

# PROGRESSIVE BANKING SERVICE

Present day financial requirements are greater than they have ever been before.

Banking service, to be effective today, must be a progressive service.

It is the sort of service we offer you. Sufficient to take care of your every legitimate need, and give you the utmost in safety as well.



# ORANGES

We are now receiving regular shipments Florida Oranges direct from groves.

By handling in large enough quantities to enable us to buy direct we save you the middle-man's profit.

## 45 cents per doz.

A fresh shipment every week.

## T. C. Lee & Son

GENERAL MERCHANDISE  
PHONE 356.

**More Than Enough.**  
An eight-year-old boy went to a church picnic and, being a favorite with the ladies, had been liberally supplied with good things to eat. Later in the day one of the ladies noticed the boy sitting near a stream with a woe-begone expression on his face and his hands clasped over his stomach.  
"Why, what's the matter, Willie?" she kindly asked. "Haven't you had enough to eat?"  
"Oh, yes'm," said the boy. "I've had enough. I feel as though I don't want all I've got."

**Same, Only Different.**  
"My wife constantly pesters me for money. Does yours?"  
"No; the people she buys things from do that."

# This Bank

— is for —  
**PEOPLE WHO WANT TO IMPROVE THEIR FINANCIAL CONDITION.**

Will You Let Us Serve You?

A checking account is most convenient in the payment of bills. A savings account is the sure road to an eventual competency.

## Monroe Bank & Trust Co.

R. B. Redwine, President. H. B. Clark, Cashier.

# SEABOARD Air Line Railroad

SCHEDULE EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 28th at 12:01 A. M.

Trains	Arrive	Leave
No. 14 from Charlotte	5:50 a. m.	5:55 a. m. for Wilmington.
No. 12 from Atlanta	6:30 a. m.	6:35 a. m. for Richmond.
No. 34 from Rutherfordton	10:50 a. m.	10:55 a. m. for Raleigh and Wilmington.
No. 5 from Richmond	7:55 a. m.	8:00 a. m. for Atlanta.
No. 19 from Wilmington	11:20 a. m.	11:30 a. m. for Charlotte.
No. 15 from Monroe	8:10 a. m.	8:10 a. m. for Rutherfordton.
No. 29 from Monroe	11:30 a. m.	11:30 a. m. for Atlanta.
No. 31 from Raleigh and Wilmington	2:40 p. m.	2:45 p. m. for Rutherfordton.
No. 20 from Charlotte	5:50 p. m.	6:00 p. m. for Wilmington.
No. 30 from Atlanta	5:50 p. m.	Monroe.
No. 16 from Rutherfordton	9:10 p. m.	Monroe.
No. 6 from Atlanta	9:35 p. m.	9:45 for Richmond.
No. 13 from Wilmington	10:35 p. m.	10:45 p. m. for Charlotte.
No. 11 from Portsmouth	11:55 p. m.	11:40 p. m. for Atlanta.

C. T. HARRILL, Ticket Agent. E. W. LONG, Division Passenger Agent, Charlotte, N. C.

### Big Betsey.

(From the Youth's Companion.)  
In our day of steam and electricity, of parlor cars and roomy automobiles, a traveler of any size and weight can easily obtain transportation. Back in the old times of coach and horse, however, matters were not so simple. The heavily overweight passenger was a source of trouble and perplexity. Mr. A. Lewis Gardenhall has given an amusing account of several such travelers.

One of the biggest and most dreaded passengers, he relates, was an enormous woman, said to weigh well over three hundred pounds, who was the eldest of a family of seven sisters, all of whom were of excessive stature and corpulence. All were married; but the eldest had been early widowed, and as her sisters' children came along she was continually sent for, as the member of the family without ties of her own, to preside over this household or the other. The babies were numerous, and her trips about the country were far too frequent for the comfort of other travelers by coach. A tug up a long hill with Big Betsey still in the coach was doubly hard; and a gallop down, if a job chance to fling Big Betsey upon her neighbors, produced disaster and commotion.

But there came a trip after which the presence of Big Betsey was never resented. She had proved her spirit and strength for her flesh.

The coach, belated, was crossing a lonely plain at dusk when a masked highwayman, with a pistol in each hand, rode from behind a rock. The driver was first ordered from his seat; then the knight of the road, dismounting, came close to the door and ordered the passengers to descend, one by one. Two swarting gentlemen and three half-fainting women complied. Then out of the dark interior surged a huge shape, which hesitated, cowering and growling, and apparently stuck in the doorway. The robber's amazement, his interest in its predicament and vain efforts to get through, betrayed him into a momentary relaxation of control. With the velocity and impetus of an avalanche, Big Betsey seized her opportunity. She half sprang, half fell upon him from the vantage point of the high step and bore him to the ground beneath her. One of the pistols exploded harmlessly; the other was flung to a distance undischarged, and the highwayman, so completely was the wind knocked out of him, did not even struggle beneath the ponderous mass until the men of the party had already begun to secure his ankles.

With his first belated wriggle, Big Betsey rolled herself panting to one side, and sat up—with his mask clutched in one of her hands—watching the process of trussing him safely up. Later, he was heaved helplessly into the coach, and she was respectfully and laboriously boosted in after him; one of the gentlemen followed with the captured pistols, to keep guard over the prisoner; the other passengers mounted to the roof, and the coach proceeded triumphantly. On its arrival at its destination, as the news became known, all the town turned out, and Big Betsey became the heroine of a tumultuous ovation.

### Radium the Rare

According to a bulletin of the United States Geological Survey, the widest-known deposits of the minerals furnishing the bulk of the world's radium are in this country—in Colorado and Utah. Radium ores, we are told, are generally found in connection with granite masses—that is, in places where granite forms at least part of the rock of the country.

"Radium is a metal, and is described as having a white metallic lustre," says the bulletin. "It has been isolated only once or twice, and few persons have seen it. It is ordinarily obtained from ores in the form of hydrous sulphate chloride, or bromide, and it is in the form of these salts that it is usually sold and used. These are all white, or nearly white, substances, whose appearances is no more remarkable than that of common salt or baking powder. Radium, radium salts and radium materials are not generally luminescent. Tubes containing radium salts glow because they include impurities that the radiations from the radium cause to give light.

"Radium is found in nature in quantities so exceedingly small that it is never visible when the material is examined with a microscope. Radium ore ordinarily carries only a small fraction of radium to the ton, and radium will never be found in large masses, because it is formed by the decay of uranium—a process that is wonderfully slow; and radium itself changes to other elements so rapidly that it does not accumulate naturally in visible masses."

### The Soil Was Pretty Rough.

A farmer's daughter, who thought that she was destined to become a great vocalist, started to practice in private. No one except her mother knew the secret. One day her father came in from the fields unexpectedly, just when Jane was practicing her top notes.

"What's that extraordinary noise?" he inquired.

"That, dear," replied his wife proudly, "is Jane cultivating her voice."

"Cultivating! Huh!" ejaculated the farmer. "That ain't cultivating—that's harrowing!"

### He Had All He Needed.

One night, sometime before the outbreak of the war, we note in Harper's, the guard inspector at a military camp in the South approached an Irish sentry, who merely glanced at him and then walked on.

"Well?" inquired the inspector, who chanced to be a colonel, in a tone intended to remind the sentry of his duty.

"Well," repeated the man, "what is it?"

"Don't you want the countersign?"

"No, I don't need it. The fellow in the guard tent close by to me some time ago. I got it all right."

Reports dribble across the border to the effect that Mexico will send hundreds of thousands of dollars for agricultural machinery to be sold to Mexican farmers. That is, if they can find the consumers.



# No Reduction in Prices Contemplated

The following is a quotation from a letter from Ford Motor Company, which authorizes dealers to inform the public that no reduction in price or change in design is contemplated.

"Several inquiries have recently come to us concerning the likelihood of another reduction in the price of our cars, and as these inquiries no doubt emanate from prospective purchasers, we want to state again with greater emphasis that Ford cars are already being sold at a figure actually below cost and for an indefinite period another reduction or change in design is entirely out of the question and not at all contemplated.

"We believe the public fair enough to fully appreciate the frankness of the above when they consider the extent of our recent price cut which was in fact the equivalent of several reductions in one, in our desire to contribute toward satisfying their demands for lower living costs notwithstanding our sacrifice in marketing our cars at a loss until we are able to materially reduce present costs through material prices and greater manufacturing efficiency. While we have of course made some progress in bringing operating costs, we still have a long way to go before any thought can be given to further reductions in present car prices, so we have no hesitancy in making these open statements to acquaint you with the true situation."

## Henderson Motor Company

MONROE, N. C.

Ford Cars — Ford Trucks — Fordson Tractors — Ford Service.

Genuine Ford Parts

# NOTICE

Beginning January 17th the City will operate its own sanitary wagon, and all sanitary closets will be cleaned once a week and the price will be fifty cents for each cleaning, which must be paid to collector of buckets at time of each cleaning.

The Sanitary Inspector has been in Monroe over a month and has found quite a number not carrying out the law.

Kindly co-operate with our Sanitary Department and make Monroe the cleanest and healthiest city in North Carolina.

Understand this is only an experiment for 30 days and if the people will co-operate and we can get it done cheaper, we will continue and operate at cost.

Respectfully yours,

J. D. BUNDY, Sanitary Alderman.