

## The French Broad Hustler

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### WELCOME EDITORS.

The thirty-seventh annual session of the North Carolina Press Association is now in session here. Its membership constitutes the wisest, most progressive and patriotic class of the State's citizenship, and fair Hendersonville feels a peculiar pride in acting the part of host upon an occasion so auspicious. On behalf of the city the Hustler extends the glad hand and a genuine welcome, wishing each and every one a pleasant sojourn in the Lake City of the Mountains.

The gates of Hendersonville swing inward, gentlemen of the press, and the keys are yours while you stay. Thrice welcome to the "Gem City" of this fair and flowery land. Take the town!

The machine Republicans of North Carolina are somewhat disgusted with the President's actions so far, and plainly give him to understand that they've had enough pot luck, and want some pie.

The Supreme court of Mississippi has decided that no beverage can be sold in that State that contains any percentage whatever of alcohol. This decision will stop the sale of "near beer" in that State.

The council of State has accepted the bid of 103 by the Raleigh Savings Bank for the \$500,000 State bonds to be issued July 1st. There were eight other bidders ranging below the successful one, Wilmington, Winston-Salem, Baltimore, Cincinnati, New York and Spartanburg, S. C., being represented.

Wednesday President Taft sent a special message to Congress recommending that provision be made for an amendment to the Constitution granting Congress the right to legislate for an income tax and urging the adoption of an amendment to the tariff bill to provide for a tax on corporate net earnings.

### THE GLUT OF GOLD.

The output of the gold mines of the Rand, Transvaal, South Africa, was more than a million dollars' worth in the month of May, a gain of a quarter of a million dollars over the yield of the mines in the same month of last year. This is gaining at the rate of about three million a year, and indicates that the world's gold harvest is increasing at the rate of ten million dollars annually—assuming that other districts are keeping pace with the Rand. This is full of significance to those who properly consider it. The nations of the earth and the banking institutions are hoarding gold in enormous quantities; but they cannot hoard it fast enough to keep the constantly growing output from affecting prices. The general rise in prices, the world over, is attributable solely to the depreciation of gold in consequence of increased supply. Gold is the measure of values; and just as fast as gold is cheapened by increased production, just so fast will the general level of prices be raised. This is so simple a proposition that it seems strange that it is not more generally understood. The creditor class understand it well enough and are worrying about it. The glut of gold is a specter that will not down.

## TAXATION AND TAXES.

A few weeks ago The Hustler had a few words to say about the inequalities of taxation, and in a comparison of rate of valuation used Mecklenburg county as one of the examples, which comparison did not redound to the very great credit of that otherwise excellent division of the Commonwealth.

Whether or not the assessors will come clean in their figures this year remains to be seen; but the article, never touched our neighbor. Now comes one of the new aldermen of the city of Charlotte—the Queen City of the Carolinas—where the expenses of the city exceeds its income, by \$30,000 a year, we are told, and points out the very principle we went on record against. This is the outrageously low assessment of real estate. From the interview the News prints, we take these lines:

"The fellow who has nothing but an old buggy and horse, or a little household and kitchen furniture, is required to list it at its actual value, and swear to it himself. If he's a conscientious man he had rather swear to the truth than to save a few dollars. The result is he pays tax on the full value of his property. The man who owns the valuable store building up town, or any other real estate for that matter, has the swearing done by the assessors, and gets off about 25 to 30 cents on the dollar. Is there any discrimination in that?"

Now, it is not our purpose to hold up the city of Charlotte as an example of this wickedness, because it is no more guilty of the sin than many other municipalities and counties in the state, and our former article was not intended to apply to any one locality or division of territory. We did then, and do still, plead for an even assessment on all property in the state, and contend that taxes will be insignificantly more under a true valuation than they are now under the low and distorted system, by which system no two localities are subject to the same ratio of taxation, different boards of assessment using different systems to arrive at what each one thinks is the permissible figure. Needless, also, is it to say that the ideas of no two boards will coincide.

Begging our good sister town's pardon for making use of her name, we invite the tax assessors to take advantage of her experience, without going to the expense of starting a little school of their own.

Senator Borah, of Idaho has declared in favor of the independence of the Philippines.

**\$100.00**

Will buy a beautiful lot in the city of Hendersonville. Fine shade, city water.

**\$1,000.00**

Will buy a nice cottage one block from Main street. Water and modern.

Make me an offer on anything I have, and see if we can't do business.

CLAUDE BROWN.

## WELCOME!

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AND TO

HUNTER'S PHARMACY

Near the Post Office.

## The County Superintendent.

Editor Hustler:—I see by a notice in a recent issue of your paper that the Board of Education will soon be called upon to elect a county superintendent of schools. This is a very important position and I hope the Board will pick out a competent man who is actively engaged in teaching, as the law suggests. We have had enough politics in the school work of the county and the people are tired of the superintendent's office being used as a stepping stone to some political office. No one connected with politics, in any capacity, should be chosen county superintendent.

We want a man elected with whom the people generally will co-operate; one who will devote his entire time to the work. As I said in starting out to write this letter, politics and the schools ought to be separated and must be to obtain good results. Let the Hustler correspondents in the various sections of the county find out the sentiment of their people upon this matter and speak out about it. The Board is composed of fair-minded men and they will not object to hearing suggestions, being the servants of all the people. For my part, I am fully convinced that no political boss has any business with the office of county superintendent.

Yours very truly,  
R. M. PRYOR.

## News Notes.

The president of Brazil is dead, and the usual revolution is threatened.

President Taft favors a federal corporation tax.

The effectiveness of the typhoid serum is being tested in Omaha.

Wyoming's wool clip this year is estimated at \$40,000,000.

Tennessee is preparing to harvest the most bountiful wheat crop in its history.

The Illinois Supreme Court has declared the State primary law unconstitutional.

Ex-State Senator Reuben D. Reid, of Wentworth, N. C., died from an attack of apoplexy, last Monday. He was a man of unusual strength of character and ability, and his passing away is a great loss to the State.

The unveiling of the statue of the late Gen. Stephen D. Lee, of the Confederate Army, in the Vicksburg National Military Park last week, was an event of more than passing interest. Hon. Henry Watterson spoke eloquently, and was followed by Gen. Frédéric D. Grant, in the absence of the Secretary of War, receiving it in behalf of the national government. Mr. Geo. R. Peck, of Chicago, orator of the day, spoke feelingly of the splendid affection which bound the North and the South together.

Rev. J. B. Craven, of Salisbury, has accepted the Chair of Science at Davenport College.

On the second of next month (July 2-11), almost at the foot of lofty Mt. Mitchell, on the Assembly grounds of the Presbyterian church, at Montreat, N. C., will gather throughout the South choice young people interested in the great missionary issues and work of the day.

Milton Breckenridge, of Wilmington, shot himself with suicidal intent last week, but it is thought he will recover.

A negro attacked Miss Jennie Curcice near Raleigh last Thursday, but was frightened away by her screams, and is hiding from Judge Lynch, who is likely to catch and dispose of him.

President Taft will personally supervise putting the finishing touches upon the proposed amendment to the tariff bill providing for the imposition of a two per cent tax upon the net earnings of corporations.

# THE LINKS IN THE CHAIN THAT BIND THE PUBLIC TO THE BEE HIVE

Have loadstone known as "UNDERSELL" in their composition which is drawing like a magnet traffic from a distance to the city of Hendersonville  
**THE POWER OF OUTLET**

Our wholesale department at Spartanburg gives us an immense outlet for handling quantities that smaller dealers have not. This outlet places us in a position to buy direct from the mills in big quantities such as small dealers cannot even touch. It enables us to buy direct from manufacturers stripped of all middlemen's percentage, and we can save you from paying the middleman's profit which you are bound to pay when you buy from those who have no wholesale department because the retail merchants you buy from have themselves paid this middle percentage. Compare our prices before you buy and you will find we can save you 20 cents on the dollar on dress goods, clothing, hats and shoes. All the new weaves in summer dress goods. The reason we never have any old goods we sell so quickly they don't have time to get old.

Today we offer White Belts for ladies worth 10c for 5c. Pretty batiste girdles for misses and young ladies at only 10c. Ladies' cotton handkerchiefs, hemstitched only 2 for 5c. Linen handkerchiefs 3 for 10c. Ladies' white shirt waists, good quality at 49c. All the better waists too, at 75c and 98c. Ladies' bleached undervests 5c.

Gros Grained Mercerized Dress Goods, in old rose, blue, green and red, 20c yard.

Sea Island, 40 inches wide for only 5c yard. 10-quarter bleached sheeting for sheets, splendid quality for 25c. Full yard wide bleaching for five cents yard. Pillow cases at 10c. Bleached towels 5c. Sheets at 39c. Paragon, high grade 36 inch bleaching 8c. Cream cashmere (wool) 36 inches wide at 29c. White cashmere, 36 inches wide (wool) at 29c. Side band figured lawns at 4c. White India linen at five cents. White India linen, extra quality at 8-1-3 and 10c. White lawn 10c.

Mercerized gros grain, old rose colors at 20c. Mercerized gingham, silk figures and stripes worth 25c at 15c. Domestic gingham at 5c. Plaids at 4c. Mohairs, 36 inches wide, black or blue at 29c. Panamas from 25c up. Black Taffeta silk, fully 36 inches wide at 75c. Black Pua de Soie silk, 36 inches wide, worth \$1.25 at 98c.

### Knickerbocker Knee Pants

Extra large sizes, extra quality, all colors at 63c, 69c, 75c and 95c. All the cheaper grades too in boys' knee pants from 15c pair up.

Boys' suits with knickerbocker pants bought for 1-4 off at under value. Men's suits, odds and ends, leftovers at exactly half price. All the new styles too, in men's suits, correct styles. Suits for men \$4.98 to \$9.95.

Young men's hats, correct styles at 98c. Young men's hats, latest shape, correct style, worth \$2.00 at \$1.50.

Ladies' oxfords and low cut shoes at 75c. All the better grades, absolutely all solid leathers 98c, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$1.98.

Mason's Best Quality Glass Fruit Jars: pints, 49c dozen, quarts, 60c dozen, half-gallons, 85c dozen.

### For One Cent.

One pocket mirror, 1c. Decorated picture, glass cover, 1c.

Key chain 1c, thimble 1c, 6 pen points 1c, pencil 1c, turkey red thread 1c spool, box mourning pins 1c, paper needles 1c, paper pins 1c, ball thread 1c, chewing gum 1c stick, pen holder 1c pack hair pins 1c, tablet 1c, pack envelopes 1c, 20 sheets paper 1c, 10 slate pencils 1c, box cobblers nails 1c.

Clariette Laundry Soap equal to Oclagon 3 for 10c.

Red Bird Laundry soap 3 for 5c, Sweet Maiden soap 4c, 3 in box for 10c, Best Tar Glycerine soap at 4c, large oval shaped white toilet soap at one cent.

Come today to Greater Hendersonville's  
Greatest Store, Quality up, prices down

Cut this out and bring it to  
THE BEE HIVE  
and you will get 20 cents cash  
when you buy \$2.00 worth or  
more.

**J. D. COLLINS**

Hendersonville's Greatest Store

Hats and Clothing  
at  
Under price.

## COUNTY ROADS TO BE MACADAMIZED.

County Road Supervisor Patton is authority for the statement that a start will be made, this year, towards macadamizing the county roads. The width of the pavement will be sixteen feet, and that road will be first improved where the property owners offer the greatest assistance to the county authorities.

### At Laurel Park.

At Laurel Park, Thursday, Friday and Saturday the famous "Texas Five," black face comedians appear every night. They come well recommended. The admission is 15 cents and doors open at 7:30.

### NOTICE.

Be it ordered by the Board of Commissioners of Henderson County:

That on and after the first Monday in August, 1909, there will be issued in this county no more pauper claims, except to those persons residing at the county home for the aged and infirm.

And be it further ordered, that any person now drawing a pauper claim may, upon application, be admitted in such home, and such claim shall continue to be issued until revoked by the board.

W. P. BANE,  
Chairman Board County Com.  
JOHN T. STATON,  
T. A. W. LYDA.

This June 8, 1909.

For the third successive year the Spartanburg Sunday School, under the able management of Mr. John A. Law, held their annual picnic at Laurel Park on last Saturday. Nearly 350 well-dressed and happy looking young people spent the day at that beautiful spot and left Hendersonville more favorably impressed than ever.

## BOLD, BAD BURGLARS.

Burglars, supposed to be of dusky hue, known to be unmarried, broke into Mrs. Posey's millinery store, Saturday night, broke open the money drawer, took the contents, amounting to one dollar, and departed, taking not one of those delicious peach baret hats or any feminine finery with them, wherefore it is known they were men enjoying single blessedness.

Entrance to the store was gained through the rear window by removing one of the iron bars.

Unsuccessful attempts were also made to get into Hunter's Pharmacy and into J. D. Boyd's store.

Misses Mollie and Carrie Levy, of Charleston, are here for the summer, visiting Miss Rosa Lewis.

## From Far-off Germany!

In a letter received by Mr. Louis Haas, from Osterburg, Germany, Mrs. Frieda Eggert formerly of this town says:

"Your Lake Edition and several Weekly Hustlers have been received; they gave me and the children a great deal of pleasure and am sorry family matters compelled me to leave dear Hendersonville to which I became very much attached while being there."

### THE VERY FIRST.

Slug No. 1, Hendersonville, N. C.  
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The above two lines of type, set on the wonderful Mergenthaler, were the very first lines ever set on a typesetting machine in Hendersonville.

But they wont be the last!

## Don't Follow the Procession

No matter how well versed a person may be in ancient lore, in history, the sciences and what not, if he is not well informed on current events, and does not know what is going on in the world about him, he is a back number and must feel out of place among any set of up-to-date folks. People live fast in the modern world, and if you don't at least know what the rest of them are doing you will quickly find yourself much to the rear of the procession and in uninteresting company.

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