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## Annual Meeting of Stockholders of Bank of Raeford.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Bank of Raeford was held on January 5th. Statement of condition of the Bank presented the stockholders showed that the Bank was in excellent condition and had had a very good year during 1927. The following Directors were elected to serve for this year: J. W. McLaughlin, T. B. Upchurch, H. L. Gatlin, E. B. McNeill, J. B. Thomas, N. S. Blue, F. B. Sexton, W. P. Lester, C. W. Seate, R. B. Lewis.

At a meeting of the Directors the following officers were elected to serve for this year: J. W. McLaughlin, President, T. B. Upchurch and H. L. Gatlin, Vice Presidents, R. B. Lewis, Cashier, and G. D. McQueen, Assistant Cashier.

A dividend of 10 per cent was ordered paid and the Surplus fund increased.

In March of this year this bank will be twenty five years old and has grown stronger every year.

## To Encourage Trade With South America.

That the United States is taking an increasing interest in its trade with South America, is evidenced by the action of the McCormick steamship line in sending two well-known authors completely around that continent on one of its freighters. The writers will stop at the principal ports and gain material for articles of a practical character on the needs of South American countries which North American industries can supply. The trip will be made during the winter months.

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## The Hospitals.

The doctors are kind as a rule and good neighbors, but there are exceptions to the rule. Not that any are unkind, but we are about to say that hospital bills are getting hard to pay, and we have lived to see a day when so many have to go, or are taken to hospitals for treatment, that it is getting to be an expensive thing to get well. Sometimes we think it would be about as well to let a fellow die as to burden him with a debt that will give him trouble the remainder of his days, maybe put him outdoors, make a tenant of a man who once was well fixed. They may not be charging too much, but we do know that getting sick is a lot more expensive than it used to be. The doctors charge more, and then there are nurses if a fellow is not taken to a hospital. But this is like everything else. It just costs more for everything. The doctor must get money to pay all kinds of taxes. So perhaps we might be unfair, still we

at the time Mr. J. H. Austin family have moved their things remaining since the time Mr. H. W. B. Whitley stage on North Main street.

## Poultry Show January 18th.

We are to have a poultry show in the armory in Raeford on January 18th, next Wednesday, and as many have given attention to the poultry industry during the past year, we expect a real show. Several times we have had poultry shows in Raeford, and all of them were much better than had been expected. We would forewarn that this year a show worth coming to see will be held.

We have no idea of the number of different breeds there are in the town and county until we have an exhibit. We do not know whether there will be other than chickens on exhibition, but fine fowls of any kind will be worth bringing along and should be a help. Everybody in the county should join the exhibit.

## The Weather.

We have had a pretty cold winter, and the price of cotton went off \$3.50 on the bale one day last week, because the New York cotton farmers thought it was so cold in the south all the boll weevils were killed, and a good crop will be grown next year.

On the day before Christmas in 1875 it began snowing. It began on Saturday and snowed till Monday. It was nearly two feet deep. The ground was frozen when the snow fell, and it covered the ground until March, except on the roads.

On the 18th day of February, 1899, after a very moderate spell of weather, the wind rose as the clouds overcast the sky, and snow began to fall, and continued until Monday night.

This snow reached the depth of 20 inches, and the weather was 7 degrees below zero at Troy on Tuesday morning following, that is at 7 o'clock. A man living on Little River 4 miles from Troy got scared he would freeze to death, and got up and built a big fire. He said his thermometer registered 14 below zero at that hour.

Several times since we can remember. In January, 1884, it was two degrees below zero; then in January 1886. But this kind of weather comes not more than a half dozen times in a hundred years, that is in this part of the state.

## Farming a Guess

The farmers of the country are taking the risk of paying out, or making a debt of \$700 per one horse crop. They may make it, that is they will if they make good crops and then get good prices for what they make. Now compare farming with any other business. There are some things in the form of solvent credits in any other business, notes, mortgages, some kind of securities to prevent loss, and the hazard is not so great. Something tangible stands sponsor for the risks taken. But not so with farming. The weather, the insects, the animals and fowls, then comes the business manipulators that play a game in the markets that may get what the other hazards have let get by. Still, it must be done, or the whole world will starve.

Robbers took \$4,000 in currency from a bank at Bennett Saturday at a little past 12 o'clock. Locked the bank employees in the vault while they got away. Bennett is in Chatham county, we believe.

## LOCAL NEWS.

Renew your subscription to The Journal.

The time for sowing tobacco plant beds is at hand.

Mr. W. L. Bethune is improving we are glad to hear.

Poultry show Wednesday, Jan. 18th, in the armory.

We are very glad to hear that Mr. Tom Conoly is improving.

Superior court will convene in this town Monday, 23, with Judge W. A. Devin presiding.

They drive often with an old license tag on their cars. That may cost more than a new tag.

Miss Lila Crawley has returned to Meredith College after spending the holidays at home.

The tobacco crop in Hoke in 1928 will be increased some over last year from the best information we can gather.

The cotton speculators should be given trouble to get spot cotton to fill their contracts. The price would go up then.

Prof. Robert Peele and Miss Agnes McLeod of the large school at Conway were at their homes for the holidays.

Mr. Jesse Gibson grew some frostproof cabbage plants, advertised them in The Journal and sold them directly.

Rev. Mr. Collins is building a good residence on his farm at Timberland, and has rented the place to Mr. J. A. Veazy.

Mr. H. C. McLaughlin was carried to the Charlotte Sanatorium on Wednesday of last week. He is improving we are glad to learn.

Mr. Chas. McMillan bordered many a burst pipe last week. Such weather makes us wish we were back near a spring on the hillside.

Very cold weather without snow is bad on small grain, but snow wraps up the little plants and they grow beneath a blanket of white.

Mr. W. K. Sessoms was in Sanford last Thursday, and is still in a precarious condition, although he has improved some of course.

Mrs. E. B. Wood of near Rockfish is very sick we are sorry to learn. Two weeks ago Tuesday their home and its contents were destroyed by fire. Troubles never come singly.

Hog raising and dairying are becoming established as two new farm industries in North Carolina. Well fed hogs from North Carolina command a premium on certain eastern markets.

Judge N. A. Townsend held court in Lillington, his own county seat last week, and made a good impression, as he does everywhere he goes. He is one of the best judges in the State.

Mr. A. K. Currie has invented a new and improved stumps puller that will pull stumps straight up out of the ground. He has had it patented and is preparing for their manufacture and sale.

Mr. J. A. Clifton, Prohibition Administrator for the eastern district of North Carolina, has been transferred to the western district of South Carolina with headquarters in Greenville, S. C.

Mr. Archie R. Blue, aged 32, who was born and reared in the Eureka section of Moore county, and who was carrier on Route 1 at Jackson Springs for some years, died after only one day's illness on the 27th.

After being out on account of sickness, Miss Sallie Wilson is back in the Phone headquarters.

When the cold snap warmed up to 20 above zero, the folks began to speak of warm weather.

Miss Jennie McNeill Clark was operated on for appendicitis at Highsmith's hospital last Friday. She is recovering well.

Mr. E. Baker has swapped his farm north of Raeford to Mr. J. Brown McPhail for his residence on north Stewart street.

Dr. E. H. Henderson, colored, who was postmaster at Fayetteville for four years in the '90's, died last Friday at the age of 62. He studied medicine after his term of postmaster expired and practiced his profession in Fayetteville with success until his health failed two years ago.

The cold drove the school in Raeford back to their homes, teachers and all, Monday of last week. The fires were not started early enough, or the building would have been comfortable. You never heard of an old log school house crowd being frozen out. They built a fire and stayed.

## The Secret of His Success.

A citizen of Scotland and a friend of the late John F. McNair, attributes his success in business more to strict economy than to any other one thing. He never wasted money in any way. He spent a cent only when it was necessary, and added to his economy he made wise investments in real estate, which has steadily advanced in price since this country was first settled.

At the same time, he was because he was friendly to every body.

## Blunders.

Miss Marie Blue never thought of going to King's Business College until she saw it in The Journal. A misunderstanding and a confusion of names mixed us up.

Miss Myrtice Barrington was one time but she is now a member of the Montrose school faculty and doing satisfactory work.

## Home Destroyed by Fire.

The home of Mr. J. H. Austin was destroyed by fire last Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The home is located outside the north incorporate limits of the town, but the firemen and others were promptly on the scene and rendered valuable service. The fire had a good start before the alarm was given, as the family were out, and a neighbor, Rev. M. A. Ray, discovered the building was on fire and gave the alarm. Only a portion of his furnishings on the lower floor was saved. Nothing upstairs was saved. The fire started on the roof.

Mr. Austin has been burned out several times, mills, gins and homes, and had the misfortune of not having sufficient insurance to anything like cover his losses. This loss is only partially covered by insurance.

Mr. Ray tried to phone down town, and could get only Red Springs, so Red Springs central phoned Hoke Drug Co., and the alarm given.

Mrs. Mollie Currie had gone to visit her daughter, Mrs. W. H. Hasty of Maxton, and was taken down very sick. She has not sufficiently recovered to return home, but was thought to be improving at last account.

## Mrs. Emma McFadyen Passes.

Mrs. Emma McFadyen, widow of the late J. B. McFadyen, died at her home in Raeford Sunday night at 11 o'clock, aged 68 years.

Mrs. McFadyen was a quiet, unassuming Christian woman, who was loved by all who knew her for her many fine traits. She was a true and devoted wife and mother.

She leaves four daughters, Mrs. J. D. Graham, Mrs. W. L. Bethune and Miss Grace McFadyen of Raeford and Mrs. Lee Collins of Petersburg, Va.; two sons, Messrs. Lacy and Luke McFadyen of Raeford. There are several grand children and other relatives.

Before her marriage Mrs. McFadyen was a Miss Parker and was the only one of the family in this state. She had a brother who went south many years ago.

Her remains were laid to rest in Raeford cemetery Tuesday afternoon, her pastor Rev. W. M. Fairley, D. D., conducting the funeral service. A good and true Christian has gone to her reward.

## Leap Year Party.

A very unique and enjoyable Leap Year party was given by Mr. Crawford Thomas to the college boys and girls and the young business men of Raeford who had returned for the Christmas vacation.

The handsome home of Mrs. Thomas was beautifully decorated in Christmas decorations of red and green. The Leap Year scheme was carried out throughout the evening. The young ladies called for the young men at their homes.

Each young lady wore a souvenir of her birthday, February being a hatchet, April a fools cap, October a little witch, etc. The boys were to guess which month the ladies' birthday came in. After the guests gathered, each lady was given a pencil and booklet, upon which she wrote a proposal to the young man of her heart. After much merriment and laughter when the boys read them, the prize, a lovely box of candy was won by Miss Marguerite Freeman.

The guest prize was given to Mr. and Mrs. Woods from Charlotte. This was a pickle set. It was presented by Mr. William Covington, in a very suitable speech. He told the bride, Mrs. Woods, that if she got in a pickle to use the tiny fork on her husband.

Book was played during the evening, music was furnished by Misses Isabel Jean Lamont, Benjie, McFadyen and Brown McQueen.

The out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Woods from Charlotte, the Misses Grier and Sarah McFadyen from Agnes Scott, Decatur, Ga., Mr. John McFadyen of Morganton and Miss Catherine Blalock of Parkton.

Delicious refreshments were served. New Year cream (white with 1928 in red) with fruit cake and dates.

The guests voted the evening one of the most enjoyable of the season.

Price of cotton dropped Monday. The Bank of Raeford reports a good year in 1927, and starts 1928 with hope and good cheer.

Warm and rainy Monday, and we planted some Alaska peas. It is time to plant English peas, onions and beets, etc.

Mrs. D. L. Fittman of Savannah, Ga., was a guest in the home of Misses Wills and Stella Graham last week.

Mr. Bruce Morris has moved his salubrious to Aberdeen. It is said Lewis Motor Co. of Fayetteville will convert his station here into a garage.

Dr. W. H. Vrazier, president of Queens College, was speaking at Raeford Kiwanis club last Thursday evening, and gave the members a good address.

The Journal is the best advertising medium to use for Hoke county business. We believe more people in this county read The Journal than all other papers read counted together.

Seventeen members of Battery F have gone from Raeford and Hoke county within the past 3 months in search of an opportunity to make a living, and a great deal larger number have gone from the county. Hoke will never get ahead much while it is constantly losing its young manhood. North Carolina has suffered from this same cause for many years, and very little attention has been paid to this its greatest source of loss.

## BUSINESS BUILDERS.

NOTICE—On last Thursday a black hound dog strayed or was stolen from my home. The dog had brown spots over each eye, also tip of tail grayish brown, chest under part of body and legs brown, similar to the name Driver. Any information concerning this dog will be appreciated.

HENRY C. TAPP,  
Raeford, Route 3.

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