extinction, the mountain laurel and galax, which for this region about reach their eastern limit. A thorough botanical survey will undoubtedly disclose many other mountain species holding on here.  
One of the best features of the hardwood area of "The Cliffs" is related to the fact that fire has done little or no damage to the forest there. In the most lowlands sections, there is no instance of fire. The protection of the river on one side and the cultivated fields on the high or cliff side account for this. Now that so much interest has developed in the area, every effort should be made to keep fire from ruining what is now a rich and scenic woodland. Stimulate The Mind

Not the least of the values out there at "The Cliffs" is the opportunity it affords for stimulating the mind. People enjoy expanding their brains--witness the quiz programs. Well, go out to "The Cliffs" go down to the river level and if your neck has a bit of rubber in it still, look up at the cliff face. As plain as a piece of angel food cake laid carefully on a chocolate cake base, you can see the Sunderland terrace sand lying on top of the Black Creek formation of dark sands and clays. Now the "Angelfood" terrace sand is but a thin layer of 12 feet in thickness while the "chocolate" Black Creek material constitutes all the rest down to the river and below for some feet. You will note that near the river level the sandy material has been cemented to a sandstone, a fortunate circumstance, for otherwise the undercutting here would go on more rapidly and the park would literally fall into the river in a few decades.  
It would take another article to give the full story of the strata exposed in this one cliff. But we can make it clear that at one time the top of this Black Creek formation was the top of the earth for a long, very long, time until finally the ocean came back from the east and spread those 12 feet of sand over it and later, of course, retreated to its present stage.  
Plants Mingie  
Another science interest here is the mingling of mountain and coastal plants. Of course, in continental distribution, species mingle more or less everywhere, but the combination is especially interesting at "The Cliffs" because of the wide local variety of soil and shade conditions found there. Cypress lives in an immediate neighbor to the beech. Spanish moss hangs on the white oak trees. Myrtle bushes (coastal) lock arms with the mountain laurel, and eastern wire grass looks down on trailing arbutus.  
Judged from any and all standpoints in "The Cliffs" Wayne county has something, the value of which cannot be measured in monetary terms. In the piedmont and upper coastal plain I know of no spot that can surpass it in aesthetic and scientific interest. It has about every qualification for a superior local park, one that would make dozens of the northern recreation areas look very insignificant indeed. All it needs is intelligent development and supervision and thousands will come here for rest, recreation, and inspiration where now only dozens ever see the sky over the forest and hear the clear waters of the "mountain brooks" tell their story of the endless cycles of the rocks and rain.

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Starring  
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### 'THE HITLER GANG' TELLS REAL INSIDE STORY ABOUT NAZIS

The real "inside" on Hitler and his mad mob will be revealed on the screen of the Wanoca Theatre in Paramount's "The Hitler Gang," next Thursday and Friday. The picture will stun the audience which, if the premise was reasonable, might feel sure that Hitler himself and the other Nazi henchmen were hired by Paramount to appear in the film.  
The reason is the almost exact resemblance of the actors to the real articles. Robert Watson, in the role of Hitler, portrays the Fuehrer to perfection. Martin Kosleck handles the Goebbels role as if born into it while Victor Varconi, Luis Van Rotten and Alexander Pope as Hess, Himmler and Goeding, respectively, add a highly realistic touch to the proceedings.  
The story has the most dramatic plot in the history of mankind--Hitler's rise to power. More than telling the obvious story known to most, the picture deals with the inside developments hidden these long years under a veil of secrecy. The picture tells of Hitler's short-lived love life with a niece who paid the supreme penalty after refusing his advances. It goes on to describe the secret meetings through which Hitler was able to organize the world's most brutal savages--the storm troopers and Gestapo. The intrigue is vividly brought to life in the case of the Nazi double-crossing--first was the backstabbing of the weak Weimar Republic.  
The action starts with Hitler's release from the hospital where he suffered from paranoia as an aftermath of World War I. Since he holds a grudge against the world, this madman sets out to gain universal power through all the double-dealing tricks ever invented. He uses the Prussian militarists, peasants, industrialists and weaklings to attain his goal. Defying religion, the institution of marriage and other civilized conventions, Hitler brings death and bloodshed into a peaceful world.  
The film plays upon every emotion in the human makeup, thrilling the audience from its initial episode to the dramatic climax. As explained in the film, the story told in "The Hitler Gang" is not yet concluded but the United Nations is doing the job which will see the last of these world gangsters brought to justice.

**Motorists Warned To Keep Vehicles In Good Condition**  
Operators of commercial vehicles were warned by the Wilmington ODT yesterday that the manner in which they operate and maintain their vehicles in conformity with good maintenance

### Ralph Jones Urges Car Buyers Fill Out Certificates Right

Used automobile purchasers were reminded today by Ralph J. Jones, chairman of the Duplin War Price and Rationing Board, that OPA "certificates of transfer" must be completely and accurately filled out with the local Board on or before the date the buyer applies for a gasoline ration.  
He said that certificates filed to date, 75 percent of them were filled out improperly.  
To protect themselves from overcharges, Mr. Jones urged all used car buyers to fill out the blanks completely, showing the facts about the make, model, year, body type, extra equipment, and price paid.  
"This action will protect both buyer and seller by making impossible over-ceiling sales," he added.

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practices may be a factor in determining whether or not they are entitled to new equipment.  
There continues to be evidence that many motor trucks and tires are being abused and prematurely worn out.  
The operator's purchases or requests for new parts which have been broken or obviously abused may be another indication of poor maintenance and abusive operation.

## 20 Years ago

William J. Burns resigned as director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. John Edgar Hoover, second in authority under Burns, is prominently mentioned as his successor.

President Coolidge vetoed the Soldiers Bonus bill, basing his action on the Treasury's inability to stand the strain. The cost over 30 years would have aggregated \$2,890,798,542, he said. The veto was overridden by overwhelming majorities by the House and Senate.

George Remus of Cincinnati, reputed to be the wealthiest bootlegger in America, complained to a Senate committee that payment of nearly \$200,000 in "protection" did not save him from serving a prison term in Alabama.

Three American round-the-world steamers from Aita Island at night and reached Paramaribo Island after a perilous dash of 870 miles through Arctic winds and ice.

### ELECTRICITY IS DANGEROUS ONLY TO IGNORANT AND CARELESS

Eternal vigilance is the price of safety when using electrical equipment. Under certain conditions the 110-volt electric current that flows through the house circuit carries more kick than an Army mule.  
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A fuse is the safety valve for the electrical system. If it blows out, something is wrong. Locate and remove the trouble before inserting a new fuse, and be sure the fuse is of the right size. Keep all connections tight. Check cables and other equipment to see that the current can only travel in the circuits intended for it. Electricity is only safe and dependable when properly harnessed. Be careful.

### Muddy Creek Soldier Gets Medical Discharge

L. N. Lanier, Jr., of the Muddy Creek section has been given a Medical Discharge from the Navy. He was injured during the invasion of Salerno.

# Farm Security Administration Aids Returning Duplin Soldier

Robert E. Futreal, age 39, entered the armed forces August 14, 1942. Inducted at Ft. Bragg, he was soon transferred to Ft. McClelland, Ala. From there he went to Ft. Meade, Md., and thence to Ft. Hamilton, N. Y. Futreal was discharged, honorably, from the armed forces August 16, 1943. He is the son of J. L. and the late Mrs. Futreal, who died when Robert was five years of age. Of Rt. 2, Wallace, N. C. Upon entering the army, he sold his chickens and other livestock on the Wallace Livestock Market. He had disposed of all household goods, practically, except a cookstove which he left with his wife, Beulah Futreal, age 31, and his aged father to use until he returned from the army.

Futreal received his discharge and came home to his father and wife with no tools to work with. He helped his disabled father harvest what crops that were produced on a 15 acre farm. Mr. and Mrs. Futreal lived with his father during the fall of 1943, working, too, with the neighbors in their harvest and "hog killing". Some time before Christmas, Futreal rented a small farm not far from his father and began searching for financial help to get back on the farm. He said that his father told him about the Farm Security Administration located at Warsaw and they decided that the FSA was the only agency that could help him since he had scarcely nothing to start on. He went to the FSA office and told of his condition. A date was set for a visit to the farm and work out a possible farm and home plan for the year to follow. The FSA Committee approved Futreal's application for the loan and a docket was submitted for an RR loan.  
In January the loan was closed and with the help of his wife, he began preparing to plant 4 acres of tobacco, 15 acres of corn, 2 acres of peanuts, 2 acres of soy beans, 3 acres corn for market, 1-2 acre garden and 1 acre in sweet potatoes.  
The Futreals have worked hard and states that the FSA have been of great help to them in solving their farm problems. They have one of the finest crops in their part of the county. They said they hoped to buy the farm on which they lived, but did not know whether it could be bought or not. In all probability at the beginning of next year they will be able to operate a family size farm. Mrs. Futreal says that by the end of summer she will have canned more than enough fruits and vegetables than they will be able to consume during the coming year. "It certainly looks good on the pantry shelf" Futreal said. It

looks like someone can be on K. P. this winter. This family has 87 laying pullets which were raised on the farm since the loan was closed, and a brood sow with 10 fine pigs.  
"The FSA helped me and my wife plan our needs, and we realized that careful planning was necessary. We have made, what we think, good progress under FSA supervision, looking back to our condition last December and comparing what it is today, I just hope the FSA can help my 'buddies' when they get back he related, as he and his wife got in a cart and rode on down the road to a small tenant house.

**NOTICE**  
Having this day qualified as administrator on the estate of Bernice B. Cavanaugh, this is to notify all persons holding claims against the said estate to present them to the undersigned or to Gavin & Gavin, Attorneys at Law, Kenansville, North Carolina, on or before July 24, 1944, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.  
This the 24th day of July, 1944.  
Captain David E. Cavanaugh  
304 Signal Opr. Bn.  
Fort Sam Houston, Texas.  
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### FIRES ON FARMS TAKE 8,500 LIVES YEARLY

It is estimated that fires on the farms in the United States take about 3,500 lives each year and destroy an average of about \$100,000,000 worth of property.  
The principal causes are lighting, spontaneous combustion, defective flues and chimneys, sparks on combustible roofs, careless use of matches and smoking.  
Other causes are the use of gaso line and kerosene, defective and improperly installed stoves and furnaces, faulty wiring and misuse of electrical appliances.

### N. C. A. Cancels Summer Institute

The North Carolina Education Association announces cancellation of the Summer Institute scheduled to meet at Blue Ridge August 7-10.  
Dr. Reynolds, in definitely advising cancellation, stated, "To me it seems altogether unwise to have a gathering of school teachers from all sections of the State, when the 'Polio' epidemic is not under control. Since many adults are carriers of the disease, the risk is entirely too great."

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