

Around Our Town

Shelby Sidelights

With Renn Drum

THE CHEERFUL CHARLOTTE News goes ahead and consoles Governor-elect Max Gardner and tells him that the paper doesn't believe anything will happen to him even if he is inaugurated on the 13th.

That's the first time we knew that was to be the day of the inauguration. Seems to us it is to be on Friday, January 11, but we suppose since some newspaper fellow had to think up a story he based it on hard-luck Friday, and the News not taking time to study the calendar opined that it must be Friday, the 13th. As it happens January 13th comes on Sunday, but if Max insists on his inauguration that day we suppose there is nothing else to do but get that old, black cat Shelby took to Charlotte years back when the Highs defeated Spencer for the western title on Friday the 13th. Kitty, Kitty!

ADD TO THE OTHER NEWS of the day: Carpenters have been working on the swinging doors at the Shelby postoffice. Now if Mr. Hoover can just give the farmers some relief like that. But, in all fairness, the postoffice lobby is the warmest spot in town on a cold day.

raccoon, affectionately known as "Cole Blease."

P. S. Perhaps, recalling his temperament, it might not be best for Senator Blease to hear about that. But apparently the metropolitan papers missed a good story in not describing some of "Cole's" strolls down Broadway, Fifth Avenue, and Riverside.

Santa Claus Letters

Pop Gun And Firecrackers.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a big tricycle, popgun, firecrackers, and nuts, candies, and fruits. Be sure and don't forget my sister and brother. My sister wants a baby doll and carriage, kitty cart and doll bed. My brother wants a big tricycle, popgun, and firecrackers too. Don't forget the little children who don't have any parents.

Your best friend,
William Forbis, Shelby.

Baby Doll Carriage.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl 9 years old and in the third grade. I like to go to school. My teacher's name is Miss Elliot. I want you to bring me a baby doll carriage, some apples, oranges, candy and nuts, and don't forget mother and daddy and my brother, and the little orphan children. Goodbye old Santa.

Allene Scism.

Pony And Wagon.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little man 5 years old and I want a pony and wagon and harness. I want apples, oranges, nuts and candy. I guess that is all now.

C. L. Scism.

Plenty Apples And Candy.

Dear Santa Claus:

I thought I would write you a few lines. I am a little boy 9 years old. Please bring me plenty of apples and candy and other good things to eat. I am going to school at Pleasant Grove. My teacher is Miss Elliott.

Iatho Lee Sanders, Shelby, R-6

Remember Others.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl 6 years old and I go to school. I am in the first grade. My teacher's name is Mrs. Bridges. Bring me plenty of candy

Star Returns



Lillian Gish, who is soon to star in a new movie, is shown above as she arrived in New York recently aboard the Ile de France.

and apples and nuts. Please remember all the other children.
Clawie Sanders, Shelby, R-2

Fruit And Doll Carriage.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am, a little girl 5 years old. I want you to bring me candy, apples and a doll carriage. Please remember daddy and mama. Bring them something too.

Ruby Sanders, Shelby, R-6

Sleepy Doll And Skates.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to bring me a sleeping doll, a pair of skates, little wash tub and board and wringer, some fruit and nuts. Bring my little sister, Dorothy, a doll and bed.

Marjorie Morrison, Shelby.

Watch And Rain Coat.

Dear Santa Claus:

Most Christmas time and I want you to bring me a fountain pen and a real watch that will run. I have a little brother. His name is Barnett. He wants a rain coat, wagon and firecrackers. Santa don't forget all the little orphan children.

Sue Cynthia and Barnett Hopper, Shelby.

New Rubber Ball.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy two and a half years old. Please bring me a new rubber ball, and plenty of nuts, fruits and candies.

Your little friend,
Mildred Smith, 406 Blanton St.

Skybird Flier.

I am a boy of six years, light hair and dark skin. I want a skybird flier, some firecrackers.

I have a little brother, two years old his name is Cline Wilson Borders.

He wants a little gun, a kicking donkey and some candy and firecrackers. I hope you do not have trouble starting your reindeer.

Waiting with love,
Mike Borders, Jr.

Bicycle, Fruits, Etc.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy five years old and I go to school at Sharon. My teacher is Miss Lorine Morehead, and I love her very much. Santa I want you to please bring me a bicycle, some niggertoes, candy and some fruit.

MBles Green, Shelby, R-3.

Pair Of Overshoes.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am just fine. I am in the sixth grade in school. I ac eleven years old. I thank you so much for what you gave me last year. I will thank you again if you will bring me a pair of overshoes, and a pair of silk knickers. Bring some nuts, fruits and candies.

Your friend,
Elizabeth Hughes.

Basketball And Wash Tub.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a basketball some apples oranges, candy and a little wash tub and rub board. Don't forget my cousins and Grand Mother.

Mozelle Grayson.

Everything That Will Please.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a big ball, little watch that will tick and some candy, apples, oranges, and everything that will please a little three year old boy. Don't forget grandpa.

Billy Grayson.

Air Rifle and Watch.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy nine years old and in the second grade. I live on South Washington street. I want you to bring me an air rifle, watch and lots of fruits, nuts, and candies. I will be a good boy for you.

Earl Lawe, Shelby.

Flier And Tool Chest.

I am a little boy 8 years old, and I am in the second grade. Dear Santa I will be very glad if you will bring me a penico flier and a tool chest, also oranges, apples, candy, and nuts. That is all I ask for myself, but please remember mama and daddy. Please remember my teacher, Miss Hardy.

Ben Hardin.

Wrist Watch.

Dear Santa Claus:

Well, old Santy I'll tell you I would like a wrist watch and a few other things, too for Christmas. But old Santy I'll tell you the fact that I do not care for what you bring me. Just so that you don't forget me, for I like Santy as good babies do. Well Santy I will have

to say goodbye for another year.

Lula Mae Sweezy, Lawndale.

Remember The Orphans.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl eight years old. I am in the third grade. My teacher's name is Miss Davis, and I like her very much. I want a doll carriage, and a doll with curly hair and can open and shut its eyes. I want some fruit and nuts. Please think of the other little girls and boys and take them something nice, especially the ones that do not have a father or mother.

With best wishes,
Mildred Howell, Shelby.

Doll And Cradle.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl 2 years of age I will be very glad if you will bring me a doll and a cradle to rock it in, also oranges, apples, candy and nuts. Don't forget my little sisters. Their names are Ruby and Rachel. They want something.

Dartes Crowder, Cherryville.

(Others Letters on page eight.)

London and Paris in Naval Accord—Head-line. Which makes it very likely Uncle Sam will have to scrap both his warships before much longer.—Nashville Banner.

But we know that Gene Tunney is not marrying for money, because he could get it so much earlier by fighting for it.—San Diego Union.



DR. D. M.

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MANY CHILDREN HAVE POOR EYES

New York—Twenty per cent of the children examined in a recent visual test made under the auspices of the Parent-Teacher association of Washington were found to have defective eyesight according to a report made yesterday by Dr. Luther M. Dicus before a meeting of the District of Columbia Optometric society. Of this number only 2 per cent of the defects could have been discovered by the usual school examination given by the nurse or teacher, he declared.

The fact that it is possible for a child to have what seems to be normal vision and yet suffer severe eye strain is the danger point in allowing visual tests to be left to any but a registered refractometer, the doctor explained. Defects like near and far sightedness are easier to detect but the greatest danger lies in allowing children who apparently see clearly to use up their energy in forcing their eyes to function, he said.

"When a child has normal vision it does not necessarily mean that

his eyes are normal," Dr. Dicus announced. "By the power of accommodation a child can overcome a very great degree of far-sightedness and it is this form of abnormality that escapes the nurse or teacher when making tests. In order to keep up their standard of vision the eyes consume more than their share of nervous energy with a natural loss in general health. This may be expressed in irritability, dullness, lack of interest in studies and delinquency."

It is not easy for a child to know whether his vision is impaired or not. He has no gauge but his own experience to measure his ability to see or not to see. But he should not be expected to detect his own trouble. The responsibility rests with the parents who should insist on adequate examination of the eyes as they do the teeth or tonsils.

"A child's eyes work at least 13 hours a day. In addition to the close application required at school a child has to keep constant watch on the way to school through traffic and even play means that the eyes are constantly in use. Since 85 per cent of all knowledge is gotten through the eyes it is important that they are properly cared for in order to send the whole child to school."

Perhaps, after all, the bandage does not indicate that Justice is blind. Maybe she just wears it to hide the fact that she's slightly cock-eyed.—Life.

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THE OTHER DAY WE WROTE a paragraph about the sign Fred Morton painted for a local drug store, but when "Red" Keel started rambolling out the paragraph on his type-setting machine thoughts of the dance of the night before must have entered his head—anyway, the paragraph was mused up more than a sign would be if Fred merely took his paint brush and slung it at a board.

Be that as it may, the sign reads: "Get your alcohol before IT freezes," and what we wanted to know was why get it if it's going to freeze and perhaps give the radiator a bad cold?

ATTORNEY PAT McBRAYER'S pet cuss word is "Dial." It may be spelled "Dile" for all the colyum knows, but hear Pat when he's out of humor and it's "Dial this and dial that."

Some sailor ought to add that to his repertoire, but who would explain to him what it means and where it came from?

PUT THE PRESENT "FLU" EPIDEMIC down as the most severe since 1918. It must be that to have floored Bob Kendrick for several days.

DR. BOYER IN A RECENT sermon at Central church had something to say about the movies, and about the congregation many ears perked up, perhaps because it is not so often these days that ministers "ride" some of the more peculiar pleasures.

Dr. Boyer did not flay movies right and left, but gave the cinema entertainment a fair deal in his criticism—something he usually does in all things. They are good ones, and there are bad ones, he said. The bad ones, he declared, particularly in the relations shown between men and women, induct a lot of "hellishness" into the world, while many of the good ones really are great, worthwhile, touching lessons.

In other words, as the colyum gets him, movie goers should pick their shows as they shake their eggs at the grocery stores.

MR. AND MRS. EVERETT Houser on their recent trip to New York carried with them their pet