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CONTAINS THREE TIMES MORE HENDERSON COUNTY NEWS THAN ANY OTHER PAPER



MR. PERKINS FILES STATEMENT OF WORK HERE FOR GOVERNMENT

Henderson county has a great many citizens who are anxious to see further farm demonstration work in the county and they will continue to talk in favor of this more modern way of doing things on the farm. But there are those opposed to progressive measures of this kind and they are also talking.

Ward Ernest L. Perkins served as demonstrator for Henderson county for two years there were no few who appreciated the value of his work but there were those who opposed him in sufficiently large numbers to exercise influence over the powers that be. Mr. Perkins was taken from Henderson and placed in Burke county. The ordinary citizen is not familiar with the work done by Mr. Perkins. He is unable to grasp the nature of it completely. The farm demonstrators have to make out reports from week to week and forward to the state and federal authorities, but the annual report is supposed to embrace the full year's activities. Believing that Mr. Perkins' work was never fully appreciated in Henderson county, it should have been, the Democrat has secured a copy of the report filed with the government, covering his work during the past year. The report is not only extensive, but interesting and really eye-opening, for it shows great activity.

The report is lengthy, and therefore space would not permit its publication in full, but in order to show something of the demonstration work in Henderson county during the past year the following extracts have been selected from the report by the Democrat:

100 Bushels to Acre.

P. T. Ward of Dana was the champion corn grower. He made 100 bushels of corn to the acre. J. P. Anders of the Shaws Creek section, was the next biggest corn grower per acre, having gathered 94 bushels. There were 70 corn demonstrators, 36 of whom reported, the total acreage grown under improved methods was 200. The average yield was 23-25 bushels per acre. The demonstration work was carried on during the past year. Thirty farmers were induced to select seed for next year, 240 bushels being the estimated amount gathered. Four hundred farmers were induced to use better methods in growing corn during the past year, 700 during the past two years.

18 Bushels of Wheat.

The average yield of wheat under demonstration methods was 18 bushels to the acre, ten bushels being the amount under ordinary methods. Three hundred acres of rye were turned under for soil improvement, fifty farmers having been induced to plant this crop for the first time. The total acreage of wheat and rye under improved methods is given at 200.

Big Clover Crops.

Out of the 20 demonstrators in clover grasses for hay, mixture and cover crops, 13 reported, the total acreage being 300 under improved methods and the average yield per acre being 8300 tons while the average yield per acre of cured hay was 4150, there being an increase over ordinary methods of 2735. The crop was estimated at \$30 per acre. Fifty acres of legumes were inoculated, thirty farmers ordering material through the demonstrator. Forty acres were turned under for soil improvement by demonstrators and 200 acres by all farmers. The number of acres sown this fall is given at 12,000, of this number 11,500 being the increase as a result of demonstration work.

Clay Peas.

Only one demonstrator reported the results of clay peas, the average yield being 18 bushels for seed and 3,000 pounds of cured hay to the acre, there being. While there was only one demonstrator, twenty-five acres were grown for seed and 300 acres for hay by other farmers influenced to do so through the demonstrator.

Irish Potato Crop.

Of the eight Irish potato demonstrators, only four reported, the average yield per acre being 133 3-4 bushels. Two hundred acres were worked by improved methods due to the demonstrator's advice. One farmer is reported to have shipped 28,000 bushels in one year.

Fruit Growing Demonstration.

Demonstrations were made on five orchards, there being 500 trees in the demonstration. Fifty orchards containing 4,000 trees were inspected; fifty

orchards comprising 2,000 trees were pruned; twenty orchards or 1,000 trees were sprayed and ten orchards or 6,000 trees were planted as result of demonstrator's influence. Ten spraying and pruning demonstrations were held in the county during the past year.

Dairying.

Three bulls and six cows and heifers of pure bred dairy stock were brought into the county through the agent's influence. One hundred cows were tested and 200 cows were given a balanced ration.

Pure Bred Hogs.

Thirty pure bred hogs were brought to the county through the agent's influence.

There were no poultry demonstrators but ten farmers have improved their poultry management.

One hundred head of stock were treated for diseases and pests through the influence of the demonstrator. Eight communities were induced to buy for Hizers co-operatively, twelve car loads having been bought in this manner, representing a saving to the farmers of \$720. About 200 farmers used their fertilizer on the agent's advice, representing a saving of considerable proportions. Thirty farmers were induced to use their crops with fertilizer.

Five hundred farmers were induced to take better care of manure.

Six silos were built in the county during the past year, there being a total of 28 in the county.

Number of farmers using lime due to agent's influence, 100. They used 200 tons.

Farm and Farmstead Improvements.

Some of the things done with agent's assistance and advice:

Ten buildings erected, twenty improved, ten plans furnished, thirty painted or whitewashed, five home systems installed or improved, there being 35 home water systems in the county; 100 new pastures established, 100 old pastures renovated, 50 farmers induced to drain crops, 200 home gardens planted or improved, 500 farmers induced to have surplus farm products for winter use, 300 farmers planted cover crops to be turned under, 1000 acres of crimson clover and 200 of rye in cover crops.

Made Many Visits.

The demonstrator visited the farm demonstrators 400 times, other farmers 882, business men 200 and boys 140, club members 1622 times; traveled 972 miles by railroad, 4,900 by team or machine, 300 otherwise. One third of the agent's time was spent in office work; 716 official letters written, 3000 circulars on agriculture distributed.

Three hundred farmers in county practicing fall plowing as result of agent's work, and 400 are selecting seed.

The report consists of several pages and contains lots of other information, but the most important items are given above.

THE STORK AS WELL AS SANTA IS HAVING A STRENUOUS TIME.

Santa Clause is having a very busy season incident to the Christmas rush and even Colonel Stork is no exception to the rule of genuine strenuousness for his services in gift making are much in evidence. Mr. Stork is leaving some fine babies in the community, big fat boys being in the majority.

Only two Hendersonville physicians were interviewed during the past week with reference to the activities of the Stork and they report the following results:

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Plato Lanning, of Fruitland, a son on Dec. 7.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Patterson, Flat Rock, a daughter, December 8.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Nelson, Kanuga road, a son, December 9.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Hicks Garren, Hendersonville, a son, December 10.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Newman of Hillgirt, a son.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Freeman, of Uno, a son, December 13.

T. B. CARSON FAILS.

T. B. Carson, for some years a merchant in the depot section, has it is understood to have closed the doors of his store and made an assignment.



The Western Carolina Democrat

Wishes its many readers a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Most Prosperous New Year

THE VALUE OF A TELEPHONE.

Mr. Truex Tells Interesting Story of Its Advertising Value.

"Years ago there was a man in the real estate business in Upper Montclair, New Jersey, by the name of G. M. Dewitt. He is there now if anyone wishes corroboration of this story, said Manager A. S. Truex of the local telephone company.

"For years Mr. Dewitt did not install a telephone for the reason that he was out of his office much of the time.

"Finally a telephone was installed and Mr. Dewitt's name was duly listed in the telephone directory. Not long afterwards a long distance call came for Mr. Dewitt from New York City. The party calling, (a total stranger), said he wanted to come out to Upper Montclair and look at some real estate, and asked Mr. Dewitt to meet him.

"The New York party came out, brought his wife with him; Mr. Dewitt met them at the depot, took them around the town and sold them a beautiful home. During the negotiations Mr. Dewitt asked his new found friend how he had come to call on him or by whom he had been recommended. The buyer replied, 'No one, I wanted to come out this way and not knowing anyone I took up a telephone directory, looked under heading, Montclair, N. J., and looked for someone in the real estate business. I found your name and called you.'

"Mr. Dewitt in telling this instance to a representative of the Telephone Company a short time afterwards said, I made enough commission from that sale to more than pay for my telephone for the next ten years."

"Stop and think for a moment; this man was not paying telephone rental for advertising. He was paying for the use of the telephone and he was receiving full value for his money; the advertising, the sale, the commission which would pay for the telephone for the next ten years was clear gain, something he was getting over and above the service for which he was paying.

"Do you think this man would be without a telephone now?"

BUYS STATION BUILDING.

J. B. Stinespring of Orlando, Fla. has purchased from U. G. Stator the rock building occupied by the clothing establishment of H. Patterson, who will continue to occupy the building.

HENDERSONVILLE BANKERS WADE OUT OF DEEP STREAM.

An automobile is no respecter of persons, if so that one of Mayor C. E. Brooks while loaded with bankers on Saturday afternoon would not have assumed a refractory attitude. It was a time when money wouldn't talk at all and E. W. Ewbank, president of the Citizens National Bank and E. H. Davis, assistant cashier, braved the storm, rolled up their trousers and waded out of stream. Cashier C. S. Fullbright and Vice President C. E. Brooks waited in the machine in the middle of a stream until rescued by a man in a wagon.

The machine got a good wetting and wouldn't work. It had to be towed into town.

The bankers were en route to a meeting in Asheville of the bankers of the Tenth district. Mr. Brooks and Mr. Fullbright lost courage and didn't go to Asheville but Mr. Davis and Mr. Ewbank attended the meeting by rail and revived their depressed spirits at the big banquet.

J. Mack Rhodes cashier of the First Bank & Trust company also went on the train. It was his purpose to return in the machine with the other bankers. The return trip was made Sunday morning.

T. B. ALLEN WILL RUN FOR THE SENATORIAL NOMINATION.

Authorize the Democrat to Announce That He Will Run for Office Before the 1916 Primaries.

The political bee is buzzing. It may be in the bonnet of a number of would-be congressman, representatives and senators, but one man has heard the music clearly and his name will be before the democratic primaries for the office of senator, to which honored position he was elected in 1912.

When seen by a representative of the Democrat Monday Ex-Senator T. B. Allen of Mills River said that conditions had passed the rumored stage for he had definitely decided to run for the nomination.

Senator Allen represented this district in the legislature in 1913. He succeeded in enacting about all the legislation that his constituents asked for and with this record to support him he is going to make another effort to return to Raleigh.

Senator Allen made a strong race before and he is laying plans whereby

HOSPITALS 4TH ANNUAL REPORT GIVEN TO THE PEOPLE IN DETAIL

WM. C. LYDA AND SON, DAWSON, DIED ON FRIDAY AND MONDAY.

Dawson Succumbs to Heart Failure Occasioned by Father's Suffering From Paralysis.

The death of Dawson Lyda, the 16-year-old son of William C. Lyda, on last Friday, was followed by the death of Mr. Lyda on Monday morning.

Mr. Lyda died from paralysis and his son died of heart failure as a result of the stroke of paralysis with which Mr. Lyda suffered.

When Mr. Lyda, who had been in a fairly healthy condition was overcome with paralysis on Friday, Mrs. Lyda called the family physician and her step-son, Julian, over telephone. When they arrived at the home near Hendersonville Mr. Lyda was lying on the floor in a helpless condition and Dawson was sitting in a chair by the fire. Dawson had been ill for some time with diphtheria, which followed fever, and his heart was in a weakened condition and the excitement occasioned by the sudden illness of his father resulted in death from heart failure. When his brother and Dr. J. S. Brown arrived Dawson asked that he be placed in the bed. He died while being lifted to the bed by his brother. His only utterance was, "I'm dying," and before a hypodermic could be administered death had overtaken him. Meanwhile Dr. Brown's attention was given to Mr. Lyda, who was speechless and in a helpless condition. Mr. Lyda never rallied and died without regaining consciousness he died on Monday morning.

The remains of Dawson Lyda were interred in Pleasant Grove cemetery on Sunday afternoon. Those of Mr. Lyda followed on Tuesday.

Mr. Lyda is well known in this section, having lived in Hendersonville for some time, where he was engaged in conducting a meat market. In the past few years he has been living on the farm near the city.

Dawson Lyda was quite popular among his friends. More recently he was employed by the firm of E. Lewis & Son. A little more than a year ago he was a member of the mechanical force of the Democrat. He stopped work at this place to enter school at Balfour.

Among those surviving are one daughter Miss Carrie Lyda and the two sons of Mr. Lyda, Julian and Few, the latter having left the city a week ago. Since his address was unknown he could not be communicated with with reference to the death of two members of his family.

Mrs. Lyda is the second wife of Mr. Lyda.

MRS. JOHN GARREN DEAD.

After an Illness of Several Months Mrs. Garren Dies Near Hendersonville.

Mrs. John Garren died at her home on Shaws Creek road Saturday after an illness of several months. The condition of the deceased was very critical last summer and while she somewhat rallied, she could not regain sufficient strength to leave her bed.

The funeral was conducted from the residence Monday afternoon, Rev. W. Marr and Rev. Mr. Slattery officiating. Interment was made in Oakdale cemetery.

Among those surviving are the husband and a number of sisters and nine children, among them being Vernon Garren of Tampa, Fla., Columbus Garren of Florida, Misses Della, Jennie and Carrie Garren. The baby was only nine months old.

He may again receive a sufficient number of votes to give him the nomination.

Mr. Allen is a resident of the Mills River section and is one of the biggest and most prosperous farmers in Henderson county.

Mr. Allen's name had been mentioned along with others who might seek the senatorial nomination, but not until this week was it positively stated that he would be a candidate.

The name of R. M. Oates has been frequently mentioned in this connection but no announcement has been authorized.

Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.—Matt. 25:40.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY.

November 1, 1915.

The Hendersonville Hospital association closes the year 1915 with a membership of 71, an average attendance of ten members.

During the year we have held our regular monthly meetings, and several called meetings. The association has been very active during the past year, and through the efforts of its members, substantial sums of money have been raised. The amusement committee, with the cooperation of the members of association, has been instrumental in producing these results.

Much credit is due the people of Flat Rock and Fletcher who have contributed so generously of their means and work for the hospital.

During the last legislature a bill was passed providing for the hospital debt by levying a tax of 1-2 mill to each dollar of the county tax.

We have had to resort to various ways to raise money to carry on the work, such as window exchange was held each week for several months, picture shows, card parties, hospital Sunday, tag day, and silver teas. We have also received several contributions of money.

The ladies have worked hard and faithful and by their persistent efforts have been able to come together again for the annual meeting 1915.

MRS. FULLBRIGHT, Secretary.

Rates.

Public wards free to deserving charity patients residing in Henderson county.

Wards with four beds, \$10.00.
Private rooms from \$12.50 to \$25.00.
Operating room fees, \$5.00.

Training School for Nurses.

Dr. E. P. Mallett, dean.
Miss Rosa Hemphill, superintendent.
Members of class 1915-16.
Misses Laura Holden, Othella Hall, Cora Fisher, Hattie Alexander, Nan Mceman, Dolly Edney, Mrs. Margaret Pence.

Purpose.

The school has a double purpose for existence—to furnish adequate and efficient care for patients received into the hospital and to train young women to become skilled professional nurses. Report of Chief of Staff, Dr. Guy E. Dixon.

Total days, Nov. 1, 1914, April 1, 1915..... 423
Total days April 1, 1915, Nov. 1, 1915..... 1292

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No. patients Nov. 1, 1914..... 6

No. patients admitted to April 1, 1915..... 26

No patients April 1, 1915..... 6

No. patients admitted to No. 1, 1915..... 74

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Surgical cases..... 67

Medical cases..... 44

Births..... 11

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Cured or improved..... 107

Deaths..... 6

Pay patients in private rooms..... 67

Ward patients, white..... 39

Ward patients (colored)..... 6

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Receipts.

Nov. 1, '14, bal. in bank..... \$ 84.90

Nov. 1, Cash on hand..... 22.30

Cash received during Nov..... 90.55

Cash received during Dec..... 124.25

Cash received during Jan..... 82.20

Cash received during Feb..... 208.19

Cash received during Mar..... 167.37

Cash received during April..... 223.81

Cash received during May..... 177.67

Cash received during June..... 232.02

Cash received during July..... 236.25

Cash received during Aug..... 501.39

Cash received during Sept..... 559.30

Cash received during Oct..... 297.82

Received produce, etc., on acct..... 56.15

Total..... \$3,064.47

Disbursements.

Household..... \$1,075.18

General Hospital supplies..... 132.37

Stationery and printing..... 11.00

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