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## BEAUTIFUL HENDERSONVILLE AWAKENING!

**\$500,000.  
IN NEW BUILDINGS  
IN 5 YEARS**

The above is the remarkable record of Hendersonville's buildings operations during the past five years. J. D. Waldrop has reckoned it up carefully and it amounts to over \$500,000. About \$160,000 of this has been in new buildings on Main street to the depot.

### Advertising Committee

The Board of Trade held a meeting last Thursday night, to devise ways and means of advertising Hendersonville. A committee consisting of: Messrs. C. E. Wilson, F. W. Ewbank, A. W. Calhoun, R. C. Clarke, T. W. Valentine, J. D. Waldrop, Wm. Hewitt, T. R. Barrows, was appointed.

The committee met at the Hotel Gates Friday afternoon. Sub-committees were appointed who met on Monday and presented their reports to the general committee on Tuesday night.

These reports and recommendations will be read at the meeting to be held tonight at the court house.

**Dr. D. M. Litaker, Four Years  
Pastor of Methodist Church**



Dr. D. M. Litaker preached his farewell sermon at the Methodist church last Sunday night, to a congregation which packed the building.

Taking "Power" as a text, analyzing the various phases of that quality from brute force to the power of God in saving souls. Dr. Litaker talked eloquently and effectively. He paid a tribute to Sam T. Hodges by saying that Mr. Hodges' effective solos prepared the congregation for the sermon and aided the minister in the delivery of his message.

The other churches held no services Sunday night.

Dr. Litaker left Monday night for Conference. The best wishes of the congregation which he has served so faithfully and well during the past four years go with him.

Following are some of the items of progress made by this church during the four years pastorate which has just

### A Government Building

A petition is being circulated and generally signed, asking the Federal Government to erect a postoffice building here.

### NOTICE.

The taxpayers of Henderson county will please take notice that their Taxes for 1907, are now due, and that I will force collection for all Taxes not paid on or before January 1st, 1908, therefore I beg you to call and settle at once, as I will positively comply with this notice. This is only complying with the laws of North Carolina. And I am sure that no tax-payer wants to place me and my Bondsman in Jeopardy.

I am faithfully yours,  
C. E. BROOKS,  
Tax Collector.

Those ruts on Main street could be repaired now at little expense. Later 'twill cost more.

### ALARMED OVER OUTLOOK FOR NEXT SEASON

### A MEETING THURSDAY

**Citizens Will Meet At  
Court House To-Night  
at 7.30, to Devise Ways  
of Advertising Town.  
They Remember Last  
Season. Spainhour,  
Anderson, Williams,  
Smith, will Talk.**

There will be a public meeting at the court house tonight (Thursday) to devise ways and means of advertising Hendersonville.

There will be good, short snappy speeches. All indications point towards a record-breaking gathering of Hendersonville's public spirited citizenship.

Hendersonville must go ahead or backward. It can not remain stationary.

The business men of the city have looked the situation in the face.

They don't like it. They have decided to change it.

They are going to make this change at the meeting tonight and you want to be there and see how it's done.

It is generally admitted now that Hendersonville is in danger of running down at the heel.

The tourist business last season didn't quiet measure up to expectations. Not by a great deal.

Next season it's going to be still worse unless something is done--and done almighty quick, too.

If you have any kind of interest whatever in your home town, come to this meeting.

Don't stay away and then tell one another that "Oh, yes, I know how it is. It's one or two men who have engineered this thing, and they'll get all the benefit from it. Reckon I'll stay here by the fire and let the other fellow do the work."

Be there yourself and if you don't like the way things are managed, say so.

But don't stay away and criticize the others for doing the best they know how.

This is YOUR town. It's to YOUR interest to have a record breaking crowd here next summer. It's to YOUR interest that Hendersonville becomes as well known as Asheville. It's to YOUR interest that you attend this meeting and give the meeting the benefit of YOUR best judgement and advice.

If you can't come, for pity's sake don't say anything about it afterwards.

Hendersonville has advantages as a resort which places it in a class by itself.

It has climatic advantages peculiar to itself, and possessed by no other resort.

It is the prettiest mountain city anywhere. People come here, go away for some reason or other and then come back.

There's Hume Harris. He sold the Belmont Cafe. Went to Brevard. Came back and stopped the writer in the middle of Main street and spoke thusly: "I tell you, there's no town anywhere like Hendersonville. I know!"

Then there's Mr. and Mrs. Grant who sold their home to the Misses Miles, of Flat Rock, who have spent many thousands of dollars improving the place. They left here. Went North. Went to England. Traveled most everywhere. And tomorrow, the 15th, they arrive in little old Hendersonville again. They are going to stay here this time, too.

Then ask the new people here what they think of this town. Ask them about its climate. Its schools. Its churches. Its natural beauty. Its hospitality. Just ask them and see what they say.

But what good does it do us to

possess these advantages unless the outside world knows of them too?

And how will they know anything about it unless you tell them?

And how are you going to tell them?

That's just exactly what this meeting this Thursday night is for.

And if you are making your living in this community as a merchant, a lawyer, a doctor, a mechanic, if you keep a hotel or boarding house, if you are making your living here, in short, it is your duty to attend this meeting.

If you decide that you have not enough interest in your home town to devote a couple of hours' time to her and to your interests, why don't say anything about it afterwards.

The opportunity is here. Seized now it will lead to a greater prosperity for all. Neglected, and you have but yourself to blame, and when next summer comes you will have plenty of time to sit around and say "I told you so."

This Thursday night, at the Court House, at 7.30, and it don't cost a cent.

Think of the millions spent in Switzerland by tourist and sight-seers! And Switzerland has no more beautiful scenery than Henderson county. So said Judge Alton B. Parker and many other competent people agree with him.

### Episcopal Schools

Henry Clay Mitchel, of Cincinnati, is now in charge of the Episcopal School of the Transfiguration, at Bat Cave. Mrs. Mitchel, his mother, is with him for the time being.

This is one of the four schools in Dr. R. N. Wilcox's jurisdiction. The one at Edneyville has an enrollment of 35 now. It generally reaches 75. The one at Arden has 100 students; Upward, 50; Bat Cave, 25. All are flourishing and prospering and are doing great work in the cause of education.

### THE BACHELORS CONTEST ENDED

The Bachelor contest is ended and awards will be made next week. Lack of space prohibits printing many answers received this week.

EDITOR HUSTLER—The Foolish Dictionary defines a bachelor as follows: "Bachelor. From Latin "baculus" a stick, unattached. Hence any lady may stick, stick to, and get stuck on." Please send me check for two dollars.

SUBSCRIBER,

EDITOR HUSTLER—Here is one reason why a bachelor should NOT marry. "Man proposes, then women imposes."

BACHELOR.

Safety Gates Needed at the Depot. There is so much travel across the Southern tracks at the depot that safety gates are now absolutely necessary there. So many narrow escapes from death and injury have occurred, that it's plainly the part of common sense to compel the railroad company to put modern safety gates there immediately, before some serious accident does occur.

### City Council Proceedings

City Council in regular session Thursday evening purchased one thousand feet of fire hose of the Eureka Hose Company.

Four more electric arc lights will be put into commission on December first. One will be on corner of Fleming Ave. and Bamberg street near Dr. Eubanks; one near Browns stable on Aspen street; one near Mrs. Scotts, on Locust street and the other on Anderson Ave., at Second street, near the Baptist Mission Church.

"South West Hendersonville" will probably be granted a four inch water main as \$590 was subscribed toward expense of putting water into this developing part of the city. City Council gave water committee power to act if advisable.

City Council also granted ex-Sheriff Rhodes claim of \$800.00 for fines that should have gone to him from school fund during years of 1902 to date.

Lum Hyder, bachelor, is open to most any proposition looking towards matrimony. Lum has \$300 in cash and a new suit of clothes.

### Are You Thankful, Too, This THANKSGIVING?

Last Thanksgiving we published many reasons from many people why they were thankful.

But what's the use this Thanksgiving? We all know some of the reasons why we should be thankful.

We are thankful that the new steam road is to be built and that the electric road will soon be under way. Both these great enterprises will put tens of thousands of dollars in circulation in Henderson county.

We are thankful that the farmers have had good crops and that the thousands of dollars sent out of the county for feed stuff last winter will remain at home this year.

We are thankful that the financial cloud hovering over other parts of this country has not settled down in Henderson, and we are heartily thankful that our banking institutions are in the

hands of safe, sane and conservative men.

We are thankful for the moral and physical well-being of the community.

We are thankful that the poles are out of Main street and that they won't go back, leaving the finest street in the world free from obstructions.

We are thankful for the blue skies, the warm sun and the health-laden breeze and this wonderful climate which restores the ill and keeps the well strong.

We are thankful for so many things we just can't think of them all, so what's the use of going around and asking people what they're thankful for?

So far as the Hustler is concerned it's thankful for an increased and quite healthy circulation, thank you mam, for a good business, for bright prospects, and the confidence of its home folks. So there, now!