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Administrator Receives Praise From Granite Falls

(Editor's Note: The following editorial appeared in the August 24 edition of the Lenoir News-Topic. It was headed: "Granite Falls' Loss Is Edenton's Gain".). It is with deep regret that we learn Granite Falls Town Manager Samuel W. Noble

is resigning to take a new job in Edenton, but we are happy for his sake since the move means a big step upward for a superbly capable, diligent, hard working and intelligent young man.

Yes, there are rumors that the recent consolidation of the Granite Falls fire and police departments, and the attendant political disputes, prompted Mr. Noble to seek new employment. However, the facts indicate otherwise. It is no secret to those

familiar with the inner workings of Granite Falls municipal affairs, that Mr. Noble has been approached, indeed courted, by other North Carolina towns, most of them much larger than Granite Falls.

To accent this fact, Mr. Noble has an excellent administrative track record since he came to Granite Falls three and a half years ago.

A city manager's job is by no means a cushy position. It requires skill, foresight, sound judgment, an awareness of current laws and regulations, and a solid ability to work with other neonle

During the past three years, Mr. Noble and Granite Falls have had their share of troubles. Lawsuits, an embarrassing and protracted controversy with the town's ABC Board, and zoning injunctions are but a few of the more unpleasant affairs that have occurred since Mr. Noble came to town.

However; had it not been for his determination, integrity, and downright efficient philosophy. of government, these problems would have continued untended, and in the long run would have cost the town more and more.

Mr. Noble's tenure has been marked by more positive events also. An efficient and updated personnel policy, vast new water system improvements, newer and



better facilities and responsible accounting procedures, all instituted during the past three years have helped Granite Falls progress tremendously, and enriched town coffers as well.

It is unfortunate that Caldwell County must lose Mr. Noble, but we wish him the best of luck in his new position. He is a deserving individual on his way up and we have all the confidence in the world that he will prove to be a major asset to Edenton and a true credit to Caldwell County.

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required to send a copy of the W-4 to the IRS. The IRS will send the employee a letter asking him or her to complete a form which involves computing the correct number of exemptions.

Upon receipt, the IRS analyzes the information, determines the allowable number of exemptions and notifies the employer. If the employee fails to complete and return the computation worksheet to the IRS, the employer is instructed to withhold as if the person was single, claiming one exemption.

"We are aware of a few cases of overstated exemptions on the W-4", said Glenn Jones, IRS Public Affairs Officer. "We want employees to be aware of their responsibilities in filing the correct W-4 form. If we prosecute a person for filing a false W-4 and obtain a conviction, he or she could be sentenced up to a year in jail and have to pay up to a \$500 fine. That's a grim consequence for anyone."