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GREATER HALIFAX COUNTY EDITION OF THE ROANOKE NEWS WILL BE ISSUED.

Business Activities of County, Its Advantages And Growth to Be Told In Proper Form -- Will be Illustrated and Widely Circulated Home and Abroad.

Just as in the business world there is no real growth without advertising, so in the great race between towns, cities and communities, seeking wealth and population, there can be no real progress without publicity. The world must know what a community has in the way of goods, climate, health, soil, industry, class of citizenship and civic improvements—before it will bear a beaten track to that community's gate.

If your citizens will only advertise to the outside world your splendid resources and industrial and climatic advantages—which are manifold—Weldon and Roanoke Rapids are destined to become two of the most important cities in North Carolina," said a banker of Washington, D. C., to a local business man recently.

THE ROANOKE NEWS, the oldest paper published in the great county of Halifax, has given its best efforts to the task here of over a period of four decades, to the task of building here a happy, prosperous and enlightened community, and in the future it will emphasize these efforts.

With the purpose of attracting particular attention of the outside world to the great advantages of Halifax county and of the wonderful future which lies before this great section, THE NEWS has decided to issue in the immediate future, what we shall term a "Greater Halifax County Progress Edition."

It will set forth in a truthful manner the many excellent advantages that this section has to offer to the homeseeker, investor, and manufacturer. Care will be taken that articles in the publication will cover every phase of the county's activities, interests, resources and advantages. It will likewise be circulated throughout the country, through the most authoritative sources, where it should prove of the greatest benefit to the community. The status of our community life will be gone into, and we hope to not only make you better acquainted with your own section, but those who have worked for the advancement and prosperity of the section. During recent years hundreds of communities have been built, populated and improved to a very high degree by well conducted publicity. In other words the liberal use of printer's ink has been the prime factor in an advancement that might otherwise never have occurred. Business men of one community have, by this medium, attracted capital and population from less enterprising communities by forceful announcements of economic opportunities. Community building, at its best, is a business proposition pure and simple. Strong, great communities don't really happen, they are built. It should be an easy matter to attract more population and capital here to a concise, truthful statement of just what we have to offer. We must awake to the vast opportunities at hand and look forward to the future years ahead of us, in the realization that, that which promotes the general good in great measure advances the interests of each in the community.

If you would see your native town and section become bigger and greater, join with THE NEWS in putting its advantages squarely before the outside world. Many have already done so in this undertaking. The co-operation of every one is essential to the successful performance of the task this paper has set for itself.

FRANK.
The following extract from an obituary in an exchange:
"Despite all that medical skill and the loving care of her family could do, she died without a struggle."

REVAMPED.
Mary had a little lamb,
Well shaped, as limbs go;
And everywhere that Mary went
That lamb was sure to show.

HAPPINESS IS CONTAGIOUS.
Some of the best business men we know are holding on to their liberty bonds and collecting the interest on them every six months.
Doesn't it strike you that since they were given the ballot more wives are killing their husbands than ever before?

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A LITTLE CHANGE.
We are making this week a little change in the make-up of the paper. You will find all the local news on the first page and the editorial matter on the fourth page. The inside of the paper will contain stories, selections and poetry.

OLD WELDON.

Things That Happened 33 Years Ago in Town and Vicinity.

November 22nd, 1888.—Miss Laura Powers is visiting friends in Ridgeway.

Mr. Ben Prescott, of Washington, D. C., is visiting his brother, Mr. Aaron Prescott.

Mr. Robert Watson Prince, a native of this county, but now a resident of Petersburg, was married on the 7th inst., to Miss Alice Wayles Meade, of Roanoke Va.

A short time ago Master Charles R. Emry, son of Major T. L. Emry was the recipient of a handsome gold-headed cane from an unknown friend. It came from New York by express but the name of the donor was not given. It was doubtless a token of esteem from an admirer who took this delicate way of showing his appreciation of a clever boy.

Miss Mildred Badger, of Raleigh, who has been visiting Capt. and Mrs. W. H. Day, returned home Saturday.

Yesterday about two o'clock in the Methodist church in this place by the Rev. B. B. Culbreth, Mr. W. W. Jones, of Littleton, was united in matrimony to Mrs. Sallie J. Zollicoffer, daughter of our townsman, F. J. Cheek, Esq.

Joseph T. Barham, Esq., of Southampton county, Va., was united in matrimony to Miss Eula Daniel, daughter of C. C. Daniel, Esq., of Northampton county, N. C., on the 14th day of November, 1888, the Rev. Geo. E. Hunt, officiating.

At Jackson, on Wednesday evening of last week, Miss Myda Calvert, of that place, was married to Mr. Richard A. Weaver, of Richmond, Va. The ceremony was performed in the Methodist church by the Rev. Mr. Moss.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

At the annual meeting of the Weldon Chapter of the American Red Cross held last week at the Graded School Auditorium the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Chairman—Mrs. W. L. Knight.
Vice-Chairman—Mrs. J. A. Johnston.

Secretary—Mrs. E. L. Hayward.
Treasurer—Mr. R. S. Travis.

The Chairman read report of the work accomplished for the past year, which showed that substantial aid had been given to some World War veterans who were in needy circumstances, and also that the Chapter has paid its proportionate part of salary of the county nurse. It has rendered service whenever called upon.

Mrs. Knight explained the purpose of the Roll Call and stated that after deducting the 50 per cent. due National headquarters, the 50 per cent. left would be used in our own community in health work and for other worthy causes. The 50 per cent. sent headquarters is to be used in cases of disaster—flood, famine and epidemics, and in feeding and clothing the starving of other lands. Also the Red Cross functions in peace as well as in war, and the Chapter earnestly asks for the co-operation of the people of Weldon in securing our proportion of members in the annual Roll Call.

MRS. E. L. HAYWARD,
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REV. J. G. BLALOCK.
After a most successful pastorate of twelve and a half years, Brother J. G. Blalock has resigned the pastorate of the Weldon church to accept a call to a group of churches near South Hill, Va. He will begin his work on his new field in December. The pastorate of the field is located at South Hill, Va. During the pastorate of Brother Blalock in Weldon a beautiful and commodious church building was erected, which is a credit to the town, and improvements have been made in other directions. We commend Brother Blalock most heartily to the Virginia saints. He is one of our truest men. He is a strong preacher, a scholarly man, and loyal to all the institutions of the denomination.—Biblical Recorder.

No, indeed. The best looking stenographer is not always the best speller.

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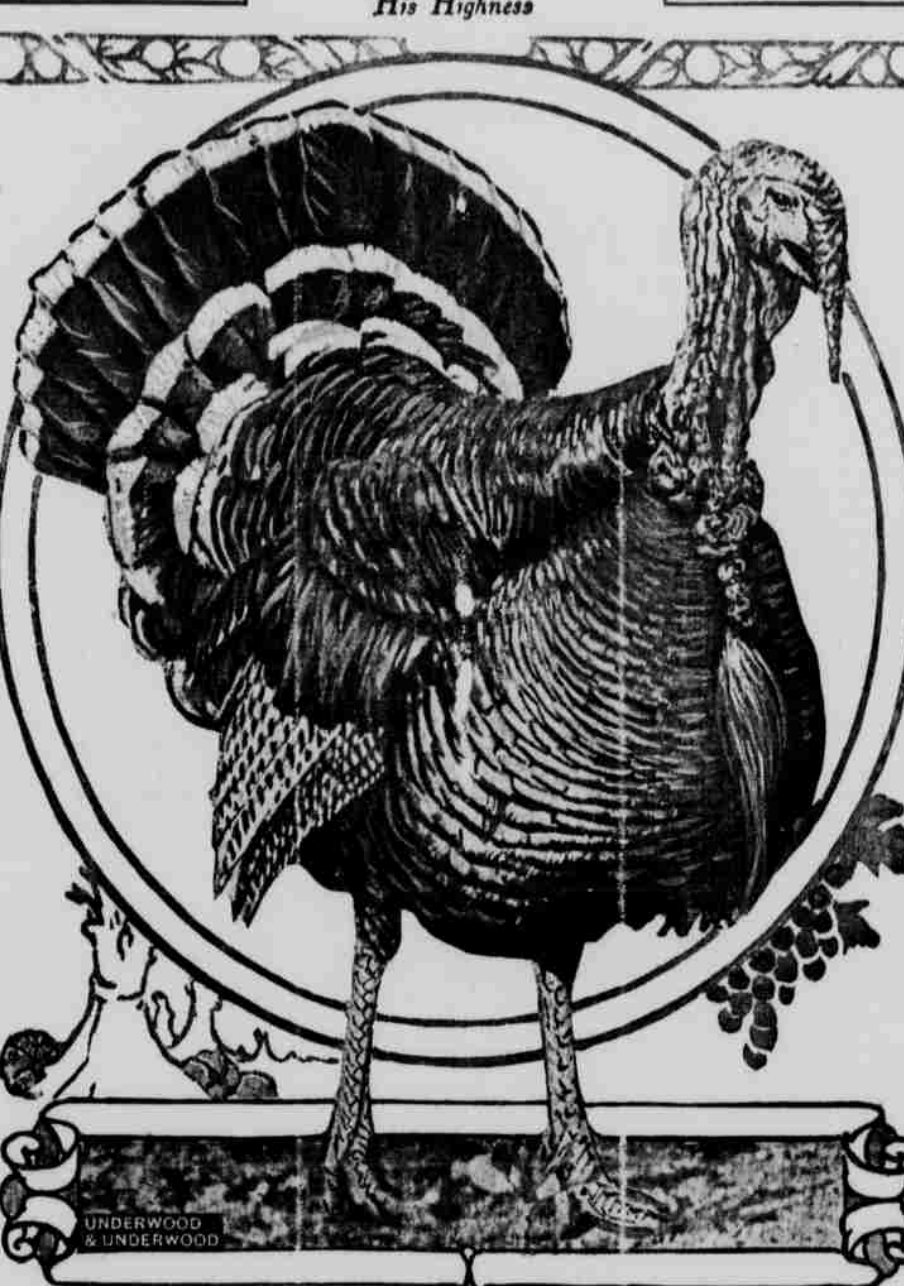
Some times a man meets a woman who has more brains than he has, but he won't admit it.

And now the basketball folks are impatiently waiting for the football folks to get out of the way.

NICE JUICY TURKEY may be a powerful incentive to Thanksgiving, yet is not necessary when there is genuine appreciation of the real blessings of the year.



GIVING THANKS may be made so formal that the Almighty doubts the existence of gratitude. It was the poor Publican's prayer that was commended to us all.



WHAT WOULD THE DAY BE WITHOUT A BIRD LIKE THIS TO GRACE THE BOARD!

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

Mrs. C. J. Owens visited Richmond last week.

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Mrs. T. O. Vaughan has returned home from Woodland.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl James, of Elkin, are visiting relatives in town.

Candidates in olden times kissed the babies; but now the mother can vote.

Dr. and Mrs. R. P. Morehead are visiting relatives in West Virginia.

Capt. C. G. Sneed, of Fork Union, Va., is visiting relatives in town.

Solomon had 700 wives, and maybe that is why he knew so much.

Mr. W. W. Sledge, of Durham, spent the week end with relatives in town.

Mrs. Virginia Sledge and Mrs. Eva Bishop are visiting relatives in Norfolk.

Mrs. J. J. Stainback and children have returned from Saranac Lake, N. Y.

Some neighbors, says an exchange, will borrow anything except the baby.

You can fool some people all the time, but you can't fool your wife any of the time.

Almost any sensible man will tell you that work is a good thing—for other people.

When a husband tells his wife he loves her she wonders what he has been doing.

In China talkative women are divorced. And still we send missionaries to China.

Mrs. J. A. Musgrove and Miss Willie Musgrove spent several days in Richmond last week.

It is perfectly surprising how much some men know about things they know nothing about.

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NOTHING OVERLOOKED.

A salesman sold a bill of goods to a merchant in a small town. They were returned as not satisfactory. The wholesale house undertook to collect anyway and drew a sight draft on the bank at the customer's town. The bank returned the draft unpaid. Then the house wrote to the village postmaster and asked if the merchant was good for the amount of the bill. The letter was returned O. K. at the bottom. Next the postmaster was asked to put the bill in the hands of a local lawyer for collection. The answer received by the wholesalers ran as follows:

"The undersigned is the merchant on whom you tried to palm off your worthless junk. The undersigned is also president of the bank that returned your draft. The undersigned is the postmaster to whom you wrote and also the lawyer whom you tried to get to collect your bill. And if the undersigned were not also the pastor of the local church, the undersigned would tell you to go straight to the devil."

Who said hard times? The people of this country last year spent \$44,000,000 for chewing gum.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ira Wyche attended the funeral of Mr. M. J. Squire, of Emporia, Va., last week.

Mrs. T. R. Walker and Mrs. Nannie Walker, of Littleton, spent Wednesday of last week with Mrs. B. H. Wear.

We are still on war basis. When dinner is ready the whole family volunteers, but when the dishes are to be washed mother has to do some drafting.

THE COURTS.
Some people are distressed because of the widespread agitation over the delays in the administration of justice by the courts. They say it will tend to destroy confidence in the courts.

Don't you believe it? The agitation that is going on is a healthy sign.

The courts in this country belong to the people, and it is the privilege as well as the duty of the people to keep watch on them.

The courts are not going to be abolished, but unless all signs fail some changes are going to be made which will make their procedure more rapid and certain.

The people are going to see to it that the courts function for the speedy administration of justice and not for the delay or defeat of it, as has been the case in so many instances in the past.

INSTRUCTIVE LECTURE.
Arch Deacon Drane delivered a lecture at Grace Episcopal church in this place last Friday evening on his travels as a missionary in Alaska. The lecture was very instructive and greatly pleased his hearers.

THERE may be other wars in the future, but it is reasonably certain that no nation will be able to start one for some time to come.

W. O. BURTON.
The body of W. O. Burton, formerly a well known contractor of this city, who disappeared from a Chesapeake bay steamer about three weeks ago, has been found on the beach at Cape Charles.—News-Leader.

Mr. Burton was at one time a resident of Weldon, and is doubtless remembered by many of our citizens. He was the contractor who had charge of the building of several of the large mills at Roanoke Rapids.

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ABOVE ALL NATIONS.

Surely Americans Have Abundant Reasons for Giving Thanks to the Bestower of Our Blessings.

The history of Thanksgiving day has been told innumerable times in song and story, from pulpit and platform and in the press. From the time of its first celebration 300 years ago men and women and children of this nation have heard the message of the serious purpose of this commemorative day. No less mindful than were our fathers are we today of the sacredness of its purpose.

True, in days gone by it was a much more simple event. In the early days of its origin, a little settlement here and another there rendered thanks to the Deity for the blessings they felt He had bestowed upon them. And they were simple blessings for the most part. Gratitude for the gifts which Nature had handed them; rejoicing that in an alien world they were none the less happy and contented—these were the returns for which they gathered in family groups to give thanks.

Nature has not withheld from us this year her customary bounty. Our harvests have been gratifying, we do not in this regard lack cause for rejoicing. Nor indeed is our present state in matters that do not pertain merely to harvests and fields of grain, one that is altogether without splendid prospects for great achievement.

By a combination of circumstances we are today the one nation in the world to whom her sister nations may look for aid and comfort in their hour of need.

As potential world power for good, America has reason to be grateful for the privileged position it holds among her sister nations. That is at least one cause for national thanksgiving.

THE MAIL ORDER BUSINESS.
One of the largest mail order houses in the country employs a staff to read and study the weekly newspapers published in the small towns. Whenever a community is found in which the local merchants are not steady and liberal advertisers, the mail order house puts on a catalogue campaign. The mail order houses get their business from localities in which there are no live merchants.

The truth is that local merchants themselves are largely to blame for the success of the mail order houses. The local merchant can sell goods cheaper than a merchant in a big city, for he is at less expense, and while he may not carry as big a stock of goods as the city merchant, he can replenish his stock as often as may be necessary and within a few days.

But the local merchant must advertise his goods and prices if he is to get the trade that rightfully belongs to him. Thousands of dollars go out of the town, and out of every other town, to the mail order houses every year simply because the local merchants do not advertise as they should.

SPECIAL OFFER.
For a limited time we will give a year's subscription to the Southern Agriculturist without charge to any subscriber new or old, who asks for it when paying a year's subscription to THE ROANOKE NEWS. The popularity of the Southern Agriculturist is shown by its circulation, which now exceeds 375,000.

This offer is intended for our former friends, who are urged to take advantage of it at once, because we have only a certain number of subscriptions which we can give free in this way. When they are used, this offer will be withdrawn. First come, first served.

FOR SALE.—1 large coal heater, 2 wood heaters, 1 new electric oil stove, 1 oil heater, 1 refrigerator, 1 dining room table and chairs, 1 walnut sideboard, 1 bicycle, 1 cot, 1 pair bed springs and mattress, 1 book case, 1 Johnson's Encyclopedia, (8 vol.,) 6 window shades, (26 inches wide,) 1 feather bed, Piano, 1 kitchen safe.

Notice of Consolidation.
On and after the 10th day of November, 1921, The Citizens Bank of Halifax, N. C., will be consolidated with The Bank of Tillery, at Tillery, N. C. Please handle all items drawn on the Citizens Bank of Halifax, N. C. through The Bank of Tillery, as after November 10th, business at Halifax will be discontinued.

We thank you for your past business and hope that we may be of service to you in the future at our new location in Tillery, N. C.

Very truly yours,
THE CITIZENS BANK OF HALIFAX
By MILTON NORMAN, Cashier.

This November 10, 1921 11 24 41