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## Hello Iredell



FROM OUT OF THE PAST this photograph captures a time when a trip to town meant renewing old friendships, catching up on the news and sharing the latest crop information.

Photo - Bob Plyler

**C**ONGRATULATIONS CIREDELL — You have just given birth to a bouncing 24-page weekly newspaper!

Cigars would be in order, but given the state of tobacco, we'll have to settle for bubble gum. (Just kidding, all you dentists.)

Anyway, to all you people who held our hand, gave us strong shoulders to lean on, kept us on track and when we faltered, gave us a swift kick in the south end, thank you.

Now, back to the baby. You'll notice she (we'll call it a "she") is, about the size of a small country ham. As parents, we think she's easy to hold, delightful to look at and easy to read.

By its very nature, a paper that comes once a week is not designed to take the place of a good daily. What this paper can do is take time to smell the roses.

We're interested in you, your neighbors, the people across town and in the county. What you do is more important than the lead story on the CBS Evening News.

So, here it is. A newspaper, like all enterprises, is hard work, but we're going to have fun. You're invited to come along for the ride. Should we forget to have fun, feel free to apply your size twelve shoe to the appropriate southern spot.