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OURS IS NOT A BALANCED COMMUNITY.

The day of bringing the fellow from the outside to build your town or city appears to have passed, in fact there is a doubt if it ever existed and the community that has gone forward and grown larger and greater is usually the one that has a citizenship that is alive and awake and really to help itself. The business booster organization that go in this day heading its efforts to attracting the outsider from the far north, the middle west or some distant point isn't really getting very far, though of course there are exceptions which prove the rule and occasionally they pick up an industry, but more often we will venture to assert they pick a frost—some fellow that is really a foreman that wants to be a superintendent or a general manager and the business isn't long in going adrift.

And Rocky Mount is no exception and what we need is to create new industries and businesses in our own ranks. There are men right here about which bigger businesses could be built and we should ferret them out and lending our financial and moral support should build by improving what we have.

This city is primarily builded on agriculture and the manufacture and marketing of agricultural products and in this we are greatly handicapped at certain seasons of the year, notably the summer. There is being brought into Rocky Mount at this time money for the manufactured producer of less than a half a dozen plants, and thus it is relatively small, very small. While at the same time the banks and financial institutions are being drained for loans to the farmers and a prominent authority that is in position to know declared that to house the present crop of tobacco alone there will be

required upwards of \$500,000. Of course there is the larger item of cotton, peanut harvest, etc. And yet for three or four months we have manufactured but little that might give us bank balances, while our tobacco industry, guano, plants, gins, cotton presses, etc., have been idle, and living from the earned increment of the past year. Ours is not a balanced community.

And to balance it might demand some years of work by our whole citizenship and there is no one that will contend that it isn't a task worth while for all of us. Let's begin to think along this line and to work to an end that will mean for a greater, better city in which for all of us to live.

This is the worst war Warsaw ever saw.

Speaking of obsolete words, experience ought to tell any one that cheap tops the list.

No wonder Methuselah lived to such a ripe old age. He had no telephones to contend with in his day and time.

Isn't it too bad that Labor Day does not come before August 26 so that a fellow might take his holiday trip before the new rates go into effect.

Here's hoping that the legislators do something definite with the suffrage question this week. Ratification and amendment are both mighty hard words to break into a headline.

It develops that Ponsi gave about seventy inches of skin to save a young woman who had been burned shortly after his dismissal from prison some years ago. Evidently he thought it was his time to do some skinning.

It's not fair when the Bolsheviks and Poles are staging a perfectly good war for Raleigh to spring into such prominence on account of the suffrage fight and crowd half the Warsaw date lines off the front page. Just for that they're trying to draw up an armistice and quit fighting.

The G. O. P. better start a "political expediency" argument up Connecticut way, where Governor Holcomb has refused to call a special session of the legislature to act on suffrage ratification.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Public notice is hereby given that the undersigned has this day qualified as Administrator with Will Annex of the estate of E. J. Braswell, late of Nash County, North Carolina, and this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Rocky Mount, North Carolina, on or before the 20th day of July, 1921, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

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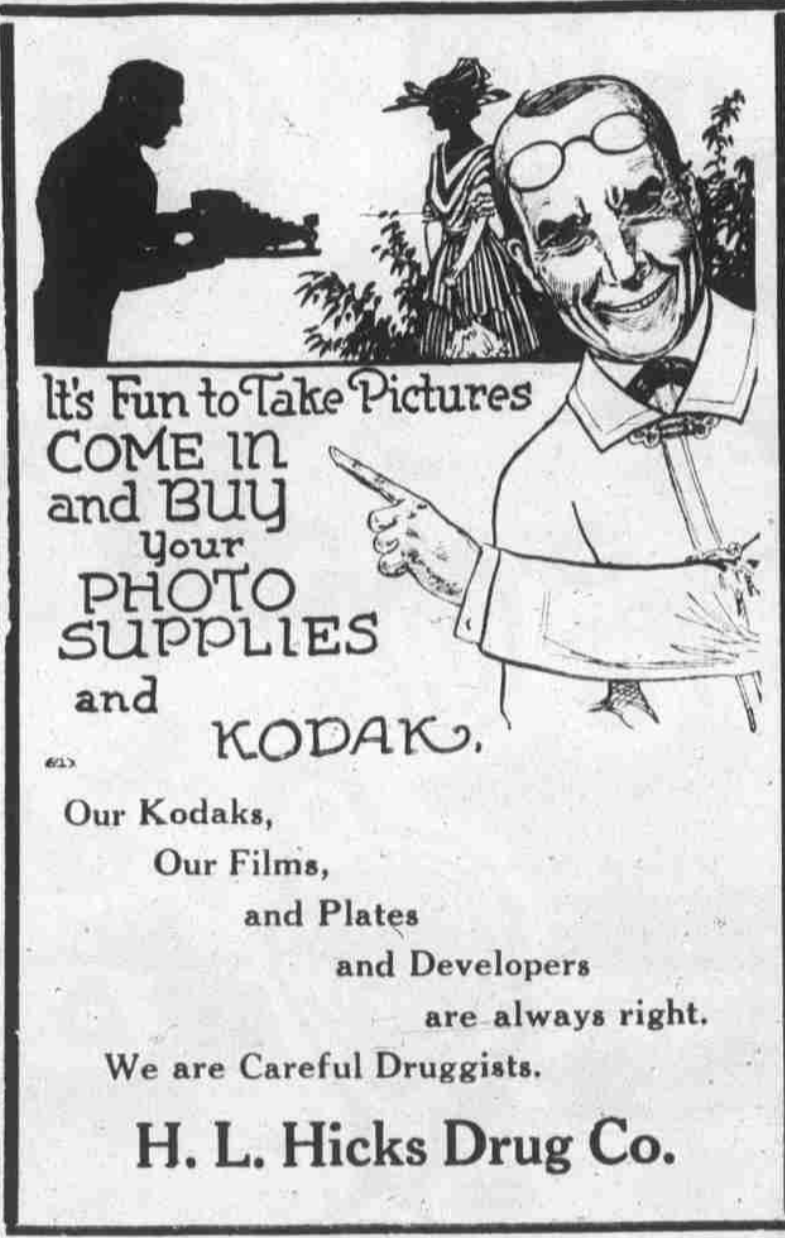
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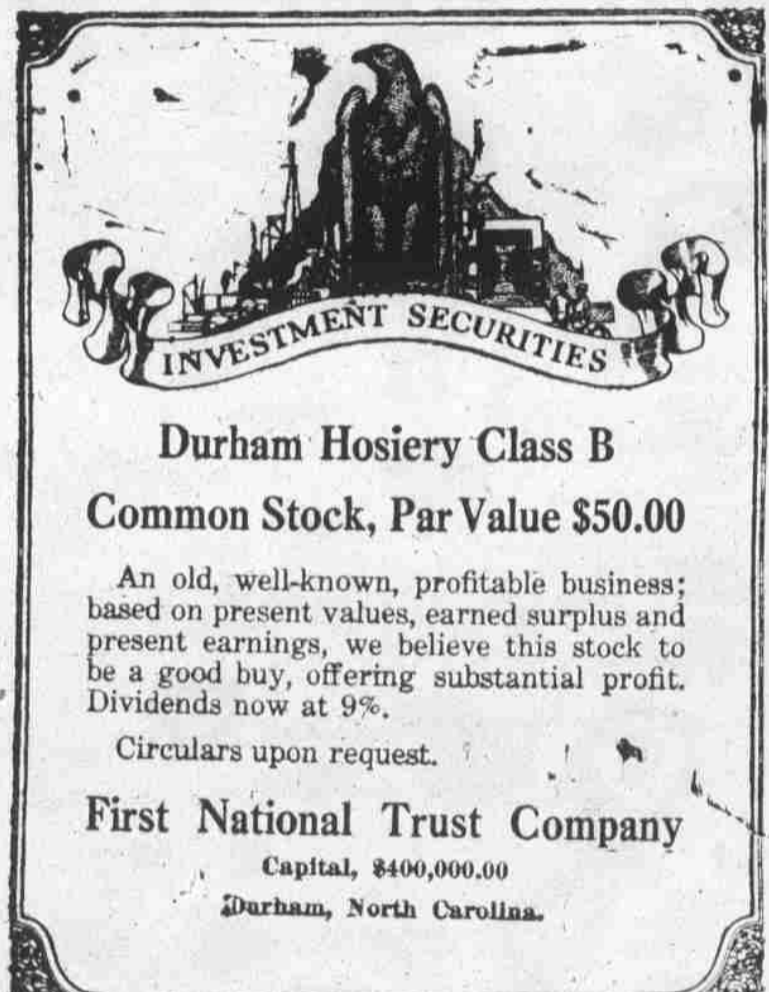
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