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J. A. MCINTOSH GETS PATENT ON NOVEL RUG RACK

J. A. McIntosh, secretary and treasurer of the Hendersonville Furniture company, has invented and secured patent on a Space Saving Display Rug Rack by means of which twelve rugs can be displayed in a space of thirty inches.

The device consists of a frame which can be attached to the ceiling and which is provided with a rug holding bar, a pair of pulleys and rope for each rug. The rack is manipulated in a manner which permits the display of a rug in a suspended position while the one in front is lowered.

This device by rug dealers has been approved as being far superior to rug holders now in use over the country by reason of convenience and the small place in which a dozen rugs can be advantageously displayed.

After recognizing the need of a more convenient rug rack Mr. McIntosh spent considerable time and thought in preparing the new contrivance on which a patent was issued in August, having been applied for a year ago.

He is having a supply of illustrated literature prepared for the purpose of advertising the rack, which will be handled by traveling salesmen, Hendersonville being headquarters.

DENTISTS AND DRUGGISTS TO COME IN JUNE

The executive committee of the North Carolina Dental Association met in Raleigh last week and definitely decided to hold their next convention in Hendersonville, on June 22. Two members of the Greater Hendersonville club attended the last convention of the association in an endeavor to bring them to this city in 1914. The matter was left to the executive committee to decide. They met in Raleigh on the 23rd, a member of the club appeared before them, telegrams were read again inviting them to Hendersonville, and the committee so decided.

On June 17, 18 and 19, the State druggists will also hold their annual convention in Hendersonville. It will be remembered that the Greater Hendersonville club sent two of its most energetic members to the last convention. After a strenuous struggle the druggists decided that Hendersonville was the one best place in the State for them, and to Mr. W. H. Justus is due the greatest credit for this decision. Mr. Justus is a consistent member of the city's commercial organization and is ever active in all movements for the public good. Mr. Justus' work was ably seconded by Mr. Lester Reeves.

Hendersonville has hotel and boarding house facilities to accommodate 2,500 people, and it is said this fact had its full weight with both organizations in their final decision to come here next year.

These two conventions are along the line the Greater Hendersonville club is working all the time—"To Lengthen the Season!" In these two instances several hundred people will be brought here before the rush begins. These two conventions, hotel men say, mean an expenditure of \$8,000 here.

MONTHLY MEET OF TEACHERS

With the attendance of about seventy teachers and twenty visitors, the regular monthly meeting of the Henderson County Teachers' association was held in the Hendersonville graded school building Saturday morning.

Among the visitors from adjoining counties was Prof. T. C. Henderson, superintendent of Transylvania county school, who was accompanied by two teachers.

The meeting was opened with scriptural reading by Prof. W. H. Cale, followed by invocation pronounced by Prof. T. C. Henderson.

An interesting program was carried out as follows:
Prof. Cale—"Fair Play in School Room."
Miss Hattie Aiken, of Brevard—"Phonics."
Prof. R. F. Pace—"Compulsory School Law."
Round table discussions, closing with prayer by Prof. J. W. Briggs.

ODD FELLOWS GIVE \$25.00

At the meeting of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Hendersonville Tuesday night the lodge voted to make a gift of \$25 to be applied to the fund for purchasing and installing a heating plant in the new hospital of this city.

The hospital authorities feel highly thankful for the gift and are hopeful that this action on the part of the lodge will be emulated by others in this vicinity.

Tryon-Hendersonville Road.
(Tryon Bee.)
The Polk County Highway Commission met Wednesday afternoon, last week, in Tryon. The road from the Lynn road to the bridge at Valhalla is to be improved, the work done by contract, also the river road, from this road to the macadam in front of Washburn's house. The Landrum road from the macadam in town to the State line is to be of sand-clay and will be done by the day. The people of the Howard Gap road asked the commission for help, stating they could probably raise a thousand dollars among themselves to improve the road.

LOOKING FLOUR MILL SITE; INTEREST'G STATISTICS

Each month there is shipped into Hendersonville 1195 barrels of flour and 160 tons of shipped stuff. In a year this amounts to about \$147,000.

These figures are closely approximately correct and were gathered by the Greater Hendersonville Club for a mill man who is interested in erecting here a 25-barrel a day flour mill. This mill man spent a part of one day here recently. He was shown about the city and was given what information he desired then available. A mass of other information he requested about the town and country has since been compiled and forwarded to him. He would require 50 to 75 feet frontage on the railroad, would erect a modern mill of small capacity and intends manufacturing a high-class product. He seemed well pleased with Hendersonville and with the treatment accorded him here. It is believed there is a reasonable prospect of locating the enterprise here and strong efforts are being made towards that end.

It has been very properly pointed out that a flour mill here means far more than the investment of a certain sum of money or the employment of a certain number of men—both very desirable, however.

It means an inspiration to the farmer to grow more wheat and rye—WINTER COVER CROPS—and that means a long, long, stride towards stopping the half-million dollar leak now draining Henderson county.

The statement at the head of this story is based on data gathered from the Hendersonville Wholesale Grocery Co., Slayden, Fakes & Co., Blue Ridge Grocery Co., Byers Bros., M. M. Shepherd, P. B. Gibbs & Son, Houston & Son.

The wholesale price paid for the flour aggregates about \$75,000. For the shipped stuff about \$72,000. In addition to this is the tremendous amount paid in freights, or possibly one-fifth more.

This would make a total of \$175,000 sent out of the county for flour and feed and CAN BE RAISED AT HOME!

\$40,000.00 FOR PAVING 5TH AVE?

If an outsider had dropped into that meeting held in the city hall last Thursday night he would have left with a very well-defined idea that Hendersonville was growing some.

It was really a special meeting of the city council, but as it happened to be the regular meeting night of the Greater Hendersonville club and as the club happens to meet in the same place, it was really a joint gathering, as you might say.

There were many things discussed by the council that mean a very great deal for Hendersonville. For instance, there was a petition presented by Fifth avenue property owners, asking for the paving of that fine thoroughfare. The cost was variously estimated at \$30,000 to \$40,000. The petitioners asked that the street be paved from Main street to the city limits, a distance of one mile. The property owners are to pay two-thirds and the city one-third of the cost.

The discussion was interesting. Action was deferred until the next regular meeting night and in the meantime Business Manager Justice will receive certain information desired by the city fathers.

Another matter discussed which spells a "Greater Hendersonville" was the new water supply for the city. Hendersonville has good water now, but not enough for the future—for the immediate future, at that!

This fact is most significant of the city's rapid growth. At a recent meeting of the Greater Hendersonville club the fact was emphasized that there were practically no empty houses here, that the demand for a certain class of winter homes is far in excess of the supply, and that \$75,000 could be profitably invested here in these homes. These statements were fresh in the minds of that gathering of business men last Thursday night, and while they listened to discussions involving the expenditure of possibly \$100,000 for needed civic improvements many of them thought of the time, not long ago, when such talks would have been considered hot air and idle visions.

Paved streets, in the opinion of many members of the club, are essential to a city's growth. They point to St. Petersburg as an example, where an investment of \$500,000 on civic improvements resulted in selling last year six million dollars worth of real estate to outside people, too.

The plans discussed for a new water

SATURDAY POST APOLOGIZES TO HENDERSONVILLE

When Secretary of State William Jennings Bryan gave his reasons for lecturing at the Hendersonville Chautauqua, he started a world-wide newspaper controversy which has by no means abated yet.

In fact, Hendersonville is the town that made Mr. Bryan really famous.

His experiences here inspired the New York World to make him a standing offer of \$8,000 a year if he would discontinue his lectures while Secretary of State, and the Saturday Evening Post of August 30 carried a most interesting article about the Great Commoner and his Hendersonville lecture.

The Post's article was interesting but inaccurate. Mr. Bryan came here under the auspices of the Greater Hendersonville Club. Rev. R. N. Wilcox, president of the club, promptly and courteously asked for a correction of these inaccurate statements. The Post, which, by the way, has more than two million subscribers and possibly ten million readers, as promptly and as courteously agreed to publish the correction. In last week's issue of the great periodical, on page 54, Mr. Wilcox's letter appears, as follows:

Editor The Saturday Evening Post,

Dear Sir: In the issue of The Saturday Evening Post for August thirtieth, in the leading article entitled High Cost of Living in Washington, by Henry B. Needham, the following statement appears: "On July thirteenth, the day being Sunday, Mr. Bryan was billed to speak at Hendersonville, North Carolina. The people drove from miles round to hear their secretary of state. Most of these country visitors were amazed, then made angry, when they found that an admission fee was charged—and to their slender purses a large fee. Those who came late also found that speculators had bought many of the tickets and were selling them at double the fixed price. The unexpected drawbacks to a memorable occasion brought forth a protest which was so

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MESSRS. ROWE & ZIMMERMAN BUY BOOK STORE

S. Nixon Rowe and W. H. Zimmerman, of Asheville, have purchased the stock and interests of Whitaker's Book and Art store, which has been conducted in Hendersonville for the past three years by Mrs. Chas. R. Whitaker.

The new owners have taken charge of the store and Mr. Rowe, who has been in the stationery business for eighteen years, the last five years of which were spent with the Brown Book Company of Asheville, will remain in Hendersonville in personal charge of the store, while Mr. Zimmerman, who has been with the Coxie Estate in Asheville for eight years, will devote a good portion of his time in Hendersonville.

The business will be conducted at the old stand under the name of Whitaker's Book and Art store, Rowe & Zimmerman, successors.

With reference to adding new departments to the business, which carries an assorted line of magazines, newspapers, books and stationery accessories, Mr. Rowe stated to a representative of the Hustler-Democrat that special attention would be given the framing department with close attention to office stationery specialties and special order business.

In severing her connection with the business Mrs. Whitaker makes no announcement as to her prospective future business activities, but expresses high appreciation for the patronage of the constantly increasing number of customers and bespeaks for them the most careful and courteous attention from the present management.

The up-town office of the Laundry, Ice & Fuel company will be maintained at the book store.

THIEF GOT NO WEDDING GIFTS

Presumably with the view of pilfering some of the numerous handsome gifts of the Garlington-Edwards wedding, a thief entered their future home on Oakland and 8th street Friday night and took the contents of a purse after entering the window of Mr. Garlington's room and making his way into the dining room, where he found the purse in a drawer. The purse was left in the drawer and was found, it is believed, by means of a flash light of Mr. Garlington's, which was moved from its position during the night.

Two persons, it is thought, were interested in the robbery as the barefoot tracks of a small boy and the shoe tracks of a man were seen about the window, showing traces of where he had climbed to the window on the lattice work.

The home at the time of the robbery was occupied by Mrs. A. F. Garlington and daughter, Mrs. Spratt, and husband.

CITIZENS BANK FLOURISHING

The quarterly statement of the Citizens bank, which is published in another column of the Hustler-Democrat, makes a most excellent showing for this financial institution and reflects more or less the prosperity of the community. The statement is said to be the best made by the bank since its organization in 1908.

The deposits are given at \$114,662.31; the undivided profits at \$7,556.14; bills payable and re-discounted, none. Listed among the resources are the items of cash in vault and other banks \$51,330.92 and loans and discounts \$97,705.56.

Buy Timber Lands.
(Andrews Sun.)

We understand the Andrews Lumber land on the waters of Nantahala Cornelia, Ga., a tract of very fine timber land on the waters of Nantahala River adjoining their present holdings, which are now being operated. This company is composed of wide awake business men, and we hope their money will be returned to them double fold for their investment.

CLARENCE POE ENDORSES MOVE FOR W. FARMERS

Clarence Poe, editor of the Progressive Farmer and close friend of the Southern farmers, in a personal letter to the editor of the Hustler-Democrat strongly endorses the editorial carried in this paper last week on the need of Western farmers in Henderson county, and also congratulates the public-spirited citizens of Hendersonville in subscribing to such a worthy cause as is now on foot with the view to bringing Western farmers to this section.

Editor Poe expresses the wish that 500,000 thrifty Northern and Western farmers could be brought to North Carolina.

His warm words of congratulation follow:
Raleigh, N. C., Oct. 27, 1913.
Editor Western Carolina Democrat,
Hendersonville, N. C.

Dear Sir:
I want to congratulate you upon your editorial, "Western Farmers Needed." You are everlastingly right. I wish we could get 500,000 thrifty Northern and Western Farmers into North Carolina. I hope you will keep up public sentiment on this question. And I wish to congratulate those public spirited citizens at Hendersonville on the progressive step reported in your editorial.

Again congratulating you, I am,
Yours sincerely,
CLARENCE POE,
President and Editor.

BAPTIST ASS'N AT PLEASANT HILL CHURCH

The annual session of the Carolina Baptist association, composed of thirty-six churches of Henderson and Polk counties, met with Pleasant Hill church near Hendersonville on Thursday and Friday of last week.

The annual sermon, which was interesting and helpful, was preached by Rev. R. N. Pratt, following which an organization was perfected with Rev. A. I. Justice as moderator and F. D. Brown as clerk.

Reports from churches were made by Rev. K. W. Cawthon and Mr. Brown. These reports were very encouraging, showing a total increase of nearly 300 in new members during the past year. While some churches showed large gains a few reported a loss.

Plans were perfected for completing a campaign for a new \$10,000 administration building at Fruitland institute, a popular preparatory school in Henderson county.

The association closed Friday night with interesting addresses and a good attendance, those laboring for the cause feeling encouraged over the work of the past year.

ANNIVERSARY OF PASTORATE.

Rev. Mr. Cawthon Prepares Statistics on Growth of First Baptist Church During Pastorate of Three Years.
Next Sunday will mark the third anniversary of Rev. K. W. Cawthon's pastorate over the First Baptist church of Hendersonville.

During this period the church has made considerable progress in various ways. While the sermon Sunday morning will not be altogether of an anniversary nature, Pastor Cawthon will give some statistics on the growth and progress of the institution that will doubtless be of interest to his congregation.

Circulating Petition.
A petition asking the city authorities to call an election on the issuance of \$25,000 in bonds for the purpose of installing a telephone system, is said to be in circulation in Hendersonville. A bill was passed by the last session of the general assembly authorizing the city authorities to call an election upon the petition of the majority of the city's qualified voters.

This act was passed in order that the citizens and patrons of the local telephone company might take recourse, if desired, from the proposed increase in rates of the latter.

Poultry Farm Moves.
The Hendersonville Poultry Farm has moved from Columbia park to more suitable quarters on the Edneyville road about two miles from the city. This industry has met with continued growth and preparations are being made for a considerable extension of the business.

PLANS MAKING FOR MISSIONARY CONFERENCE

The Missionary Conference to be held in Hendersonville on November 6 and 7 will be signalized by a men's supper, to be served about 7 o'clock on November 6.

This supper will be free except that a registration fee of 25 cents will be charged. The registration fees will go towards defraying a small part of the heavy campaign expenses of the conference—which now promises to be one of the most important conventions ever held in this city.

Speakers of world-wide note will address the conference. Among them will be Prof. R. F. Gaines of Richmond College (Baptist); R. R. W. Patton, D. D., Atlanta, Ga., (Episcopal); Rev. A. C. Cree, D. D., Atlanta (Baptist); Rev. S. R. Gannon, D. D., returned missionary, Brazil (Presbyterian). The Methodist speaker will be named later.

The purpose of the Conference is purely educational, inspirational and spiritual. No collections will be taken and everything is absolutely free.

At a well-attended and very enthusiastic meeting held last Thursday in the directors' room of the Peoples National Bank, a general survey was taken of the situation, committees appointed, and the sum of \$100 pledged towards the expenses of the campaign. The Greater Hendersonville Club has contributed \$10 of this amount and will also co-operate in any way desired towards making the conference an unqualified success.

The meetings will be held in the Presbyterian church on Thursday and Friday, Nov. 6 and 7. The appointed delegates will be entertained in the homes of the people free. Pastors of ALL churches in the county are urged to send their official members as delegates, and to most earnestly ask all members of their churches and congregations to attend the conference. It is hoped this conference will aid in a general and profound spiritual quickening among the churches of Henderson county. The opportunity is here. The issues involved are vast. The Perfect Man gave His life blood to save the world. Surely the churches of Henderson county are not too busily engaged in this world's affairs that they may not spare the brief time required to attend this conference.

At the recently meeting held in the Peoples National Bank, which was attended by representatives of all the churches in the city, the following committees were appointed:

Executive Committee—F. V. Hunter, Chairman; C. S. Fullbright, Treasurer; John T. Wilkins, T. L. Durham, T. W. Valentine.

Committee on Arrangements—J. R. Willson, Chairman; C. E. Brooks, S. B. McPheters, Prof. W. H. Cale, Mr. J.

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