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OUR MOTTO

BOOST AND HELP THE OTHER FELLOW.

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THE BANK'S HELP TO A COMMUNITY.

There is no end to the good a bank can do and does for a town and community. In it is centered the pivot of all outside activities and according to its GREASE just so will the wheels of commerce and development turn round.

Banking business is not appreciated by enough people to make them do even greater good than they do now. With the banking law in force NO DEPOSITOR can LOSE. His money is SAFE in a safe and when he wants it he can get it just like he wants it. So with that law backing every depositor, more people should rustle their po-ko-de-nero out of various socks and cracks, chimney corners and hearths and become depositor in your local bank.

There are bankers who have done much good to their several communities and Chickasaw county is well represented by every bank in the four largest towns. To them the most of the business men and farmers go to for advice about every deal and the bankers spend many hours trying to HELP others get their business on the right road. All praise to these men who know how the other fellow lives!

In publishing the statements of different banks The Hummer always desires to cooperate with them the best we can. The two statements on this page from Chickasaw County Bank and Bank of Houlika show mighty good figures for this season of the year. Although they are small considering city banks that does not show that they do not do a great good for the people. Every day the men behind these banks try to help the business interests of the community GET TOGETHER and they are happy to help YOU solve your financial problem. INTEGRITY as of the Gibraltar Rock is paramount in the hearts and minds of these officers and they always want to help those who try to help themselves.

Behind the Chickasaw County Bank is President A M Harley, Vice-President J P Tabb, Cashier L T Fox, Bookkeeper T H Johnson. Directors A M Harley, J P Tabb, E P Wilson, R B Waldrop, John C Williams, S T King, D E Shell and J I Smith. All of them honest and straight business men READY to serve in any capacity that builds up the town.

Behind the Bank of Houlika is President Oscar M Harrill, Vice-President W H Griffin and Cashier Robt E Atwell. Directors, T R Roberts, G W Stubblefield, E T Turner, J C Beasley, R E Atwell, W H Griffin and O M Harrill. All of them honest and strictly business men who are at all times behind the best interests that go to build up instead of to tear down.

To the bankers of this county The Hummer offers its pages to help further the cause of banking and if any banker desires to write an article dealing with the present conditions of our county, what is best to do, how to do things that will bring prosperity and subjects along this line we shall be glad to print it with editorial support.

Statement of the financial condition of

Chickasaw County Bank

located at Houston in the County of Chickasaw, State of Mississippi, at the close of business March 7th, 1916, made to the Board of Bank Examiners.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$69,444.61
Overdrafts, secured	7,884.46
unsecured	676.73
Guaranty fund with State Treasurer	500.00
Banking house and lot	5,000.00
Other real estate owned	500.00
Furniture and fixtures	3,500.00
Due from other banks	26,582.84
Ex and cks for next days clearings	825.40
Other cash items	157.76
Paper currency	4,332.00
Fractional paper currency nickles and cents	85.54
Gold coin	15.00
Silver coin	2,458.25
County Warrants	1,982.97
Total	\$122,995.56

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	41,000.00
Undivided profits, less amount paid for interest, expenses and taxes	1,706.70
Individual deposits including savings deposits	74,405.84
Time certificates of deposits	5,983.02
Total	122,995.56

I, L T Fox, cashier, do solemnly swear that the above is a true statement of the financial condition of the Chickasaw County Bank located at Houston, in the County of Chickasaw, State of Mississippi, at the close of business on the 7th day of March 1916, to the best of my knowledge and belief. Correct—Attest. L T Fox, Cashier

A M Harley
E P Wilson, Directors.
State of Mississippi,
County of Chickasaw.

Sworn to and subscribed before me by L T Fox, this 18th day of March 1916.

Jeff Busby, Notary Public.
My commission expires Aug. 15th 1918.

Statement of the financial condition of

Bank of Houlika

located at Houlika, in the County of Chickasaw, state of Mississippi, at the close of business March 7, 1916, made to the board of Bank Examiners.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$4,377.03
Overdrafts, unsecured	105.00
Bonds, securities, etc., owned included premium on same	8,000.00
Guaranty fund with state treasurer	500.00
Banking house and lot	2,500.00
Other real estate owned	1,124.85
Furniture and fixtures	400.33
Due from other banks	5,559.94
Paper currency	1,965.00
Fractional paper currency, nickles and cents	116.86
Gold coin	25.00
Silver coin	475.00
County warrants	541.12
Total	\$55,686.19

LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	\$10,000.00
Surplus fund	300.00
Undivided profits, less amount paid for interest, expenses and taxes	780.72
Individual deposits, including saving deposits	36,883.97
Time certificates of deposit	2,550.00
Bills payable, including certificates of deposits, representing money borrowed	5,000.00
Reserved for accrued interest on deposits	34.70
Reserved for accrued taxes	16.80
Due and interest	80.00
Rent accrued	40.00
Total	\$55,686.19

I, R E Atwell, cashier, do solemnly swear that the above is a true statement of the financial condition of Bank of Houlika, located at Houlika, in the County of Chickasaw, State of Mississippi, at the close of business on the 7th day of March 1916, to the best of my knowledge and belief. Correct—Attest. R E Atwell, Cashier

O M Harrill
J C Beasley, Directors
State of Miss. County of Chickasaw

Sworn to and subscribed before me by R E Atwell, this 16th day of March 1916.

J W H Baker, Notary Public.
My commission expires July 3rd 1917.

A PATRIOTIC APPEAL FOR BETTER CITIZENSHIP IN CHICKASAW COUNTY

DEAR MR. EDITOR:

I want to ask your indulgence while I attempt to discuss for a few minutes with you and your readers a matter of vital interest to the people of this Town and County. It is very gratifying to know that the timely article which appeared in your paper last week, written by Rev G W Riley, and which was followed a few hours later by a quite generally signed petition, committing a large majority of the male population of this Town and vicinity to the idea of upholding the officers of this Town and County in their efforts to enforce the laws against public drunkenness, vagrancy, boot-legging, blind-tigers, etc., have already begun to bear splendid fruit. This observation is evidenced by the almost perfect order that prevailed on our streets, and everywhere, last Saturday afternoon and night. As compared with the order that has existed for some-time previous thereto, it seemed like a Sunday evening. This is indeed good to contemplate, and so far, so good. But, the thing to be considered, is the future. Lets' all of us, officers and people alike, determine and resolve that there shall be no cessation of our efforts to make this the most law-abiding community in the State. Is it in our power to make it such? Certainly it is. We can have whatever we want or demand in the way of law enforcement. The trouble has been along that our people have been sleeping. They have not been awake to their best interests, material, moral and spiritual. Every one, apparently, has been waiting for the other fellow to take the initiative. There has been a disposition on the part of the people to tolerate the conditions that have heretofore obtained, and each man has been waiting for the other to sound the alarm and give the violators notice that a halt has been called in their proceedings. And now, since our people have spoken, and have pledged themselves to co-operate, to the fullest extent, with the officers in their efforts to rid this community of law violations and law violator, it is highly important that we make good in every particular our promise. Lets' take no backward step. Every man should be on the watch and if any infraction of the law is observed, report it to the proper authorities, whose duty it will then be to see that the offender is speedily brought to justice. Officers like to know that they have the co-operation and moral support of their constituents, whose servants they are. No law, however just and sound, is capable of being enforced, or is worth the space that it consumes upon the books, unless it steadily and consistently upheld by a wholesome public sentiment; and no executive officer will or can discharge his full and complete duty to the public unless he has the consciousness at all times that he has the support and backing of the moral and law abiding element of his constituency. It will be seen, then, that if we are to have conditions to our liking in this Town and County, there are duties that devolve upon both the officers and the citizens, the proper performance of which are absolutely necessary to an adequate enforcement of the laws relating to the evils that have infested our Town and County for so long. It is the duty of every good citizen to give his moral support to the officers, and if the citizens should, by chance or otherwise apprehend any one engaged in an unlawful act, he should, promptly make known such fact to the proper officers. It will then be the latter's duty to arrest the offender and carry him before the proper tribunal for trial and punishment. Of course, it cannot be maintained that it is the duty of the private citizen to constitute himself a policeman for the purpose of apprehending and running down criminals generally, or those engaged in unlawful enterprises. Primarily, that is the duty of the officers. The private citizen has a right to arrest a known felon, with or without warrant, and the officer has the authority to deputize him to assist him in cases of emergency, where the offender is guilty of a misdemeanor only. Again, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen have the power to appoint special deputies at any time, where the conditions and circumstances demand or require it. But, it is the duty of every good man to be a CITIZEN and a PATRIOT. In order to be such it is not only necessary that he be law-loving and law-abiding himself, but he should be willing and ready, at all times, to make some personal sacrifice, if need be, to make his erring neighbor law-abiding, as well.

It is unfortunately true that force is often necessary to the inculcation of moral principle. While we are admonished to "temper justice with mercy," yet experience and observation both have taught us over and over again, that, with some people, judicial leniency is the defendant's ruin. It too often invites a repetition of the offense, and

UNCLE SAM DOWN IN MEXICO.

After many months of patience with the bandit Villa, Uncle Sam has slipped off his kid gloves and gone at him with the mailed fist. Although Uncle Sam sincerely wanted to keep out of that treacherous country he could not any longer put up with the depredations occurring almost every day.

If the president had not said "Go get Villa dead or alive" the people would have raised such a hullabaloo about it there is no telling just what the frenzy of the country would have come to. So the soldiers are at last on Villa's trail and they are eager for the fray.

The Mexicans are so wishy-washy it would not be surprising if Carranza should declare war on the United States. He is receiving too much ammunition from the states and it may be a trick he is playing to make the people think it is for the pursuit of Villa in cahoots with the American army. After he gets a big supply of fighting material it is possible for him to turn against his benefactors. If he does it will be one of the most treacherous deeds ever done by anybody anywhere. We hope though he will go on as now and help the best he can, for should Villa be captured, Carranza would be the undisputed ruler of Mexico. He has a good future if he works his noodle.

Uncle Sam may yet have to either annex Mexico or subdue the whole push. The Villa chase may take another week and it may take a year. Guerrilla warfare will be the natural mode of fighting. Has anybody here seen the Mexican NAVY????

the natural consequence is the sinner goes deeper and deeper into the vortex of criminality, and justice is thereby defeated and thwarted, and the people and state suffer therefrom.

It was the almost life-long boast of the late Sam P. Jones that there was not a blind-tiger or boot-legger in his home town of Cartersville, Ga., in fact he took particular pride, wherever he went throughout the broad land, preaching the gospel of a Risen Christ, in telling that no man could go to that little city and purchase a pint of anything capable of producing intoxication. In almost every city in the South he offered a reward of \$500.00 from the pulpit to any man who would go to his home City and purchase a pint of whiskey, whether he went as a visitor, detective or otherwise. This town, according to census returns, is about twice the size of Houston. What a glorious thing it would be if we could only make that declaration with the ability to sustain it! And yet is it possible? What was possible for Sam Jones and the people of his home town, is possible for the people and officers of the Town of Houston. There is, proportionately, as much courage, moral and physical, in the Town of Houston, as you will find anywhere on earth. There is no discounting the fact that our people are brave. They have amply demonstrated that fact time and again, both in war and peace. We sprang from the loins of courageous people. Our people, too, are inherently law-abiding and believe with all their hearts in law enforcement. Again, we are a religious people. It would be difficult to find a more spiritually inclined people anywhere than the people of Houston.

We have a glorious and honorable past. Few towns in the State have contributed more to the intellectual, moral, spiritual and material development of this Commonwealth than old Houston. It requires only a casual glance into the past to convince the most skeptical that her native sons have achieved fame and distinction in every line of human endeavor, not only in this state but in other States.

General Reuben Davis, the late celebrated criminal lawyer, said in his "Recollections of Mississippi," that when he first went to Congress he was apprehensive lest he might be abashed when he appeared upon the floor of the House of Representative in political debate with such giant statesmen as Rosco Conkling, Daniel W. Voorhes and Jno. J. Ingalls. But, he said it required only a brief experience at the National Capital to convince him that he had often clashed in forensic debate with greater intellects at the Houston Bar than he had encountered in the halls of Congress. What a great tribute to our noble past. We have still in our midst men and women who readily recall our General Featherston, General Cyrus Baldwin, J A Orr, Col. Tim Inge, Maj. Sydney Evans, Gen. T N Martin, Baxter McFarland, et al, who were in their day and time contemporaneous members of the Houston Bar, and stood at the very apex of the profession in the state. In the ministerial profession, the greatest of all, we have sent out such men as the late talented and accomplished Geo Inge, who was perhaps the most effective and gifted

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