

# AROUND OUR TOWN

SHELBY SIDELIGHTS

—BY RENN DRUM—

THE HOSPITAL shower. WITH NEEDED articles  
 PLANNED FOR Saturday. FRUIT AND foods.  
 SHOULD BE. CHILDREN ARE big-hearted.  
 MORE OF a success. AND AN appeal to them.  
 SINCE THE school children. IS USUALLY answered.  
 SET AN example. BUT OLDER folks.  
 FOR THEIR elders Wednesday. BEING BIGGER should have  
 WITH THEIR contribution. BIGGER GIVING hearts.  
 TO THE city's needy. MEBBE THEY have  
 AND IF town and county. AND MEBBE they haven't.  
 MEASURE UP to their mark. ANYWAY THE shower will tell.  
 THE SHOWER Saturday. WHETHER THE whole county.  
 SHOULD SWAMP the hospital. CAN MEASURE up.

TO THE children.

IN GIVING gratefully.

Pete Grigg tells us that the drug stores may sell everything else, but they don't sell coal. One can't blame the druggist though, coal shortages help them sell the many brands of cold medicine.

Somebody wrote Eugene Ashcraft, of the Monroe Enquirer, a letter, and the letter and reply was like this: "Dear Editor—Which is the most important—a man's wife or his trousers?"

Answer—Well, there's lots of places a man can go without his wife.

The J. C. Penny company has without a doubt made the Masonic temple corner of the square a busy place. By the medium of the display windows they know how to attract the crowds, and as for the children, they will be hanging out there until Christmas is gone.

Take a peep at the baby doll display and there's the answer. The window apparently contains a baby doll for every child in the county, and there have already been more wistful looks cast over that display than there are cotton bales in the county. The pick of the lot, although it has not been picked, is the pickaninny

doll—a dusky plaything for a colored child, and mayhaps a colored plaything for a white child.

It's no use trying to hold back any longer for next week even The Star will start advising: "There are only 25 Shopping Days Before Christmas."

But if you intended to avoid the rush you should have started shopping last week. The Christmas buying spirit has already struck Shelby.

We've heard that the gink who started the "Shop Early and Mail Earlier" slogan suffered a worse death than the enthusiast who chanted a Catholic anthem at a knocknave of the Ku Klux. He was tramped to death by the shopping crowds on the day before Christmas as he was trying to buy a Christmas card to mail.

Which means that the folks who advise shopping early do so in order that they may have a clear field for their shopping on the final day. As it is The Star offers a lifetime subscription to anyone that does his or her Yuletide trading and completes it a week before Santa scoots through the soot in the chimney.

A new cleaning apparatus has been purchased by the Whiteway cleaners and the Snowflake Laundry has added

several employees. Apparently Shelby is to be cleaned up and given a "white Christmas."

For fear that you don't it it the idea of this immature Christmas talk it is to aid the sale of Christmas cards—The Star sells 'em.

Recorder John P. Mull and Solicitor Burrus have been wearing long faces all month. Business in the county court for several weeks has been duller than a slate pencil. It's easy to understand, though, and the officials shouldn't worry. It will take overtime dockets to handle the cases after the holidays. The solution comes easy. If one is getting drunk these days because they are saving their money for a regularouser during the holidays.

But if the holidays don't soon get here, flavoring will be selling at exorbitant prices, for the drug manufacturers always introduce a new kind of tonic about this season.

If you're still wondering today what you had to be thankful for yesterday, don't forget that the law of averages has it that one out of every 23 should have been in jail.

Maybe, that's the very reason some of us were not thankful. Speaking of jails, Red Newman

knows one farmer that should be there for pulling a pun back on him. The farmer came by earlier in the week with a load of turkeys, and Red with a fifteenth hand fliver on his hands took it to be a good opportunity to get the child of the ark off on someone, whereupon he offered to trade the car for twenty turkeys. The farmer gave the car the once-over, snorted, and replied:

"Say, Carrot Top, if you'll get 19 more traps like that I'll trade you one turkey for the entire bunch."

## Bethlehem Events Of Late Interest

(Special to The Star.)

Bethlehem, Nov. 26.—Mr. Charlie Blanton has returned home from the Shelby hospital and is getting along nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Lips of Charlotte spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Dixon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. McDaniel and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Adams.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Putnam of near Shelby spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Watterson.

Miss Aree Randall who is in school at Dallas spent the week end at home. Misses Wilma and Mery McSwain of

Dallas spent the week end with Miss Beth Randall and Miss Nina Heaton.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Harmon spent Sunday in Shelby with Mr. G. S. Wilson.

Miss Maggie Wilson of Shelby is visiting Mrs. C. R. Harmon this week.

Miss Estell Barber spent Sunday with Misses Marie and Alverta McDaniel.

Miss Pecola Blalock spent the week end in Gastonia with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Hord and children of Gastonia spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Blalock.

Miss Ruby Watterson spent Sunday with Miss Evelyn Dixon.

Mr. Sam Barber spent Sunday with Mr. A. V. Watterson.

Mr. Love and Miss Flora Dixon, Mr. Leo Helms, Miss Bernice McManus of Charlotte spent Sunday with Misses Maggie and Delia Dixon.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Bell and son, Roger and Miss Blanche Bell of Gastonia spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Dixon.

Mr. Charlie Bradley of Shelby visited in the community Sunday.

Mr. Tom Blalock and sister Miss Lizzie spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Herndon.

Of course liberty must begin somewhere, but why must it begin in the trigger finger?

# SHELBY'S WEEKLY CARTOON & BUSINESS REVIEW PAGE

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One of the best known members of Auto Row is represented in the above cartoon, John W. Norman, Joe Cabiness the second member of the firm being a bit retiring (not saying that he is old enough to retire) refused to have the cartoonist make the sketch or he "wasn't in town," or something like that.

John W. Norman is a son of the native soil. He was born and raised in Number 6 township. From 1910 to 1917 Mr. Norman served on the chain gang, we presume he was supervisor, and in 1918 he organized the business that has shown progress since the day of its birth.

Joe Cabiness, who it is said, tore down the first car that ever came into the city of Shelby, is also a native of this section, and is probably one of the most widely known automobile men in this territory. Mr. Cabiness attends to the sales end of the work while Mr. Norman superintends the direct work of the inside.

This firm made one of the most outstanding records of any concern handling the Maxwell Car. It has been stated that they literally "sold them to death!" When the Maxwell organization discontinued the manufacture of their product, Cabiness and Norman held the agency for the Chrysler Car. Later they discontinued this agency and are now handling the Overland and Willys Knight, which has proven to be one of the most popular cars in this section.

The firm is located on South Trade Street in the rear of the Fanning Building, easily accessible from both rear and front, have double doors in both the rear and front of their building. They do General Repair work and operate a service Car. In other words if you need service anywhere on the road, call them up at No. 3, and you will get it. The writer speaks from experience.

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