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FINEST BUSINESS STREET IN SOUTH TO BE MADE MAGNIFICENT AVENUE!

City Council Unanimous For Making Second Greatest Improvement in City's History, Paving Main Street

HENDERSONVILLE'S PRIDE TO BE SUPERB AVENUE!

Paving Representatives Expected Here This Week, When it is Hoped to Close Contract for Immediate Improvement of Main Street.

YES!
MAYOR STATON—YES!
ALDERMAN SHEPHERD—YES!
ALDERMAN MORRIS—YES!
ALDERMAN RECTOR—YES!
ALDERMAN PACE—YES!
ALDERMAN GRIFFITH—YES!
ALDERMAN STEPP—YES!

"Do you favor improvement of Main street and Anderson Avenue by means of asphalt or some other modern pavement?"

This question was fired at the different city aldermen by a Daily Herald man. Without blinking an eye they all expressed perfect willingness to go on record as advocating the immediate improvement of Hendersonville's magnificent business thoroughfare—already the finest street in the South and when it is put in proper condition to be one of the finest in the whole world!

This will be the second greatest public improvement ever made in Hendersonville.

The superb concrete sidewalks were the greatest. The memory of the old rock strewn walks with the pig tail in its centre where folks walked to avoid the sharp pointed pebbles, is still fresh in the memory of everybody's most.

Also is that memorable fight which followed the putting down of the concrete, fresh in the memory of everybody's most.

The remarkable progress of Hendersonville in civic growth and civic pride is strikingly demonstrated in the fact that it will be possible to pave Main street without first going to the United States Supreme Court.

for authority to make the greatly needed improvement.

A few years ago this would not have been possible but things are some different today, thank you, mam.

It is very possible that a construction company will do the work and take the notes of the city in payment. A representative of a responsible concern will be here this week, when it is hoped to close some satisfactory arrangement along that line.

In that case, it is said the work of paving Main and Anderson will commence at an early date and will follow the laying of the street car rails.

The street car company will pave the space within its tracks and for a distance of eighteen inches on either side.

It requires no poet's imagination to conjure up a picture of Hendersonville's superb business street with its surface, asphalted.

One hundred feet wide, level and straight as an arrow, flanked on either side with twenty-foot concrete walks, with as substantial business blocks as may be found anywhere in a city of five thousand. Main street is a thoroughfare of magnificent proportions, needing but a suitable pavement to make it compare with Washington's famous Pennsylvania Avenue or Berlin's beautiful Unter-den-Linden.

The street will be easily and economically kept clean. It will add to Hendersonville's reputation in every way—for progressiveness, for public spirit, for a realizing sense of the value of civic beauty. It will make the town famous—for certainly no where, in the South will there be any business street to compare with it.

Dr. Hulston Fills First Baptist Church

Last night Dr. Hulston preached to a congregation which completely filled the First Baptist Church building. The subject was "what we know about Hell." Among other things the speaker said that at one time he could not accept the Biblical doctrine of a hell of fire and brimstone but his mother used a little logic which converted him. The syllogism used was: "Hell is not fire and brimstone it was just as bad as fire

and brimstone and it, therefore might as well be fire and brimstone. People prove there is a Heaven.

to get rid of the teaching of the Bible about Hell, but remember if Hell is not a reality, then Heaven is not. There is as much evidence to prove there is a Hell as there is evidence Station and Rector negotiated the subject.

Tonight Dr. Hulston will preach on the subject, "Does it pay to be a Christian?" The service begins at 8:30. Everybody invited.

PROF. W. S. SHITLE MARRIES MISS SINCLAIR.

Professor W. S. Shitle, the capable county superintendent of education, and Miss Daisy Sinclair were married last night at Biltmore, Rev. A. I. Justice performing the ceremony.

Professor Shitle and his bride will return to Hendersonville on the 5:15 train this evening. It was a surprise wedding—but a very few of the Professors many friends being let in on the secret.

THE ONE BEST TOWN

Mr. J. P. Smith, Chief Engineer of City of Montgomery, Ala., says:

"This is my first visit to Hendersonville. It will not be my last. I am entirely charmed with the town, with its people and with one of its principal assets—Laurel Park."

SHORT LOCAL NOTES

Mr. H. Edwards of Tampa, Fla., is visiting friends in this city.

Mr. A. J. Fincher of Canton, N. C., is in town on a business trip.

Mrs. R. C. Clark, who is under medical care in Asheville, is improving. Her many friends will be glad to hear.

Mr. W. R. Whitson and Mr. R. E. Rowles of Asheville are in town for a brief stay.

Mr. Giles L. Wilson, who believes in the number thirteen, and who purchased lot number thirteen in Laurel Park, has returned to Spartanburg after a pleasant stay at Laurel Park Retreat.

Mrs. F. E. Durfee, Mrs. F. V. Hunter and Mrs. C. Few are among the ladies of the First Methodist Church who will attend the Methodist Missionary Conference to be held next week in Waynesville.

Mr. George Stephens owner of Kanuga Club, is spending a few days at Kanuga Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. John M. Rivers, with Miss Lelia Jones, prominent Charlotte society people, returned to their home, this morning after spending several weeks at the Kentucky Home. They left in Mr. Rivers' touring car and will make the entire trip through the country.

Messrs. Hundley Gover and C. Few two Hendersonville boys who are tramping over Western North Carolina, will have footed it over one hundred miles before returning. A letter received from them states they are enjoying the trip and that the weather is fine. After reaching Waynesville the young men traveled across the mountains and stopped at Highland. They will return through the Sapphire County to Hendersonville.

About the most unique piece of wood work and clocksmith work done in this city is the mammoth hall mission clock shown in Hawkins Jewelry store. There are two styles of these clocks being displayed. The wood work was furnished by F. S. Thomas at his plant near the city. The clock works were installed by W. H. Hawkins & Son.

One of the clocks have works run by weights which will run thirty days without winding up.

Mr. and Mrs. Dunklee of Jacksonville, who have been spending the season at the Summer Home, left this morning for Asheville, where they will remain two weeks before returning home. They were joined here by Mrs. Bussee, a sister of Mrs. Dunklee, who will return to Jacksonville with them.

A CORRECTION

The impression in yesterday's Daily Herald, that there would be a change in the management of the Hendersonville Wholesale Grocery Co., is incorrect. There will be no change in the management, officers or salesmen of this firm. The only change comes in the way of an addition to the now efficient force. Mr. S. J. Thomas who has been president for a number of years, will become an active member of this well known firm.

STORY HOUR ENJOYED

The Story Hour at the court houses this morning was enjoyed by an appreciative audience—it should have been much larger. The Story Hour will be repeated this afternoon at five o'clock.

Miss Meta Eloise Beall, an experienced kindergarten and state secretary of the After School Club charmed all by her intelligent and highly capable work—which is really to give to the child higher ideals of life and to bring into closer union the home and the school.

GOOD HOTELS, GOOD ROADS, GOOD TIMES.

"When Western North Carolina," says the Manufacturers Record, "shall extend her hotel facilities and bring them up to the hour, then will she enjoy unlimited tourist patronage."

Which is gospel truth and is of special interest to Hendersonville by reason of the proposed erection of a mammoth hotel in Laurel Park by the \$100,000 Laurel Park Hotel Company.

The Indianapolis News tells of Switzerland's experience along that line as follows:

The actual money invested in hotels in Switzerland is \$160,000,000. The payment of the interest on this sum, the maintenance of the properties and a profit on the enormous business, which employs many thousands of people, is practically all paid by tourists who come to Switzerland in pursuit of health, recreation and pleasure.

Commenting on this the Asheville Citizen remarks:

At first glance the sum of one hundred and sixty million dollars invested in hotels in a comparatively small section of country (the scenic portion of Switzerland being the main base of operation) seems too much for the ordinary mind to take in, but the figures quoted are the result of care-eyes of the American traveler were turned to the European continent Switzerland, knowing that she was unusually blessed by nature, determined to do two things well—erect first class hotels, and build good roads. She knew that these two were the main factors in attracting the tourist for he wanted suitable accommodations, and he wanted to reach them by means of improved highways. So the wise Swiss went to work. The piling up of heavy debts did not bother him, for was not the good money of the pleasure seeker to pay them?

And now to come home. Western North Carolina has long been known as the "Switzerland of America." Her scenery and climate are said to be fully equal to those of Switzerland. Is it not reasonable, then, to presume that had we dotted our peaks and glens with first-class hotels, modern in every particular, and fireproof, that we could have drawn a much larger tourist patronage than we have done in the past? While the added cost of the ocean trip means nothing to the rich, there are many travelers who would welcome the saving effected by "seeing America first," and by sojourning in a mountainous section which has no apologies to make to Switzerland in the way of natural charm and scenic grandeur.

Added to adequate hotel facilities a net work of good roads and Western North Carolina would eventually make as great a showing as Switzerland in every particular, and fireproof, that we could have drawn a much larger tourist patronage than we have done in the past? While the added cost of the ocean trip means nothing to the rich, there are many travelers who would welcome the saving effected by "seeing America first," and by sojourning in a mountainous section which has no apologies to make to Switzerland in the way of natural charm and scenic grandeur.

NEWS BRIEFS

Beattie case may be re-opened. New evidence against accused man found. Beulah may also be arrested as accessory to crime.

Testimony of jealous woman results in arrest of two millionaires charged with smuggling jewels.

William T. Burgess swims English channel, duplicating Webb's feat after sixteen attempts.

The cotton growers of the South attending the National Farmers Union in convention at Shawnee, Okla., have fixed 14 cents as the price for all cotton ginned during September and October.

Five young ladies injured at Newbern, N. C., when auto collides with engine.

Virginia's second primary to nominate United States Senators occurs tomorrow and will conclude political fight marked by its extreme bitterness.

A Newport, R. I., Baptist preacher refuses \$15,000 fee to marry divorced John Jacob Astor and Miss Madeline Force.

Aviator Robert Fowler starts Sunday to fly from San Francisco to New York for \$50,000 prize offered by Willie Hearst.

Chicago bandits kill wealthy auto owner, throw body in river and use his machine as a priate car.

Miss Dora Keen of Philadelphia, who attempted to climb Mount Blackburn, in Washington, 16,140 feet high, gives up attempt.

GEORGE VANDERBILTS' AGENT BUYS MAIN ST. PROPERTY.

Vast Interests Become Actively Identified with Hendersonville's Growth. Says City has most brilliant future. Sale in accord with Mr. W. A. Smith's well known policy of interesting outside capital here.

NEW BUSINESSES STARTED

Among the recent new enterprises started in this city is the Hendersonville Marble Works with offices and shops on South Main street opposite the Monument. F. E. Tipton, a former Henderson county man, but lately returned from Cobin, Ky., where he also has a shop now in operation is proprietor of the Hendersonville Marble works. Mr. Tipton has had years of experience in the Marble Business and comes to this city thoroughly familiar with its line of work.

There has been a demand for this kind of work in the city for several years. Heretofore it has been necessary to send out of town for tombstones and monuments with an additional cost to the individual. With a stone working plant located here it is safe to predict a fast growing business.

EXCELLENT STATEMENT

The statement of the Wanteska Trust and Banking Company, published in this paper, is one of the many encouraging signs of the present prosperity of Hendersonville.

The statement shows total resources of \$116,486.10 and deposits of \$76,332.00. The notes and bills re-discounted are none. The last statement showed this item as \$25,000. The bills payable read none. The last statement showed \$13,000 under this head.

Since the last statement was published the Wanteska Trust and Banking Company have also declared and paid a semi-annual dividend of five per cent on its capital stock—amounting to \$1,500.

Mr. W. A. Chenoweth and family, who have been spending the season at their summer home at Etowah, will return to their Birmingham home shortly.

Mr. George W. Vandervilt's agent, Mr. C. D. Beadle of Biltmore, has purchased of Mr. W. A. Smith two of the remaining Erwin property lots on Mainstreet.

Station and Rector negotiated the deal. This consideration is not stated. It is understood that Mr. Smith owner of the property, in order to get the vast interests represented more closely identified with the growth of Hendersonville, made valuable concessions to close the deal. This is along the line of Mr. Smith's well known policy in interesting outside capital in this city.

It is rumored that the property will be improved by the erection of a business block of the most substantial character—in fact, one of handsomest in Western North Carolina.

Mr. Vandervilt's agent, Mr. C. D. Beadle, who closed the deal, is very enthusiastic about Hendersonville. He unreservedly admitted that this city has a most brilliant future. Commenting on the growth of the town, and on its constantly increasing importance as a resort, he thought the remarkable progress of the past five years was but a sure augury of a more brilliant future, and feeling absolutely confident of this future considered the deal just closed as a most fortunate one.

The old Irwin property is of itself a concrete instance of Hendersonville's growth. But a few years ago it was vacant land. Now it is almost covered by substantial business blocks, which include the Clarke Hardware Company building, the Syndicate Building, Baker's three story apartment dwelling, and Dr. Howe's office.

CARD OF THANKS

The family wish to thank their many friends for the numerous acts of loving kindness and sympathy in the recent illness, and death of their sister, Mrs. S. M. Boone

Bestial Degenerate's Awful Punishment

Boston, Mass., Sept. 7.—After having spent thirty-five years of his life in a solitary cell of "Cherry Hill," where the life prisoners are confined, Jesse Pomeroy, the most notorious of these life prisoners today entered upon his thirty sixth year of solitary confinement. When Jesse Pomeroy entered the prison cell thirty-five years ago he was a youth of about sixteen years; he is now fifty-one and notwithstanding the rigor of his confinement which was interrupted but for a short period during the present year, seems strong, healthy and vigorous physically as well as mentally.

During the latter part of 1871 and the beginning of 1872 a series of bestial and indescribable cruel crimes perpetrated upon little boys of tender age created a perfect panic in South Boston and Chelsea. In every one of the cases the little victim was enticed to some lonely spot by a boy of about twelve or fourteen years, stripped tied to a tree or board and then unmercifully beaten and tortured by him. It was many months before the police obtained the first clue to the perpetrator of these crimes. Information given by one of the young victims led to the arrest of Jesse Pomeroy, the son of a poor but respectable dressmaker.

Jesse Pomeroy at first denied his guilt but after he had been confronted with several of his victims and definitely identified by them, he broke down and confessed. He could not explain his motive and repeatedly asserted that he was driven to these fiendish outrages by impulses which he could not resist. He was tried, found guilty and, in consideration of his youth sent to the State reform school. At that time degeneracy was not so thoroughly understood as it is now. Pomeroy was called a generative, but it was considered more proper to punish him than to treat him as a defective and send him to an asylum where he could have been kept under permanent control.

part so successful that he deceived his mother, several clergymen and a number of charitable inclined women. Between them they succeeded in procuring Jesse Pomeroy's release without having him first examined by an alienist. This was in February, 1874. Scarcely one month later a little girl named Katie Curran disappeared on her way to school and although a thorough search was made extending over many months not a trace of her could be found.

Later in the same year a clam-digger of South Boston, in crossing the marsh back of Washington village, South Boston, found the horribly mutilated body of a small boy who was afterward identified as Horace Miles. The crime was evidently the work of a degenerate and, remembering the record of Jesse Pomeroy, the police arrested him and took him to the morgue where the body of the little boy lay upon a stone slab. The sight of the mutilated corpse so unnerred Pomeroy that he confessed his guilt and also admitted that he had tortured and murdered little Katie Curran. Her mutilated and decomposed body was found buried under ashes and rubbish in the cellar of Mrs. Pomeroy's house.

The confession of these crimes created the most intense feeling among the people in South Boston and Chelsea and Pomeroy would have been hanged had it not been for the protection of the authorities. His trial lasted only three days and only the prisoner's youth saved him from the gallows. He was sentenced to spend the remainder of his life, in solitary confinement in Charleston prison. During the first ten years of his imprisonment Pomeroy made a number of attempts to break out of jail, but they were frustrated by the watchfulness of his guards. A number of sentimentalists induced the governor in the spring of this year to allow Pomeroy more freedom, but his privileges were soon revoked when the discovery was made that he had used his greater freedom to plan his escape and had even obtained possession of a steel on aw.