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## GREATER H'VILLE CLUB MAY DISBAND IN LACK OF SUPPORT.

Membership Does Not Pay Debts and Secretary's Salary; More Support an Absolute Necessity.

"Up against it" to use street parlance, is the situation of the Greater Hendersonville club.

It is meeting or is within the throes of another crisis. It is highly necessary that more support be received from some source in order to conduct a publicity campaign that is imperative for Hendersonville provided it intends to keep in the limelight as a resort city.

The club has a membership ranging from 80 to 90. This means an income insufficient to do any effective work after paying the secretary's salary of \$50 per month.

The city is in financial straits and it is highly probable that it cannot see its way clear to make an appropriation for advertising purposes.

The meeting Thursday night adjourned without entering into any business. President R. N. Willcox announced that the club had just as well suspend operations if it could not meet its obligations. The club is in no shape to get out any expensive literature, although it is necessary that at least \$400 worth be distributed.

The club has not been able to meet its obligations heretofore contracted. There are outstanding obligations in Hendersonville and those to whom the club is due something are growing impatient under prevailing circumstances.

### Meeting Friday Night.

President Willcox called another meeting for Friday night of this week. If the people respond in sufficient numbers the work will be continued, but if they do not, the Greater Hendersonville club will through necessity cease operations and then Hendersonville people will inevitably have to look to other than resort sources for a living. It is a recognized fact that if the city does not advertise its advantages abroad the resorts making the biggest noise and offering the most inducements will be the ones to draw the crowds and poor Hendersonville as a resort will be left out in the cold or hot sunshine as the case may be.

The meeting was called to order Thursday night and the proceedings of the previous meeting read. R. H. Staton and F. A. Ewbank reported that the advertising committee had written for prices on a booklet it was thought well to publish provided funds could be raised for this purpose. There were only a few persons present and it was deemed advisable to adjourn without going into other matters since further business will hardly be taken up unless additional funds can be raised.

## BAPTIST PREACHERS AND OTHER WORKERS MEET ON MARCH 2

The Baptist ministers and workers of the Baptist churches in Henderson county will hold a conference in Hendersonville on the first Tuesday in March.

Arrangements have been made for the men to meet at the East Baptist church and the ladies to meet at the First Baptist church from 11 to 3 o'clock. During an intermission a basket dinner will be served.

Preparations are being made to entertain the visitors and the Baptist preachers, Sunday school superintendents and church clerks and other active workers are expected to attend. Many subjects pertaining to greater and more efficient church and Sunday school work will be discussed.

### STEVE YOUNG DEAD.

Steve Young a well known young man of the city, died suddenly Tuesday afternoon at the home of his brother, Dave Young. Mr. Young was at work, apparently feeling well at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon but was shortly taken sick and died within a few hours from heart trouble. He leaves four children. His wife died about five years ago. For some time Mr. Young held a position with the Hendersonville Light & Power company. He was a member of the Woodmen of the World and will be buried with Woodmen ceremonies Thursday at 11 o'clock.

## MILLS RIVER PEOPLE TO ELECT 5 COMMISSIONERS ON FEB. 23.

Highly Important That all People of Township Meet and Elect Best Men to Expend \$20,000 Road Fund.

A meeting of the voters of Mills River township is called to be held at Mills River academy on Tuesday, February, 23rd, for the purpose of electing five commissioners for said township, to handle the road funds of the recent bond sale of \$20,000.00.

The election of these officers is of vast importance to Mills River township, and it is therefore necessary that all of the township be present, and the best men possible selected to handle these funds.

J. A. MAXWELL, Chairman of the Board of Co. Commissioners.

## THREE ESCAPE FROM JAIL; CUT WAY THROUGH BRICK.

Successful Get Away Perfected by Negroes Held for Superior Court; Serious Charges.

Three negro inmates of the county jail made a successful escape Tuesday night after boring a hole through the brick walls of the cells.

It is understood that they used hooks taken from their beds to make an opening through the side wall of the jail. Sheriff Drake and his deputies are now scouring the county for the fugitives. Telephone messages have been sent to all cities near by giving a complete description of the parties.

Those in the get-away party were, Will Murray, charged with chicken stealing; Ned Memminger, stealing a watch; Ernest Austin, assault and battery with deadly weapon.

### THE SAND CLAY ROADS!

This the Most Vital and Instructive Period About Their Construction.

Of all the year this is the most vital and instructive period to the sand-clay road builder. At no other time does the real inwardness of the mixture so clearly demonstrate its character as now. This is the time to post question marks all along the road. Some places are good—have stood all this rainy weather and heavy traffic and still are good. Put up a large question mark here. Quiz and pry into the secret of its goodness. Look at its drainage at its surface and pry into the base, in short find a full answer to the question why? The answer will usually be a dry firm base, good side drainage and plenty of sharp grit in the wearing surface of the road. If either of these fundamentals are lacking the road is most likely bad, and if bad erect here also a prominent question mark so all may take notice, intelligent notice such notice as will seek to find and apply a curative remedy.

By comparison and careful study of the two questions above indicated most valuable knowledge can be obtained. And this is the opportunity to gain correct knowledge, a practical knowledge which is workable and not theoretic only. Fundamentally we know that mud comes from clay and where mud exists clay is present in excess. During long rainy periods like this has been the earth has become fully saturated and wherever clay is in any degree in excess the remedy indicated is grit—sand or gravel to fully balance the excess clay. No other time would have so revealed the inwardness of the road's composition, or furnished an opportunity to so effectually cure the defect as this. The symptoms are manifest and unmistakable. The remedy is sure and clearly indicated and this is the opportune time to apply the remedy. Don't wait until the mud dries up. Give it the sand and gravel now freely and do the necessary ditching later. Haul sand and gravel and mire it in and when a road is built up in this way it's permanently cured. This is an opportune time for the sand-clay and top-soll road builder to push his work effectively and note conditions and manifestations, to answer the two vital questions and note their relation to each other, to distinguish between good and bad material, to effectually incorporate the material into a homogeneous mass of weather and wear-resisting surface material having plenty of grit and no excess of clay. Let road builders get busy. If you have mud and can get grit put it in liberally. This is the opportune time.—W. L. Spoon, Road Engineer, in Raleigh News and Observer.

### K. OF P. MEETING.

The Knights of Pythias will on next Monday night confer the rank of knight. A good attendance is desired. The rank of esquire was conferred on last Monday night.

## HENDERSONVILLE BUSINESS MEN FORM A STRONG ORGANIZATION

Large Number of Those Doing Credit Business Perfected Merchants Association for Self-Protection.

The Merchants Association of Hendersonville was organized Thursday night by an enthusiastic meeting composed of business men who are doing a credit business in this city, the main object of which is for further co-operation and the betterment of credit conditions.

The officers are: Noah M. Hollowell, president; S. Nixon Rowe, vice president; C. G. Jones, treasurer; C. B. Postell, secretary.

The organization meeting was composed of an unusually large number of business men, taking into consideration those who are accustomed to attending public meetings. Harmony prevailed and considerable business was disposed of, principal of which was the election of officers and the adoption of a constitution and by-laws.

Whole Time Secretary.

It is the purpose of the association to maintain an office that will be open

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## 50c : YEARLY SUBSCRIPTION : 50c

The last reminder that the 50 cent renewal rate for a year's subscription to the Democrat expires as heretofore announced on February 27, this offer being given only to those renewing or subscribing since July 18.

For a limited period the subscription rate of the Democrat has been reduced from \$1.50 to \$1 annually. Renewals for only 50 cents for one year only.

Further delay may mean an increased price and the deprivation of a necessity and pleasure in the form of the best paper ever published in Henderson county.

## GRANT CEREMONIES POSTPONED.

Owing to the sickness of John G. Grant the ceremonies which were to have been held Monday night in his honor were postponed indefinitely.

### CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

Mr. Kemp, local driver of the Standard Oil Co., was bound over to court Wednesday by Magistrate Hood, the charges of cruelty to a mule having been preferred by Mr. Wilson, a visitor in the city and a member of some society for the cruelty to animals.

# No Bankrupt, No Fire, No Smoke, Nor Water Sale AT E. LEWIS & SON WE MUST HAVE ROOM

Our buyers Mr. Abe Lewis and Miss Lena Lewis leave shortly for New York to purchase their immense Spring Stock. In order to make room for New Goods--the entire stock of Winter Goods is to be sold regardless of cost,

Here are a Few of our "Make Room" Prices

Men's Winter Silk Plush Caps, 50c quality.

MAKE ROOM PRICE

15¢

Boys Knee Pants, 39c quality.

MAKE ROOM PRICE

15¢

Boys, Heavy Fleece lined Underwear, best quality.

MAKE ROOM PRICE

19¢

Boys' Overcoats, \$4.50 value.

MAKE ROOM PRICE.

\$1.98

Boys' Wool Serge Suits \$3.50 value.

MAKE ROOM PRICE

\$1.98

One big lot Sample Pants just received.

MAKE ROOM PRICE

98¢

One lot Men's Pants, \$3.50 quality.

MAKE ROOM PRICE

\$1.98

One lot of Ladies' Sample Shoes just received, solid leather thru out \$2.50 values

MAKE ROOM PRICE

98¢

One lot of Men's Shoes \$2 to \$2.50 values.

MAKE ROOM PRICE

\$1.49

One lot of Ladies Suits all new styles, all colors, regular values from \$10 to \$20.

MAKE ROOM PRICE

\$4.98 to \$9.98

Ladies' Ponyskin Coats, latest make, \$8 values.

MAKE ROOM PRICE

\$2.98

Ladies and childrens' High grade coats slashed to 1-3 their original value.

MAKE ROOM PRICE

98¢ to \$3.48

One lot Men's Suits, \$9.00 quality.

MAKE ROOM PRICE

\$4.98

One lot Men's all wool blue Serge Suits, \$15.00 value,

MAKE ROOM PRICE

\$8.45

One lot Men's sample hats, the latest styles, all colors, \$3 values.

MAKE ROOM PRICE

\$1.49

One lot of Men's Hats, \$2 values

MAKE ROOM PRICE

98¢

One lot Men's Hats, \$1.50 and \$1.00 values.

MAKE ROOM PRICE

50¢

One lot Ladies' Skirts latest styles \$2 to \$8 values.

MAKE ROOM PRICE

98¢ to \$3.48

Best grade oil cloth, 20c quality.

MAKE ROOM PRICE

12½¢

Best grade Sheeting, 8 1-2c quality.

MAKE ROOM PRICE

5¢

Heavy Flannellettes, yard wide 12 1-2c quality.

MAKE ROOM PRICE

7½¢

All wool Serges, 75c quality, guaranteed all wool.

MAKE ROOM PRICE

39¢

Best quality Broadcloth, 56 inches wide 75c quality.

MAKE ROOM PRICE

39¢

Ladies' Corsets, new make 50c quality.

MAKE ROOM PRICE

29¢

We have not the space to mention all of our "MAKE ROOM PRICES." Come and see for yourself. We take care of our customers by underselling all competition.

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