

CITY OF HIGH POINT  
North Carolina

Office of  
CITY MANAGER

March 18, 1949

Mr. W. D. Burton  
314 Phillips Street  
High Point, N. C.

Dear Mr. Burton: Subject: Stop  
Light at Intersection of Phillips  
and English Streets

The petition for street light at the  
intersection of Phillips and Eng-  
lish Streets, which you sent to Mr.  
Kearns, has come to my attention.

We do not have a street light in  
stock at this time, but I have in-  
structed the purchasing agent to  
order a light for this location. The  
purchasing agent telephoned the  
manufacturer yesterday afternoon  
regarding this matter, and was  
informed that the light would be  
shipped Monday, March 21. Allow-  
ing reasonable time, this light  
should be installed within the next  
ten or fifteen days.

We regret very much that we  
were unaware of this condition and  
this matter had to come to us in  
the form of a petition. We appre-  
ciate your interest. We are always  
glad to have suggestions.

Very truly yours,  
T. E. Hinson  
City Manager

**THERE'S A REASON**

On a construction job the boss  
walked out into a lot with the  
foreman and some workmen and  
said, "Dig a hole here about 2 x 3  
feet; crib it up good so it won't  
fall in" and walked away. The  
men did a good job of cribbing and  
sent for the boss. He looked in the  
hole and said, "Fill it up." This  
went on all morning. At noon the  
foreman said that the men were  
not going to dig any more holes  
because they were doing the best  
job they could and all the boss  
had to say was "Fill it up." Said  
the boss, "Don't they know why  
we are digging the holes?" "No,"  
said the foreman, "and neither do  
I." The boss said, "There is a gas  
leak somewhere and we are dig-  
ging the holes to try to find the  
leak." "That's different; we'll dig  
all the holes you want."

This is an illustration to explain  
why work varies in some depart-  
ments and why work in the same  
department varies from week to  
week. We are giving prompt at-  
tention to all orders. The knitting  
room works according to specifica-  
tions from the finishing depart-  
ment and all other departments  
along the line are affected. Work  
cannot be anticipated weeks ahead  
(like in days gone by), and the  
mill dare not hold back work when  
orders are pending.

**MELROSE "ALERTED" FOR ORDERS**

Finishing Rooms Specialized For Prompt Handling

The entire Melrose organization is set up to cooperate with the  
Finishing Rooms for the prompt and careful handling of orders. Workers  
in each department are in the mills each day so that goods may be  
processed. This is a departure from the part time arrangement whereby  
operators in some departments worked three eight hour days and were  
off the job other days of the week. Now, a telescope arrangement is in  
effect which places workers in all departments a varying number of  
hours each day. If work is available, employees may put in a full eight  
hour day; otherwise, there may be employment for five hours only. This  
means that there is shipping going out from the mills each day.

**Memos That Accompany Orders These Days**

We shall appreciate your shipment of our orders for these at  
once for we need these very much. Your prompt attention and  
action in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

We will appreciate your letting us know if you will be able to  
ship us frequent orders on this number.

Please rush our order No. 1185 and order No. 1194 for 30 dozen  
nylons bronziq and 60 dozen Naive Beige. We are badly in  
need of them.

We do need the goods now and therefore we would appreciate  
your speeding up the shipping same.

We have booked with you 30 dozen No. 441 White Crew Sox that  
we are badly in need of and hope you can get these out without  
delay.

We would appreciate your shipping out immediately the 100  
dozen of your style No. 440, as our style BM30, which was sched-  
uled for delivery later. Kindly give this matter your prompt  
attention, and see that shipment is made at once.

Please advise when you expect to ship our Infants' anklets.  
Also delivery on the Ribs and other numbers.

If you can ship our order No. 949 on our style No. 284 prior to  
date scheduled, we would appreciate your doing so.

We placed some orders for 175 and 4515 nylons about ten days  
ago. Trust you will not delay shipment on these much longer  
as we will soon be running into the season for Spring shaded.

We have on file with you an order for 51 gauge, 15 denier hose.  
Please ship same at once by parcel post.

Please advise when we might expect shipment of 30 dozen No.  
258 anklets to be shipped to Paper Products Company. Also  
shipment of Hosiery to us, order given Mr. Kearns. We are  
badly in need of everything, including 51/15 nylons.

It is imperative that our order on Style 313 come forward  
today, sure.

Please rush for store opening April 15th.

We shall appreciate your shipment of our order at once, for we  
need these very much.

The Melrose organization is "streamlined" to meet the needs and  
demands of customers. From the time the initial order reaches the office  
it is routed through skilled hands to meet the requirements specified,  
and to speed up the handling all along the line to get the orders shipped  
promptly.

The foremen in the four finishing departments are "specialists"  
with years of experience and especially trained in Melrose policy. Mr.  
J. A. Hardison of mill one Seamless plant, has been with the company  
17 years. Mr. Leigh Harper of mill two Seamless plant 5 years. Mr. J. S.  
Furr of the Full Fashioned plant 10 years. Mr. J. C. Hill of the Glenn  
(children's) plant 8 years.

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**Your Credit Union**

B. LATCHER WEBSTER  
Managing Director

For the benefit of those who are  
not thoroughly familiar with your  
credit union plan, please allow us  
to review briefly the history of the  
plan.

Mr. Edward A. Filene, a wealthy  
Boston merchant, while on one of  
his travels in the early 1900's ran  
across a plan of some similarity to  
our credit union operating among  
the poverty-stricken people of In-  
dia. A little later he encountered  
a consumer credit movement or  
plan in several European coun-  
tries. The Raiffeisen plan, founded  
by Father Raiffeisen, in Germany,  
was more nearly like our credit  
unions of today and was the plan  
introduced to and given to the peo-  
ple of this country by Mr. Filene.

Mr. Filene became identified  
with the movement in this coun-  
try in 1921. Along with Roy E.  
Bergengren he formed what they  
called the Credit Union National  
Extension Bureau. In the begin-  
ning they had four primary ob-  
jectives: 1. To get the needed  
credit union laws passed 2. To get  
the necessary sample credit unions  
organized 3. To increase the num-  
ber of credit unions 4. To organ-  
ize self-sustaining state leagues  
and combine them into a Credit  
Union National Association.

Primarily through the efforts of  
these two men and Mr. Thomas W.  
Doig and a million dollars of Mr.  
Filene's fortune they had organ-  
ized or caused to be organized  
2,000 credit unions by 1934. This  
necessitated travel to every nook  
and corner of the United States  
and contact with practically every  
state legislature, our National  
Congress and Federal government  
agencies.

It was in 1934 that Mr. Filene,  
Bergengren, and Doig began to  
think and do something about  
their fourth objective. In August  
of this year fifty some credit  
union people from all parts of the  
country, on invitation and at the  
expense of Mr. Filene, gathered  
in a log cabin at Estes Park, Col-  
orado and drafted the constitution  
and by-laws for the Credit Union  
National Association. By January  
1935, the time of CUNA's first  
annual meeting, 31 state leagues  
had been organized and incorpo-  
rated in the National Association.  
Mr. Bergengren and Mr. Doig did  
most of this organizational work.

From 3,000 credit unions at that  
point to approximately 12,000 to-  
day gives us a pretty good picture  
of the rapid growth of the move-  
ment. Surely this progress came  
about primarily through the state  
leagues and the CUNA. For the  
first time we had a central organi-  
zation and the only organization  
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J. A. HARDISON



LEIGH HARPER



J. S. FURR



J. C. HILL