## Walso Maws

By Mrn. Jessie G. Costner

The fourth, fifth and sixth grades of Davidson school will present an operatta, "Sunny," at the school on Friday, May 17, at 8 p. m. The operatta is under the direction of Miss M. Z. Crawford and Mrs. J. G. Costner. The public is invited to attend.

The Singing Convention was held at Mt. Calvary Holiness church Sunday, May 12. Preaching was conducted by the pastor, Rev. Johnson. 12 choirs were represented there. A large crowd attended. Collection was \$140.60. C. C. Miller, president, and Miss Rosella Johnson, secretary.

A one-week revival will begin at Rice chapel Monday night, May 20, conducted by the Rev. Mrs. Bell Rhedes of Bessemer City. The public is cordially invited to attend. Praise service will begin at 7:30 and preaching service at 8 o'clock each night. Rev. Jasper Rice, pastor.

The Nightingale Quintet of Charlette will present a program at Ebenceses Baptist church on Sunday, May 19, at 8 p. m. Admission, adults 25, abildren 15c.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilford Ashley of Newark, N. J., are visiting relatives at Ebenezer and the Kings Mountain vicinity.

The Washington Glee club of Waco, participated in the Mother's Day program at Ebenezer Baptist church Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Bush Brooks of Ebeneser visited their son, Booker T. Brooks in Lincolnton Sunday evening Mrs. Hattie Loga spent the week

Charlotte sang at Byanm, Chapel A.
M. E. Zion church Sanday, afternoon.
The Rev. J. A. Dawkins of Sherby
is conducting a revival, this week at
Fair View Baptine church, Cherry.

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The Third "R"

For a short while before my first day at school, and for several weeks after, I heard a great deal of conversation about the three R's of education. My elders seemed to expect me to think it was very funny that the three R's should stand for reading, writing and arithmetic. It left an impression, to say the least. I still know that education includes some variety.

One of the things about modern education that dismays me is the fact that students don't pursue the three F's long enough. They are at liberty too early to ignore one of them—the last one. Figures are dry at first and a lot of youngsters drop mathematics. High school freshmen have learned to say "it's only a waste of time to study things you don't like and will never use."

Ignorance is Cestly
"What you don't know doesn't hurt you," is rubbish. Certainly what you don't know does not do you any good, Truly an actor may draw a fabulous salary for years and die in debt. Tales are told of artists and musicians who can't balance their check stubs. Their ignorance of math did not make them better artists. It would be like saying liquor made Poe a poet, or that harems make great kings.

A national poll might show that millions of Americans don't know what it means to balance the budget. It wouldn't be surprising; most of us don't even have a personal budget, we live so easily and well. But our national budget needs to be balanced. People who try to laugh that off don't know what it means or, were yet, would welcome stational bankruptcy as a stepoling stone some servolution.

What Does It Mean?

Balancing a budget, whether it is a family budget or a national budget, means keeping a safe relation between blooms and outgo. The inevitable result of spending more than we get is debt, bankruptcy and loss of credit. That's just another way of saying "lose of our good mane and the respect of our neighbors." When we stop paying our debts and start breaking our prom-

ises, that's loss of credit.

Uncle Sam is on his way to that social level. He has not reached it yet, but when he does it will be too late to save him. Now is the time to belance the national budget. I was never so proud of now home state as when the entire Arkansas delegation in Congress, senators and representatives, went on record in March as favoring a balanced national budget. That's practical statesmanship.

Read These Truths

"A balanced federal budget can be accomplished in the next fiscal year if congress will meet its full responsibility and adopt a program of economy. By considering each appropriation bill in the light of its effect on total necessary expenditures, we can hold the cost of government within the annual revenues collected. The time to begin is now." So said the statement. Habitually spending money we do not have can't help but lead this nation to collapse, and nothing worse could happen to the world's economic welfare. Think of the war functions now idling along; of the men whose energies might be transferred to the credit column. In every locality there is uncounted waste that should be and can be transformed into a bit of thrift.

Found: Farm Item Costing Less Cash

Will Always Be Grateful For

Just about the only farm operating item which now costs North Carolina farmers less money is the construction of the inevitable drainage ditch — and dynamike is responsible according to Howard Ellis, agricultural engineer of the State College Extension Service.

Ellis, conducting a recent ditch blasting demonstration using 50, per seent aftro-glycurin Ayukatite and electric firing machine, set the char ger and blow the ditch in less than

an hour. In a few secends the flying earth had settled and there was the clean ditch, all finished with 45-degree sides and no sign of a spoil cank. The 120-odd farmers watching the blast were amazed at the rapidity of the demonstration and, when aske, to estimate the cost of the ditch, turned in figures ranging between \$400 and \$750. The ditch, three feet deep, about seven feet wide and several hundred feet long, actually cost \$48.

Ellis, who has conducted 21 such blasting demonstrations on farms throughout the state during the past three months, says that farmers can and are using dynamite in blasting their own drainage openings and clearing fields or stumps. He says that the practice is safe, practical and inexpensive in addition to saving long hours of hard-to-get labor. He lists two prime safety precautions: use the electric method for setting off charges, and use a wooden, rather than a metal rod to tamp charges into blast holes.

The average cost of a ditch two and a half feet deeps is eight cents per foot, three and and a half feet deep, 13 cents per foot, Ellis says. Either he or any county agent will advise farmers about dynamite ditching or will arrange farm demonstrations.

#### Cash Discharged

Herman T. Cash, son of Henry Melvin Cash of Route 2, Kings Mountain, was released to inactive duty last Thursday according to an order received from the U. S. Navy Personnel Separation Center, Charles ton, S. C.

Seaman 1-C Cash entered the service December 9, 1943, and served a total of twenty months overseas duty. He is the holder of the American Theatre ribbon, the Asiatic - Pacific ribbon, and the Philippine Liberation ribbon, and tre Philippine Liberation ribbon.

Mr. Cash served a total of 29 months in the navy.

#### Disabled Vets Can Get Medical Care At Home

Heme-town treatment of serviceconnected disabilities is nowavailable to North Carolina veterans, according. to Dr. A. J. Wairlick. Chief Medical Officer of the Veterans Administration Regional Office.

Dr. Weirick said that under a contract with the Hospital Savings Association of North Carolina, veterans in need of out-patient treatment for service - connected disabilities may be treated in their own home towns by a doctor of their choice, if there is no VA clinic there.

In announcing that the recently signed contract is now in effect, the VA Medical Officer emphasized that this private medical care is for service connected disabilities only. and



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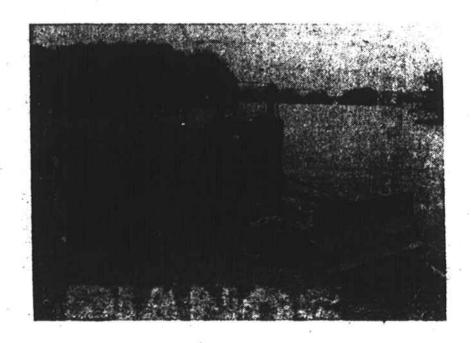
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