



# THE OFFICE OWL

By - Mrs. F.L. Rollins

You all have a right to be proud of your home town, for we certainly put the Bond Drive over the top and went way over in our War Relief Drive. Even the Shelby Daily Star had us in the headlines several days. We are so patriotic now that a country boy from out in the foot hills came in to sign up for work and when the Social Security Clerk asked him what county he was born in, he replied, in a very loud voice, "The United States."

We carry so many different kinds of insurance some of the employees get mixed up. A certain fellow came in wanting to sign up for Travelers Insurance and said, "I want to sign fur that Traveling Insurance." Shelt Feimster was asked why he didn't take out a policy on his life and Shelt replied, "No Suh, not me, I ain't none too safe at home as it is."

Fred Beam, "Doodle" Laughlin, and Sam Jeffres were all in the store drinking a dope and shooting a little bull, and "Doodle" said that when he was on a trip sometime ago he was so dressed up that some

one pointed him out as President Roosevelt. Fred Beam said that when he attended a football game in Durham a few weeks ago somebody mistook him for Winston Churchill and Sam Jeffres piped up with, "That's nothing, I was standing on a street corner in Shelby last Saturday, and a cop came along and said to me, "Holy Moses, are you here again."

Mr. John F. Schenck, Jr., made a hurried business trip to New York City last summer, and, of course, the trains were crowded to the limit. Mr. Schenck was purchasing his ticket to return home and bought the very last ticket for that train. Right behind him a dear old lady burst into tears as she told the ticket agent that she just had to go to Charlotte, N.C., as she had some very sick relatives there. Mr. Schenck was deeply touched and gave the old lady his ticket; but I must say we were rather confused in the office the next day to receive a telegram that read as follows: "WILL BE DAY LATE JUST GAVE BERTH TO AN OLD LADY."

We are all glad that Mr. Geo. Hart is getting along nicely after an operation in Shelby Hospital. "He can give you all the low-down now on the hospital. He said right after he was operated on he was pretty groggy and talked off key quite a bit and Mrs. Hart became frightened and called Dr. Schenck and said, "Doctor, my husband is wandering in his mind, what shall I do?" Dr. Sam answer, rather sleepily, "Don't let that worry you for I know your husband, he can't go far." Another day Mr. Hart relates that Dr. Schenck came and said to him, "George, you have been a mighty sick man. In fact, I may say it was your strong constitution that pulled you through." Mr. Hart said he told him that he certainly trusted he would remember that when he made out his bill.

Miss Pearl Sweezie just sniffs when anyone suggests that it is too bad she does not have a husband. She said, "I have a dog that growls; a parrot that swears; a fireplace that smokes; and a cat that stays out all night. What would I want with a husband?"

## "AN OLD MAID'S PRAYER"

<p>"An old maid knelt beneath a maple tree And she prayed long and fervently, A hoot owl sat up in the maple tree A very jovial owl was he, But at the sound of the old maid's prayer</p>	<p>The bird awoke with a sullen stare, Then suddenly he cried, Whoo, Whoo, Whoo, Thus to herself did the old maid speak, So badly scared she was faint and weak, But she answered, "Dear me, I hardly know Most anybody Lord will do."</p>
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