

CONTRACT LET FOR \$25,000 BANK BUILDING TO BE OF BROWN STONE, BRICK AND RE-INFORCED CONCRETE.

Edwards & Blythe, the Successful Bidders, to Have Building Completed By Next June.

The contract for the Peoples National Bank's new building has been given to Edwards & Blythe. The contract price is \$25,000 and the two-story and basement building is to be completed by June 1, 1910.

Smith & Carrier of Asheville are the architects, and their plans call for a most beautiful building indeed, which, when complete, Mr. Smith believes will be the handsomest banking quarters, owned by any bank in the State.

The front of the building will be of brown stone and pressed brick, while the extensive use of re-inforced concrete throughout the entire building will render it absolutely fire-proof.

The architects' plans reveal a solid and imposing front. The bank itself is in the center of the building, with store rooms, each 24 x 100 feet, on either side.

The most striking feature of the building, possibly, is the entrance to the bank itself, which is through a portico flanked on either side by great massive columns, two of stone and two of brick. Immediately over the entrance is a beautifully designed window, reaching almost to the top of the building.

The banking room is two full stories high, with tile floor and marble wainscoting.

Immediately in the rear is the great vault and back of this is the directors' room and the president's private office.

There will be fourteen offices upstairs, reached by two flights of marble steps. The entire building has an air of massiveness and solidity well in keeping with the purposes for which it is designed—the home of a solid and successful financial institution—The Peoples National Bank of Hendersonville.

Political Advertising.

All communications of a political nature appearing in The Hustler will be charged for at regular advertising rates:

Regular advertising rates are as follows:

For display advertising, 20 cents per inch, single column wide, for first insertion; 10 cents for each issue thereafter.

For reading notices, 5 cents per line.

Cash with copy and no deviation from above rules will be made.

T. R. BARROWS,
Business Manager.

Big Reduction in Hats!

The Misses Davis have reduced all hats in stock, both trimmed and untrimmed.

Special good values as their entire stock is new.

WILL TRY TO GET STATE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

A strong and determined effort will be made to have next year's Baptist State Convention held in Hendersonville.

The convention is now in session in Wadesboro, where Rev. John Hughes, Rev. G. S. Jones and Mr. M. L. Shipman will present the claims of this city as the logical place for next year's meeting.

A copy of the following resolutions, adopted at a meeting held in the Baptist Church, Sunday, immediately after the regular service, will be laid before the convention and the delegates will be assured of a most hearty welcome should they decide to come to Hendersonville next year.

Resolutions

Resolved, That with the proffer of fraternal greetings through our representatives, We, the First Baptist church of Hendersonville, N. C., in regular conference (Sunday, Dec. 5, 1909) hereby extend a most cordial invitation to the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina assembled in the city of Wadesboro, to hold their next annual session (1910) here in Hendersonville, assured of a glad hearted welcome to the hospitalities of church circles, and generous attentions of our entire citizenship.

That a copy of these resolutions be placed in the care of our pastor, Rev. John G. Hughes, and other associate representatives, including Bro. M. L. Shipman of Raleigh, whom we hereby respectfully commend to the courtesies of said Convention.

There are about 500 in attendance at Wadesboro. The court house here would be admirably suited to the needs of the convention. It will hold more than that number, is steam heated, electric lighted and has perfect acoustic properties.

It is hoped the gentlemen from Hendersonville will succeed in persuading the brethren at Wadesboro that this is THE town for their next meeting, for the hospitable homes of the whole city will be thrown open for their reception and entertainment, they will experience a new delight and inspiration in holding their sessions at an elevation of 2250 feet above the sea, and they will find a welcome from every church, every secret society and every business organization of the town which will convince them that they made no mistake when they decided to honor the "City of the Glad Hand" with their presence.

The Christmas Edition.

Interesting Christmas stories for children, interesting Christmas stories for grown-ups, and interesting "store news" from Hendersonville merchants will all help make the Christmas Hustler interesting. Out Dec. 16th

K. P. Banquet

The Knights of Pythias will banquet at the Hotel Gates some time during Christmas week—and if that banquet won't be long remembered and its memories cherished as long as life exists it won't be the fault of the committee of arrangements.

Subscribe to the Hustler and try for that \$25 prize for the second largest hog raised in the county.

POSTOFFICE RECEIPTS INCREASE 33 PERCENT

Is Hendersonville growing? Is it growing faster in proportion to its present population than any other town in Western North Carolina—not excepting its most promising suburb of Asheville?

Ask Brownlow Jackson—Postmaster Brownlow Jackson, and watch that smile when he gently mentions the fact that the receipts of the local postoffice for November show an increase of thirty-two and two-thirds per cent over the receipts for November 1908!

Let that fact sink slowly into your inner consciousness.

Study over it. Talk about it. Tell your friends—Postoffice receipts increased nearly 33 per cent—that's going some, sure!

The increase in the Asheville office, as given in the Citizen, is a little over 27 per cent for the same period—which is a very good showing, very good indeed—for Asheville.

DEDICATION OF BALFOUR SCHOOL

Balfour Graded School will be dedicated on Friday, Dec. 10. The interesting program appears elsewhere in this paper. Prof. J. Y. Joyner will make the principal address. Those interested in the cause of education in Henderson county are urged to be present.

Cole-Vaughan.

Dr. and Mrs. George Henry Philip Cole announce the marriage of their daughter Alice George

to Mr. Jesse Berry Vaughan on Tuesday, the thirtieth of November one thousand nine hundred and nine Roanoke, Virginia At home after January first, 408 Fifteenth Avenue, S. W. Roanoke, Virginia.

BUSINESS CHANGES AT THE DEPOT

There will be several business changes at the depot about Jan. 1st.

Mr. D. S. Pace will be succeeded in his flourishing business by T. J. Shipman & Co., Mr. Pace going into the wholesale feed business in the stores now occupied by Mr. T. B. Carson. Mr. Carson has leased the store formerly occupied by Walter Cairnes, where he will be better equipped than ever to handle his fast-growing trade.

Finance Committee Meets.

Messrs. C. M. Fletcher, W. S. Young and H. W. Allen, the finance committee of the county, met Friday in joint session with the county commissioners for the purpose of settling with Treasurer R. P. Freemon. They adjourned to meet again on Dec. 9. The annual statement will be published in this paper next week.

Under the new law Tax Collector Shepherd is now also the county treasurer.

Elsewhere in this issue appears the program of the Quarterly Conference and Laymen's Meeting of the Methodist Church to be held at Moore's Grove Church on Saturday, Dec. 11.

\$25.00 FOR THE SECOND LARGEST HOG

The Hustler, following the example of the First National Bank's in its efforts to keep Henderson county money in Henderson county, will pay \$25.00 in gold for the second largest hog raised in this county.

The First National offers \$50 for the largest hog.

The Hustler's award will be made by the same committee handling the bank's award.

The conditions will be exactly the same EXCEPT those competing must be paid up subscribers of this paper until Jan. 1, 1911—which is only one dollar a year.

Real Estate Active.

Following is a list of sales recently closed by the Wentzka Trust & Banking Co.—a total of \$25,384.00.

Florence Jordan to D. F. Cannon, lot on Broad street \$2,000.

A. T. Cole to Florence Jordan, interest in Carson-Wetmur lands \$1,500.

Dr. W. H. Steele to J. C. Sherill, Jr., dwelling on Academy St. \$3,000.

Miss Cora Summey to C. A. Watson, 28 acres farm land \$700.

M. C. Hudgins to C. T. Connor, lot between Flemming and Justice St., \$400.

Eva B. Douglass to C. T. Connor, lot between Fering and Justice St., \$1,000.

Smith, Waldrop and Rhodes to E. L. Osteen, house and lot on King St., \$2,500.

A. F. P. King to Bryson & Hamilton, house and lot between 3d and 4th Ave., on Southern R. R., 3,750.

J. Mack Rhodes to E. Lewis, house and lot on 5th Ave., \$3,500.

E. Lewis to J. Mack Rhodes, 10 lots on 1st Ave., \$2,000.

Osceola Lake Co., to Mrs. Louise Clarke, \$330.

E. L. White property on Broad St., to J. W. Grimes, E. G. Stillwell, Florence Jordan, C. E. Roper, \$1,650.

A. T. Cole property on Broad St., to F. Jordan, Mrs. Grace Ivins, W. A. Smith, Trustee, Mrs. E. G. Stillwell, \$804.

C. K. Hale to Mrs. N. Y. Brower, \$2,750.

City Council Meets.

City council met Monday night and engaged S. J. Justice & Sons, the well known civil engineers, in connection with Major R. E. Strong of Tryon, to survey, establish permanent grades, and make plats of all streets in town.

This is preparatory to letting contracts for the new concrete sidewalks.

DON'T FORGET

that we do all kinds of engraving free on all goods bought of us.

A fine monogram gives finish and distinction to Christmas gifts. We have just received Dennison's beautiful line of Christmas Gift Dressings in Tags, Cards, Labels, Seals and Decorations of all kinds including Merry Christmas Holly boxes in all sizes for gloves, ties, handkerchiefs, books, and most everything that you want a nice box for.

Give finish to your Christmas presents. Look in our windows and see.

W. H. HAWKINS & SON
Jewelers

PERSONAL NEWS OF THIS BUSY TOWN

Mrs. Walter Cairnes, of Horse Shoe, was in town Saturday.

H. C. Perkins has returned from Tennessee. Mrs. Perkins will return later.

Rev. John Hughes left on Monday for the Baptist State Convention, at Wadesboro.

Mrs. Nancy Osteen, the mother of Luther Osteen, is seriously sick at her home at Mt. Olivet.

Mrs. A. T. L. Jones of Route 5 will leave on Friday for Charleston, to be gone possibly for the Winter.

Avery Gates, completely recovered from his recent illness, came up from Greenville last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tinsman will leave shortly for St. Petersburg, Fla., where they will spend the Winter.

W. W. Martin of Hillgirt was in town Wednesday. Mr. Martin says the Hustler is a newsy paper.

Dr. J. Leon Rose, who has been seriously indisposed during the past week, is now recovering.

Charles French Toms has returned from Raleigh where he appeared in a case before the Supreme Court.

Mrs. J. P. Rickman returned to Greenville, Tuesday, after a two week's visit with friends and relatives here.

Mrs. Charley Hamilton is confined to her home by a very serious cold. Her many friends hope she will soon recover.

Mr. Jake Rusher, a prominent business man of Salisbury, is in town looking for a suitable location for a high-class meat market.

Mrs. U. G. Staton is recovering nicely from several operations performed Monday, and her many friends look for her ultimate complete recovery.

J. D. Waldrop left on Wednesday for Waterloo, S. C., where he will be best man at the Henderson-Justice wedding to be solemnized on the ninth.

Lee, the two-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Eskridge Hefner, who has been so seriously ill for the past three weeks, shows no signs of improvement.

Miss Ida Kuykendall and M. R. Capps were married at the home of the bride's parents, Zirconia, on Dec. 2. After the ceremony, performed by Rev. John C. Ward, the guests partook of a bounteous wedding feast.

On last New Year's day, P. F. Patton, John Grimes and K. G. Morris quit smoking. On the coming New Year's day, P. F. Patton, John Grimes and K. G. Morris will each resume the wicked habit of smoking.

Elect Officers

The regular meeting of East Flat Rock Camp No. 330, Woodmen of the World was held on last Friday night and as this was the night for election of officers, the following were elected.

C. P. Rogers, Past Counsel Commander; T. C. Westall, Counsel Commander; E. A. Greer, Advisor Lieutenant; J. B. Jones, Banker; Samuel Hill, Clerk; U. G. Patterson, Escort; M. W. Carbin, Watchman; D. C. Hood, Sentry; J. S. Brown, Physician; M. L. Arledge, Manager; R. M. Patterson, Manager; J. S. Patterson, Manager.

TO WAGE WAR ON THE GREAT WHITE PLAGUE

At a meeting held at the court house, Tuesday, presided over by Rev. R. N. Willcox, the Henderson County Anti-tuberculosis Association was organized.

The following officers were elected;

Rev. R. N. Willcox, President. Rev. Jno. W. Moore, V-Pres't. Dr. W. R. Kirk, Secretary.

Dr. W. B. W. Howe, Treasurer—A board of ten directors will be elected at the next meeting of the association, on Jan. 4.

This association is a part of the State Association formed for the spread of information among the people as to the best methods of preventing the spread of this terrible disease.

It is desired to enlist the active aid of ALL the people in this war against the great white plague, a war now being waged solely by the physicians.

The Red Cross stamps, used every year at Christmas time, are now on sale at Lott's book store. Eighty percent of the proceeds from the sale of these stamps goes to the Anti-tuberculosis association.

The next meeting will be held at the court house on Jan. 4, and the public, whose support is earnestly desired in this "holy war," is urged to attend.

The Gates Laundry Burned.

The Charlotte Observer, Dec. 5, says: "Fire breaking out in the Gates steam laundry on Main street (Greenville) at 11 o'clock tonight completely gutted the building with a property loss aggregating 20,000, partially insured."

ASK \$100,000 FOR THE NORTON PLACE

It is said the price recently set upon the Norton place, by its owners, was over \$100,000. There are 300 acres in the estate.

Water and Sewer Line

The city water and sewer line is being extended through West Hendersonville, serving a section of the town which has long needed this improvement. There will be 2300 feet of sewer and 1200 feet of water main laid.

At Dr. Meriwether's

Among the Hendersonville people at Dr. Meriwether's private hospital in Asheville are:

Mr. W. H. Bowen, who was operated upon Saturday, seems to be recovering nicely, and if no complications ensue will soon be up. He is keeping his strength and conditions seem to be favorable now.

Mrs. Laura Corn, who is rapidly recovering from a very serious operation performed last Saturday.

Mrs. U. G. Staton, whose condition is all that could be desired. The child of Walter Constant has been discharged from the hospital and is now well.

Holiday Display at Hunter's

The display of holiday goods at Hunter's Pharmacy is a reminder that Christmas is almost here. The variety of articles shown, all useful and dainty, is such that most anyone can make a selection without danger of a "brain storm."