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Two Chautauquas Now Going On.

Clarence B. Strouse Holding Full Sway At Auditorium.

At the Auditorium, on Monday, Miss Christine Giles' solos with self-played violin obligatos made her hearty admirers on the spot. Miss Edna June Terry's reading from "Rebecca, of Sunnybrook Farm," was delightful and brought out hearty applause from the fair sized audience present.

On Wednesday, Dr. Cole, of Cincinnati lectured in his own peculiar manner on "Geronimo, the Pirate of Algiers." It was interesting to a degree and commanded the closest attention of the audience.

Tuesday night, Rev. Spurgeon of London delivered a really fine lecture to a somewhat larger crowd than present previously.

GOOD ROADS INSTITUTES

What Mr. Crawford Has to Say Concerning Letter From Mr. Pennypacker

A number of citizens of the county met at the court house last Saturday and adopted a resolution asking Mr. Crawford to have this proposed meeting held on Sept. 28th.

The following communication from Congressman W. T. Crawford will be of interest. Nothing is more important to the welfare of any community than good roads. Mr. Crawford will be present at this meeting himself.

Editor Hustler:—I enclose herewith a letter from the director of public roads, agricultural department of the United States. It will be seen that the department proposes to send an expert road builder to this district, and that he will deliver an address in each county on the subject of road building and the value of good roads. I hope to induce the department to bring road machinery and construct sections of road according to approved methods in different communities of the district as an object lesson. We can hardly hope for it this fall, but I feel sure that it will be done in the near future, if the people desire it. Practical lessons in road building of the character the government gives would be of great value to those who are interested in better roads. Transportation, by rail and the public highway, is one of the absorbing questions before the people throughout the country. It vitally touches all, in an economic sense, producer and consumer alike.

I sincerely hope that the people will avail themselves of this rare opportunity to hear a master of the subject discuss the different phases of public road building. When the details have been arranged, due notice will be given of the appointments.

Very respectfully,
W. T. CRAWFORD.
Aug. 19, 1907.

United States
Department of Agriculture
Office of Public Roads,
Washington, D. C., Aug. 8, 1907.
Hon. W. T. Crawford,
Waynesville, North Carolina.

Dear Sir:—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of Aug. 5, enclosing letter from the acting secretary of agriculture, relative to a proposed lecture tour of your district.

We can arrange for one meeting in each of the thirteen counties in your district as you requested, provided the tour begins after September 19. In regard to the construction feature of our work, it might be possible for us to undertake something of this character in sand, clay, or gravel roads this year, but I am afraid the season is too far advanced for us to give you much encouragement as to our co-operation in the building of macadam roads.

All of our road-building machinery is now in use, and will probably not be available before the beginning of the winter season. However, the expert from this office can explain the whole plan of co-operation, thoroughly, during the lecture tour and can at the same time, ascertain the most suitable time and places for road construction, and we can then determine to better advantage what course to pursue.

Very respectfully,
J. E. PENNYPACKER,
Acting Director.

WET OR DRY

A petition for a wet or dry election was presented to the city council this (Thursday) morning. The petition had the requisite number of signatures and was acted upon at a called meeting of the city dads. The election will occur next month, and will be interesting and furnish some excitement.

The New Bank

Efforts are being made to organize a new bank in this city.

The promoters are J. Williams, S. V. Pickens, J. F. Rowland, M. C. Toms and others. The capital stock would probably be about \$15,000.

D. C. Barrow of Florida may put \$8,000 into enterprise.

Re-United After 51 Years

S. J. Gallamore, a wanderer on the face of the earth for fifty-one years, who left Hendersonville on the seventh day of January, 1857, has just returned to his old home at Bowman's Bluff and met his only sister, Mrs. N. E. Hollingsworth, whom he had not seen for fifty years, and had no correspondence with for 49 years.

On Saturday, August 24, there will be a family reunion at the old home, and it will certainly be of more than ordinary interest.

When Mr. Gallamore left here Hendersonville was hardly the live, bustling town it is today, and of the residents here when he left only Memory Justus, Dr. Allen and Wesley Justus are left.

Mr. Gallamore has been around the world and most everywhere else. He is naturally well informed, and his 71 years rest lightly upon his shoulders.

House Party at Etowah.

Mr. and Mrs. Chenoweth have been entertaining a house party of fifteen or twenty young folks at their beautiful summer home "The Meadows," near Etowah, which has been transformed into one of the finest country estates in this part of the state by its present owner.

Amongst these enjoying the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Chenoweth are Miss Katherine Leach, of New Orleans; Miss Estelle Nabb, and Miss Julia Willis, of Birmingham, Ala., and Messrs. W. B. Beach and George Mason, of Columbus, Ga.

Mr. Beach Chenoweth, who has been spending the summer with his parents, will leave shortly to resume his studies at Washington—Lee University.

The young people have captured the whole countryside, and are enjoying their stay amongst the beautiful mountains immensely.

A Worthy Young Man Enters The Gospel Ministry.

Mr. James M. Justice, son of our townsman Mr. Samuel J. Justice, was ordained to the gospel ministry in the 1st Baptist Church of this city, on last Sunday morning. Rev. C. B. Justice of Rutherfordton, delivered a sermon appropriate to the occasion. Rev. M. L. Lawson, pastor of the church, led in the ordaining prayer, Rev. J. B. Boone delivered the charge, and Rev. G. S. Jones followed with the presentation of the Bible, and the interesting exercises closed with the apostolic benediction by the young minister, who is soon to complete his theological course of study at the Southern Baptist Seminary in Louisville, Ky.

Mr. Justice is a young man of fine moral and intellectual attainments, a graduate of our city High School, and also of Wake Forest College. He has spent a year or more in mission work in Cuba, and it is not improbable that he may in the near future be called to an important field of labor under the auspices of the Southern Baptist Convention.

What the Century Dictionary Says about "Chautauqua."

"A Religious, Educational and Social Assembly."

Too Much Chautauqua

The war has done started, and a horrible strife is now proceeding to carefully and scientifically rip beautiful Hendersonville up the back.

The two Chautauquas have divided the town into two factions. Both of the aforesaid factions are feeling watlike and much talk is being indulged in.

So much so, in fact, that some men dodge and run when they hear the name Chautauqua, and wish the word had never been coined, and say the great "social," and "religious" and "educational" Chautauqua has developed into a parade of brass bands, of loud talk, of megaphones and expressions of the bitterest feelings. The red lemonade and balloon ascension has not yet made its appearance, but doubtless will do so as soon as the situation is fully developed.

It probably marks the death of the so called "Chautauqua" here, which are largely mere entertainments. The word Chautauqua is a misnomer, and must make old Bishop Vincent turn over in his grave whenever a new one is started.

The situation is not without its humor, however. The rivalry between the two is intense, especially when it comes to selling tickets, and putting up advertisements.

Walker Smith gave permission to a man to paint a Chautauqua ad. on his window under the impression it was the local show. When he found it was the opposition he rushed out with a wet cloth and carefully wiped it off.

Further up and on the opposite side of the street someone tried to sell a business man a season ticket. He declined to buy. The ensuing argument was exceedingly warm and of a pleasant, personal nature that attracted considerable attention. No blood was shed, however and the police were not called. The aforesaid business man said he would go to either show that he blamed pleased, and didn't propose to be dictated to by anyone.

The worst feature of the whole business is that it has, and is, creating such bitter animosity between people here that the results must be most unfortunate for the community at large.

It were better a thousand times that no so-called "Chautauqua" had ever been held in this city than that the present unfortunate condition of affairs should result.

While the strife goes on the town suffers and will suffer. It has aroused a personal feeling the depth and bitterness of which is surprising, and which will take a long, long time to heal.

Strouse Talks

The Asheville Citizen of Wednesday says Dr. Strouse claims the Hendersonville Auditorium Co. are scheming to defraud him of his rights, that he will heard but little of the case, that he will prove charges untrue and show motive for the attack. He says he will not take any steps to call in the husband of the lady with whom alleged rumor connected him. Asked for a suspension of public judgment until Sept. 15th, when the matter comes before Judge Pritchard, when he claims he will show them to be absolutely untrue and will also show the motive for the attack on him

Stick by Hendersonville.

Said a well known man, Wednesday, talking about the Chautauqua affair:

"The various matters in dispute between the two Chautauquas will be settled before Judge Pritchard on Sept. 15th.

"It is unfortunate the present unpleasantness has been published to the world.

"But the main point is that Hendersonville cannot afford to let ANYTHING divide it.

"The program offered at the Opera House is one of real merit. It is hard to see just where it could be improved upon. The admission is very low. Hendersonville folks MUST stick by their home town. The future of the town depends upon just this. Show to the outside world that the town is united, that it believes it is absolutely in the right, and that it is proposed to fight to establish these rights is dead be.

"But just now GO TO THE OPERA HOUSE and show that you stand for Hendersonville.

CLOSED

The greatest contest ever staged in Hendersonville closed on Friday night, Aug. 16th, at 11 o'clock p. m.

Miss Nina Pace was elected by a big majority as the most popular young lady in the city, and the verdict seems to have given general satisfaction.

Miss Annie Aiken made a most creditable race indeed, and shows how many friends that estimable young lady has in this city.

As a matter of fact there were a large number of very popular young ladies entered in this exciting contest, as the prize, a free trip with all expenses paid to the Jamestown Exposition, was enough to tempt most anyone.

But Miss Pace seemed destined to carry off the honor from the first. Her vote was strong at first, and each week it piled up, until it seemed like most everyone in town was voting for her.

Miss Pace is the charming daughter of Judge U. M. Pace. She is accomplished and is one of those young ladies who have given Hendersonville the reputation of being the home of pretty girls. Aside from her gentleness in all things, possibly her greatest charm is her perfect simplicity.

She is now a clerk in the post office, was formerly with Brooks and Williams. On being asked when she expected to go to Jamestown at Hunter's expense she replied, sometime during September. She is now getting up her party, and certain it is Miss Pace carries with her the best wishes of her host of friends for the most enjoyable trip possible to be had.

During the last week Miss Pace received more than two times as many votes as any other contestants.

The total vote for the leading contestants:

Miss Nina Pace	8416
Miss Annie Aiken	4044
Miss Lula Gates	3446
Miss Estelle Egerton	2158
Miss Guselle Dotson	1563
Miss Inez Wajdrop	884

Of course there were hundreds of others also.

Graves Comin'

John Temple Graves will appear next Saturday night at Auditorium.

Opera House Draws Crowds of Home People.

The first night's attraction at the Opera House, John Temple Graves, failed to appear, and an interesting program of different talent filled in the date. The house was fairly well filled both afternoon and night.

Mr. Ruby has a tenor voice of surpassing sweetness and has made a favorable impression here.

The First Regiment Band, of Asheville, is fine. Asheville should be proud of such an organization. Their appearance on Main street at different times was marked with hearty applause.

Tuesday night the Olympic Acrobats appeared and gave an interesting exhibition. In addition there were other features which made up a pleasant evening.

Strouse Here

Dr. and Mrs. Clarence B. Strouse are in the city. Dr. Strouse and his wife are the guests of the Wheeler Hotel. They arrived Tuesday night.

Here and There

All that is really necessary now to make life in Hendersonville one grand, sweet song, is about two more chautauquas. With good luck possibly we may have them by next year.

The coming liquor "faction" will serve the purpose of keeping up the excitement already created by the rival chautauquas.

What Hendersonville really needs, what the people are actually suffering for, is fewer chautauquas and more cotton mills or some industry to relieve that tired feeling so prevalent here during the winter.

Are you going to vote wet or dry? In Asheville the prohibs. are confident of driving out the saloons. So much so that one prominent liquor man has seen the handwriting on the wall and has already closed out his business.

Hendersonville is suffering just now from too much of a good thing.

With two Chautauquas, three base ball games, attractions at the Park, and other things all going on at once, the town is a little bit excited just now.

Sunday at Laurel Park.

Laurel Park is visited by many hundreds every day, and last Sunday especially the car was crowded on every trip.

The Armstrong gave a sacred concert which was enjoyed by the large crowd present in the rink building.

The Basin Spring is a popular place and Mr. W. A. Smith was pleasantly occupied Sunday afternoon in serving a group of children from its sparkling flow.

The day was fine, and there were people a-foot on horse back, and in vehicles of every description.

There are miles of good roads through the park, the natural beauty of which must be hard to surpass anywhere.

The path through the dense laurel thicket to the basin spring is very beautiful indeed. Electric lights have recently been strung along its winding way, making a fairland in truth at night.

The little lake presented a pretty picture with its bathers splashing and diving, the beautiful background of green hills and wooded slopes here and there had its little groups of pleasure-seekers, adding movement and color to scene. And far off, yet looking to be close at hand, were the ever-inspiring old mountains, Sugar Loaf, Bear Wallow, Tryon, and the rest, stretching upward to the azure sky, as tho' they oo, would have a glimpse of what is beyond.

Laurel Park is a beautiful spot and one day we look for a regular electric car service to and through it.

NEWS OF THE TOWN

Raymond Edwards left Greenville long enough to spend Sunday and Monday in town.

Solicitor Spainhour, accompanied by Mrs. Spainhour, are registered at the Blue Ridge Inn.

Mrs. Clara B. Huff, of Columbus, Ga., is visiting her sister, Mrs. C. E. Mallett, at Bryn Avon, near Etowah.

I have for sale—Six thorough bred Jersey heifers. If interested, address W. A. Chenoweth, Etowah.

Mrs. Chas. A. Deshon and very attractive daughter, Miss Belle, of Ridgewood, N. J., are visiting Mrs. C. F. Mallett, at Bryn Avon, Etowah.

Rev. C. King will preach at Whitted Springs the first Sunday in next month, also the 4th Sunday in August at three o'clock at Balfour. Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

The wrestling match at the opera house last week resulted in a victory for Martin, of Missouri. A fair sized crowd was present.

There will be an ice cream supper at the French Broad Baptist church at Rugby, for the benefit of the church. All are invited to attend and have a good time.

Fred E. Allison, who has been with Burckmeyer Bros. during the summer, has returned to Waverly College. On Sunday last he preached at the Methodist church in Tryon.

The "Domino Ball" given at the Hotel Gates last Monday night was a huge success. About 250 invitations were issued, and the big ball room was well filled.

The trustees of Hendersonville Township are hereby notified to meet in joint session with the board of county commissioners the 2nd day of Sept. 1907.

W. L. MILLER, Chm.
J. D. DERMID, Sec'y.

Hendersonville certainly has her full share of visitors this summer. The weather conditions have been so ideal that on their return home they will make many new friends for this city.

C. S. Clarke's many friends here are glad to see him on the streets of Hendersonville again after an absence of some few months north. Mr. Clarke thinks there is no place quite like Hendersonville.

F. L. Plaisance has been secured by Dr. Clarence B. Strouse as his local manager. And Mr. Plaisance is just the man for the position. He is energetic and resourceful and has been pushing the advertising campaign right along.

Sheriff Freeman attended the hanging of the negro Rucker, in Asheville, Tuesday. The trap was sprung at 12:32 and in 31 minutes he was pronounced dead. He was cool and collected and repeated his confession of guilt.

P. E. Hamilton, of Abbeville, S. C., was in town last week, visiting friends and relatives. Mr. Hamilton is a son of County Commissioner W. S. Hamilton, and has scores of friends who are glad to see him on his occasional visits here.

There will be an old time singing at Stoney Mountain school house, on the fourth Sunday in August, beginning at 10 o'clock in the morning. Chas. Morris and W. S. Hamilton will lead, and dinner will be served on the grounds. All are cordially invited.

Brevard vs. Hendersonville at Laurel Park drew good crowds of the lovers of the national game to that beautiful spot on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. First game resulted Hendersonville 9, Brevard 2. The games were very hot and exciting from start to finish. There's plenty of good baseball material in both towns.

Mr. T. Justus has 16 grand-children. He attended the performance of the acrobats at the Opera House Tuesday night, and was so taken with their wonderful feats of skill that he got as many as possible of his grand-children together Wednesday and took them all in to see it.