

Prominent Local Banker Observes 80th Birthday

J. Bailey Owen, One of Henderson's Oldest Citizens; Portrait Hung in Citizens Bank

John Bailey Owen, one of the founders and first cashier of the Citizens Bank & Trust Company, of Henderson, observed his eightieth birthday Sunday, March 21, as a patient in Maria Parham hospital, where he has been under treatment for a week. Plans made for appropriate observance of his anniversary at the bank today had to be called off because of his illness.

But a large lifesize oil painting of Mr. Owen was placed in the bank opposite the front lobby, and many friends and others noted it during the day and made favorable comment on the picture and recalled the long service of Mr. Owen to the city and many of its institutions. The portrait was painted by Mrs. Marie Burwell Hunt, of Oxford, and was provided by the bank.

Mr. Owen was born March 21, 1863, in Halifax county, Virginia. His father was one of the outstanding men of Southside Virginia. Mr. Owen came to Henderson in January, 1889, as one of the organizers of the Citizens Bank, which began business January 21, 1889, and has been in continuous operation since that time.

When the bank opened, Mr. Owen was its first cashier, a connection he held for a number of years. Later he was elected president, on February 1, 1895, and holds that office today and has continuously since he was first head of the bank, except for two or three years recently, when he was chairman of the board.

Although in rather feeble health for the last several years, Mr. Owen has been able most of the time to go to the bank for several hours each business day, and has found great pleasure in greeting friends and renewing acquaintances. He has always maintained a keen interest in local, national and world affairs.

Mr. Owen has been for years treasurer of the Henderson and Harriet Cotton Mills corporation here. He was first treasurer of the Henderson public schools and was instrumental in their establishment more than forty years ago.

About twenty years ago he was grand master for a term of the North Carolina Grand Lodge of Masons and has served for many years as a trustee of the Oxford Orphanage, which has claimed much of his interest. He has been a lifelong Democrat, and frequent contributor to its campaigns.

Mr. Owen has been a heavy contributor to many charitable enterprises of the community, and to the First Presbyterian church, of which he has been a member during his residence in Henderson.

For fifty-four years, during its entire existence, Mr. Owen has been connected officially with the Citizens Bank & Trust Company, and has seen it grow from a small rural institution to its present stature as the "leading bank in this section," with resources well in excess of seven million dollars.

Mr. Owen is one of Henderson's first citizens, is known to and held in high esteem and affection by thousands of acquaintances throughout the section, as well as elsewhere in North Carolina.—Dispatch, Henderson.

Mr. Owen is well known and highly respected by hosts of friends in Franklin County.

AVIATION CADET
Douglas Joyner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Joyner, of Louisburg, has completed the first phase of his training as a Naval Aviator at the University of South Carolina. He is at home for a few days before resuming his training at another school.

GETS STILL
Officer K. E. Joyner reported the capture of a 60-gallon galvanized still outfit near New Hope, Friday, March 12th, and destroyed four gallons of whiskey. He was assisted by Officers G. S. Gilliam and W. A. Phelps.

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PROMOTED

W. H. (Jack) Taylor has recently been promoted to First Lieutenant in the U. S. Army, and is now stationed at the Delaware Ordnance Depot, Pedricktown, N. J. Lt. Taylor is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Taylor, of Louisburg.

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LETTER FROM NORTH AFRICA

The following letter was received the past week by Mr. W. C. Holmes from his son, Mr. Roger A. Holmes, who is with the armed forces in North Africa. The letter was written on March 6th, and was received here on the 22nd. The letter follows:

Dear Dad:
Well how is everything on the farm. Guess you will be planting your crop soon. Saw in the TIMES that the crops will be about the same. Well I drew a map of the farm the other day, just to see if I had forgot how it looked. Well it looks O. K. to me. Tell Mr. Allen I see he has some very good mules in the TIMES this year.

Oh! Dad, where is Buck Harris. Tell him I have something he sold about two years ago and I am going to bring it back with me TO HIM. Tell him to write me. Well, how is my cotton or have you sold it. Saw in the TIMES it is going up a little. Well, how are Nick, Hugh, P. C. and Bubby getting along. Tell P. C. this like the night he was in the corn field. Well I must close. Send me a picture of my horse and the mules if you have one. Write me and let me know how the crop is. Will try and write you again soon.
As ever,
ROGER H.

BLUE KEY

Robert W. Smithwick, Jr., was among fifteen outstanding students at State College that were initiated in the Chapter of Blue Key National Honor Society recognizing high qualities of scholarship.

AT ROCK SPRING

Rev. C. E. Crawford, former pastor will preach at Rock Springs Baptist Church next Sunday, March 28, at 12 o'clock.

A stranger can arouse keen interest in a small town by keeping his mouth shut.

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First Aid For Airmen



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HEALTH HINTS

Sleep with your mouth shut. Also keep it shut when angry.
Soldier—I'd face death for you!
Girl—Why did you run from our dog?
Soldier—It wasn't dead!

Visitor (in Louisburg home to small son)—What are you going to be when you grow up?
Small Boy (after a moment's thought)—Well, after I've been president awhile to please mother, a lawyer a while to please dad, I think I'll be an aviator.

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A crop of Austrian Winter peas planted in September by J. G. Holland of Duplin County, has made two and a half times as much growth as another crop planted in late October in the same field.
For twenty years, R. W. Hardin of Ashe County has been using a brick brooder for raising chicks. Hardin says: "For economy and simplicity of operation, I wouldn't exchange it for any other type."

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