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REV. MR. WOMBLE IS HEARD BY THE METHODISTS

Delivers His First Sermon to Hendersonville Audience at the Methodist Church.

Rev. W. F. Womble, the new pastor of the Hendersonville Methodist church, delivered his first sermon to his new congregation Sunday morning, taking as his text: "Ye are the light of the world; let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father, which is in heaven."

Mr. Womble prefaced his sermon with a few timely remarks with reference to his new field as well as the old, assuring his congregation that his appointment to Hendersonville came as a complete surprise to him as he had never been appointed to but one field which he had given previous consideration. His appointment here was unexpected he said for the reason that he had not served his limit of four years in Reidsville; that he loved the people there and was enjoying his work. Mr. Womble has a four-year record to his credit in that out of the six charges to which he has been appointed he has served four for four years each and two for three years, all of these appointments but one being to county seats where he had to keep the lawyers straight or where it took them to keep him straight. Mr. Womble declared that he had come simply as a plain preacher without display, to give the plain, simple gospel truth of the Lord and serve not only in the pulpit but in any good capacity that he might; to visit the sick, bury the dead and marry those who care to thus employ his time. He urged his congregation to advise him of sickness as it was his desire and duty to visit and administer their spiritual needs.

In following up his text Mr. Womble said that it was a part of the Lord's sermon on the mountain; that Christ was the real light of the world and that his followers were only his revealers of light; that they reflected and revealed His light as the little globes reveal the power of an electrical plant. The speaker said that the people would judge the Lord's power by what He does for his followers; that the world will be saved only through the people and that the Lord's utterance was not a command or order for us to shine but a plea to let our light shine in an unobstructed way so that others might see our good works and glorify our Father. Mr. Womble urged his congregation to let their lights brightly shine in business, social and all other affairs without the obstruction of sin, disloyalty and disobedience so that others seeing our light might know that we are the children of God and therefore seek our Savior.

Mr. Womble's family will move to Hendersonville within a short while.

S. T. HODGES SAYS PAPER IS "CLEAN AND NEWSY"

Thinks Hustler-Democrat is Setting Pace for North Carolina Weeklies. Remembers Hendersonville.

The publishers of the Hustler-Democrat are daily receiving congratulations in personal and written form on the quality of the newspaper that is now being produced. One of the latest expressions of appreciation comes from Sam T. Hodges, a prominent resident of Hendersonville, who with his family is spending the winter in DeLand, Fla.

In giving directions as to where to direct his paper stating that he does not wish to miss an issue, Mr. Hodges writes as follows:

Dear Garlington: Permit me to congratulate you and Hollowell on the paper you are getting out. Hendersonville is to be congratulated, for you are issuing a clean, newsy paper full of local news, and I believe you are setting the pace for North Carolina weeklies.

We all like DeLand but we love Hendersonville and our favorite song is: "I'm going back, back, back to Carolina." I hope to be able to let the residents and visitors of DeLand know something of the advantages offered by Hendersonville as a desirable home site, and to all of us Hendersonville is "home."

UPWARD PEOPLE KILL MANY VERY BIG HOGS

Make sufficient Meat For Home Consumption and Barns Filled With Big Crop of Corn.

Ex-Sheriff A. M. Blackwell of the Upward section was in the city Saturday wearing a broad smile of prosperity and carrying a spirit of optimism. The sheriff stated that the farmers in his section were well fixed this year, having one of the best crops of their lives and plenty of meat for their consumption.

Sheriff Blackwell said that a number of large-hogs had been killed in rooster-crowding distance of his home. The sheriff killed one twelve months old weighing 439 pounds. The hog had been fattened on rye meal and corn, the sheriff having found that rye meal for feeding hogs comes cheaper than corn as the latter is worth \$1 per bushel and rye comes at eighty cents and a bushel is worth five pecks of corn.

Other hogs with their respective weights have been killed by the following persons:

Jim H. Brock, 12 months 400; Furman Hood, 360 pounds; W. N. Clark, 353; Loyd Clark, 370; J. K. Jones two at the age of nine months, weighing 333 and 340; Plato Holbert also killed a big hog.

Sheriff Blackwell said that the corn crops this year were unusually good; that the farmers have more hogs than usual making sufficient meat for their home consumption and that the farmers of the vicinity were in fine circumstances.

SALUDA POSTOFFICE ROBBED.

Thieves Get \$300 worth of Stamps and \$20.13 in Cash During Night.

The postoffice at Saluda of which James L. Hart is postmaster was robbed during Tuesday night of last week and stamps to the value of \$300 and \$20.13 in money was taken from the safe.

The robbery occurred sometime during Tuesday night, the safe was opened and everything of money value taken.

Strangers of a suspicious character were in Saluda on the day previous and as a result of evidence secured some white men were arrested in Spartanburg a few days later, being charged with the robbery.

CAMPAIGN FOR MONEY

First Baptist Church Wages Unique Campaign For Missions and Expense.

The Baptist church waged a unique campaign last Sunday afternoon between the hours of two and four, when forty persons visited more than 300 members for subscriptions for missions and current expense for the fiscal year.

The returns are incomplete and the work accomplished on Sunday is being followed up, but the amount subscribed to missions has already passed \$1,500 with an equal amount for current expenses. It is estimated that fully one hundred subscriptions will yet be received, which will materially increase the totals given above. The returns were very gratifying and make an important advancement in the work of this active church, which at last report more than 400 members.

YEARLY PENSIONS RECEIVED

Soldiers And Widows Receive Annual Pensions Amounting to \$5,300

Logan Pace, deputy superior court clerk for Henderson county, is distributing the \$5,300 received for the widows and confederate soldiers of this county as annual pensions.

The warrants on the State treasury range from \$32 to \$60 in denomination and will be of material aid to the old warriors and widows of deceased veterans of the war between the States.

The widows receive \$32 each and the veterans according to their class, which is governed according to disability, etc.

The soldiers look forward to this purse at the end of each year with a great degree of interest and while there are some who are not in need, there are those who have good purposes to which the funds can be applied and are deserving of help.

Subscribers Given Until First Of Year to Renew at Old Rate

The price of the Hustler-Democrat will be \$1.50 per year after January 1, 1914. There are several reasons for increasing the price, chief among them being the fact that at the increased cost of ever thing that goes into the making of a newspaper we cannot longer afford to issue the paper on the one dollar basis and make both ends meet. We figure that under the present rate every new subscriber is a loss to us instead of a gain for it is impossible to give a paper equal to that now produced at a cost of \$1 per year, therefore the shortage has to be made up on advertising.

By statements mailed and through the Hustler-Democrat we have repeatedly called attention to the amount due us by several subscribers and as a result we have had gratifying returns, but not wishing to take undue advantage of any of our subscribers we will give them ample time to renew and pay in advance for one or more years at the old rate. All subscriptions that have not been renewed by January 1 will be figured on the basis of \$1.50 a year after that

date and on the basis of \$1 a year for all due up to that date.

Our subscription list has been corrected up to date so our subscribers can tell by examining the date on their label opposite their name just how their subscription stands. The date in all cases shows to when the subscription is paid.

In this connection we do not hesitate to say that we are giving our readers one of the best weekly papers in North Carolina and that in order to keep up this good service it will be absolutely necessary to charge \$1.50 per year after the first of January.

We are not alone in the increase in rates as a number of weeklies all over the country have found it necessary to raise the price by reason of the great increase in the cost of labor and materials during the last few years. The prices for the products of our subscribers have greatly increased from year to year while the price of the newspaper has stood unchanged, and the time has come when publishers are forced to charge more for their goods.

POINTERS PLACING PEOPLE IN AND AROUND HENDERSONVILLE

Movements Of The Passing Through Hendersonville And Community During The Past Week.

Late arrivals at the St. John hotel are: A. L. Adams Columbia, S. C.; M. J. Garren and wife Arden I. B. Alexander, La Porte, Ind.

Mr. J. P. White of Dalton, Ga., scale salesman for North Carolina and Georgia, is in the city for several days. He is highly impressed with Western North Carolina and says Hendersonville is the finest city in his territory.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Creasman, Miss Sue Creasman, Mrs. Tabb Creasman and Mr. S. J. Hans motored to Hendersonville from Biltmore Saturday and were the guests of friends in the city.

Mr. E. C. Jarrett and Mr. M. Durham of Asheville, were in the city Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Patton, Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Egerton and guest, Miss Mary West, and Miss Alma Lee Edwards were in Asheville last week.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Curtis left this week for Charleston, where they will remain during the winter.

Miss Neva Pace has returned from Lendrum, S. C.

Mrs. Gordon Garlington visited Asheville last week.

Rev. K. W. Cawthon has returned from the Baptist convention at Shelby.

Mrs. Henry King spent Monday in Asheville.

Mr. Roy Pace of Spartanburg was in the city Tuesday.

Mr. Dunn of Asheville was in the city Monday.

Dr. J. L. Egerton has returned from a business trip to Richmond, Va. Miss Elizabeth Belk spent Saturday in Asheville.

Miss Cora Lott is home for the holidays from Mary Baldwin college in Virginia.

Miss Gladys Gover is spending the holidays with her mother at the Kentucky home, having returned recently from Virginia where she has been in school.

Miss Alma Freeman is home for the holidays.

Deputy Collector A. B. Freeman of Asheville visited his family in Hendersonville last week.

County Auditor H. W. Allen went to Tuxedo Tuesday on business.

Mr. Frank Smith of Fletcher was in town Tuesday.

Miss Madie Brown, who has been spending several months at the Kentucky home, has returned to her home in Jacksonville.

Miss Florence Harris of Augusta, Ga., is a guest of the St. John hotel.

The many friends of Judge C. M. Pace will regret to know he has been very ill for the last few days, having been on the sick list now for several weeks.

Prof. N. W. Walker of Chapel Hill, State High school inspector, will address the teachers in regular session Saturday at the High school building.

Mrs. Ann F. Garlington of Laurens, S. C., is expected Saturday on a visit to her son, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon F. Garlington. She will leave here to spend the holidays in Nashville, Tenn.

Miss Annie Hart of Saluda was in the city last week.

Mr. J. D. Dermid, who recently moved to Asheville, was in the city Tuesday mixing with his friends.

Mr. K. G. Whistler of Etowah was in town Tuesday, having returned from Camden, S. C.

Miss Annie Blythe, who has been holding a position with E. Lewis & Son, has returned to her home in Etowah.

Miss Neva Allen of Etowah, is visiting in the city.

Mrs. W. R. Kirk has returned from Richmond, Va., where she was called on account of the serious illness of her sister, Miss Estelle Egerton, who continues ill.

Mr. E. B. Lewis, sovereign manager of the State of the Woodmen of the World, is a guest of the St. John hotel, having arrived Tuesday night for the initiation work of the local camp, Thursday. Mr. J. C. Root, the founder of Woodcraft, and Sovereign Escort H. F. Simrall are expected Wednesday night as guests of the St. John.

Misses Zoe and Irene Wetmur will spend the holidays with Miss Gladys Stackhouse at Dunbar, S. C.

BUYS THE HOOD FARM.

Leon P. Carter of South Carolina Buys From J. L. Orr for \$5,000.

John L. Orr has sold his seventy-three acre farm, familiarly known as the Hood farm, to Leon P. Carter, of Elliott, S. C., the consideration being \$5,000.

Mr. Carter came to Hendersonville last Wednesday after having visited other points in Western North Carolina and was not long in determining that Henderson county was a place suitable to his notions, as a result of which he selected the farm and through the assistance of his representatives, Staton & Rector, made the purchase during the day.

Mr. Carter, who is a farmer, manufacturer and railroad man, will move his family consisting of wife and five daughters, to his new home at an early date and will make this his permanent home.

The Hood farm is one of the most valuable in that section and is located only a short distance from Hendersonville, making it convenient for marketing purposes as well as affording convenience for Mr. Carter and family.

DECISION IN POWER CASE

MEANS BIG DEVELOPMENTS.

Parties to Suit Well Pleased With Outcome and Plan Power Plants and Railroads.

Few decisions have been handed down by the Supreme court of such vital interest to this community as was that in the case of the Blue Ridge Interurban Railroad company against R. M. Oates and the Hendersonville Light & Power company with reference to the condemnation of water power sites on Big Hungry creek.

The decision was rendered Saturday and all parties to the suit show apparent satisfaction at the outcome as a result of which it is authoritatively stated that developments of a gigantic nature in the way of power plants and interurban railroads are now in sight and that work will begin without delay.

The progress of this case has been watched with keen interest as the people of this section have been concerned greatly in the proposed developments. The following points are culled from the opinion written by Chief Justice Walter Clark and concurred in by Justices Hoke and Allen:

In 1912 George E. Ladshaw and others obtained a charter in South Carolina under the name of the Manufacturers Power company and finding that they could not condemn water power under the State laws, organized the Blue Ridge Interurban Railroad company, claiming that under the laws of 1907 they could condemn water powers for railroad purposes. Suit was instituted in the Superior court of Henderson county for the condemnation of tracts two and three belonging to the local power company and in the meantime Mr. Oates succeeded in getting through the legislature last spring an amendment to the law under which they proposed to condemn his water sites, the interesting fight before the general assembly over this matter being a matter of wide interest at the time to the people of this section.

The Superior court jury found that power site No. 2 which the Hendersonville Light and Power company proposed to develop was worth \$6,000 to the other company and site three over which there seemed to be little controversy was worth \$300. The jury found that No. 2 was a water power site and Judge Lyon set aside the verdict in which the Supreme court says he erred.

In closing, the opinion says: "The defendants need this water power for their own use, as the jury find, upon the evidence. The action of the plaintiff in seeking to utilize the defendants' water power for its own purposes is generating electricity has an apt parallel in the incident related by the Prophet Nathan to the King of Israel, II Samuel, chapter 2, vs. 1-4.

Judge Justice Walker wrote the dissenting opinion with Justice Brown concurring.

The decision of the lower court from which the Hendersonville Light & Power company appealed was reversed by the Supreme court and is taken to mean that the plaintiffs are perpetually enjoined from condemning site No. 2 but that site No. 3 is yet probably involved the opinion not being very explicit as regards this site. This leaves the local company with present power plant undisturbed and with site No. 2 open for development on which Mr. Oates states work will begin during the early part of the year for the development in the neighborhood of 200 horse power. The demand for power in Hendersonville was so great last year that it became necessary to run the steam plant as an auxiliary. It is planned to develop the plant as early as possible and thereby furnish sufficient power to supply Hendersonville and community for many years to come.

With site No. 3, probably at their option the Blue Ridge Interurban railroad company is also said to be in good shape for pushing proposed developments as it is planning to erect a 100 foot dam across Green river just below the mouth of Big Hungry, enabling them to develop several thousand horse power.

In speaking of the situation, W. A. Smith, attorney for the Interurban company, stated that the plaintiff had sufficient sites to permit all the proposed development and that he decision of the Supreme court had cleared up the matter now to the extent that the company would not hesitate in pro-

NOTICE TO READERS.

We regret to inform our country correspondents that owing to a break in our linotype machine we are forced to omit their news in addition to a good-sized bunch of live copy of local interest now hanging on the book for lack of time to set it and permit the paper to come out on time. It will all appear next week. Correspondents are urged to always send in news on Monday and thereby avoid omissions under ordinary circumstances.

PRIZE FOR CREAMERY.

Blue Ridge Creamery Wins First State Prize at National Dairy Show.

The Blue Ridge creamery of Hendersonville has been awarded first prize by the National Dairy show recently held in Chicago for the best butter manufactured in North Carolina.

The butter scored perfect in every respect except flavor, which was a little off by reason of the age of the butter, it having been made ten days when judged. The color, salting, packing and other details scored perfect and had the butter been judged when fresh it no doubt would have made a perfect score in every detail, the score being 90.83.

The prize from the Chicago authorities consists of a beautiful, engraved silver medal, which the creamery values very highly.

The Blue Ridge creamery is using the cream and butter fat of about 100 farmers in Henderson county, representing the product of 800 cows. The biggest day's work in the history of the creamery was when it made 502 pounds of butter.

J. C. Morrow, secretary and manager, is planning to extend the operations of the plant to a considerable extent at an early date, but the details of the plans are not ready for publication. He states that arrangements will be made for the handling of the product of 5,000 cows next summer and that preparation will be made to handle cream from surrounding counties.

SCHOOLS ARE CLOSING.

Several County Short-Term Schools Closing for The Present Year.

Several of the schools with only a term of four months have closed in Henderson county during the past few weeks. These schools began before the law requiring a six months' term became operative. Some of the schools in the county will have a term of eight months and will not close until about April.

MISS CHAPIN TO SPEAK

Miss Elsie M. Chapin of New London, Ohio, will speak at the East Hendersonville Baptist church next Sunday night at 7:30 o'clock on the subject of Flisk university. Miss Chapin has been connected with this institution as secretary to the president for last four years and is thoroughly acquainted with its working.

GET BIG BUCK.

R. J. Alderman and Ulysses and Frank Davis have returned from the Blantyre section with a big buck to their credit, all taking part in the slaughter, while Mr. Alderman claims to have killed one which he failed to bring back. A shot knocked the animal down but he jumped up and left a trace of blood for half a mile and the boys gave up the chase.

ceeding with the work. He is optimistic over the situation and feels confident that it promises great things for Hendersonville and community in that an interurban line is proposed from Hendersonville to Flat Rock on the Saluda and thence to the power plant. Among other developments talked of is a connection with the Standard Air Line railway in Rutherford county and the furnishing of power for industries in North and South Carolina.

Representing the Blue Ridge Interurban Railroad company were Manning & Kitchin of Raleigh, Smith & Shipman of Hendersonville, Tillett & Guthrie of Charlotte.

The defendants were represented by Judge J. H. Merrimon, Britt & Tomes of Asheville, Staton & Rector and Michael Schenck of Hendersonville.