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CITY'S GOVERNING BOARD WAS SPLIT POLITICALLY IN TUESDAY'S ELECTION

C. E. BROOKS DEFEATS R. H. STATON FOR MAYOR; COMMISSIONERS EVENLY DIVIDED WITH J. W. BAILEY, M. M. SHEPHERD, JOHN S. FOREST, DEMOCRATS; BROWNLOW JACKSON, R. C. CLARKE AND K. G. MORRIS, REPUBLICANS, COMPOSING NEW BOARD.

THE NEW BOARD.

Mayor:
C. E. BROOKS.
Commissioners:
J. W. BAILEY,
M. M. SHEPHERD,
J. S. FOREST,
R. C. CLARKE,
K. G. MORRIS.

For the next two years Hendersonville will have a democratic mayor and three republican and three democratic commissioners.

The republican commissioners are: Messrs. Jackson, Clarke and Morris. The democratic commissioners are: Messrs. Bailey, Shepherd and Forest.

THE VOTE.

For Mayor:
C. E. Brooks 234.
For Commissioners, Long Term:
J. W. Bailey, 241; R. P. Freeze, 221; Joe Fletcher, 230.
For Commissioners, Short Term:
M. M. Shepherd, 223; W. P. Whitmire, 221; John S. Forest, 226.
For Mayor:
R. H. Staton, 226.
For Commissioners, Long Term:
K. G. Morris, 238; B. Jackson, 240; J. W. McIntyre, 227.
For Commissioners, Short Term:
E. H. Davis, 216; R. C. Clarke, 232; S. M. King, 223.

Considerable Scratching.

Hendersonville is normally democratic but a number of situations arose that resulted in considerable scratching of tickets. There were a few disgruntled people in the ranks and they voted their convictions. There were some democrats who did not vote and there were others who were bent on the movement for a citizens ticket in the city and the result, though not accomplished as they desired, was practically what they set out to accomplish.

Before the ballots had been counted, both sides were claiming victory but the result could not be predicted with accuracy by reason of a large number of scratched tickets.

The new board will go into office within the next two or three weeks.

Some Campaign Methods.

Keen interest was shown in the election from the time the democrats named their ticket on Thursday night to be followed by that of the republicans on Friday night, until the votes were counted. Politics was the absorbing topic of discussion among the many groups of both political parties, Saturday, Sunday and Monday and on each night.

While no bitter, vituperative methods were used and the campaign was conducted on a reasonably high plane, the fight for ballots was an interesting one and the most faithful of the party workers lost no opportunity to make or save votes. There was much interest shown and a great deal of hard work done by the party workers on Tuesday and from the time the ballot box opened there was much hurrying to and fro to persuade doubtful voters and to secure their votes. Automobiles were greatly in demand throughout the day.

An interesting eleventh hour piece of campaign thunder was that of the republican candidates in the form of a circular which was distributed Monday night, claiming that the expenses of the city government would be reduced in many ways in the event the republicans were elected. In order to counteract this document the democrats composed a reply and had it set in type and distributed after twelve o'clock Monday night.

The circular from the republicans read as follows:

Read Carefully.

"As appears from the town records, there was paid to G. W. Justice and H. B. Miller, from June, 1914, to April, 1915, inclusive, \$2164, including an alleged balance due Mr. Justice on salary for 1913. It further appears from the city's books that J. W. McCarron has been paid \$70 per month from June, 1914, to March, 1915, inclusive; that L. E. Thompson has been paid \$69 per month from June, 1914, to March, 1915, inclusive; that T. C. Williams has been paid \$60 per month from June, 1914, to March, 1915, inclusive and that Otis Powers has been paid \$50 per month from June, 1914, to March, 1915, inclusive.

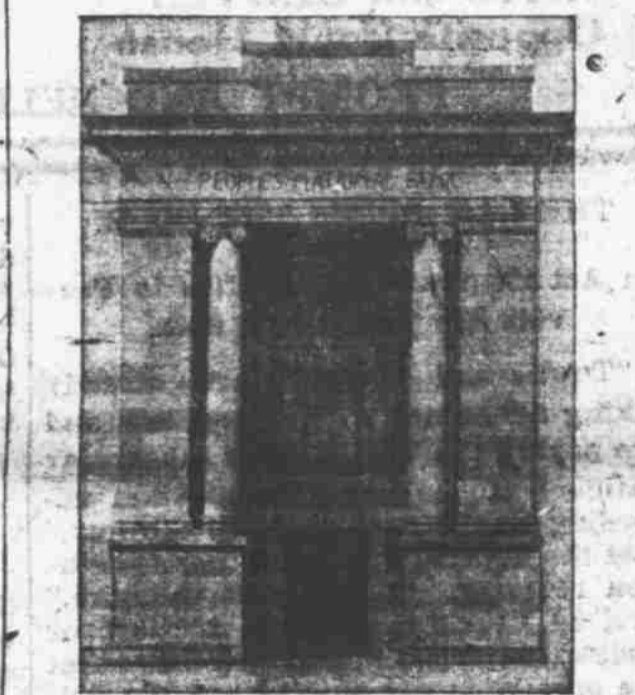
We propose, if elected to have the

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CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK TO OCCUPY THE PEOPLES HOME.

Working Forces of Both Banks Retained; \$50,000 Capital; Creates Strong Banking Combination.

In accordance with the news story recently carried in the Democrat with reference to the consolidation of the Citizens bank and the Peoples National bank under the name of the Citizens National bank, the two institutions will unite their forces at once. The comptroller of the currency wired Mr. Ewbank Wednesday that the new bank is authorized to begin business on that the charter was on the way. The new bank will make its



CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK.

home in the headquarters of the Peoples National bank.

The officers are: E. W. Ewbank, president; C. E. Brooks and Brownlow Jackson, vice presidents; C. S. Fullbright, cashier; E. H. Davis and W. A. Young, assistant cashiers.

The new institution is capitalized at \$50,000. It has on deposit at this the lowest financial period of the year, between \$200,000 and \$225,000.

The Peoples National bank has paid three dividends since it was organized in 1910 and the Citizens bank has paid 8 per cent dividends since it was organized in 1908. During this time the surplus of the bank accumulated to approximately \$10,000, and an extra dividend of 25 per cent has just been declared.

The working forces of the two banks are being retained, giving the official board a strong personnel and excellent working efficiency and creating a strength that will stand favorably in the banking circles of the State.

The stockholders of the Peoples bank recently adopted strong resolutions in praise and thanks of the work done by Messrs. Jackson, Fullbright and Young, outlining the results of their faithful work. The preamble was quite lengthy and flattering, the resolution closing with the following:

"Therefore, be it resolved by the stockholders of the Peoples National bank of Hendersonville in meeting assembled on this the first day of April, 1915, that we extend to Messrs. Fullbright, Jackson and Young our sincere thanks for the faithful and result-producing work they have done for said bank in the capacity of officers and employees.

"Resolved further, that a copy of these resolutions be incorporated in the minutes of the proceedings of this meeting of said stockholders and that a copy of same be furnished each of the local newspapers for publication."

JOHN RYMER SELLS BUSINESS.

John B. Rymer, secretary and treasurer of the Carolina Oil & Supply company, has disposed of his interests in this concern to his associates.

This company was established several months ago and has enjoyed a good business.

Mr. Rymer has not decided what business he will follow since he has some propositions under consideration.

G. H. CLUB MEETING.

The Greater Hendersonville club will meet at the library Friday night to consider some important matters, for which a large attendance is desired.

DEMOCRAT'S SPRING ISSUE.

The Democrat will appear in its new spring costume within a few weeks.

A big spring edition has been issued and distributed over the Southern states during each of the past few summers.

The issue last spring was highly complimented by a number of admirers as being the best issue of the Democrat ever published.

The publishers have begun work on the proposed spring number, which will be up to the usual high standard if not superior to any previous issue.

Judicious distribution will be given to about 4,000 copies in an endeavor to bring strangers as well as old visitors to Hendersonville, and improve business conditions in general in Hendersonville and vicinity.

The Democrat would request its patrons to send names and addresses of those they wish to have copies of this issue, immediately to this office, as the mailing list is now being prepared. There will be no charge for the copies or mailing, provided names are furnished at once.

WHEAT AND CORN MILL IS CONSIDERED FOR THIS CITY.

Experienced Kentucky Mill Man Meets Hendersonville Business Men and Talks Over Mill Question.

If the farmers of Henderson county and the business men of Hendersonville will give the desired encouragement in the way of small capital and a great deal of good will, it is highly probable that a wheat and corn mill will be built in Hendersonville.

Mr. Wilford, an experienced mill man of Kentucky, where he has built nine flour mills, was in Hendersonville recently and in making trips over the county was deeply impressed with the opportunities for a mill. City Manager G. W. Justice showed Mr. Wilford some of the country around Hendersonville last week and the latter was so favorably impressed with the country that Mr. Justice called a meeting of a number of the business and professional men of Hendersonville, about thirty of whom met Mr. Wilford, who stated that the meeting was a little premature for the reason that he had no definite proposition to make. He said that he was so deeply impressed with the opportunities for a mill here that he was considering the establishment of one despite the fact that he had heretofore decided to not make further investment along this line. Mr. Wilford said that it could be made a money making proposition and that it would be the means of encouraging the farmers to greatly increase their wheat acreage by reason of the fact that the mill would afford them a home market. Mr. Wilford promised to let Hendersonville people hear further from him in regard to his intentions to build a mill here.

A number of Hendersonville people assured Mr. Wilford that he would meet with encouragement in the event he undertook to build a mill here and that the people would welcome him. W. C. Jordan stated that he was building a flour mill at Flat Rock but that he would welcome another mill for the reason that one would not interfere with the other and that both would encourage wheat growing on more extensive scales in this section.

MRS. J. V. HELSEL DEAD.

Died Saturday Morning and Buried Sunday Afternoon in Oakdale.

Mrs. J. V. Helsel, aged fifty-two years, died at her home in Hendersonville Saturday morning about 7 o'clock after an illness of a few days with pneumonia.

Interment was made in Oakdale cemetery Sunday afternoon following funeral services at the First Baptist church with Rev. K. W. Cawthon officiating.

Mrs. Helsel was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Meyer of Augusta, Ga., and has been living in Hendersonville for a number of years during which time she attracted many friends by her cheerful and lovable disposition.

Surviving is the husband, who was dangerously ill at the time of Mrs. Helsel's death but who, his friends will be interested to know, is now improving after an illness of about two weeks. Other survivors are two daughters by her marriage to A. R. Brodie of Augusta, Ga., these being Mrs. A. L. Naylor of Hendersonville and Mrs. Alice Brodie Blackwell of Ward, S. C., and three sisters, Mrs. Alex. Prothro, Richland, Ga.; Mrs. Mary Ruth Davis, Augusta; Mrs. William Kendall, Atlanta.

Buying for cash would mean more goods for your money, less worry and a better community generally. And the deadbeat would then have to pay for his keep.

PROF. CALE RESIGNS AS SUPT. OF HENDERSONVILLE SCHOOL.

Trustees Meet Tuesday Night to Receive Applications From Teachers; Review of School Progress.

The trustees of the Hendersonville graded school will meet on May 11 to receive applications for the positions of teacher for the various grades, and it is understood that the board will consider at this meeting the resignation of Prof. W. H. Cale, who has been superintendent of the school for the last four years.

The resignation of Superintendent Cale has been in the hands of the board for some time and it is highly probable that action will be taken on it at this meeting since steps will doubtless be taken looking to the coming year's work. There is considerable speculation as to the outcome of this meeting since unofficial discussion has been given to different measures said to be under consideration. It is rumored that certain influences are being brought to bear looking to the selection of a lady superintendent for the school, but there are many who are said to look with disfavor upon this proposed change, believing that it would be impractical for Hendersonville.

Four Years of Progress.

Superintendent Cale is bringing to a close his fourth year of the school work in Hendersonville. During his administration there have been marked changes and improvements in school facilities and efficiency. His first year's work was in the Judson College building, there being an enrollment of about 500 pupils, which has been increased to about 650. This increase in pupils necessitated an increase in the number of teachers these being twelve now with eight only four years ago. There were ten



SUPT. W. H. CALE.

grades then but the number has been increased to eleven and the commercial department was added by Professor Cale.

The a, b, c method in use when Professor Cale took charge has been displaced with the modern phonic method. A very helpful addition to the school work is that of the literary society, which has been organized since Superintendent Cale took charge.

It is understood that one of the detracting features of Professor Cale's work is the arrangement which necessitates his teaching during at least five periods each day, thereby taking time that some think could be profitably spent in looking after the supervision of the school and keeping in closer touch with the various phases of the school work.

Professor Cale has contributed freely to the educational spirit of Hendersonville during his stay in Hendersonville. He has filled a number of appointments in the county where he was called to talk on educational matters.

During his stay in Hendersonville Professor Cale has made a number of friends who will regret to learn of his thoughts of leaving the city.

Planning for Commencement.

It has not been decided on what day the school will close. It is probable that owing to the limited number in the graduating class this year that the exercises of this class will be held in connection with the county commencement on May 14. Just when the commencement session will be preached the literary society is planning to ed and by whom has not been decided, give an interesting play as one of the closing events of the school year.

O. P. SMITH MAKES RECORD.

Takes First Honors From Several Schools in Running Low Hurdles.

The friends of Oswald P. Smith, son of B. S. Smith of Hendersonville, will be interested to know that in the track meet at Durham he took first honors in the running low hurdles in which the University, Trinity, the A. & M. and Wake Forest participated. Mr. Smith was the University's representative.

It was a spirited contest and Mr. Smith's friends naturally feel proud of the record he made for himself and the University.

Thrilling Motorcycle Races Here on May 10th

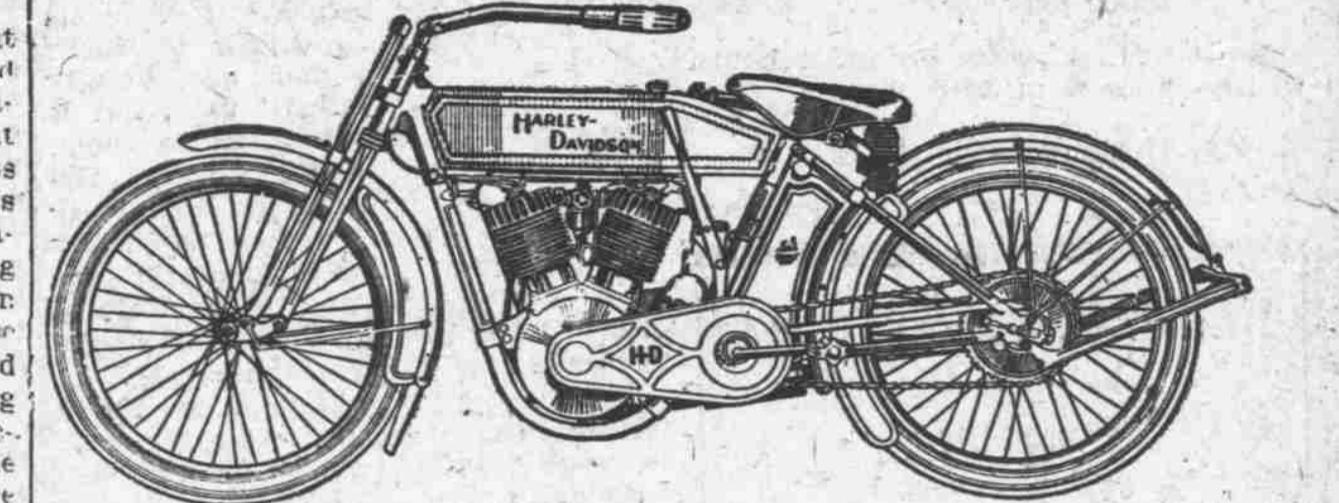
Hendersonville will hold its second motorcycle race on May 10 from 2 to 6 o'clock.

The races will be conducted under the auspices of the Hendersonville Motorcycle club. The Greenville, Spartanburg and Asheville clubs will participate in the event.

The city authorities have granted

months ago. The event was an interesting one, the thoroughfare being lined with hundreds of people anxious to witness the event.

Fifth avenue has been declared one of the best race courses in the South. machine in southern territory will be here from Atlanta to participate in the races.



permission for the races and the course on Fifth avenue will be guarded by the Coast Artillery Corps of Hendersonville.

Hendersonville witnessed its first motorcycle race in this city a few and it is understood that the fastest

General traffic on and across Fifth avenue will be suspended from 2 to 6 o'clock to avoid accidents.

The Hendersonville Motorcycle club met Wednesday night and elected the following judges: C. E. Brooks, C. A. Hobbs, Henry King, W. H. Bangs, A. H. Hawkins.

VETERANS REUNION; RICHMOND. SCHOOL HOUSE CONTRACTS ARE LET BY BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Round-Trip Fare From Hendersonville to Richmond Only \$8.40.

The Southern Railway company is advertising elsewhere in the Democrat special rates to Richmond on account of the twenty-fifth annual reunion of the United Confederate Veterans, which will be held there June 1-3, 1915.

Richmond and the surrounding country are of especial interest to those who were engaged in the conflict of 1861-65. Confederate headquarters were in Richmond, and all the country composed the battlefield Seven Pines, Malvern Hill, Drewry's Bluff, Mechanicsville and Petersburg.

For the comfort and convenience of those going to Richmond, a special train will be operated from Asheville on the afternoon of May 31st, arriving Richmond the following morning about seven o'clock.

Side trip tickets will be sold out of Richmond to Petersburg, Fredericksburg and many other historic points near Richmond. Stop overs will be allowed on going and return journey.

IN THE HARNESS BUSINESS.

M. C. Letson announces that at an early date he will open a harness and leather shop, with accessories, in the building recently vacated by the Red Iron Racket store. Mr. Letson will make a specialty of repair work. He has ordered a supply of goods and hopes to open within a few days.

SCHOOL HOUSE CONTRACTS ARE LET BY BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The county board of education in session Monday let contracts for the erection of four school houses as follows:

District No. 7, Edneyville township, white, \$460, to John T. Maxwell. District No. 3, Crab Creek township, white, \$428, to Elmer Rhodes.

District No. 1, Clear Creek township, colored, \$175, to J. N. McMinn. District No. 2, Hendersonville township, colored, \$250, to J. N. McMinn.

The board prepared specifications for the erection of a one-room school house to be built near Johnny Pace's in Blue Ridge township. Specifications may be had by applying at the office of county superintendent.

The board at its meeting in June will elect committees for the various school districts in the county. One member will be elected for each district. Recommendations for these offices should be filed with Superintendent W. S. Shible for the consideration of the board.

ST. JOHN HOTEL SOLD.

The St. John hotel was sold at the court house door last Friday by virtue of power of sale contained in a deed of trust executed by the owner in January, 1912.

Messrs. Haynesworth and Milford of Greenville, holders of the notes, took over the hotel property.

REVIVAL SERVICES CLOSE AT BAPTIST CHURCH.



The revival services which began at the First Baptist church on April 25 will close Wednesday night of this week.

Dr. Calvin B. Waller, pastor of the First Baptist church of Asheville,

who has been assisting Pastor K. W. Cawthon, has had good congregations to hear his interesting and inspiring sermons. As a result of these meetings there are evidences of a spiritual awakening among the lost and the Christians of the community.