

Lady With 49 Dogs Sues Carl Goerch For \$5,000

She Claims Editor Of The State Ridiculed Her Because Of Her Inordinate Fondness For Multiple Pets

RALEIGH, Nov. 6.—Suit for sum of \$5,000 has been instituted in Halifax county by Miss Elizabeth M. Harrell, and the summons was served today against Carl Goerch and his State, weekly magazine, alleging falsehood and defamation, and claiming damages for the humiliation and wounds caused thereby.

The suit grows out of a recent article by Mr. Goerch in which he humorously describes the dogs which he says Miss Harrell owns. In the complaint the plaintiff reproduces the article and without saying with particularity what sections are false and defamatory, declares "The said words and articles are false and defamatory, and held the plaintiff up to ridicule, shame and contempt, and were unlawfully, wrongfully and maliciously written and published by the defendant and concerning the plaintiff."

Miss Harrell, reproducing the State's articles, which appeared under the caption, "She had 49 dogs as her pets," picks up the part reading: "And she probably would have had more, if the neighbors hadn't objected so strenuously. As a result Miss Elizabeth Harrell of Henderson, has been forced to get rid of all her pets, and she's gone up to Georgetown to study law."

"Because the citizenship of Henderson objected to her living in the same house with 49 dogs, Miss Elizabeth Harrell has left town and has gone to Georgetown, District of Columbia, to study law."

"Forty-seven of the dogs have been shipped to a friend in Weldon, the two others—for some unknown reason—were left behind, and were taken in charge by the police."

"Miss Harrell is around 85 years old. She has been a resident of Henderson many years and is reported to be well fixed financially. It is said that at one time she attended the same school with Irene Castle, the famous dancer. Mrs. Castle—as you may know—is very fond of cats. She sees to it that everything pos-

sible is done to make the lives of cats happy and contented. She is personally interested in several cat hospitals and homes.

"It is believed that Miss Harrell got her ideas from Miss Castle. Not being particularly fond of cats, Miss Harrell decided to bestow her affections upon dogs. She owns a fairly large home in Henderson and, as she lives there all by herself, she decided that while she was at it, she might just as well fill up the house with canines. Several years ago she had five or six dogs. Then the number jumped to 20. One of her favorites was 'Shag,' a large animal of dubious ancestry. About a month ago, somebody poisoned Shag, and Miss Harrell raised a terrible fuss about it. She did her best to find out who had committed such a dastardly deed, but she was unable to do so. Not being satisfied with a mere 20 dogs, she continued to add to the number steadily. It didn't make any difference to her what kind of dogs there were just so long as they were dogs. Whenever she saw a stray dog she adopted him, or her, as the case might be. The number jumped to 30, then to 40, and finally to 49."

The article then goes into details as to the dogs, represents them as happy and given to barking on a grand scale. This moved the neighbors, Mr. Goerch says, to complain. The city attorney could find no law against housing dogs in the way it was set forth in Miss Harrell kept them. The city attorney suggested that complaint might be based on the issue of sanitation. The upshot was that the dogs had to be moved. The State articles say 47 of them were sent to a friend in Weldon.

Would Jail Hubby



Mme. Luisa Tetrassini, world famous soprano, has disclosed in Rome that she will press criminal charges against her youthful husband, Pietro Vernati, 25 years her junior, shown above. Vernati, who married the opera singer in 1926, and was separated from her two years later, assertedly has been attempting to place her financial affairs in the hands of a trustee.

Raleigh Tax Rate Highest In State

Capital City Pays \$2.70; Durham Second With \$1.76; Rocky Mount Lowest City.

RALEIGH, Nov. 6.—The combined county-city 1934-35 tax rate of \$2.70 per \$100 valuation on property in Raleigh is the highest among the rates for the 12 largest cities in the state, figures compiled by the North Carolina League of Municipalities show.

The league explains, however, that the adjusted actual rate on the estimated true value of Raleigh's property is \$1.62 or sixth in the list of major cities.

Durham has the highest city tax rate among the state's larger cities, the league reported, at \$1.75. High Point is second with \$1.65 while Wilmington and Raleigh each have a rate of \$1.50. Winston-Salem's rate is \$1.30 and at \$1.25 are Charlotte, Gastonia, Salisbury and Goldsboro. Asheville's is \$1.15, Greensboro \$1.05 and then it's a big drop down to the 27 cents per \$100 which Rocky Mount levies. It was explained that Rocky Mount also has a 35-cent school tax and an 88-cent county tax, a total of \$1.48.

The municipal league estimated that Asheville's assessed valuation on property is 100 per cent of the true value, as also is Salisbury's while the other 10 cities range down to 55 per cent for Durham.

Cleveland Student Leads Wake Forest

Hubert Dixon, Of Kings Mountain, Leads Student Body With Straight "A."

W. L. FOREST, Nov. 7.—One hundred and three of the thousand odd members of the Wake Forest college student body are on the mid-semester honor roll released yesterday by Registrar Grady S. Patterson.

H. C. Dixon of Kings Mountain and C. M. Howell of Thomasville led the school with straight "A" reports, representing work between 95 and 100 per cent perfect.

The freshman class heads the list with 29 men. The seniors placed 27; sophomores, 25; juniors, 16; senior medical, five, and first year medical, one. The law school grades have not yet been released.

Young Dixon is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Butler Dixon, well known citizens of the Bethlehem section. He is a senior this year and is a graduate of Bolling Springs junior college. His major is mathematics, and he is rated as the best in the department.

4,000 Year Old Cone Comes To Library of UNC

Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Barnett of Rutherfordton visited Mr. and Mrs. Webb Barnette Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Jones, Mrs. Bate Wright, Mrs. S. S. Nance and Mrs. C. H. Reinhardt were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Loran Hoyle of Cherryville Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Lovelace, Mrs. Etta Cordell and daughter and Lily Hamrick spent Sunday with Mrs. J. R. Harrill and Mr. Harrill of Sharon.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Terry of the Dover Mill visited Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Terry Sunday.

Miss Vashie McCarver spent the week-end with Miss Bertie Lee Threat of Lattimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stacy and Cyrus Dodson of Ellenboro visited Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Smith Sunday.

Mrs. M. E. Glasco visited her daughter, Mrs. Carrie Hamrick of north Shelby Sunday. Mrs. Hamrick is seriously ill.

Miss Ruby Stacy of Ellenboro was the guest of her cousin, Miss Aileen Wright Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Jones and family of New House visited Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Wright Saturday.

Miss Janet Morrison of Greensboro spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Morrison.

Miss Dorcas Harrill of Lattimore spent Friday with Miss Aileen Wright.

Mrs. Etta Cordell and daughter, Virginia, of Kings Mountain were the week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Lovelace.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Terry spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Everett Curtis of Lattimore.

Permanent Substitute For Bankhead Bill Is Proposed

Gov. Blackwood, Of S. C. Confers With Governors Of A Dozen States.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Nov. 7.—A proposal that a permanent substitute for the Bankhead control act spring from the cotton field instead of the capital was made yesterday by Gov. I. C. Blackwood of South Carolina.

The South Carolina governor called upon executives of 12 other cotton belt states to hold state wide meetings of cotton farmers to decide upon a permanent production control program and send delegates with their plans to a south-wide convention.

The state executive based his apportionment stressed, cotton growers instead of the government officials would draft the measure to regulate their crops upon expiration of the Bankhead act in 1935 and present it at Washington.

The state executive based his appeal upon resolutions in which South Carolina planters declared October 3 that the suspension of government control next year would mean "a probable production that will again drive prices to a four to six cent level."

The proposal called for other states to adopt a plan under which county gatherings of South Carolina farmers will outline details of a measure November 15 and elect a delegate to represent each thousand growers at a state meeting November 20.

While emphasizing the value of the control program in enabling the cotton states to "lead the way out of the depression," Governor Blackwood said the series of state meetings suggested here would allow small farmers a voice in eliminating inequalities of the present control system.

Wants Meeting Before 1935. Should other states co-operate, the governor said he hoped to see the south-wide meeting held before the end of the year as a guide for the national administration and congress.

The state executive directed his message to the governors of North Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Tennessee, Alabama, Virginia, Mississippi, Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Missouri and Louisiana.

Expressing a belief that Secretary of Agriculture Wallace would attend a south-wide meeting, he said: "I think President Roosevelt and Secretary Wallace would love to know how the cotton farmers feel on this far-reaching question."

"Of course," he added, "I expect some difference of opinion as to what should be done."

LaFayette Street Church To Serve Supper Saturday

There will be a chicken and oyster supper at LaFayette Street Methodist church next Saturday, Nov. 10th beginning at 5 o'clock. Everybody is invited to a good supper.

CCC Work Sheet Shows Vast Sum Paid This Year

WASHINGTON.—The Civilian Conservation corps totaled up its work sheet recently and reported that the 850,000 young men, war veterans and Indians had given work at a cost of \$443,000,000—about \$522.50 apiece.

Robert Fechner, director of emergency conservation work, in a report to President Roosevelt covering the 18 months of the CCC's life, gave these totals and conclusions:

1. Payment of \$136,000,000 to boys in the forestry camps.

2. Remission of \$113,000,000 of this amount to their families, averaging 300,000 in number for relief purposes.

3. Expenditure of \$273,500,000 for foodstuffs, clothing, transportation, automobile equipment, heavy machinery and tools.

4. Advancement of the nation's forestry program from 5 to 15 years.

5. Addition of 5,000,000 acres to national forests and 67,000 acres to national parks.

Fechner reported that the present authorized enrolled strength of the camps, located in every state, was 369,838 and that an additional 100,000 would be enrolled to fill vacancies caused by discharges during the third six-month period which ended recently.

"Men are now dropping out to accept private employment at the rate of about 10,000 per month," Fechner told the president, adding: "The CCC movement has lightened state and local relief burdens by giving employment to men whose families were on relief rolls. In almost all cases the jobs in the forest camps have gone to young men willing to allot five-sixth of their monthly cash allowance of \$30 each directly to families or dependents."

Up to September 1, cash allowances paid to the enrolled boys approximated \$136,000,000. Of this amount, the enrolled men sent home approximately \$113,000,000.

Ellenboro Students Elect Farm Officers

The agricultural boys of Ellenboro school met Friday afternoon and organized the local chapter of the Future Farmers of America with the following to be officers for the year: Glen Bridges, president; Forest Davis, vice president; John Fruett, secretary; Hal Jenkins, treasurer; James Ledford, reporter and A. B. Bushong, chapter adviser.

A program to include a banquet, a summer trip, enter livestock and public speaking contests along with sponsoring a better project program was adopted at the meeting.

Pickpockets Raid G. O. P. Meeting

ALBEMARLE, Nov. 7.—Pickpockets allegedly were active here Friday night during the course of a Republican rally at the courthouse which drew the largest gathering of voters of the present campaign. Two citizens reported the loss of substantial sums. Jake Newell of Charlotte addressed a gathering which packed and jammed the auditorium and lower floors of courthouse and overflowed into the street. Newell's address was mostly an attack upon administration policies and a plea to voters to return to the Republican fold.

Hallowe'en Carnival Huge Success In Grover Section

Juniors And Primaries Given Party; Men Plan Oyster Stew; Births Announced.

(Special to The Star)

GROVER, Nov. 6.—Members of the Junior C. E. and Primary class of the Shiloh Presbyterian church were entertained last Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. S. A. Crisp with Mrs. F. B. Hambricht and Mrs. C. F. Harry as assisting hostesses. About fifteen young people were present. Those winning prizes in the contests were Tommy Harry and Al Crisp. Halloween colors were effectively used in the delicious refreshments and also in the party decorations.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan C. Gladden and daughter, Reba Doris, spent a few days of last week in Shelby at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Gladden.

The men's Bible class of the Baptist church is planning an evening of real fellowship and enjoyment for Wednesday evening, Nov. 7. The committee in charge, A. C. Baumgardner, chairman, A. F. Collins and Chas. A. Everett, plan an oyster stew supper with a program of special music and speaking. The principal address of the evening will be by the Rev. A. G. Sargent, pastor of the First Baptist church of Kings Mountain.

Carl Randall and Miss Elizabeth Bird, Annie and Elena Randall left Friday for Blythewood, S. C., to spend some time with their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Brown.

A Halloween carnival in the High school building Wednesday night drew a crowd of folks, old and young to mix and make merry with the ghosts, goblins and witches in full costume on the huge indoor midway and fun trail. Barkers cried their

wares of coffee, cocoa, cake and sandwiches at the various prettily decorated booths while vendors of peanuts, popcorn and candy wandered through the throng and coaxed or wheedled customers to spend their nickels and dimes. Miss Sarah Jane Robinson proved to be an attractive and irresistible gypsy fortune teller popular with the patrons. Other amusements included a 10 in 1 sideshow of horrible freaks called the "Spook House," in charge of Miss Agnes Weaver; and a hilarious fun house, "Apple Bobbing." The "Fish Pond" replaced the usual "Beano" concession. H. B. Covington, principal, announces the affair a huge success, the profits going to the athletic association.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoyle Ponder announce the birth of a baby girl, Monday, October 29. Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Allen are receiving congratulations on the birth of a baby boy, James Franklin.

5-Year-Old Child Succumbs To Burns

HICKORY, Nov. 6.—Burns received when she threw the contents of a bottle of rubbing alcohol into the fire late Saturday afternoon proved fatal yesterday to Ellen Marcelle Melton, five-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Melton of Brookford.

The little girl had been rubbing alcohol on the Meltons' baby's finger, and when she got through, she is said to have dashed the contents of the bottle into the fire. The flames licked out and caught the child's clothing, which was burned from her body.

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