Items of the Town

Friends of Mrs. Wm. E. Warren will be glad to know that she is steadily improving at the St. Vincent's Hospital, Norfolk, after undergoing a very serious operation about two weeks ago.

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Mr. W. G. Lamb arrived home Wednesday after visiting several towns in Eastern Carolina on business.

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Mr. Kuff of Richmond was in town yesterday.

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First class private George Glenn arrived home Monday from Quantico, Va. to visit his parents a few days.

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Mr. J. W. Watts spent Monday and Tuesday of this week in Norfolk.

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Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] yesterday for Norfolk, Va. from where they will go to Maryland to visit relatives for several weeks.

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Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] motored to Washington Wednesday.

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Mrs. Della Lamb [illegible] underwent an operation at the Washington Hospital last week and is recovering rapidly.

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Miss Helen Sumner of Nashville is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. F. Hoggpen and Dr. Thigpen at their home on Church street.

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Mr. W. C. Manning returned home from a business trip to Norfolk.

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Mr. W. S. [illegible] of the firm Slade Rhodes and Company, Williamston, was in town yesterday on business.

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Messrs W. [illegible] Manning, G. W. [illegible] and P. H. Brown motored to Norfolk today to spend the week-end with their families.

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Auditor N. C. Ballentine of Rocky Mount, attended a meeting of the Board of Education on Monday.

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Mr. J. L. Thrower went to Littleton yesterday to visit relatives.

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Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Walker [illegible] last week with friends [illegible]

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Misses Frances Hassell, [illegible] ren, Duke and Burke of Washington attended the dance here last night.

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Misses Lucile Womack, [illegible] Womack, of South Creek were here last night attending the dance.

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Misses Laura and Ella Nor[illegible] Doris Owens, of Plymouth, attended was a visitor here last evening.

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Mr. Perle Ferrell of Tarboro was in town yesterday.

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Mr. Joe Carroll of [illegible] a business visitor here Tuesday.

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Miss Eloise Bridger, of Washington was a visitor here last evening.

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Mr. Clarence Parker, of Elizabeth City was in town yesterday.

Mr. Francis Barnes has returned to Raleigh, where he is attending King's Business College.

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Mr. T. C. Cook returned to Rocky Mount Monday after spending the holidays here with his family.

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Miss Louise Ayers, of Plymouth, visited Mrs. W. B. Watts Wednesday.

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Mr. John E. Pope returned yesterday afternoon from Greensboro.

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Mr. W. B. Watts of Plymouth spent last night here with his family.

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Misses Estelle Crawford and Louise Harrison spent Wednesday night here with their parents.

RURAL MERCHANTS TRIBUTE TO WEEKLY NEWSPAPERS

Speaking recently at a Washington state Utility Conference, Charles E. Rockwell, a successful country merchant located at Okanogan, paid a fine tribute to the small-town paper as an advertising medium. He said: "There are many lines of publicity that the country store can use to advantage, but the one he can use to [illegible] his home-town paper. I venture to say that if the money spent each year for fancy calendars and other knick-knack give-aways were invested—I say invested, not spent or doubled—I say invested, planned campaigns publicity, the actual net returns to the advertiser would be ten times as great, to say nothing of the advantage the small town paper would derive from the additional and much needed revenue."

BAY OF NAPLES SCENE OF MANY BIG EVENTS

It Was There That Nelson Met His Lady Love.

The Bay of Naples, where part of the Spanish fleet recently was entertained on the occasion of King Alfonso XIII's visit to Italy, has seen some strange seafaring and other events. There Nelson met and was smitten by the charms of Lady Hamilton, whose husband, Sir William Hamilton, was the diplomat accredited to the Neapolitan court.

There, on the island of Capri, at the southern end of the bay, Tiberius lived in that seclusion which, according to the malicious gossip of history, was occupied in unbelievably evil doings. On the mainland east of the town of Naples was Pompeii, and the Roman fleet stood by in the bay while Vesuvius was in its fatal eruption. The sirens who unsuccessfully wooed the wanderer Ulysses, are said to have had their home in the neighborhood.

The Spaniards, who recently were there as guests, for more than two hundred years remained there as masters. For from 1522 until the treaty of Utrecht in 1713 Naples belonged to Spain, and for a much longer time the kingdom of the two Sicilies, which stretched from the island across the Straits of Messina up to Naples, had a Spanish ruler.

Then, and indeed throughout her history until Garibaldi and The Thousand brought the south into the newly united Italy, Naples had about the worst government and the loveliest site in Europe. Constantinople alone could challenge her simultaneously on these two records. Mr. Gladstone's thunderous indignation at what he heard about the political prisoners of Naples is still remembered for the terror it sent through the England of the early fifties.

Now such iniquities are as dead as the wretched princes and fangless lions whom Swinburne, in the full storm of his enthusiasm for the risorgimento, consigned ecstatically to hell, but Naples remains still very distinct from the northern and central cities of Italy. The largest and most congested city in the kingdom, it has a certain air of being foreign about it. It belongs to the Mediterranean rather than to [illegible] Manchester Guardian.

Huge Waves at Sea.

Waves of extraordinary height, miscalled "tidal waves," are sometimes encountered at sea or along the coasts. They are due either to earthquakes under the sea or to a combination of several ordinary waves, which if a heavy sea be running, is sufficient to account for a wave of unusual height. Such a one was recently encountered by the British steamship Maine, near the southern edge of the Grand Banks of Newfoundland. The wind was rising after a hard blow and an ugly swell about twenty-five feet high was running. Then a huge wave was seen towering above the other seas, a mile away, and rushing toward the ship. It swept the vessel from end to end, and was estimated by the officers to have been from fifty to sixty feet in height.

Divorce Rare in Egypt.

Divorce is listed among the rarest things in Egypt. From a moral standpoint Egyptians are prone to regret the desirability of such action.

It has long been the custom [illegible] the Egyptian people to look with scorn upon those who are seeking the law of the land to sever the marital relationship. They shun as much as possible the woman in the case. She is thought to be possessed with some wickedness or weakness which has prompted her to take such recourse.

Egyptian women use powder, rouge and lipstick, but they still wear their veils, and only when an Egyptian woman wishes to appear exceptionally attractive will she resort to the use of cosmetics.—Detroit News.

Her First Flight.

Orville Wright told a story at a Dayton dinner.

"A little Dayton girl," he said, "was taken one day to a flying exhibition. In the middle of the show she turned to her mother and said:

"'Isn't it funny? I can't remember the least bit what it's like to fly.'

"'Silly!' said her mother. 'You have never flown.'

"'I have, too,' said the little girl. 'Don't you remember when the stork brought me?'"

The Fairy Story.

A little fairy story, my children, won't hurt us now and then.

Once upon a time, a more recent time, there was a ball and a prince at it. All as it should be. The prince in dancing tripped over some object and nearly sprained his nose. Whereupon he mounted a chair and held it up, asking: "Has any lady lost a large, flat, pie-shaped sandal?"

And Cinderella came forward blushingly to claim it.

Washed Out.

A pretty young lady named Jane,
While walking was caught in the rain:
She ran—almost flew,
Her complexion did, too,
And she reached home exceedingly plain.

Biology Vs. Buyology.

A professor of biology declares that there won't be any blondes a thousand years from now. He may be up in biology, but how does he know there won't be any drug stores at that time?

By BILLY SUNDAY.

Billy Sunday gave this advice to young men on "how to choose a wife." My mother taught me never to buy calico by lamplight; the colors might run. Don't propose to a girl in her home at night, but forget your gloves and call next morning at 9 to get it. If the girl comes to the door in a kimono and wearing a slipper on one foot and an unlaced shoe on the other, with her face unwashed and her hair unkept—then flee from her.

"Go back the next morning and if you find her in a neat house dress with shoes carefully buttoned, with smiling face and tidy hair decorated with a slip of a flower—then grab her, quick."

Obregon may not be able to Heurta, but Hughes is "sicking" him on with loads of arms and ammunition. Where is "the hands off" policy?

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

A. J. Manning, Pastor

Sunday school 9:45 a. m., W. C. Manning, supt. Morning services 11 a. m., second and fourth Sundays. Evening services 7:30 p. m., Christian Endeavor 6:45 p. m.

All are cordially invited to attend all these services.

SUNDAY SERVICES AT THE METHODIST CHURCH

Sundy school at 9:45, a. m., J. E. Pope, superintendent. Let every teacher make a special effort to be on time.

Preaching by the pastor at 11 a. m., and at 7:30 p. m.

Let every Methodist in Williamston make a real effort to attend his church next Sunday.

E. D. Dodd, Pastor.

"NOTICE OF SALE OF COLLATERAL"

Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of a certain note executed by J. A. Leggett to The Peoples Bank of Williamston, N. C., default having been made in the payment of said note, and no satisfactory arrangements having been made, the undersigned will, on Friday the 18th day of January 1924, at 12 o'clock M., in front of the courthouse door of Martin County in Williamston, N. C., offer for sale, at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described notes to-wit:-

One note of Leslie Fowden and Wheeler Martin in the sum of $1500.00 bearing date of April 20, 1920 and secured by deed of trust on real estate.

Another not of Leslie Fowden and Wheeler Martin in the sum of $1500.00 bearing the date of April 20, 1920 and secured by a deed of trust on real estate.

This the 10th day of January 1924.

J. G. STATON,
Receiver for The Peoples Bank. 1-11

SOUR STOMACH causes bad breath, sour pains, coated tongue and belching. Always find relief in CHAMBERLAIN'S TABLETS. Sweeten your stomach and breath—only 25c

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE

Having this day qualified as executor of the estate of the estate under last will and testament of Joshua H. Hardison, late of Martin county, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to come forward and make immediate payment of same and all persons holding clims against said estate will present them for payment before January 9, 1925 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

WM. J. LILLEY, Executor.
This January 9, 1924.
JOSHUA H. HARDISON, estate. 1-11-6t.

Report of the condition of the

BANK OF OAK CITY

at Oak City in the State of North Carolina, at the close of business, December 31, 1923.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts		$112,124.13
Demand loans		310.00
Overdrafts, secured, none; unsecured	$27.85	27.85
United States Bonds and Liberty bonds		10,050.00
Banking houses,	4,500.00;	
Furniture & Fix.	2,700.00	7,200.00
Cash in vault and net amounts due from banks, bankers and trust companies		60,,342.56
Total		$190,054.54

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in	$ 10,200.00
Surplus fund	6,222.00
Undivided profits, less current expenses and taxes paid	1,354.81
Deposits subject to check, individual	119,600.30
Time certificates of deposit, due in less than 30 days	41,518.36
Cashier's check soutstanding	3,109.07
U. S. Liberty Bonds deposits	8,050.00
Total	$190,054.54

State of North Carolina—County of Martin January 9, 1924.

I, B. M. Worsley, Cashier of the above named bank do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

B. M. WORSLEY, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 9th day of January, 1924.

T. H. JOHNSON,
Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:
W. J. JOHNSON,
J. C. ROSS,
H. S. EVERETT,
Directors.

Report of the Condition of the

FARMERS & MERCHANTS BANK

at Williamston in the State of North Carolina, at the close of business, Dec 31, 1923.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts		$509,297.98
Demand loans		4,000.00
Overdrafts, secured, none unsecured, none		
United States Bonds and Liberty bonds		350.00
North Carolina State bonds		20,000.00
All other stocks, bonds and mortgages		24,000.00
Bankings houses, $12,000.00		
Furniture & Fix, 4,240 51		16,240.51
All other real estate owned		26,206.16
Cash in vault and net amounts due from banks, bankers and trust companies		271,301.01
Cash items held over 24 hours		512.65
Checks for clearing		28,233.78
Customers' Liability on Acceptances		50,000.00
Total		$950,142.09

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in	$100,000.00
Surplus fund	25,000.00
Undivided profits, less current expenses and taxes paid	27,829.90
Dividends unpaid	12.00
Deposits due banks, bankers and trust companies	32,475.98
Deposits subject to check, individual	553,223.09
Deposits due State of N. C. or any official thereof	22,,320.90
Time certificates of deposit, due in less than 30 days	133.840.81
Cashier's checks outstanding	5.439.41
Domestic and foreign acceptances	50,000.00
Total	$950,142.09

State of North Carolina—County of Martin, January 5, 1924.

I, J. D. Woolard, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knwledge and belief.

J. D. WOOLARD, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 5th day of January, 1924.

JOHN L. RODGERSON,
Notary Public.

My commission expires March 7, 1924.

Correct—Attest:
R. G. HARRISON,
JOHN D. BIGGS,
J. G. GODARD, Directors.

Report of the condition of the

BANK OF HAMILTON

at Hamilton in the State of North Carolina, at the close of business, December 31, 1923.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts		$ 85,205.00
Banking houses,	$4,500;	
Furniture & Fix.	1,700.00	6,200.00
All other real estate owned		522.25
Cash in vault and net amounts due from banks, bankers, and trust companies		47,811.48
Checks for clearing		70.90
Total		$139,809.63

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in	$ 10,000.00
Surplus fund	7,000.00
Undivided profits, less current expenses and taxes paid	874.94
Deposits subject to check, individual	98,192.68
Time certificates of deposit, due in less than 30 days	11,000.00
Cashier's checks outstanding	507.91
Time certificates of deposit, due on or after 30 days	10,734.10
Total	$139,809.63

State of North Carolina—County of Martin, January 8, 1924.

I, F. L. Haislip, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

F. L. HAISLIP, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 8th day of January, 1924.

R. A. EDMONDSON,
Notary Public.

My commission expires January 16, 1924.

Correct—Attest:
P. L. SALSBURY,
B. L. LONG,
W. S. RHODES, Directors.

Something New

For each purchase of gas or oils amounting to $5.00 you are entitled to a 26 piece SILVER SET for only $1.99.

Tell your friends about this wonderful offer.

TEXACO
Filling Station

LILLEY Proprietors PEEL

Opening Announcement

We are pleased to announce to our many friends that we will open our store, in the building formely occupied by C. O. Moore and Company, Saturday, January 12th, 1924, at 8 o'clock A. M.

We have a complete line of GROCERIES and GENERAL MERCHANDISE, all new and prices right.

We will be pleased to have you come in and inspect our line, and if our prices and quality are right, we will appreciate a portion of your business in the future.

In a few days we will be in position to handle your supply of Eggs, Potatoes, Hams, Pork and in fact anything you have to offer for sale.

Don't Forget The Opening Date

Yours to serve,

FAMERS SUPPLY Co.

JOS. S. GRIFFIN N. R. PEEL W. O. GRIFFIN

-NOTICE-

The Smart Little Chic

Chicken Dresses are putting in their appearance with all the charm that has won many admirers—and pleased wearers.

Margolis Bros. & Brooks
where Quality Wins & Clothes are sold
WILLIAMSTON, N.C.