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Caught in Concord

By The Man About Town.

While the usual hot air brigade that had gathered in one of the local barber shops Saturday night was discussing various subjects from when the Southern Railway builds a decent passenger station to why don't the police make a determined effort to break up the gambling dens here, where so many young boys are ruining their lives and causing their mothers so much sorrow and anguish by spending their nights in them, the conversation turned on a foreigner through this county. The writer of who conducts a fruit and candy store this article saw the murdered man here.

money and I don't see how a Syrian ing in the hall on a trundle bed in is the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. can do so well here," said one fel- the Miller house. His skull had been

ed face of his customer and said: is his story: "Sure he knows it. Man, that fel- "Two men on horseback came to Bible was 'got up.' '

The Concluding Argument.

Several nights ago a merry party of young people, mostly lads and lassies home from colleges, were at a happy social gathering. During the evening the conversation turned on what the party considered the trials and hardships young people have to undertake. Finally the question arose which was the hardest task, working or going to school? The matter was discussed both pro and con for something when one young fellow, who had experienced the unpleasant reality of the continuous monotony that is derived from the ceaseless grind of tackling a job day after day, assumed one of those wiser-than-you attitudes and attempted to end the argument by casually remarking that "Jordan's road is a hard road to travel anyway."

The idea of an old fashioned, plain, unadorned, unimbellished statement like that ending the conversation was too much for a certain college bred lady, who had an idea that her vocabulary contained a majority of the adjectives that ever flowered forth from the stalk of language and who possessed a keen desire to show her "learning." Assuming a Minervalike pose and with her pretty face looking straight at her listeners she said: "The perambulating progression in the pedestrian excursion along the far-famed thoroughfare of fortune cast up by the banks of the sparkling river of Palestine is indeed attended with a heterogeneous conglomeration of unforeseen difficul-

Needed Assistance.

Mr. Charles Keen, the obliging clerk at the St. Cloud, was out in front of the hotel a few mornings ago taking a little recreation watching the merry throng of Christmas' shoppers and incidentally contemplating what he was going to do with all the numerous things Santa Claus was going to bring him, when a man drove up in a carriage. The stranger stepped out and one glance at him showed that he was suffering with that all too common ailment known as "exaggerted ego." "Say, boy," he said, with one of those newrich-quick airs, while pointing at the man who houses the homeless, "you extricate that quadruped from this phaeton; stabulate him; donate unto him an adequate supply of the nutritions ailment and when the aurora or morning shall again illuminate the horizon I will reward thee a pecunjary compensation for thine amiable hospitality."

Hardly had he stopped speaking before the clerk had dashed through the storm door to his chief. "Say, Mr. Rector," he said, almost breathlessly, "there is a man on the outside who wants to see you. He is either a lunatic, crazy or insane. I don't know which."

Concord Banks Declare Dividends. substantial banking institutions declared semi-annual dividends at a prayer of our hearts. recent meeting of the directors. The Concord National Bank declared a semi-annual dividend of 5 per cent, capital stock, \$100,000. The Citizens Bank & Trust Co., a semi-an-\$100,000.

THE MURDER STORY TRUE.

Mr. Weddington Gives Particulars of the Murder Referred to by Mr Sims, which Occurred Here Just After The Close of the War.

Mr. Editor: Friday's Tribune contained a report of a murder, written by Mr. J A. Sims, which was committed on the Wilson Miller place now owned by Robt. F. Phifer just at the close of the war, while the troops were going to their homes in the South.

The railroad, now the Southern was the main line of travel from Virginia to the South, and thousands, on foot, on horses, on mules and every other way of conveyance, went Mr. Sims speaks of about eighteen "You know that fellow is making hours after it happened. He was lycrushed in with the poll of an axe; "He is a pretty bright fellow and the lick was made on the sick of the is certainly well informed. You head just above the temple. His would be surprised at his knowledge pockets in his pants and vest were ing Co. of the Bible; he knows it better than cut; his watch and any other valuaanyone I know,' added a companion. bles were missing. Mathias Cline This caught one of the tonsorial was living on the Miller farm at the

low was raised over there where the my house late last night and wanted to get their hoses fed, I went with them to the barn and put up their horses and fed them, then we went to the house, we all went in; after remaining in the house for some time, one of the party went out into the yard and made down their bed of blankets, and called the one who had remained in the house. He went out and returned and told me that his comrade had made their bed under mill. a tree in the yard and wanted him to come and go to bed. I told him that I had plenty of room in the house, and did not like for him to sleep in

"The man in the house told me that he was Lieutenant Wallace; his comrade kept calling. Wallace got his time with a clock on the mantle, went out and that was the last seen of him until the next morning. I believe the watch was a gold watch.

"Next morning about sunrise the negro servant came in the house to make the fire; he told me that a man in the yard under the blankets was making a strange noise. I went out to investigate. I saw that blood had run from under the blanket and when I raised it I saw the wound and the axe lying beside the dying

"We carried him into the house and cared for him until he died. Dr. E. R. Gibson was called in and did everything possible for the poor fellow. After the deed was committed the murderer went to the barn, got his victim's horse and rode up the lane about half way from the house to the public road on the inside of the field, stopped, turned the horse around, then he about faced, went to the far end of the lane, laid down the fence, got in the public road. Never been heard from since. They had only two horses."

W. M. WEDDINGTON.

Rural Carriers Out of Politics By the President's Order.

Washington, Dec. 31. -- An order sent out today by the President will take the rural free delivery carriers out of politics; they cannot be delegates to conventions of political parties. By this order the President puts rural carriers in the class with city carriers and under the civil service. All appointments will be made after examinations. The President will issue an order soon putting the fourth class postmasters under civil service. The order today, it is estimated, will affect 10,000 men. It goes into effect at once, and mail carriers who do not observe it will be considered guilty of "pernicious activity."

Card of Thanks.

To the Concord Times:

We desire to thank the neighbors and friends of Center Grove church, also the Woodmen circle, for the many gifts that have been bestowed unemployed was increased to two hunupon during our affliction. That the dred and fifty thousand. blessings of God may rest upon every All three of Concord's strong and one; that they may receive a double tain their fight with the employers portion of His divine gifts, is the and the latter seem also determined

MR. AND MRS. J. W. LITAKER

Vest Pocket Memorandums Here. Our Vest Pocket Memorandums mual dividend of 4 per cent., capital for 1912 have at last arrived. We ask lot of machinery belonging to Look stock, \$30,000. The Cabarrus Sav- all our subscribers to come in and Hoffman at Franklin, Rowan county, ings Bank declared a semi-annual di- get one. They are just about as last night. The loss is heavy, with vidend of 5 per cent., capital stock, handy a thing as you can have only five hundred dollars in insuraround.

CANNON-COLTRANE

The Announcement of the Engagement of Prominent Young Couple Creates Surprise.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Coltrane announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Ruth Louise, to Mr. Charles A. Cannon. The announcement will be of much interest throughout the State on account of the prominence of the contracting ing red and green, many lovely floral

Miss Coltrane is the second daugh ter of Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Coltrane and is a young lady of highest culture and refinement, having graduated with honors at Greensboro Female College last May. She is an exceptionally pretty type of decided blonde and is indeed one of the fairest flowers in the beautiful floral garden of Concord's womanhood. Mr. Cannon J. W. Cannon and is a young man of exceptionally high morals and integrity. He holds a responsible jo sition with the Cannon Manufactur-

Forest Hill News.

Mr. R. F. Coble, of High Point. artists, who turned from the lather- time of the murder and the following spent Sunday in the city with his

> Mr. C. E. Stratford, of Charlotte, spent Sunday in the city at his home on North Union street.

> Mr. J. C. Cook has returned from a three days' visit to his father, Mr. D. H. Cook at Mt. Gilead. Mr. Cook tells us that Mt. Gilead is growing very fast.

> Messrs. J. P. Wheeler and D. R. Henderson, of Hope Mills, arrived in the city last week and have accepted positions as beamers at Locke

The superintendent and overseers at the Locke mill were very substantially remembered by their faithful held Friday before Christmas.

Mr. Fowler, superintendent, wa pleasantly surprised to find a handsome, leather up, holstered Morris chair at his home Friday night, preup pulled out his watch, compared sented by his overseers. Mr. Jno. A. Goodman received a fine Elgin gold watch, Mr. A. C. West received fountain pen, Mr. J. L. Strowd received a handsome Elk emblem ring, and Messrs. J. C. Cook and W. P. Hurt received neckties and scarf

Birthday Party at Flowe's.

Master Peter Boger Bost, of dleman. Flowe's, celebrated his sixth birthday Gould Linker, Farrell Sossamon, Wil- ception was given. Bost, Mary Marle Lapsley, Agnes has made a wide circle of friends. Lapsley, Joe Pharr, Margaret and and Elizabeth Wern, of Charlotte.

Cotton Mills Now Working on the Ten Hour System.

Beginning today the cotton mills mills here will have the half holiday elegant repast had been ance with the State law which went ingly rendered by Miss into effect today.

Railroads Must Buy Cups.

der requiring all railroad companies Oglesby. doing business in the State to proof charge, inexpensive individual drinking cups. The order is a sequel to the law passed by the legislature prohibiting drinking cups for common use in public places.

250,000 People are Out of Employment

Manchester, Eng., Dec.30.-The cotton spinners' decision to place their operatives on half time because effec-Lancashire county. The number of

Operatives are determined to mainnot to yield.

Bad Fire in Rowan.

Salisbury, Dec. 30.-Fire, believed to be of incendiary origin, destroyed the barn, four valuable horses and a ance.

GRAHAM-WINECOFF.

Pretty Home Wedding Thursday Evening at Forest Hill Parsonage.

Miss Ida Winecoff, of No. 2 township and Mr. W. G. Graham, of Charlotte, were married Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. W. M. Robbins. for the occasion, the color scheme bedesigns being used. Little Misses Louise Robbins and Sarah Winecoff handsomely gowned in brown messaline. The groom was attended by J. D. Martin, of Charlotte. Rev. W. M. Robbins, a brother-in-law of the bride, preformed the ceremony.

After the ceremony was performed an elegant wedding supper was served, after which the couple drove to the home of the bride's brother, Mr. G. R. Winecoff, where they will spend some time before taking up their residence in this county at the old Winecoff homestead.

Bost-Eddleman.

Emanuel Sloan Bost, which took on one occasion. The letter containplace at Center Grove E. L. church ed an open and frank confession and on Tuesday afternoon, December'26, was signed with the full name, conat 2:30 o'clock. Many friends of cluding with: "Yours in Christ," the contracting parties were present | Mrs. to witness the ceremony.

Immediately following this the first the soda fountain this afternoon. sweet strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march, the bridal party entered Mr. Kriminger Jacks Up Our No. 5 as follows: Messrs. Odell Winecoff and Arthur Bost, a brother of the groom, acting as ushers; Miss Lois McDonald entering from the right with her attendant, Mr. Bachman Winecoff from the left, followed by Miss Ollie Castor, from the left and Mr. John Litaker, from the right. After crossing and taking their positions around the altar, the groom entered from the right on the arm of his best man, Mr. Lester Smith. Then entered the main of honor, Miss Pearl Robinson, from the left, followed by the bride, leaning on the arm of her brother, Mr. Samuel Ed-

The couple joined at the altar and anniversary on Friday evening, De- the ceremony was performed by Rev. cember 29th. After spending several C. A. Brown. To the strains of the hours in playing games, dainty re- march the bridal party left the freshments were served. Those en- church. From the church they drove joying the little fellow's hospitality to the home of Mrs. Harley Propst, were: Alice Logan, Justin Helen, at Kannapolis, where an elegant re-

liam Jackson Bost, Bill Bost, Ruth | The bride's home has been in Kan-Bost, Ida Bost, Isabelle Bost, Lena napolis for the past year, where she

The groom is a native of Rowan, in Loula Howie, Bessie and Jones Flowe, which county he holds a responsible Alton Black, Felix White, Cornelia position in the public schools. Many elegant presents attested the popularity of the young couple.

Mr. Coltrane's Dinner Party.

Mr. Lester D. Coltrane, Jr., was of Concord and the State begin work- host to a delightful dinner party last ing 60 hours a week, most of them up evening at 6:30 o'clock at his home to this time working 66 hours. The on South Union street. After a most Saturday, working 11 hours each day number of games of forty-two were up to Saturday, and on that day indulged in. The pleasures of the working 5 hours, making 60 hours for evening were greatly enhanced by the week. This change is in accord- several vocal selections very charm-Coltrane. Mr. Coltrane's guests were: Misses Blanche Brown, Jenn Coltrane, Ruth Coltrane and Eliza-Trenton, N. J., Jan. 1.—The New beth Coltrane, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Jersey public utilities commission to- Coltrane, Messrs. H. G. Gibson, N. P. day began the enforcement of an or- Oglesby, of Bristol, and John M.

of Thanks.

I wish to thank the patrons of R. F. D. Route No. 1 for the many boxes, packages, fresh meats, turk eys, chickens, etc, which they have given the mail man. It certainly has been appreciated, and then it helps a fellow along through the rain, mud, snow and ice to think that he is working for the best people in the land. tive at most of the spinning mills in RURAL LETTER CARRIER NO. 1

Mrs. J. A. Cannon to Entertain. Mrs. J. Archibald Cannon, one of

the city's most charming hostesses, has issued invitations reading as fol-

Mrs. J. A. Cannon Wednesday, January third four to six

spent yesterday here with Mrs. Carr | The remains will be brought to the and children at the home Mrs. Carr's home in No. 5 township but the funparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Can- eral arrangements have not yet been

A CONSCIENCE LETTER.

Shoplifter Returns to Mr. Efird Value Of Belt Taking From His Store When No One Was Looking.

Mr. E. L. Efird, the bustling manager of Efird's store here, awoke Friday morning to find that he was weal thier in this world's goods than he The home was beautifully decorated thought he was and naturally he is wearing a little broader smale than usual. Really any fellow would have a right to smile, for next to waking up in the morning and finding that led by Mr. and Mrs. Locke Ervin. were floral girls. The bride was the girl he loves loves him there is nothing that would cause a fellow's face to be wreathed in smiles quicker than to discover that he happens to the favors being false faces. The possess more coin of the realm than he thought he did, even if the amount is small, say ten cents-or one slick dime, as the side show spieler would by Mr. E. C. Barnhardt, Jr., favors, call it-which was the amount Mr. Efird discovered was his.

While the busy merchant was opening his mail Friday morning he was surprised to find the sum of 10c in J. C. Gibson and M. L. Brown. The one letter. On reading the epistle, which was from Greensboro, he was further surprised to see the state-One of the most interesting wed- ment that the money was for paydings of the holiday season was that ment for a belt the writer, who was of Miss Beulah Eddleman and Mr. a woman "shoplifted" from his store

Of course Mr. Efird does not know The church was tastefully decorat- the price of the belt but evidently ed, the color scheme being green and the writer did as she stated that was white. Before the bridal party en- the amount due him. It is said that tered the church "When Song is Mr. Efird is at a loss as to what Sweet," was rendered very effective- salesman to credit the sale to, if so ly by Mr. H. W. Owen, of Kannapo- the writer will gladly settle the problis, accompanied by Miss Nina Cooke. lem, provided he will meet him at

Mr. Editor:

Will you be so kind as to give me a little space in your valuable paper? In the No. 5 items of November 27th, your correspondent reports the big net weight at 842 pounds, nearly as big after being dressed as before. Very good, indeed. On December 21 the same scribe tells about another 556 pounder and also tells us how much lard and bacon the two hogs made, giving the bacon at 1053 pounds, lard 346 pounds. It seems that said hogs made nothing but lard and bacon, no sausage, no ribs, no backbone, no heads, no feet, no ears, no cracklings, no loss in rendering the lard—all lard and bacon.

Mr. Editor, I am somewhat of an amateur pig raiser myself. My experience in carving up those hogs

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D. V. KRIMINGER.

Dance at Dr. Gouger's.

number of his friends at a delightful J. W. Cannon, Jr., C. G. Hill, of square dance in the Woodman hall at Thomasville; M. L. Cannon, E. T. Gandersburg Wednesday night. The Cannon, D. B. Coltrane, A. J. Yorke, music was furnished by the Ganders- R. Reed, S. J. Ervin, J. F. Hurley, burg string band and dancing lasted J. H. Rutledge, C. J. Harris, W. H. vide on their passenger trains, free Mr. J. Mac Caldwell Extends Vote were. Misses Rose Johnson, Murphy Nan Cannon, Jenn Coltrane. Ruth Brown, Lillie Seaford, Anna Untz Coltrane, Annie Parker, of New and Julia Untz, Messrs M. S. Benson. Jesse Winecoff, J. L. Johnson, Ervin, Roy Ervin, Van McCall, Ernest Untz, Neal Overcash, Merle Thompson, E. E. Allison, George Ewart, D. P. Johnson, Mason Johnson, Ed. Seaford, John Sloan, J. F. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Benson, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Bradford and Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Smith.

Death of Mrs. Stafford Goodman.

Mrs. Stafford Goodman, of No. 5 township, died Friday night at the Whitehead-Stokes Sanatorium in Salisbury, after an illness of several weeks. Mrs. Goodman was about 35 wars of age was a native of this Mrs. J. L. Ross county, being a daughter of the late William Joyner. She is survived by Mrs. W. E. G. Robinson.

Mr. Julian S. Carr, of Durham, a husband and six young children made.

DANCE FRIDAY NIGHT.

Delightful Social Time at Elks Club. -For Benefit of the Thompson Orphanage.

Quite the prettiest dance of the season, so far, was given Friday night under the auspices of the Thompson Orphanage Guild. Forty couples were dancing and when one o'clock came it was all too soon.

The grand march began promptly at half-past nine and was gracefully The favors were pink chrysanthemums. The fourth dance was also a figure, led by Mr. E. T. Cannon, eighth figure, led by Mr. Blackwelder, favors were Dutch caps and dunce caps. The twelfth, figure, led pink parasols and rattlers. At 11 o'clock the party was invited into the reading room, where coffee and sandwiches were served by Masdames music was furnished by the Asbury Orehestra and was excellent.

The young ladies of the committee wish to express most grateful thanks to each and every one of the members of the Elks Club, for their courtesy and kindness in lending their rooms for "The Charity Ball."

The chaperones were: Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Ervin, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Yorke, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Cannon, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Cannon, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Cannon, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cannon, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. E. J., Braswell, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Brown, Mesdames J. C. Gibson, Julian S. Carr, Jr., Chas. Harris, G. W. Means, R. A. Brown.

About eighty-five dollars cleared for the orphans and their gratitude as well as that of the Guild is extended to all who helped.

Party at Mrs. J. C. Wadsworth.

Mesdames S. J. Ervin and Richmond Reed delightfully entertained hog of the season tipping the seales a number of the younger set at a at 878 pounds gross weight. On De-most enjoyable party Friday afcember 11th the same items give the ternoon in honor of Misses Annie Parker, of New York and Miss Pearl Forte, of Pikeville, at the home of Mrs. J. C. Wadsworth. The invited guests were: Miss Asilyn Lowe, Jennie Woodruff, of Summerville, S. C., Misses Lucy Brown, Margaret Lentz, Alice Vanderford, of Salisbury, Maude Brown, Blanche Gray, of Gastonia, Myrtle Pemberton, Ethel Hooks, of Dunn, Mary King, Laura McGill Cannon, Emma Ross Leslie, Shirley Montgomery, Kate Means, Lucile Pitts, Wilmer Correll, Louise Means, Eugenia Lore, Mildred Lott, Nan Cannon, Ruth Coltrane and Blanche Brown, Mezers. A. M. Gibson, Ross Cannon, Irvin Graham, of Lexington, Va., Joe Hartsell, Will Montgomery, Eugene Barnhardt, Charles Wadsworth, Bernard Fetzer, Fred Bost, Fred Correll, Charles Cannon, A. H. Sisk, Frank Morrison, Archey Goodman, Cy White, Henry Smith, Luther Brown, William Wadsworth, Vardry Brown, Nevin Fetzer and R. M. King.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cannon to Re-

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cannon will observe the hospitable custom of receiving their friends on new year's evening from 8 to 10 o'clock. The following will assist Mr. and Mrs. Cannon to receive: Mesdames J. F. Cannon, J. B. Douglass, of Winston-Dr. G. J. Gouger entertained a Salem; J. S. Carr, Jr., of Durham; from 7 to 11 o'clock. Those dancing Gibson and J. Leonard Brown, Misses York; Pearl Forte, of Pikeville, Shirley Montgomery, Mary Frye, of Will Johnson, Homer Johnson, Will Greensboro; Mary Burwell, of Chase City, Va.; E. C. Harmison, of Baltimore; Elizabeth Coltrane, Elizabeth Butler, of Atlanta, Alice Brown, Emma Ross Lesli , of New York, Laura McGill Cannon and Elizabeth Hill, Margaret Dalton and Mary Wiggins, of Winston-Salem.

Miss Smith to Entertain. Invitations reading as follows were issued Friday:

Miss Kathleen Smith at home January fourth, 1912 eight to ten

Mrs. P. M. Lafferty

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Stone, who have been visiting at the home of Capt. J. M. Alexander, have returned to their home in Charlotte.