

The Count



Here is a picture of Count Saln, taken in a New York courtroom during the trial of the separation suit he has filed against his wife, who formerly was Miss Millicent Rogers, heiress to Standard Oil millions.

CHRISTMAS GRID GAME NOT LIKELY PROMOTERS THINK

Star Eleven Here Was Ready For Game But Definite Word From Charlotte Never Received

The Christmas football game between former Shelby and Charlotte stars will not be played in the general opinion of promoters here.

During the latter part of last week it was decided that the American Legion were would sponsor the game and Willis McMurry and others began to make arrangements to get together a Shelby team to cope with the group of Charlotte stars.

Letters to "Mister Sandy Cars" have been pouring into the Star office this week. It is impossible to publish all received in today's paper but every effort will be made to publish them all Wednesday.

Quite a bit of interesting school news came out of the office of Supt. J. H. Grigg. For instance, the rural schools of the county are to stage dramatics soon.

Shelby has on 'city airs' again this week. The college cowboys are back on the home ranges at the drug stores—and the girls, they're here too and not hiding themselves.

DEMENTED MAN IN STRAW HAT WALKS CHILLY STREETS

Clothes of Sunny Miami Climie Thought Improper By Shelby Police. In Jail.

A lingering touch of Shelby's Florida real estate hub-bub was found on the chilly streets here Sunday night when Policemen Position, Hester and Moore became suspicious of an old fellow who strolled the local streets wearing a straw hat and white flannel trousers apparently unmindful of the icy breezes that whipped the corners.

GAFFNEY CASHIER KILLED BY TRAIN SATURDAY NIGHT

Gaffney, Dec. 18.—The body of M. G. Huskey, 35 assistant cashier of the Merchants and Planters National bank here, was found badly mangled on the Southern railway tracks in the city late tonight. Identification was made by means of receipts carried in his pockets.

The young man, who has been prominent in Cherokee county for a number of years is believed to have been struck by train No. 40, New Orleans to New York. Indications were that the body was dragged fully a block from where he was struck.

JUDGES AGREE ON LINES OF NEW U. S. DISTRICT

Washington.—Judges E. Y. Webb, of the western federal court district, and Isaac M. Meekins, of the eastern district, have reached an agreement on the proposed third judicial district for the state. Mr. Webb conferred here with the North Carolina members of the house to bring about a situation that might result in prompt action on the bill.

POSTOFFICE WILL BE OPEN NIGHTS POSTMASTER SAYS

Make Special Arrangements to Handle Holiday Mail Here. Regular Hours Christmas.

The following letter from Postmaster J. H. Quinn to The Star should be of general interest: "For the information of your many readers, I will thank you to give the following information in your next issue without fail:

"For the convenience of patrons, the general delivery and parcel post windows will be open for service this week on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday night until 9 o'clock. The money order window will close at the usual hour, 6 o'clock.

"On Saturday, Christmas day, the regular service will continue until 12 noon, at which hour all employees will be excused, except a sufficient number to make the regular holiday collections and dispatches, to receive, but not work, incoming mail to deliver parcels and special-delivery articles.

"The city carriers will make one complete delivery Christmas morning but none in the afternoon.

"The rural carriers will make no delivery, having a full holiday.

"The public is most earnestly urged to mail early so as to reach addresses before Christmas day."

TEXTILE PLANTS STAGE BANQUETS

Shelby Mill and Ella Mill Have Annual Holiday Affair At Local Hotels

Two big textile mill banquets were staged following an annual custom in Shelby Saturday night, officers and overseers of the Ella mill meeting at the Central hotel and members of the Shelby Mill Textile club gathering at Cleveland Springs.

Home Talent Skits

Mr. R. T. LeGrand, secretary-treasurer of the Shelby Cotton Mills, termed the banquet of the textile club one of the best yet. Speech-making was barred and the entertainment portion of the program was furnished by mill employees and officials. Manager Stovall was credited with one of the best holiday banquets of the season and the dining room was fittingly decorated for the event.

Forty-three people were in attendance at the banquet of the Ella mill division of the Consolidated Textile corporation according to J. R. Wickle, superintendent. The banquet was staged at the Central hotel and compliments to Manager Brabble were many following the fine banquet dinner served. The program included selections by the Ella mill quartet and string band. Short talks were made by all the overseers with the main address of the evening by Rev. Rush Padgett, pastor of the Second Baptist church. "Work" was the topic discussed by Rev. Mr. Padgett and his message provided of interest to his hearers.

ONLY ONE FATALITY IN THREE MILLIONS RIDING N. C. BUSES

Raleigh.—More than 3,000,000 passengers have been transported by bus lines in North Carolina during the past twenty months with only one fatality. During that time 456 busses have plied routes leading over 4,500 miles of public highways. These facts have been revealed by R. O. Self, state bus commissioner, who has kept close tab on bus operation since it passed under state regulation at the last Legislature.

Former First Ladies



This photograph shows two women who formerly lived at the White House. At the left is Mrs. William Howard Taft and at the right is Mrs. Woodrow Wilson. This is one of the few pictures taken of Mrs. Wilson since the death of her husband.

COTTON MOVES UP SLIGHTLY AS LATEST GINNING REPORT ARRIVES

Market Swings Upward 20 Points. 15 Million Bales Ginned Up To December 15. Three Million Bales To Go.

Cotton took a rise of twenty points this morning on the government's official gin figures issued at ten o'clock. There had been ginned up to December 15th, 15,542,249 bales, as compared with 14,644,966 two weeks prior to that time. In the last period of two 900,000 bales. It was expected that the figures would show higher, consequently when the ginner report appeared lower than expected by the trades, cotton was marked up about twenty points and was holding the gain rather firm. December at 11:30 o'clock was selling at 12.75. Saturday's close was 12.52.

Two weeks ago the government made its final estimate of the year and placed the crop at 18,618,000 bales. In order for the crop to reach the government's estimate, there must be three million bales ginned from the crop. The harvest has been late and picking hindered, but further down in the cotton belt, it is reported that much of the cotton picked in the Fall is just now going to the gins to be counted. On the face of the wider difference in the gin figures and the high estimate of the government, it looks as if the crop will not reach the 18,618,000 figure, but old students in the cotton industry declare that it is entirely probable that the final crop figures will reach the government's last estimate.

Deputy Ledford Has Bagged Three Cars And 66 Gallons Rum So Far

Deputy Plato Ledford is proving anything else but a Santa Claus to the holiday whiskey business in this county. In plain words he is providing a "Jonah" to the rum runners with a holiday market.

In the past two weeks Ledford has nabbed 66 gallons and one pint of Christmas "spirits", seven or eight men, and one batch of distillery accessories.

His first raid netted only one pint and one prisoner; the next brought 31 gallons and three men; the third netted 35 gallons and two men, and his final capture of last week included two youths and several articles of a handy nature

Would Take Asbestos Paper To Print What Josephus Daniels Thinks Of Fall-Doheny Verdict

Raleigh.—The verdict of the Fall-Doheny conspiracy trial was denounced in an interview by Josephus Daniels, former secretary of the navy, as the "worst thing that has happened to free people since the barons obtained the Magna Charta at Runnymede.

Mr. Daniels declared that "what I would have to say on the Fall-Doheny verdict would have to be printed on asbestos as it would burn up any newspaper."

He declared all the efforts he had made during his service as secretary of navy and those of others had been sacrificed by the oil leases policies of the administration which followed.

"What I would have to say on the Fall-Doheny verdict of not guilty would have to be printed on asbestos as it would burn up any newspaper," he told The Associated Press when informed of the verdict. "It is the worst thing that has happened to free people since Runnymede."

Mr. Daniels assailed the jury asserting that to acquit they had to believe that Japan was about to "capture the United States" and that 119,000,000 people had no protection from Japanese conquest except for Fall to turn over the naval reserves to Doheny so that the California oil man might make \$100,000,000. He added that he did not think

FALLSTON TO GET SCHOOL TRUCK BY ORDER OF BOARD

Will Sell Double Springs Building. School Masters Meet. Other Activities of Schools.

The Fallston school is to have another truck for the transportation of school children, according to a recent decision of the county school board. The new truck will be purchased by the school district, it is said, and taken over next year by the county.

On Monday, January 3, the old school building and site at Double Springs will be offered for sale at auction. On the last first Monday the bid for the Pleasant Ridge school site was accepted by the board, but the school building was reserved.

Tests Going On. The comparison tests in the county schools are now underway, or were rather prior to the holidays. It will take a considerable time to tabulate the results and they will not likely be made public for more than a month.

Plan Dramatic Contests. A new departure, introducing dramatics, seems likely for the schools of the county judging by the last meeting of the School Masters club held at Lattimore, where the meal was served by the home economics department of that progressive school. At the meeting Dr. B. A. Stevens, of the University extension department, discussed the matter of dramatic contests for the county to attain state-wide magnitude. It is planned by spring to have triangular dramatic contests to wind up with a trip to Chapel Hill for state honors. As it is planned schools of this county will produce and give one-act plays, contests among themselves with the county winner to be picked here in the spring, the winning dramatic team to compete with other counties along the style of the triangular debates and state high school athletics. Considerable interest was displayed in the idea by the school masters and nine of the rural schools plan to enter the contests. Seventeen county school heads attended the meeting, a part of which was given over to a discussion of the school tests underway and the election of officers. Lawton Blanton, of the Lattimore school, was named president; W. R. Gary, of Fallston, vice-president, and J. H. Grigg, Shelby secretary.

Small Girl Hurt In Auto Accident

Pearly May Miller, six-year old girl of Bessemer City, is in the Shelby hospital suffering with bruises as the result of an auto accident yesterday. Details of which are not known. Hospital officials say that the little girl was unconscious for a time after being brought in last night, but is getting along nicely today.

The child was brought in by Dr. Gold and The Star was unable to get in touch with Dr. Gold after hearing of the accident. It is understood at the hospital that the girl fell out of a wagon and was struck by a car.

COLD WAVE HAS PROPHETS MIXED

With the horse trough—bag pardon, the radiator frozen over for several days Shelby thermometer keepers and self-announced weather bureaus are having an argument among themselves as to how cold it has been and is. Not that any of the weather prognosticators get their facts tangled up, but it seems the makers of various weather thermometers did not have any standard to go by and one thermometer says one thing, while another has it different in the same atmosphere.

There are those who say that the mercury flopped below 20 yesterday and Saturday in Shelby. Ebeltoft! didn't see it, nor anybody else on his weather chart, he says. According to the Ebeltoft gauge the lowest flop of the year was "down to 24" and that was last week. Sunday the mercury fell to the low thirties and early in the morning Monday it was only down to 34.

Nevertheless coal dealers are smiling over the icy gift Santa Claus brought them in his reindeer sleigh.

market for a large amount of cotton. When so many are expecting to buy a commodity lower it frequently happens that they miss their opportunity.

WOULD TAKE ASBESTOS PAPER TO PRINT WHAT JOSEPHUS DANIELS THINKS OF FALL-DOHENY VERDICT

There were any twelve men in America who would believe this. He also asserted that a new jury system is in rule in District of Columbia.

COTTON MARKET (John F. Clarke & Co.)

Cotton was quoted at 11:30 o'clock as follows on the New York exchange: Jan. 12.37; March 12.61; May 12.83; July 13.04; Oct. 13.27; Dec. 12.75.

Liverpool 1215 Jan Ten March 8 May 6. Oct. 4 Ann points lower than due. Raining last night at Fort Worth. Belt mostly cloudy and mild except in Carolinas. Manchester cable reports better inquiry, turnover limited. The low price of Ann cotton, according to the Times is displacing East India cotton not only in India but in China and Japan to the extent that much of our surplus will be absorbed. The stability of present cotton levels have been very well tested during the past three months of increasing crop estimates. Everything bearish is known and the action of the market warrants taking on a little long cotton with the idea of averaging conservatively. Many speculators or investors are awaiting further decline to get aboard and consumers have open orders in the

Holiday Week Finds This Section Bustling In Rush

Saturday Shopping Crowds Brought Early Peak To Gift Buying. Christmas Trees And Morning Carols.

CAROLINA SOLONS MOVE AWAY FROM SMITH MOVEMENT

Our Representatives See Nothing To Either Smith or McAdoo. Look At Donahay

Washington.—North Carolina congressmen are rapidly joining the anti-Smith movement. Four or five of the Tar Heels have looked up the record of Governor A. V. Donahay, of Ohio, with a view to supporting him for the democratic nomination. Representatives Bulwinkle and Hammer have indicated a preference for him.

Southern congressmen realize that William Gibbs McAdoo cannot check the Smith boom, and are now feeling about for other candidates.

Strong Point Governor Vick Donahay has 10 children, is a Presbyterian with an Irish name. He has been elected governor three times in succession, a record that no other democrat has for Ohio. He was a printer, a newspaper man, and an accountant. He is reported to be a person of fine common sense.

The Donahay ball is rolling. The south is to hear a great deal more about him. North Carolina congressmen are determined to reduce the corporation tax from 13 1-2 per cent to 11 per cent if they can have their way. They point out that a reduction of one per cent would save tax payers of the nation \$96,000,000.

Revenue Estimates Governor McLean has been here and conferred with Joseph S. McCoy, government actuary, of the treasury department, on the North Carolina revenue estimates. Secretary Mellon, it was said at the treasury department, has granted a request of the governor for Mr. McCoy to help him make out his report on revenues to the legislature. It is understood that Mr. McCoy will go to Raleigh soon to cooperate with Mr. McLean in this important work.

Mr. McLean is fortunate in making such an arrangement for Mr. McCoy is considered the leading fiscal expert of the country; he is the last word in such matters.

The conference between Messrs. McLean and McCoy took place a day or two ago. Mr. McLean knew Mr. McCoy and admired him for his special ability when he was in the treasury department during the Wilson and Harding administrations.

An interesting report is circulated to the effect that the coming legislature will be asked to take from the governor the power to appoint a person to the United States senate in the event of a vacancy here, and to enact a law providing that he shall immediately call a primary for the selection of a successor to a senator who resigns or in any other way vacates his office. This is considered a progressive move to bring North Carolina in line with other states which have taken similar action.

If such a law is passed candidates for the senate to succeed a senator could announce at once, and enter the arena.

Two Gaffney Men Dead, One Hurt In 3 Accidents

Gaffney, S. C.—Two dead and one injured is the toll here of three automobile accidents occurring in two days. One death-car driver is in jail.

D. L. Lanier, 57, died Thursday night four hours after being run down on Cherokee avenue by automobile driven by Hickson Jones, 21-year-old barber. Jones was arrested on a murder warrant.

R. C. Howard, 76, retired rural mail carrier, injured Wednesday night when knocked down on Cherokee avenue by an automobile driven by K. O. Huskey, died shortly after two o'clock Friday.

Columbus Lipscomb, 17, negro, suffered a broken jaw, collar bone and other injuries when a bicycle he was riding collided on Buford street with an automobile driven by Miss Mary Whisonant, Blacksburg school teacher.

Love Cares Not A "Whit" For Years Record Disclosed

Maidens of 16 and 45 in Holiday Hitting Parties in the County Newton Holds Up.

Dan Cupid with mistletoe and holiday exuberance to urge him is not at all particular about the ages of his victims. The marriage record book at the county courthouse here shows that.

A modern maid—they don't say 'em that now—of 16 and one more astute, with 45 summers to her credit, were among the blushing brides of the past week, as recorded on the license book by Register Andy Newton.

Newton Cupid's Pal If Cupid, the little match-maker, ever passes out rewards to help meet he shouldn't forget the new register of deeds. Newton started off by issuing license for six couples in his first seven days. Then he made it seven out of 10 and Monday morning his book disclosed that he had placed "okay" to 10 marriages in 10 days of being in office.