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12 PAGES THIS WEEK:— ENCOURAGE EARLY HOLIDAY SHOPPING BY EARLY ADVERTISING.

## Our Xmas Edition

Every December for the past five years the Hustler-Democrat has issued a Christmas edition, for the benefit of its advertisers in urging Henderson county shoppers to shop early.

The readers of the Hustler-Democrat look forward to this edition before buying Christmas goods. The merchants have always used liberal space in telling their patrons of the many bargains they are going to offer for the holiday trade. This year the management proposes to begin earlier than ever before. This edition will appear the first week in December. It will contain many interesting Xmas and business announcements from nearly every merchant in the city.

Copy for the Christmas edition will be taken in at once. Those securing space now, naturally will get better positions than to wait till the last hour with their copy.

All advertising copy must be at the Mutual Printing company office before December 1st. A solicitor will call next week, but it will be a great favor if the copy is furnished at the office at once.

### 102 BUSHELS TO ACRE.

George Ward, who was one of the close contestants in the corn club contest in Henderson county last year, has made 102 bushels of corn on his acre of ground at Brickton and will, it is believed, make the contest interesting for the other boys.

County Farm Demonstrator E. J. Perkins was called last week to assist with the measuring of the crop and he reports this as being the best acre coming under his knowledge in the county.

## WILLIAM T. CRAWFORD, OF HAYWOOD, IS DEAD

Prominent Democrat of the Mountains and ex-Congressman Died Suddenly Sunday Night.

Ex-Congressman William T. Crawford, aged 57 years, died very suddenly at his home in Waynesville about 9:30 o'clock Sunday night. The deceased had been in ill health for more than a year, being a sufferer from stomach trouble and complications, but lately he had appeared much improved in health, and is said to have remarked to friends last Friday that he felt better than he had for a long time. It was his plan to leave for Hot Springs, Ark., today for a month's treatment. His sudden death came as a surprise to his hosts of friends in this and other sections of the country.

### NEW POSTOFFICE BUILDING.

W. P. Bane's Bid of \$61,361 Stands Midway of Twelve Proposals.

The bids submitted to the treasury department for the construction of the proposed postoffice building in Hendersonville were opened in Washington Saturday and according to information received by Mr. Bane his bids rank about midway between those of a dozen other firms.

Mr. Bane's bids were \$61,361 for limestone and \$61,900 for sandstone. While it is understood that there were about twenty bids submitted, Mr. Bane was the only local bidder and his ranked favorably among the dozen bids listed by the department and mailed to him, there being one from a New York concern for \$54,300 limestone while there were some considerably higher than the proposal made by Mr. Bane. This does not necessarily mean that the lowest bidder will get the contract, which will call for the construction of the building within the next fifteen months.

On Saturday, the deceased took a very active part in the bond election held in Waynesville and was apparently as well as ever. He did not complain of being ill, in fact, until shortly after 7 o'clock Sunday night. While at the evening meal he said that he had a severe pain over his left eye and that he felt weak. A physician was called, and he was given all possible medical attention, but he continued to grow weaker, and at 9:30 the end came. All the members of his immediate family—wife, four sons and three daughters—were at his bedside at the time, with the exception of Hillary and Harry, who are students at the North Carolina A. and M. college. They arrived today from Raleigh.

### Political Career.

The deceased was counted among the section's most able attorneys and popular and successful politicians. He

was a member of the North Carolina general assembly in 1884, 1886, and 1888. He studied law at the University of North Carolina in 1889 and 1890, receiving his admission to the bar in 1891. In 1890, his last year in law school, he was first elected to the house of representatives of the United States congress, defeating Judge H. G. Ewart of Hendersonville. His political career following this date was rather checkered.

In 1892 he was again given the nomination for congress by the democrats of the district and defeated Judge Jeter C. Pritchard. At the next election he was defeated by Hon. Richmond Pearson. He did not enter the political arena again until 1893, when he was a candidate for congress against Mr. Pearson. The first election returns gave him the position, but the count was contested, the South Waynesville and Black Mountain pre-

dicts were thrown out and Mr. Pearson was seated in the spring of 1890. Mr. Crawford was re-nominated by the democrats of the district the same



HON. W. T. CRAWFORD.

year by acclamation, but was defeated by Major J. M. Moody. His next candidacy was in 1906, when he defeated Hon. James J. Britt. His last fight for congress was made in 1908, when he was defeated by Hon. John C. Grant.

In addition to these political honors, Mr. Crawford was selected as a Cleveland elector from his district in 1888. While in congress he was a member of some of the most important committees, and during the financial upheavals of 1907 he was serving as a member of the committee on banking and currency. During the same year he was selected by Champ Clark and John Sharp Williams to deliver an address on currency, and this address was later embodied in the platform of the national organization for the campaign of 1908.

He was a man of remarkably keen intellect and sound principles. He was considered the most popular man ever sent from his district to congress, and his friends everywhere were numbered by the score. In private life he was equally popular and successful. From

## Our New Policy

In accordance with the urgent request contained in another column as to methods of improving the Democrat-Hustler, we take this privilege of announcing that hereafter we shall make a nominal charge for printing resolutions of respect, obituaries, cards of thanks, memoriams, notices of church, hospital and all other festivals and entertainments to which an admission fee is charged or where anything is sold, or announcements of money-raising movements, provided same is not classified as news.

We have been running this class of matter free at an enormous expense and inconvenience to us. We are under obligations to our subscribers to give them news and are also under obligations to our advertisers to give them adequate and desirable space. If we give away our valuable space, our chief and only asset, we will have no source from which we can derive revenue to meet our heavy expenses. Such matters as classified above will be charged for at the rate of only three cents a line, a sufficient sum to cover the expenses.

1899 to 1907 he maintained a law partnership of Waynesville with Capt. W. J. Hannah. This partnership was dissolved when the latter went west. Outside of this period, he engaged in the practice of law alone.

WISE Buyers, be Wise. The country is being scoured with misrepresentations: Look around before you buy. We have the largest store and better goods for less money. Bud Glazener cuts the price and sells the goods. Hendersonville and Brevard.

## A Heart to Heart Talk with Our Subscribers

We are endeavoring to give our readers one of the best weekly papers in North Carolina. We are doing this at an enormous expense, and therefore cannot afford to let any one have the paper free of cost.

While it is our policy to collect subscriptions in advance, we have a number of subscribers whose subscription expired about a year ago. We have had ready responses from some to whom we have mailed statements while others have ignored our appeal.

A personal letter to subscribers is a useless cost to us, therefore we resort to this method of notifying them that some are due us the price of about a year's subscription, as indicated by the label on the paper.

This is an honest debt. Our readers may say that they don't care for the paper and that they did not subscribe only for a definite period, but despite this they have persisted in taking the paper from the office and reading it regularly. They are just as much indebted to us as we would be to them if we hired their horse, automobile or some other property for an hour but used it all day.

In the light of these facts we would appreciate it very much if our subscribers who are not paid in advance would forward us check, money order, stamps or coin to the amount of 25, fifty cents or a dollar, as suits their convenience.

# Announcement!

## THE FIRST BANK AND TRUST COMPANY

Begins a campaign for additional business. We invite your consideration of opening an account with us between now and January 1, 1914, or on that date.

### First:

This banking institution is the oldest one in the county. We have the largest capital stock, largest surplus funds and deposits of

**\$378,918.91**

### Second:

We have a number of departments including, Trust Department for handling estates, trust funds, etc., Real Estate Department doing as much business as any firm in the county. Insurance Department handling every variety of Insurance on the market.

WE CANNOT PERSONALLY BUTT-HOLE PEOPLE AND ASK EVERYBODY FOR BUSINESS, BECAUSE IT WOULD BE AWKWARD TO US AND UNPLEASANT TO YOU, BUT WE DO CORDIALLY INVITE YOUR BUSINESS AND OFFER SOME REASONS FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION:

### Third:

However small one's account is it is appreciated and handled with every care and attention. A large number of small accounts is more desirable than a few large ones.

### Fourth:

Every transaction in this bank is confidential. No officer or clerk in this bank will talk about a customer's affairs.

### Fifth:

The total resources of our bank are over one half million dollars.

We invite you to call in and talk with any of our officers between now and January 1st.

And if you desire, we will take pleasure in having check book prepared with your name or business card printed therein, FREE of charge

W. J. DAVIS, Pres.

K. G. MORRIS, Vice-Pres.

J. MACK RHODES, Cashier

P. F. PATTON, Vice-Pres.

GAITHER RHODES, Ass't. Cashier