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THE TRUE FACTS ABOUT WATER, SEWERAGE AND CONSOLIDATION

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will be worked through the County Board of Commissioners and the State Board of Health, while the incorporation will be handled by the State Legislature.

This plan was not only agreed upon by the Town Board, the Rosemary Merchants Association, the Kiwanis Club, the corporation and mills, but has been agreed upon by 2,400 citizens who signed the petition which will be presented to the legislature.

Lest there be any misunderstanding about the petitions, we wish to make this clear. The big petition, signed by 2,400 citizens, is for incorporation of the bigger city. A small petition, signed only by resident property owners, was for the sanitary district, as required by law.

As is true of anything of importance, the work was done by committees representing all the interested parties. Everything those committees did was given full publicity in this paper several months ago. The resolution adopted by the Town Board, the Rosemary Merchants Association, the Kiwanis Club and other organizations favoring the plan as outlined above, were all printed in full. There has been no change of any part of the adopted plan.

There has been, will be, no attempt to "put anything over" on anybody. For example as concerns the sanitary district, there appears in this issue a notice for a public hearing on the question at Halifax on January 9th. There will be another State hearing one month later. Anyone objecting will be given every chance to voice those objections.

The same is true of the other half of the plan: incorporation. There is nothing mandatory. When the State legislature passes the bill, it will come back to the people for a vote. Those who object can vote against the bill.

This newspaper has had a representative at every meeting where the plan was discussed and adopted. We happen to know that those who oppose the plan were not at these meetings. They know only by hearsay. We are printing the facts and the truth. The actions of the different organizations are matters of record.

There was difference of opinion on the plan but the one adopted was finally acceptable to all concerned. Only in that way is anything ever accomplished. A dozen plans might now be offered but they have all been argued and worked over by committees in the past. The plan outlined can succeed.

This community stands today on the threshold of a new era. For the past two years, these things have been working. Long, weary hours have been spent in debate and argument and final agreement. Leaders of this community have given precious hours of their business time to the affairs of the community.

Those of us who call this home and intend to live here in the future want a city of which we can be proud, a city in which it will be a comfort and a pleasure to live. Unity is our salvation. Unity brought a new bridge when we were destined to get a shell; unity brought back the Federal Highway when it was taken from us; unity is going to build us a new hotel.

And a united city will bring us even greater blessings; decent streets, good sidewalks, cleanliness, protection of life and property, business protection, a curbing of many civic ills, a postoffice, ample fire and police facilities, a hundred other improvements; and a civic pride and interest which is impossible now and which will draw from sur-

rounding territory friendship and trade from new untapped sources.

We must be prepared. When the dam is built, a city of 2,000 souls will be thrust in our midst. We must be ready to protect our merchants and business men, to take care of added civic responsibilities which will come overnight. We could never do it today. Another industry might locate here and we would find ourselves in the same predicament today. No one to deal with them, no one to control them, no central authority to shoulder the responsibility.

The time is at hand for action. Every man, woman and child can help. Your words and deeds are your weapons. Just as we unite to cheer our High School teams to victory, let us now unite to build here and now, for all times, a real city.

LETTING THE OTHER FELLOW DO IT

We need ten men to subscribe \$100 each in hotel stock. No, the mills or the Power Company will not make up the difference. They have come through with their share which is a large per centage of the total amount. No, the other fellow isn't going to save you, because he is waiting for you to subscribe so he will not be called on.

We are very near the end now, but that last thousand seems the hardest of all to get. You say it is not here. Don't make us laugh. A man who refused to subscribe the other day because he said he didn't have the money will not be asked again. Members of the committee knew better, but if that man is not enough interested in his community when he has the money, to subscribe to the hotel, the committee is not going to waste its time. As a matter of fact, we have reason to believe that man could have subscribed the whole thousand at about the same sacrifice with which most of us subscribed one hundred.

It is not a question of the money not being here. Look at the statements of the local banks and see how much is on savings accounts and time deposits.

It is simply a question of getting the people out of the habit of waiting with the hope that somebody else will do it and relieve them of carrying any of the load. We could have had some high-powered money-raisers come in here and they would have raised the money in a week. Instead we felt the people of this community would be glad to subscribe and to deny themselves, if necessary, without using high-pressured methods with bad after-effects.

Next week, we will print a list of those citizens and firms who have subscribed. We want at least ten more names on that list.

SQUARING ACCOUNTS

Unsolicited, solely moved by the old Christmas spirit and with no thought or hope of return, the merchants of Rosemary are planning to give a little touch of Christmas to many of the community who might otherwise pass a sad and empty day.

In answer to the article last week the committee is being swamped with requests from families for a little bit of Christmas.

It is not only at this time, but always when times are hard and money scarce that the merchants are called on for assistance. No one can realize the calls of every description which come to the man on Main Street and he never fails when a case is justified. When the pay envelope is small, he is the man who extends credit and allows the unfortunate to have food, clothing, medicine and the other necessities of life.

The sad part of this story is that his efforts are so often unappreciated. When times are better and the pay envelope fuller, he not only does not get his money back, in many cases, but that money goes to the mail order houses and other outside concerns. It is not fair.

Now at this Christmas time and with the New Year in the offing, we want those who have been guilty of such practice to turn over a new leaf; to help those who have been good to them or their friends; to constantly remember that the merchant who has extended credit and merchandise when they were needed deserves and must have all their business and especially when there is cash to spend. Only in that way can the account be called square.

If that is not done, we predict a day in the future when everything will be for cash and when you don't have the cash, you can jolly well do without, you and yours.

THINGS THAT NEVER HAPPEN

By GENE BYRNES



STRAIGHT SHOOTING

By OLD TIMER

Who remembers the first organization of business men in Rosemary-Roanoke Rapids, which, by the way, was named "The Board of Trade"? Do you recall the mass meeting, held in Jim Robinson's Theatre, of the aforesaid "Board of Trade" and the speaker and, among other things, what the speaker of the auspicious occasion said? It was at least eighteen, or more years ago, before Jim had enlarged his playhouse, and the speaker was the honorable Albert L. Cox of Raleigh, North Carolina.

While the visit of Mr. Cox had been arranged by others, Mr. John Patterson met him upon the arrival of his train, took the time to show Mr. Cox the entire community, dined and—maybe wine—Mr. Cox and then sat behind him on the stage.

I don't recall who introduced Mr. Cox, but I do recall his first words—"Why in the world don't Rosemary and Roanoke Rapids incorporate into one town?" The only person who did not cheer these remarks was Mr. John L. Patterson.

This year's Thanksgiving Day football game between the Universities of Virginia and North Carolina will go down in the archives at Charlottesville as being without a parallel. The University of Virginia capitulated to the foes from the North, South and East. From the North came the cold, biting winds and weather which made the pigskin feel like a cake of ice. Up from the South came the determined football warriors from the University of North Carolina, whose steam-roller operations could not be stopped. From the East (Richmond) came the Federal Prohibition agents to prevent the usual good fellowship which has always surrounded these Turkey Day games. With all this going on Virginia only lost some forty points to zero. Poor Virginia, our heart aches for her and hers.

Are you Old Timer? No, I am not Old Timer. If I were to give you my personal specifications, you would read something like this: Between forty and sixty years of age, somewhere around five feet-five inches tall, weight—with heavy underwear included—150 pounds, one suit of clothes which I usually have on; use a toothbrush, Ivory soap and wear garters; Guess again, I'm not Old Timer!

Jurors Special Term Of Superior Court

Jurors for a special term of Halifax Superior Court for one week, beginning December 15, 1930, are W. A. Barnhill, D. F. Bryant, E. W. Crawley, Wiley N. Gregory, Walter C. Moore, Geo. K. Bell, D. W. Downs, G. Cohen, J. A. Smith, W. A. Telliga, R. W. Riddick, Dave Cowan, W. L. Keel, W. J. Bryant, A. J. Whitehead, T. H. Hargrove, J. C. Cook, G. A. Northington, A. H. Poole, S. W. Dickens, W. C. Barkley, F. R. Pope, C. J. Lewis, R. A. Rogers, W. V. Woodruff, H. S. Butts, J. H. Harris, Jno. A. Eest, H. W. Jenkins, D. J. Morris.



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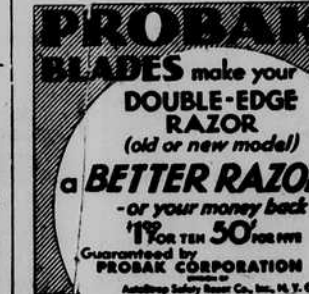
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BY LOUIS RICHARD