

Great Service Is Rendered By Local Banks

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accumulated, and after that we have to invest with great care, as it is vital that we protect and preserve the interests of our depositors whose money we hold in sacred trust. Many people have the idea that a bank is a rich man's institution, which is erroneous, as the money in a bank is largely made up of the savings of people of moderate means.

A bank performs many services for which it is not adequately compensated. We handle checks, drafts, notes, or any other form of exchange drawn on any point in the United States or foreign countries, giving credit in many instances upon receipt of the items. We keep your bank accounts straight, permitting you to check as often as you please. Many people have no idea of the enormous volume of bookkeeping that is created in a bank by the thousands of checks that are drawn by the depositors.

In addition, expensive equipment, mechanical equipment, etc., are furnished to securely protect the money of the depositors and to carry on the volume of bookkeeping and detail work. A large force of efficient bookkeepers and other help is necessary, in addition to a competent staff of officers. All this creates a heavy expense and is furnished for the profitable accounts as well as the unprofitable accounts that a bank has to handle.

Render Valuable Service

Another valuable service rendered by banks is the advice and counsel freely given by the officers, who are usually men of experience and good judgment, and they are called upon by all classes of people for their help and advice, which is uniformly rendered cheerfully and without any thought of compensation.

We appreciate our telephones, our electric lights, automobiles and every other convenience, overlooking the fact that the methods of handling checks and money by banks are far more wonderful and just as necessary and convenient.

If we could not follow the check system it goes to some other town, then to the bank there and back through the mails we would have a very good knowledge of just what service a bank renders in making collections for its customers and for the community and our respect for the banker would be very much greater. To collect in some other way and then you will see how safe and satisfactory the bank service you get here.

A Mistaken Impression

So many people have an idea that the bank opens at 5 A. M. and closes

at 3 P. M., and that the day's work is done. There is really no measure of time or hours for the man in the bank. When closing time comes the balancing-up, the busy time, and the time that means so much to depositors, because it is after the bank doors are closed to the public that the items are checked up and the books are balanced so that whatever transactions you have had with the bank can be kept correctly.

Often the days are too short and the nights too long for the average man in the bank work and in handling business of the community. The business of banking is a strenuous one. Not only do we have to try to serve and serve well, as many as we can, but do this safely and for their convenience and profit. If you think that this doesn't require thought and oftentimes sleepless hours far into the night, just try it. It is a man's job, gladly rendered to our customers, for this is our business.

THE HISTORY OF THE ROXBORO CITY SCHOOLS

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tion given to seniors in all the standardized high schools in the state each spring, and which is used very largely by the college committees on entrance requirements as a basis for recommendation for admission to the freshman class in college or university. The fact that about twenty-six of the thirty-three graduates of this year's senior class have made their arrangements for entering college this fall is convincing proof of their interest in higher learning, and also an evidence that the colleges are willing to accept our graduates readily.

Whatever has been accomplished is due largely to the excellent work of an efficient corps of teachers in the Roxboro schools. These teachers, past and present, have labored often times under considerable handicaps that should be removed as speedily as possible, and some of which are being removed. The teaching force for the coming year is almost identical to the same as of last year, and the good work already done will be utilized as a foundation for still better achievements in the year just ahead of us. We feel sure that the two new teachers coming into our school system this year will help effectively in carrying on the high type of instruction that we are striving to maintain and to improve.

The excellent cooperation of the parents and of the community in general, and the splendid spirit of the pupils in the schools guaranteed a very large measure of success to the schools. This attitude on the

part of adults and children was genuinely appreciated by teacher and administrative officer alike; and for the coming session of our schools we are confidently looking forward to the same kind of helpful spirit and cooperation from patrons and pupils. Only by such a relationship can our schools mean as much as they should to the life of the community.

It is pertinent here to mention some of the material things done by outsiders for the benefit of the Roxboro schools the past year. To begin with, the Woman's Club handed over to the high school library about two hundred books that had been purchased by the members for a club library. As a result of the interest aroused in the Rotary Club and through the efforts of Mr. Ed. A. Hill, his sister, Miss Emily Hill, a librarian in New Jersey, secured for our high school library between 450 and 500 volumes of usable books. At an expenditure of about \$190.00 of public funds I bought 330 volumes of much needed fiction and supplementary material. For \$35.00 I bought a \$35.00 set of reference books that have been of great service to the pupils. Gifts of books from the Reverend T. A. Sikes, Mr. J. A. Long, and from others swelled the additions to the high school library for the year to about 250 volumes. Only a day or two ago Mr. James E. Brodhead delivered to my office a hundred volumes of fiction for the library at the high school. At the Central school, 365 supplementary books were added to the grade libraries. To help in purchasing these books the following donations were received: from the Parent-Teacher Association, \$30.00; from the Study Club, \$15.00; from the Research Club, \$15.00; from the Review Club, \$15.00. These gifts were thoroughly appreciated by both the teachers and the pupils. A very large opportunity for further good work on the part of public-spirited citizens is to be found in supplying more library books for the children in the primary and grammar grades of all the schools.

With the opening of the city schools on September 6th this year we expect

a large registration in all grades, and with a full teaching force we are looking forward to the best year of work and achievement so far in the history of our schools. We solicit the cooperation of the patrons in sending the children the first day for registration and classification in order that there may be no delay and no lost time when the class work begins on regular schedule. We hope to make your schools mean as much as possible to your children, to your homes, and to your community.

J. W. NOELL

An Appreciation, by A. B. Stevenson

Born in Alamance County, Mr. Noell has been a resident of Roxboro for the past 38 years, during which time he has been publisher of the Courier and has witnessed its growth from a six column, four page paper of 360 circulation to its present growth of eight pages six columns and a circulation of 3100. The Courier is one of the pre-eminent weekly papers of North Carolina and from a news and mechanical standpoint, it is an excellent news medium.

Mr. Noell impressed the writer as being of sterling honesty and having character of that type which is four squares to all the winds that blow. A publisher, especially of a weekly paper, in my estimation, carries a greater prestige and influence among those who read his paper to a far greater extent than that of a metropolitan daily. Responsibilities devolve upon him, which decidedly rightly are very great factors in the development of the community.

The Courier under Mr. Noell, has ideals and he does not hesitate to give expression to them. In 1927 the Savorly Cup was bestowed upon the Courier for being best published weekly in the far heel state. It is housed in its own building—a commodious one and a credit to Roxboro.

Mr. Noell is associated with the Baptist church, active in the local Rotary and president of the Roxboro Chamber of Commerce. In public

spirit and progress, he takes an active part and is keenly interested in the development of this section. We have never met a publisher who impressed us as being a finer man than this gentleman. The spoken word with him is just as solid as the written signature.

Dr. R. H. Noell, superintendent of the Coast Line Hospital at Rocky Mount, is a son of the editor, who has made a record for himself while in charge of this institution. He served Uncle Sam overseas for fourteen months and retired with the rank of captain, and is also affiliated with the American Legion.

Thomas Jefferson once said, "Between a government of newspapers and that of laws, I would choose the former." Each one's mind is receptive under new thoughts, and each issue of the Courier contains mental stimulants that are good for the mind, that is receptive under them. There is not a class of property in Roxboro or Person County that is not more valuable for having the Courier in their midst.

As we have said before, Mr. Noell is a man of limited life ideals upon us. When one comes down in a basic fact, each of us are purely impressed by his character for whom it is never necessary to question their word. That's a trait that separates all others, and one that we know Mr. Noell possesses.

FARMERS HARDWARE CO.

The manager of the Farmers Hardware Co. is Mr. P. A. Bullock, one of the outstanding young business men of the town. He has proven his ability by the success of the concern over which he presides. The Farmers Hardware Co. is the youngest in the hardware business, but it is by no means the smallest. Mr. Bullock gives the closest attention to business and his customers know when Dick Bullock says it is right, that it simply has to be right.

Mr. Bullock is a native of Gran-

ville county but is one of the strongest Roxboro boosters, and is always ready to give both of his time and money to anything which has for its aim the betterment of Roxboro or Person County, either morally or materially.

Three Outstanding Manufacturers In The Textile Industry

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for this mill. Mr. Ed Hill, of Philadelphia, who was sent here when the mill first began operating, is in charge and his ability is shown by the rapid growth of the mill. Originally, as stated, the mill was known as the A. T. Baker Co. and is known locally as Bakers Mill. Some time back the A. T. Baker Co. was consolidated with the Collins-Aikman Corporation, making it the largest plant of the kind in this country.

The Somerset Mills was established here only a few years ago, also being a branch of a Philadelphia concern, with Mr. James Craig as president, and Mr. Chas. Carris as secretary, for the manufacture of towels, and has been a success from the very beginning. It started off in a modest way, but has every indication of developing into one of the large plants of its kind.

AUBREY LONG & CO.

Messrs. Aubrey Long & Co. among the leading concerns of the town, is the only cash grocery store here, and they make their "sell for cash and sell for less" plan. To convince the public that they do what they say they do, they advertise regularly and consistently in The Courier and from week to week name prices which are competitive. Mr. Aubrey Long, while a young man has had much experience in the mercantile business and gives his business the best attention.

When you deal with this firm you are not making a leap in the dark for you can turn to our columns each week and see just what you will pay for the various items.

Enterprising farmers in eastern Carolina are now heading down corn in the dough stage and getting their animals ready for the high market.

E. T. Batson of Burgaw has 60 pigs in ten acres of corn now in the dough stage. The pigs will be ready to market on October 15, he says.

Tom Tarheel says nitrogen is too high to buy when he can get it for nothing by planting and plowing under vetch and other legumes.

Tobacco! Tobacco!

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