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Johnson's Fine Pork Liver Mudd is delivered fresh every day to your groceryman. Price only 20 cents a pound. 10-31-p.

All Wool Coat Sweaters \$2.95. Concord Army & Navy Store. 9-41-p.

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Men's Leather Leggings \$1.95. Concord Army & Navy Store. 9-41-p.

Ladies' Aid Supper—The Roberta Ladies Aid Society will serve supper at the Roberta schoolhouse Saturday night, December 12th. Hours 6:30 to 10. The public is invited. 11-21-p.

Kannapolis Bakery—Oh Those Delicious cinnamon buns and Parker House Rolls. Concord representatives Dove & Bost and J. & H. Cash Store. 9-51-p.

10 Foot Check Lines \$3.50. Concord Army & Navy Store. 9-41-p.

Christmas Is Not Complete Without fireworks. Drive up to Peck's Place on Kannapolis road and get the big ones. Open till 9 o'clock. 11-31-p.

Gifted Mortgage Blanks, 2 for 1 cent, or 25c a dozen, at Tribune Times Office. 11-11-p.

IN AND ABOUT THE CITY

DAVIDSON DIFFICULTIES END IN SEPARATION PACT
Popular Physician and His Wife Divide Property and Drop Divorce Actions. Charlotte Observer.

The marital difficulties between Dr. and Mrs. J. E. S. Davidson, for some months the subject of more or less regretful interest in Charlotte, came to a head in superior court yesterday afternoon. A strong array of lawyers on either side proceeded with the task of selecting a jury, and concluding that, read the pleadings. The case would probably have consumed two days.

Judge C. C. Lyon, grown gray in a life time of adjusting other people's affairs, looked at the husband and the wife, and said to them:

"You two could agree on some mutually satisfactory basis of settlement if you would. Why don't you try it?"

The suggestion threw a little flurry into both camps, but it was sufficient to start a conference that ended in a signed agreement of separation.

By the agreement Mrs. Davidson gets the custody of their little daughter, \$4,000 in money and most of the family furniture. Dr. Davidson gets the North College street residence—the right to sell it, at least—the Davidson heirs which had been in his wife's possession and his wife's waiver of all marital claims on his property.

The divorce actions were dropped, all parties agreeing on the articles of separation. T. A. Adams and D. E. Henderson represented Mrs. Davidson and Walter Clark and Plummer Stewart represented Dr. Davidson.

Mrs. Davidson's allegations were that her husband had been drunk and abusive. His counter charges were that the visits of his wife's sister, Mrs. Kyle Miller, had disrupted the agreeable home life and had caused the wife to become far from her former self. Dr. Davidson's friends say that whatever his former habits may have been, his life is now one of complete sobriety. Mrs. Davidson, it is said, will return with her sister to Florida, where she has been living recently.

The Funny Detectives in "The Gorilla"

Even Mr. Muligan and Mr. Harcity—they are the funny detectives in "The Gorilla," which will be presented at Charlotte Auditorium Theater—one night only December 15, would dismiss as "very elementary" the proposition that before a play can be produced it must be written. Therefore, before relating how "The Gorilla" came to be produced, mention should be made of how it came to be written. And therein lies a tale.

As is well known, Ralph Spence, the author of "The Gorilla," has been for a long time a successful writer of motion picture scenarios. Dramatists who have confined their efforts to writing for the speaking stage are openly contemptuous of the scenario writing guild. The members of the latter are impressed very little by the superior airs effected by the playwrights.

This situation was never so well exemplified as it was one night several years ago when Mr. Spence, as a self-respecting scenario writer, was engaged in an argument with the authors of a successful mystery play then current, as to the difficulty of writing a good mystery play. Spence expressed the opinion that it was no trick at all. The usual outcome of a violent difference of opinion is the making of a bet, and this particular argument proved to be no exception to the rule. After listening to a long diatribe on how ridiculous his utterance was, Spence offered to bet that he could write a good mystery play in three days. The playwrights made the bet with alacrity.

Meanwhile, the argument, which was being conducted rather vociferously in a Broadway restaurant, had attracted an interested listener. This gentleman proved to be Al H. Woods, the producer. Woods was so taken with Spence's sporting spirit, that he offered to produce the play when written. That offer won the bet for Spence, if he was able to finish his play within the require three days. For a promise of production received the other condition of the bet, that the result of Spence's efforts be a "good" play.

Mill Shares Again Resume Upward Trend

The improvement in earnings of textile mills through the Carolinas continues to stimulate interest. Stocks are being closely held for the usual January dividends although there was enough trading during the week to cause an advance of 48 cents per share in bid price according to figures just released by R. S. Dickson & Company. The average for the week is 119.04 as compared with 118.56 for the previous week. South Carolina led in actual trading throughout the week and it is noted that a majority of the stocks showed a small advance in bid price.

Why Crop Prices Drop.
Baltimore Sun.

Farmers sometimes act incomprehensibly. Potato growers, for instance, got wind of the tremendous shortage in the potato crop. The result was that potatoes poured into New York in such numbers as to knock from \$1 to \$1.50 off the price and incidentally force the railroads to declare an embargo. Perhaps the embargo will save the agriculturists from themselves, but even so, it is difficult to understand why those who had a corner on potatoes should insist on selling them immediately. Don't the farmers know that potatoes cannot be grown in winter? Or are they philanthropists who want to sell cheaply?

In older days it used to be the custom for all horses to be bled and thoroughly washed on the day after Christmas. This was supposed to preserve them from harm through the ensuing year.

VICTIM MAKES A PLEA TO GOVERNOR McLEAN

Asheville Mob Members Bring Pressure on Woman—Also Pleads For Them. Raleigh, Dec. 11.—Asheville mob members, who find jails and penitentiaries unpleasant, have brought pressure enough on the victim of Alvin Mansell to move her to passionate plea to Governor McLean to save Mansell and especially the mob members.

The letter was written December 3, but not until Asheville let it fly today nobody here save the officials knew of it. Governor McLean said this afternoon that he is not called on to act now because the Mansell appeal is before the Supreme court. His execution is automatically stayed until the spring.

Governor McLean is, of course, moved by considerations of mercy if there is greater doubt of Mansell's guilt. The White woman who made her positive statement as to his guilt. But Buncombe people bring forward circumstances which give some doubt. At any rate, the pressure of the mob on the woman must be heavy. She begs a page for the black man and four pages for the mob. She seems to understand its chivalry. She speaks through another woman, Mrs. Luther Townsend, mother of one of the mob members.

The letter was made public today by Governor McLean, who will give a hearing to this request if the Supreme court affirms the death judgment and the case comes to Raleigh. The governor turns the letter over with a reply of Hoyle Sink, pardon commissioner.

The Woman's Letter.
Asheville, December 3, 1925

"Dear Governor: I want to write you a few lines to try in my weak way to tell my worries that I am having to endure. I was the unfortunate white woman that was criminally insulted in Asheville, N. C., on the morning of September 19, 1925, and I feel that I can never see any more peace through life unless I can beg for the boys that thought they were doing the right thing when they went to the jail after the negro who insulted me.

"Now what I want to do is to plead for the life of the negro. Give him any kind of punishment besides death. He is the right one as sure as there is a God, but do please let me plead for his life. Please don't kill him. Give him a life sentence—anything but death.

"And, dear governor, spare the boys who stood by for my sake. There was no man who went into the mob not knowing what it would end in, so many who had never been in anything before, and men who have got families to think of. Please do let me, if I may, plead for these poor men. Let them come back home, let them come back where the families will be complete, where they worry men and we all rest and be as they were when this all took place.

"Please do answer the plea of one who would be willing to fall on their knees for the poor men who were sentenced, some to be gone from home so long, all for my sake.

"And then, too, think of the good mothers and fathers whose hearts are almost bowed down with grief taking their boys away from home. Some may never live to come back, others may lose their loved ones. Let me plead, beg, or anything, to bring them back. If it will do the least bit of good I will come to your office if I have to walk, to plead for the boys. Let me hear that my pleading will not be in vain. Give our men another chance and I know they will be better men and we all hope there will never be another thing happen in this town again. We earnestly hope such will never happen here again, so the poor boys want to feel that they would like to do anybody harm.

"Think yourself how great was the temptation to see any woman mistreated. They thought they did right in taking up for me. If I can only do anything to help them in coming back home, as I know I will never know any peace until I can do as much for them. Let me hear that you will do all you can for these poor boys. Please do let me beg."

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Soak foot in liquor, place in car and let go. After due time, remove from wreckage, place in black-walnut-lined box and garnish with flowers.

Musical Program For St. James Church.

A special musical program has been prepared for St. James Lutheran Church Sunday as follows:

Morning Service—
Organ Prelude: Andante (Mendelssohn)—Dr. H. A. Stirewalt, organist.
Anthem-Solo and Chorus from "The Story of Christmas" (H. A. Matthews)—The Angel Gabriel Was Sent from God—Mrs. H. G. Gibson and choir.
Evening Service—
Organ Prelude: Prayer (Lemmens)—Dr. H. A. Stirewalt, organist.
Anthem: "Day Is Dying in the West" (Speaks)—Mrs. Gibson and Mr. S. Kay Patterson, soloists.
Solo: "The Holy Child" (Patterson)—Mrs. Nancy Patterson Edwards.

The fourteenth annual tournament for the Cabarrus amateur golf championship will be held at the Country Club of Haavanna the week of February 23rd.

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William Halloway and Tom Burton the two stars in "The Gorilla" at the Charlotte Auditorium, Tuesday, December 12th.