

HENDERSONVILLE GIRL AGAIN TAKES TROPHY

CITY DOWN THE ROAD HAS GOOD DECLAIMERS.

Miss Rosa Lewis Carries Off First Prize in the Contest at Weaverville.

The first annual contest between the high schools of the western division of the state for a declaimer's medal and a reciter's medal, which was held in the auditorium of the Weaverville college Saturday afternoon and Saturday evening, was a success from every point of view.

The contest in which the young men participated was held at 2.30 in the afternoon, while the young ladies recited at the evening session, which began at 8 o'clock.

Miss Rosa Lewis, of Hendersonville, was awarded the medal for the best recitation, her subject being "La Zinzarella." Miss Opal Gaston, of the Hominy Valley High School, was given honorable mention, her recitation, in the estimation of the judges, having been worthy of second place.

In the declamation contest, J. Robert Jones, of the Fairview high school, was awarded the medal for the best declamation, and Lowery H. Allison, of Rock Hill, Haywood county, was declared the second best declaimer.

Prof. H. T. Hunter, of the Fairview high school, was the presiding officer at the contests, and the judges were Prof. R. J. Tigue, superintendent of Asheville public schools; Robert Goldstein, a member of the faculty of the Asheville high school; Rev. W. E. Poppy, of Weaverville.

HOLD SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION APRIL 6.

Second Annual Meeting of Buncombe County Association to be Held on This Date.

The second annual convention of the Buncombe County Sunday School association will be held Thursday and Friday, April 6 and 7, at the First Presbyterian church of this city.

A "How" program has been arranged, including the many ways in which to conduct various departments of a Sunday school. Discussions will be engaged in on the floor of the convention, and the affair will, no doubt, prove interesting and highly instructive.

AMATEUR PLAYERS ORGANIZE TEAM

Officers Y. M. C. A. Team Will Be Elected and Plans Made for Good Games.

All young men of the city who intend trying for a place on the first team of the Y. M. C. A. this year will meet at the association building this evening at 7.30, at which time plans for the organization of the team will be formulated. The Y. M. C. will be the third which the Y. M. C.

A. has gotten out, and it bids fair to be the best one in the history of the school. Some of the best amateur players of the city usually compose the teams and games are arranged with the Asheville leaguers and college teams of the surrounding country. Every man in the city is allowed a chance to join the squad from which the team will be chosen. However, no one will be allowed to play on the team who is not a member of the association, and if any member of the squad makes the team who does not belong to the Y. M. C. A. he may play if he joins.

SUIT OF THE CITY MAY SOON BE HELD

ASHEVILLE SEEKS TO RECOVER TAXES ALLEGED DUE.

Case Reversed and Dismissed. Will Now Go to the Superior Court for Trial.

Having had a hearing in the Superior court, then the state Supreme court, where the suit was dismissed, it is highly probable that the suit of the city of Asheville against property owners on Southside avenue along Cripple creek will have a hearing in the federal court.

It will be recalled that something like a year ago, the city proceeded to collect the taxes levied on property owners on Southside avenue, who were assessed with two-thirds of the paving expenses, the Asheville Electric company to pay the balance. The property owners along the south side of the street objected to paying the assessment, which was something like \$4.49 a front foot, contending that the property along the creek was not worth the paving assessment. Upon the city's threatening to sell the property for taxes, Judge Justice issued a temporary restraining order, which was later made permanent, enjoining the city from selling the property for taxes amounting to about \$60,000.

The city appealed to the Supreme court, which reversed the ruling of the Superior court and dismissed the case.

Out of thirty or forty property owners on the street, it is understood that some are paying the assessments while others have signified their intention of not paying. The city, it is said, will proceed to collect the taxes in due course of time. When such action is taken, it is highly probable that the property owners, who contend that the taxes are unjust will resort to the federal court through their attorneys who fought the cases in the other courts. Wells & Swain and Carter & Chedester.

In view of the fact that the case is of more or less interest to the city, and that it has been well thrashed out in the other courts, the next proceeding by the city, which will be followed by the institution of a suit in the federal court, will be watched with the keenest of interest.

It is understood that the case next time will be grounded on misrepresentation, in that the owners of property abutting the street were misinformed as to the cost when authorizing it to be done, and that fraud to some extent was connected therewith.

HENDERSONVILLE ROAD IS BEING IMPROVED

Soul of the Autolot Made Glad by the Prospect of a Perfect Highway to That Town.

Automobile parties passing over the country road from Asheville to Hendersonville feel much encouraged over the condition of the road, and the prospects of having a fine highway between the two cities within a short time. Those familiar with the condition of the Henderson end of the road say that it is the best stretch of road in Henderson county.

This highway has long been a subject for much discussion by good road enthusiasts on both ends of the road. With Britain's convict force of a large number of men on the Buncombe end of the road in the Busbee section, indications look to a quick removal of the eye sore between these two cities.

STRONG SERMON AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

DR. VINES RECOMMENDS THE COMMISSION FORM.

In Second of Series of Sermons Pastor Discusses Civic Progress and Reform.

At the First Baptist church Rev. Dr. Vines is preaching a series of sermons entitled "Echoes from My Vacation." Last night he delivered the second in the series on "The Oldest Town in the United States." This sermon was suggested by a visit to St. Augustine, Fla., while away on his vacation. Dr. Vines gave a most interesting description of Florida and made some striking references to the city of St. Augustine. He referred to the great railroad that Mr. Flagler has built as the most remarkable feat of railway enterprise which the world has ever seen.

The historical perspective of 400 years was suggested by the settlement of St. Augustine in 1565. In a thrilling reference to this period of four hundred years in glowing language he graphically described Luther's appearance before the Diet of Worms in 1521, the assassination of Admiral Coligny in 1572, the defeat of the Invincible Armada in 1588 and the defeat of Spain in Manila bay 1898. All these events were intimately connected with the city of St. Augustine. In this connection Dr. Vines took occasion to refer to the advancement of civic and religious life during this period since the foundation of St. Augustine. He declared that in his opinion that the commission form of government was the best yet devised for the control of our cities.

A tidal wave of civic righteousness is sweeping over the country and this is but a feature of the uprising of the people in their opposition to ring rule and graft. All good people should put themselves in this current for the advancement of righteousness and should carry their Christianity to the ballot box and vote on Tuesday as their consciences dictate. The triumph of commercialism over militarism is suggested also by the ruins of the old fort and the ancient gateway of St. Augustine. Relics of military rule now passed away. All this is suggestive of the passing of war and indicative of the fact that men and nations are learning that war does not pay. St. Augustine is now noted for its fine hotels and its commercial enterprise. "The law of the survival of the fittest" is suggested by the fact that the Spaniard drove out the Frenchman and the Indian, only in turn to be driven out by the Englishman. Spain carried \$5,000,000 wrenched from the savages by fraud and crime to enrich her coffers at home. Every nation she touched has been lowered in civilization and money has proved her ruin and destruction. Will American civilization under English domination suffer a similar fate? Either gold will conquer America or America will conquer gold. This is the problem of our missions. The Christian conquest of the city is suggested by the theme. Three hundred and fifty years ago there was one city, today there are 700 cities in the United States. In 1800 four per cent of the population lived in cities of 5,000 and over. In 1900 75 per cent was in the city and the last census puts the figures still higher. "The city," says Emerson, "is recruited from the country. The city would have died out, rotted and exploded long ago but that it was reinforced from the field." Verily "God made the country but man made the city." The cities are the centers of infemperance, pauperism and crime. He does most to christianize the world who does most to christianize America and he does most to christianize America who does most to save our cities. The city is the Gibraltar of civilization. Our cities now control the nation and it is the task of christianity to control the city. All christian people should see to it that Asheville is a model city in all respects so that the people who come here may carry with them the impressions from which they came better men and women. Dr. Vines noted in Florida that the Sabbath day was disregarded in Miami and Tampa, business houses being open on Sunday and places of amusement as well. Let Asheville always be noted as a place where places of amusement are closed on Sunday and business houses are made to observe the christian Sabbath. The modern city is the place where are centered the greatest influences for evil as well as for good. The currents for the degradation of young people and the demoralizing influences which wreck human character are found in their greatest degree in the cities. On the other hand the best churches and the best schools, the greatest charitable and philanthropic institutions and in short all the mightiest forces for good are found in the modern city.

The sermon closed with a graphic application of the text as found in Psalms 55: 9-11: "I have seen violence and strife in the city. Day and night they go about it upon the walls thereof; mischief also and sorrow are in the midst of it. Wickedness is in the midst thereof; deceit and guile depart not from her streets."

Next Sunday evening the subject will be "The Pearl of the Antilles" in which Dr. Vines will describe his trip to Havana.

SONG SERVICES WAS HELD AT THE Y. M. I. HALL

(Continued.) The audience that came out to the Y. M. I. song service yesterday was given a rare treat in the address of Rev. H. L. Aahs. He took for a subject, "Two Important Elements in the Life of an Individual." The two points that he discussed were vision and courage. In his argument he

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went on to show that one never amounts to a vision of some needed work to be done and then set about to bring it to pass. He told the young men present that it was not enough to stand on the corners of the streets and discuss what they might do if given a chance, but that they should go to work with some definite object in view and win success. "And in your work," said he, "you cannot afford to let the dark veil of prejudice come between you and the high ideals of Christian service. How many of you have a broad vision of life, and have the courage to pursue it? The standard must be raised higher and higher, and right here I would like to say a few words to the young women. Do not associate with the man of low ideals. Let him understand from the start that he must come up to the standard or pass on." At the close the speaker was heartily applauded.

"Lincoln," said a speaker at a banquet, "could not stand tedious writing in others. He once condemned for its tediousness a Greek history, whereupon a diplomat took him to task. 'The author of that history, Mr. President, is one of the profoundest scholars of the age. Indeed, it may be doubted whether any man of our generation has plunged more deeply in the sacred fount of learning.' 'Yes, or come up drier,' said Lincoln."

George W. Perkins was giving advice to young men. "Never undertake," he said, "to do too much. In applying for a position it is almost better to promise too little than too much. Remember the model. An old chap applied to a New York artist for the post of model. 'Well,' said the artist, 'what do you sit for?' 'Oh, anything sir,' said the model, fidgeting his head nervously. 'Anything you like, sir. Landscape, if necessary.'"

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At said election the voters favoring the issuance of said bonds for said purpose shall vote a ticket on which shall be written or printed "For Improvement Bonds," and the voters opposing the issuance of said bonds for said purpose shall vote a ticket on which shall be written or printed "Against Improvement Bonds."

John M. Thomas is appointed registrar and W. C. Hall and J. C. Doty are appointed judges, to hold said election. The registration books will be kept open at the storehouse of said John M. Thomas in said town for thirty days preceding said election. Witness the said mayor and board of aldermen, this, the 9th day of March, 1911.

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