

Around Our TOWN OR Shelby SIDELIGHTS By RENN DRUM.

JUST A NOTE Here we are back again after a holiday disappearance. But if you were one of those hoping that Around Town had suffered a permanent attack of amnesia, don't be too disappointed at our return...

SCRAM TO THE SHOPS And if you're not one of the many afflicted with either the flu or a hangover, let us remind you, in doing our daily good turn, that there are just a few more than 300 days in which to do your Christmas shopping.

THANKS E. L. In the Christmas mail awaiting on the desk was another contrib from "E. L." That fellow or frail, whichever it may be, seems to know quite a bit of what is going on about town. Here's the palaver: "Just a little note to wish you the very merriest Christmas and the happiest New Year. And I expect Sam needs a few best wishes also. Anyhow, he sure has ours. That is going to be one swell couple... We saw M. E. B. back in Shelby yesterday and better looking than ever, too... Say, two of the city's best looking girls are sisters, P. E. and D. E. And the former is a real platinum blonde... I wonder if the editor was as much of a ladies man in his younger days as his son is now... Shelby's best dressed man has a son who can hold the same title in his own crowd (speaking of J. L. L.)... All these firecrackers remind me of the big story along the same line that broke in Shelby at Christmas a few years ago... Cohen's couldn't have gotten a better man for the job of Santa... Even the cops around town seem to have the Yuletide spirit when it comes to reproving traffic violators... R. W., who lives just about a block from the uptown section, has a cousin visiting her who looks fully capable of stealing many of the former's admirers, if you will take it from me... That's all."

THE GROOM SAYS TAINT SO— In the final spasm in this corner before Christmas we predicted (and didn't we hit?) a certain Christmas morn marriage. Among the other secrets we spilled was the information that the groom was this "Sam" contributor who has kept many readers puzzled and amused. But here comes a note from the young man who was given a beautiful bride for a Yule gift to say that the "Sam" portion of the tip was all blablah:

"Dear Rounder 'Bout Town— "According to local reports I had better make an explanation. So, if you want to call this a contribution, as a new contributor I make my initial bow. "With many thanks for the publicity, credit, honor, etc., given me for being the 'Ghost of Gossip' better known as 'Sam,' I regret to say that his honor the 'poppa' of this column was misinformed as well as a lot of others. Admitting that I know 'Sam' personally, I wish to say, that for personal reasons 'Sam' wished to keep his or her identity unknown. Curious readers began to make things uncomfortable. So, it was suggested I take the title. That is what happened, but pinch-hitting for 'Sam' has proved somewhat uncomfortable, therefore I wish to be dethroned and let 'Sam' shift for hisself or her-elf. "With 'Sam' still at large, I send my best wishes and sympathy when the correct identity is known. Yours, J. S."

Oh, well, perhaps after all it does require from four to six yards of red flannel to make "Sam's" petticoat. Anyway, we believe readers will be pleased to hear more from "Sam," regardless of his, her or it's matrimonial status.

SHELBY SHORTS The three holiday weddings forecast in this corner to take place prior to Jan. 10 are now history—and is the report true that we hear there may be one if not two more before the first sheet on the 1933 calendar is torn off? ... And did you hear about the young fellow and his college girl friend who had some of their relatives thinking there had been another hitching? ... If you failed to get in all of your whoopee during Christmas, it may be a good time to do so now, but don't try having a fire: About half of the city police and fire departments' is knocked out with the flu... Virgil Weathers, the Lattimore boy who is a flashy cage star at Carolina, wore a jersey with the numeral "13" when he won his all-Southern berth last year, and he's planning to wear the same lucky number this year... In the item about the emancipation day program for the colored people in Shelby Monday we noticed that the hour was given as "10 a. m., W. F. time." We're a bit thick in the head, but what is "W. F. time"? ... The best holiday wisecrack heard was the one pulsed by H. H. Brown of Hamlet: "Judging from the size of cigarette and cigar stubs we see on the street nowadays, a lot of smokers are trying to make both ends meet." Christmas cards received by this corner included those from "Sam," E. Y. W., Atlanta; A. V. Wray's "million" children... A. J. McKeelin, The News and Observer sport writer; "Tink" Dudley, Hugh Miller, of Raleigh, and others. But Hugh's must have gone wrong; it was addressed to "Hon... One brunette about town plans a matrimonial venture in 1933. She's delayed it so far because she feared that if married in 1932 the hubby would refer often in the years to come to the fact that she plucked him during Leap Year... And, girls, had you realized that there's just one more Leap Year shopping day after today? Hang up the mistletoe and give 'em that last-minute come-hither appeal?... More than a half dozen Shelby mothers and wives report that their husbands pulled the Andy Gump stunt with the youngsters toys Christmas morning... The ladies about town are planning a reception for Governor and Mrs. Gardner when they come home to stay next week. But the big reception, we'll bet, will be the one tendered Max, Jr., by Ben Gold, Jr., Billy Andrews, Henry Quinn, David Royster and those other youngsters on that end of town... Dr. R. C. Ellis tells the story of hearing two colored men talking on the street. One said he was "making out mighty poorly," but the other said he was getting along fairly well. When asked how he managed to do it in these times, the reply was: "Oh, I'm still living on the Cross"... A dirty dig comes in this note from P. Q.—"You're causing a lot of young men to get hooked up for life or until they can afford to Reno-ate. When you predict forecast, prophesy or whisper that there is to be a certain marriage soon about town, some of the girls manage to veer the conversation around to the coliseum and coyly ask the boy friend, 'Do you reckon he could be talkin' about us?' And what, I ask you, is the poor boy to do about it? Tut, tut! Maybe we'll make the girls happy, a little while anyway."

ANOTHER YULE YARN One court reports that somebody took a quantity of peanuts out to the convict camp where they were distributed among the prisoners at Christmas. Colored boys just must shoot a little "craps" during the holiday—that's one of their biggest sports. But they had no money with which to roll the bones so they used their peanuts. In one game, it is said two of the colored men were shooting two peanuts a crack. An argument developed and one told the other, before guards stepped in and stopped what could have been a brawl, "Lookahere, black boy, you

try tuh rob me of two goobers an' ah'll cut yo head off'n throw it in yo face."

MAIL FOR SOMEBODY Over at the Shelby post office is a little stack of Christmas cards and other mail with an air of pathos about it. Go to the post-office force any time and they can come near telling you the address of any person living in and about Shelby. "But," says Russell Laughridge, assistant postmaster, "at Christmas time there are from 10 to 30 people who get mail that we cannot locate because they never receive mail any other time during the year. Just now we have a stack." We hope that somehow those cards and letters get to their destination. They may be greetings from a mother who has not heard from her boy and girl in years, or they may be messages to mothers who have worried months at a time "where is my wandering boy (or girl) tonight."

HAPPY NEW YEAR—and the best we can wish for the entire audience is that 1933 will be heaps better than 1932. We're thumbing a nose at the latter and saluting the newcomer.



Here is a good example to follow as Father Time flips over another page of his diary and takes us into a New Year. Smile, like June Vlasak, charming film queen, is doing. Forget 1932 with its hopes and disappointments, and crash into 1933 with a big, wide grin and the firm determination to find that corner around which prosperity has been hiding. Now all together: "Goodbye, 1932! Hello, 1933!"

Questions and Answers

(Our readers can get an answer to the Cleveland Star Washington Bureau 1322 New York avenue. N. W. Washington D. C. Write your name and address on one side of the paper, state your question clearly and enclose 3 cent stamps for reply postage. Do not write legal, medical or religious questions.) Q. What states did President Hoover carry in the last election? A. Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Pennsylvania, Connecticut and Delaware. Q. How many popular and electoral votes did Alfred E. Smith poll in the 1928 election? A. Popular votes 15,016,443 and 87 electoral votes. Q. Are American women who married aliens on or after December 1, 1922, still entitled to American citizenship? A. American women who married aliens after September 22, 1922 retain their citizenship. Marriage to an alien prior to that time resulted in loss of American citizenship. Q. What is the source of the following quotation: "A thing of beauty is a joy forever"? A. It is the opening line in the poem "Endymion," by John Keats. Q. Which three states have the shortest residence requirements before filing an action for divorce? A. Nevada requires six weeks residence; Arkansas requires 60 days; and Idaho requires 90 days. Q. Is John J. Raskob a Jew? A. No. His father was an Alsatian and his mother was Irish. Q. Name the Seven seas? A. North and South Atlantic; the North and South Pacific, the Indian, Arctic and Antarctic oceans. Q. What is the birthstone for September? A. The sapphire. Q. What is a "torch" singer? A. One who sings sentimental love songs.

Sharon Community News Of Week-End Christmas Tree Enjoyed, Mrs. Bridges Falls and Breaks Her Limb. (Special to The Star) Sharon, Dec. 27.—A Christmas program was given at the church on Saturday night along with a Christmas tree. A very helpful and enjoyable program was rendered by the young people. After the program Santa Claus distributed the gifts that were on the tree. There were several absent from Sunday school and league meeting Sunday. We had several visitors Sunday night. Our pastor brought to us an interesting and helpful message. Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Moore were dinner guests of their parents Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Blanton Sunday. Mr. Sammie Hamrick spent Saturday night with Mr. Mitchell Dover. Callers at the home of Mr. T. G. Hamrick's Sunday were: Misses Stella Mae Smith Ruth Smith, Virginia Greene, Messrs Mitchell Dover, Ora Bowers and James Ross Hamrick of Jeffersonville, Ga. Mr. Hamrick is spending awhile with the family here. Mr. and Mrs. G. V. Hawkins spent Monday with their sister Mrs.

Looks For Results Out Of Economic Parley New York, Dec. 29.—Norman H. Davis, former under-secretary of state and a delegate to the Geneva disarmament conference, today said in an informal discussion with newspaper men that he looks for good results to grow out of the forthcoming London economic conference and also from the disarmament conference.

Nobody's Business By GEE MCGEE

Social News From Flat Rock old Mrs. Sue Kinston is confined to her bed with a sprung neck which was caused when an airplane flew over her head while she was ringing out some clothes at the wash-place last Friday and she jerked back too quick and it popped, and it has stayed popped ever since. The doctor is afraid that she will wind up with a rye neck and can't bend it as heretofore.

Miss Jennie Veeve Smith, our nice school principle, is planning a trip to Cuba enduring the Christmas and she will have to cross the atlantic ocean and the gulf of Mexico to get over there. She has a second cousin living in Cuba and he grows sugar cane. She will have a fine trip and will give lectures on same when she returns back to school, so he told her scholars.

A right smart of talk and misunderstanding is going on around the post office ever day just before the southbound cannon ball train arrives about the bonus marchers and the furri mortytorium on debts. The newspapers say that the English pound has broke and gone down to 35 and c20, and the boys want to know what it is a pound of, it couldnt be beef or cotton, as that would be too high, even after the bust in the market, if we could sell anything we had for that much per pound we would all be happy, unless it would be a pound of our own flesh anasothr.

Little Archie Ball Green had as his dinner guess last Tuesday night, or Friday night, my wife has forgot which, all of dr. Green's boys and girls except 6, they played games till bed time and then she told them a nice bed-time story about little red riding hood and they went home, a nice time was enjoyed by all: come again folks, (they are Archie Ball's second cousins).

The basket ball game which was held in the gym at the school house betwixt cedar lane and flat rock ended in a tie of 79 to 89, as the last 10 points made by them was ruled out, as he proved to be from cedar lane, that is, the referee was, and he did not add them right, so the flat rock whistle blower said they had some mighty fine punts in it and a great many extra fine gold throws was made by all parties concerned.

Sunday References Frequently, when I pay my gas, water and light bills, I wonder if there's going to be any meter-readers in heaven.

Less than 3 percent of the people who drive automobiles have enough driving sense to drive from one green list past the next one according to the fast driver behind them.

If you find that your horse, wagon or truck is overloaded, why, put more stuff on it. That's the way the government does. They want cut expenses but they continue to overload the taxpayers.

The import duty on goobers is 4 cents per pound. The price of goobers is 1 cent per pound. If a farmer desires to import some goobers from a foreign country, say Texas to Alabama, he has to give the buyer his goobers and 3 cents a pound extra so's he can get possession of them. There's a flexible tariff for you.

Colton Letter New York, Dec. 30.—Liverpool opened weak on tinges and moderate on dog-tails, but the pound sterling weighed two-thirds of a pound before the close on account of no moratorium on war debts. The boll weevil found in Texas while looking for rain forced July futures down 3 points to a new low, but the nearby months are stronger in sympathy with the new administration. We advise tax-dodging, 475 per cent, plenty free wine, more Red Cross flour, lower gas, and a nice, deep pond for the lame ducks.

Norman Brokenshire Tunes Up Chesterfield Radio Stars for the New Year



The vast army of radio fans who are always looking for something new in the broadcast sky will be treated to a stellar display when Chesterfield's 1933 programs go on next week. Six nights a week—every day except Sunday—at 9:00 p. m. Eastern Standard Time, stars of comedy, music and song will come through the Columbia Broadcasting system over the largest coast-to-coast hook-up in radio. Tom Howard and his partner George Shelton are new to the

Answers To Star's Question Box On Page One

- Below are the answers to the test questions printed on page one. 1. The constitution prohibits any change during the term of office of an incumbent. 2. Jim London. 3. It boils at a lower temperature. 4. About 280 miles. 5. An elaborate lyrical composition for solo voice with orchestra accompaniment. 6. Napier. 7. Pound. 8. Secretary of the treasury. 9. At Dannemora, Clinton county, N. D. Behring. 10. Suez Canal. 11. Because originally bred for bull baiting. 12. An edible tropical fruit. 13. Because a sphere is the smallest amount of matter (air) which can be contained. 14. Denver, Colo. 15. Clubs of farm boys and girls. 16. The Lake of the Woods region in Minnesota. 17. No. 18. No. 19. Spain. 20. From the Spanish, Arida Zona, arid zone.

COMMUNITY BATCH OF NEWS

(Special to The Star) Zion, Dec. 29.—The Kings Mountain Sunday school association meets with our church next Sunday afternoon at 2:30. We are expecting a delegation from all the churches in the association. An interesting and helpful program has been arranged. Mr. George Gold and family have moved from our community to near Ellenboro in Rutherford county. Misses Aileen and Elizabeth Cabaniss visited Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wilkins of Shelby over the week end. Miss Pearl Cornwell of Mars Hill college is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Cornwell. Mr. Reed Cornwell, art student of Washington, D. C. is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Cornwell. Mr. Yates Spangler of Morganton visited his parents Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Spangler over the week end. Mr. and Mrs. Grover Champion and daughter Miss Frances of Gaffney, S. C. were the dinner-guests Sunday of Mrs. T. P. Gold and family. Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Cabaniss and daughters Misses Dorothy and Nell visited Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Mintz of Blacksburg, S. C., Monday. Miss Lydia Poston entertained a large number of her friends with a party Monday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Jones of Earl were the dinner guests Monday of Mrs. Jones parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Husley. Mrs. George Cabaniss and daughter Patsy are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Deloe Walker of New House this week. Mr. and Mrs. Bobbie Rudasill are announcing the birth of a dainty daughter, born Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Cabaniss Jr. visited relatives in the Hollis community during the holidays.

Cleveland Cloth Mill News Items

Children Present Yule Program, November Marriage of Waddells Announced. (Special to The Star) The Eastside Baptist church held its annual Christmas program Saturday evening. The program was presented by a number of children with the help of several teachers and adults. The presents were distributed by Rev. H. E. Waldrop and six girls. Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Waddell announce their marriage which took place November 16, 1932. It came as a great surprise to their many friends Mrs. Waddell was formerly Miss Margaret Sercy. Miss Janell McGill entertained a host of her friends at a surprise birthday party at her home in honor of her cousin Miss Pauline Bregal on Monday evening. Everyone reported a pleasant time. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Burgess and children spent the week end with Mrs. Ella Trammell and Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Burgess. Miss Evelyn Jones of Forest City, is visiting her brother Mr. McGee Jones. We are sorry to report that Mr. E. D. Bolt is very ill with influenza. We hope for his immediate recovery. Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Watts and children visited relatives in McAdenville, Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Graham spent Christmas with relatives in Eastman, Ga. They reported a pleasant visit. Mr. Curran Cashion and Miss Eulalia Cashion spent the week end in Greenville, S. C., with their mother Mrs. L. E. Cashion. Mr. and Mrs. John Griffin spent Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. Earle Dorn. Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Burns motored to Hickory to visit Mrs. A. L. Hane last Saturday. Mr. Boyd Lawson spent the week end in Pelzer, S. C. Mr. and Mrs. Luther Broom and children of Greer, S. C., and Mr. and Mrs. Hamlett Burgess and family of Greenwood, S. C., spent the week end with Mrs. L. N. Burgess. Mr. and Mrs. Dee Whitmire motored to Greenville, S. C., Saturday. The former's mother returned with them to spend Christmas. Miss Frances Roberts of Pittsboro, is spending the holidays with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Will Roberts. We are glad to welcome Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Shannon into our village. We are sorry to report that Mr. Summey Hendrick is ill with influenza. We hope that he will soon be up and around again. Mr. and Mrs. Beaman and family spent the week end in Concord. Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Bryner are the proud parents of a fine baby boy. Mother and son are doing nicely. Miss Elvaree Lail spent the week end in Hickory. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Roberson of Cramerton visited Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Teale Sunday.

Annual Report To Commissioners (Continued from page two.)

Table with financial data including cash book No. 5 & 6, funds due county, and various other items totaling \$1,409.64.

Recapitulation

Summary table of financial items including grand total of \$5,747.57 and money deposited at various banks.

A. M. HAMRICK, Clerk Superior Court. Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 5th day of Dec. 1932.

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