

County Commissioners For Farm Demonstrator

Henderson County to Organize Board of Agriculture Saturday

Large Crowd of Farmers Attend Tuesday's Meeting

At least one hundred and fifty farmers attended the big meeting at the court house last Tuesday...

The meeting was called to order by Dr. C. Few, who has spent much of his time recently in trying to organize the farmers of the county...

"The apples, pork and other things imported into this country from the west and north," said the chairman...

"The farmers of the north and west are disposing of their products in those cities at good prices and getting rich at it...

"The remedy," he said, "is organization, and among the possibilities for such an organization, are a storage warehouse where products can be stored until the market is right to unload...

E. W. Ewbank, president of the Citizens National Bank, spoke in favor of the farm loan association and the organization of the Board of Agriculture...

E. C. Millsaps, state agent, was called upon for a few remarks. He stated that three fourths of the counties in the state now have demonstrators...

Mr. Millsaps also explained in detail the new farm loan and credit system and used a black board in demonstrating the savings of the new bank to the farmer...

WANT PUBLIC BUILDING. The People of East Hendersonville Express Desire Building to Hold Meetings In.

At a representative gathering of citizens of East Hendersonville Monday night at the home of H. D. Hyder plans and methods of securing a school building or a public building were discussed...

COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH. The new county Board of Health was elected Monday in the office of the Superintendent of Education...

Call To The Farmers

Every farmer, his wife, daughters and sons are urged to be present at the county court house Saturday at 11 a. m. This meeting is to perfect plans of the organization of the Board of Agriculture of Henderson county...

At least one hundred farmers have already signified their desire to take part in this organization, and it is hoped that every farmer will lend aid in the promotion of organizing the county...

Remember the date, Saturday, January 6, 11 a. m.

SOUTHERN SUPPLY CO OPENS BRANCH STORE

The Southern Supply company will open a new store on Main street in the Tom's block. The building is now undergoing a new coat of paint and a renovation of the interior...

The Southern Supply company began business a little over a year ago at the depot. A steady growth has resulted from the policies maintained by the management and the new store is the result of increased business...

W. F. Case, the other manager, has been in the grocery business in Hendersonville for the past seventeen years. He has grown up with it and is considered a leading retail grocer...

The new store will be opened for the public Saturday, January 6. The news of the business venture of this well known concern is another convincing fact that Hendersonville is growing and will fast become a leading business center of Western North Carolina...

SPECULATION AS TO WHO WILL SUCCEED B. JACKSON

Forced to Resign Because of Serving in Legislature—Mr. Jackson's Successor to be Named.

The city commissioners are again forced to elect another member of its board when B. Jackson hands in his resignation in order that he might qualify as a member of the 1917 Legislature of which he was elected by the Henderson county Republicans last November...

Only a few weeks ago the board elected a member to fill the term of R. C. Clarke, president of the First Bank & Trust company, who resigned.

Several prominent Democrats have been spoken of as suitable timber for the city council and no doubt the members of the opposing party will endeavor to fill Mr. Jackson's office with a member of their party.

HENDERSON COUNTY NATIONAL LOAN ASSOCIATION ORGANIZED

Another Association Formed in County to Borrow Money From Government—Officers Elected.

The Henderson county Loan Association is the name of the latest farm loan association formed in the county. This company was organized last Saturday at the court house when enough farmers met to borrow at least \$30,000 and officers were elected and charter applied for...

Those who have joined the association so far are: C. J. Edney, A. O. Jones, V. C. V. Shepherd, C. S. Whitaker, L. R. Smith, C. C. McCall, J. M. Garren, J. S. Jackson, M. D. Flynn, J. H. Ballenger, S. B. F. Lanning, M. T. Edmunson, Howard Bennett, R. K. Stepp, T. E. Case, Dulus Stepp, A. F. King, W. B. Bassett, J. H. Lamb, A. L. Rollins, W. D. Rymer.

GEO. H. MALCOLMSON'S HOME BURNED FROM UNKNOWN ORIGIN

Handsome Residence Totally Destroyed Early Last Friday Morning. Was Partially Insured.

The handsome residence of George H. Malcolmson, on Oakland street was totally destroyed by fire early Friday morning about 3:30 o'clock. The alarm was given after the flames were well underway and the fire department made heroic efforts to save the house...

Something got wrong with the fire alarm bell and only a few taps were sounded which is said to have been the reason of so few persons at the fire. When the firemen arrived it was found that a hose would have to be connected about two blocks away on Sixth avenue. The first stream was entirely inadequate to fight the fire of a two story building. It was necessary to break some of the window glass with rocks before water could reach the interior of the residence...

BOYS CAMP TO BE LOCATED NEAR CHIMNEY ROCK

Another School for Boys Near Here Next Summer—To Have Boys Scout Department.

Plans have been perfected, lease given for the ground and advertising matter being prepared for a new boys camp school to be located near Chimney Rock next summer.

The owners and managers are not ready to announce their names but the school is an assured fact. It will be one of the important attractions of the summer season near Hendersonville. It is known that the land has been leased and money has changed hands and that the gentlemen who are behind the enterprise have a reputation of doing things.

The camp will be located about one third of the way up to the rock on the beautiful scenic automobile high way built last year at a cost of nearly \$10,000.

MORE FIRE PROTECTION NEEDED IN WEST H-VILLE

Citizens of Well Known Residential Section Feel That City is Neglecting Important Matter.

For a number of years the residents of West Hendersonville section of the residential side have been pleading with the city authorities for more and better fire protection. During the past twelve months three residences have been burned to the ground and it is said that at least two of them could have been saved if the city had provided adequate water supply.

There are nearly one hundred residences in this section that do not have the proper fire line as in other sections of the city.

The last time the city authorities were asked to make extensions in the section a member of the board it is said prepared a map and plans for this extension which were turned down by the board upon the grounds that the city was not financially able to make the improvements.

The Hustler has been besieged by numerous requests to place the matter before the people of the city in its true light so that a proper protest can be made to the city aldermen. One lady phoned into the office the other day after Mr. Malcolmson's house was burned that she lived in dread that her house would be the next to go in this well known section.

Dr. T. W. Paul, an inmate of the Soldiers home at Raleigh, took his own life by shooting himself through the heart, Monday. He was from Pitt county and was 69 years old.

COUNTY MAY GET AN AGENT

Its Now Up to Farmers Whether They Want a Demonstrator or Not. Petition in February.

COMMISSIONERS FAVOR IT.

The first concerted effort in securing a farm demonstrator lately for Henderson county met with only partial success last Tuesday when the county commissioners heard a committee appointed from the mass meeting held in the court house for the purpose of requesting the commissioners to appropriate a sum of money supplementing what the government pays for this work.

The commissioners are known to be in favor of this work. They have expressed themselves both publicly and privately, but they are not convinced that the majority of the farmers of the county are in favor of it.

The commissioners were explained almost every good reason why the county should be progressive and have a demonstrator. A committee composed of Dr. C. Few, W. A. Smith, and W. Ewbank, presented the petition to the commissioners.

The decision of the commissioners was in the shape of the following resolution signed by all the commissioners:

We the undersigned county commissioners are personally in favor of a farm demonstrator. We withhold our decision in regard to an appropriation until the different communities of the county are heard from, either in person or by petition, and we most earnestly ask that the people of Henderson county appear in person or by petition on Tuesday after the first Monday in February 1917, and express their opinion.

This was done on January 1917. JOHN T. STATION, Chairman Bd. Co. Com. S. J. WHITAKER, Com. J. F. STEPP, Com.

It is now up to the farmers of the county to demonstrate whether they desire a county agent. The commissioners are calling for an expression from every community of the county and will not decide the matter until they are convinced that the farmers (who are to be directly benefited) really want it.

The decision of the county commissioners was a great disappointment to a number of leading citizens of the county who have worked hard in trying to secure an agent. They realize how much the county is losing by not having one and have left nothing undone in trying to convince the commissioners of the importance of the work.

With the organization of two farm loan associations with loans aggregating over \$70,000 it is almost imperative that the county should join the demonstration work being done by the state and government and which every citizen of the county is prying his or her proportionate part in maintaining Henderson county is not receiving its part in this great work where millions of dollars are spent annually. When the loans are secured an agent would assist in the expenditure in such a way to make it a real paying investment to the farmers.

COMMUNITY CLUB HAS RE-ORGANIZED FOR THE YEAR

Elects Officers and Membership Committee Busy—To be Important Factor in Community.

The Community club has undergone a re-organization and is under a new management composed of many of the old members. The building was sold under foreclosure several months ago and a number of the leading members were forced to buy the entire holdings in. These same citizens have divided the debt amounting to nearly \$5,000 and have paid it off and started business with a clean sheet.

The membership fee is now \$2.00 per month for privileges of the club and the expenses include among other things a small rental for the building. The officers of the club are R. M. Oates, president; E. G. Stillwell, vice president; A. S. Truex, secretary and treasurer. The house committee is composed of A. S. Truex, E. G. Stillwell and John Ewbank.

Large meetings are held every Thursday night and the Women's club meets every other Thursday afternoon in the same building.

TEACHERS' MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Henderson County Teachers' Association will be held in the auditorium of the graded school building on Saturday, January 13. Mr. Lee of Mills River will lead the discussion in history and Miss Caldwell of Flat Rock will lead the discussion in geography. T. FEW SHIPMAN, Pres. GUSSIE DOTSON, Sec'y.

BLAND ELECTED PRES. OF BOARD

A New Man Takes Reins of Local Organization—Captain Bailey Faithful Past Year.

TO GET MILL AND LINKS.

C. F. Bland, president of the Bland Hardware company, was elected president of the Board of Trade last Tuesday night at the city hall.

The regular meeting of this body was well attended and the retiring president Captain J. W. Bailey, thanked the Board for the standing vote of appreciation given him for his valuable services during the past year.

A spirited meeting was held with the principal topic of discussion, golf links and cotton mills. A committee reported that a suitable site for an 18 hole golf course had been selected close to Hendersonville in a very desirable location. This committee was given power to secure options and report at a special meeting.

It was brought out at the meeting that the golf course was urgently needed if Hendersonville expected any winter business. Mrs. M. A. Brown stated that she had a number of guests to leave her hotel because they could not find a large enough golf course. She also stated that a number of inquiries were received asking what kind of golf facilities could be had in Hendersonville. She was forced to write that the only thing in that line was a nine hole iron course on the lawn of Park Hill.

Howard Cobb, proprietor of Carolina Terrace stated also that he had been unable to induce winter tourists here without the aid of a golf course.

Sam T. Hodges made a motion that a committee be appointed to solicit subscriptions for stock in a golf club company. His motion was referred to the present golf committee, which is expected to act at once.

John T. Wilkins called the board's attention to the fact that Hendersonville must have a cotton mill. He stated that he had heard that someone was soliciting stock in the city, but could not get much light upon the subject. It was stated later that a few citizens had been solicited for stock simply to see how the sentiment was on the subject. It was found that about ten or fifteen men had subscribed nearly \$15,000 which shows that the business men are willing to aid in building a mill.

C. W. Harty seconded Mr. Wilkins motion and a committee was appointed to look into the prospects of getting a cotton mill.

A. S. Truex, holds over as acting secretary and treasurer of the board.

\$600,000 BLAZE DESTROYS AUGUSTA TOURIST HOTEL

Augusta, Ga., Dec. 31.—Hampton Terrace Hotel, in North Augusta, was destroyed by fire early today with loss estimated at \$600,000. The fire started in the east wing of the building about 3 a. m. The building, a frame structure of 300 rooms, burned rapidly. Crossed wires are believed to have started the blaze.

The hotel, which is a winter tourist resort, situated in South Carolina, just across the Savannah River from here, was to have opened for the season next Thursday. It was said that \$200,000 insurance was carried.

WORK

The world admires and honors the man who tries by conscientious effort to achieve success and fails. tries again and loses. tries again and wins the coveted goal. It holds in supreme contempt the man who makes only a feeble effort, becomes disheartened and acknowledges himself a failure.

To reap a reward from your business you must ever be alert to, and in sympathy with the demands. Everything depends upon that; it is a serious and everlasting task. In order not to feel the burden you must be enthusiastically interested and in harmony with your work. Should you lose just a little of your enthusiasm or lag in your efforts, ask of the wind or wave, or the star, or the bird, or the clock, or all that flies, all that rolls on, all that sings, all that cries, all that labors, ask what shall be done; and wind, wave, star, bird, or clock will tell you: "Iti stime to work; sincere cental and physical activity are essential to your success." Lest you may be the martyred slave of an undeserved failure, be ceaselessly busy with your task.—Macks.

CHARLOTTE WANTS GAME

Prof. E. C. Blackstock has received a letter from the manager of the Charlotte, high school basket ball team asking that a game be arranged with the local school team. Its thought that by adding a few Blue Ridge boys a team can be had that would give the Charlotte boys a run for their money.

PROSPECTS OF COTTON MILL

Hendersonville May Have Opportunity of Offering Storing Inducements For a Cotton Mill.

UP TO THE LOCAL CITIZENS.

The Hustler has been reliably informed that a movement will be launched within a few weeks for the realization of the long sought after cotton mill for Hendersonville.

There are at least two groups of capitalists who are now engaged in the mill business and who will more than double any amount of stock taken by local citizens in building a mill in or near the city.

This information has come as a source of keenest pleasure to some of the city's leading citizens who have felt for many years that if the city could get its first cotton mill it would be an easy matter to get more. The names of the parties interested out of town will be made public at the right time and the Hustler feels that its information is perfectly reliable and can be depended upon by the citizens.

There is no doubt in the minds of a great many people throughout the county that a cotton mill is one of the prime things needed most by the county in making this community one of the best all the year round places on the map. More payrolls is said to be of vital importance in the further development of Hendersonville.

Of course there are some things of a larger nature, such as a railroad from here to Greenville, or the like, that would place a bigger boom on the city but when outside capital offers to finance the largest portion of the enterprise it is certainly up to the citizens of Hendersonville to come across.

It is a well known fact that three fourths of the cotton mill operatives of South Carolina back in the 90's were North Carolinians. They were induced to leave their mountain homes with the luring prospects of a large payroll and better opportunities. These same people were in many instances bettered in home comforts and finances, but they could not receive the benefits which nature had lavishly bestowed upon their native country; that of pure air and pure water combined with an ideal climate unsurpassed in any of the mill villages of the South.

These same people, their children and grand children of whom many have grown up in the mills would gladly return to their old home state and county. It is said that hundreds of mountaineers from this county are now working in the mills of South Carolina.

As to the locations suitable for a cotton mill in Hendersonville, one would only have to travel through parts of North and South Carolina to find that all kinds of locations are suitable. Some are sitting on river banks, others are on hill sides and some are out in the open level country.

An average mill owner wants a cheap tract of land, thirty or forty acres, not too far from a railroad, and having a creek or branch running through same, in order to get cheap water for the boilers and fire protection.

Henderson county is noted for its brick and no doubt the mill owners could make their own brick on the ground and the timbers could be cut right in Henderson county.

The chief trouble is said to have been power; but R. Z. Oates has offered time and again enough power for a small cotton mill at the same rate charged by the Southern Power company or any of the largest power plants of the South. Mr. Oates wants new enterprises for Hendersonville and has on one or two occasions said that he would take part of the power expenses out in stock. This is certainly a liberal proposition to cotton-mill capital.

Should the citizens of Hendersonville really desire this proposed mill they are simply to show their hands in subscribing the necessary stock which will only have to be one third of the required amount of capital of the mill.

There is hardly a class of business in the city that would not be directly benefited from a cotton mill. The payroll of a mill is tremendous in comparison to the cost of building the same. The mill business throughout the country is flourishing and the stockholders are realizing much upon their investments.

LOCATES HOME FOR BOY

One of the two children under the care of Rev. George F. Wright has found a home with a family about ten miles from Waverlyville. Mr. Wright is now trying to locate a little nine year old girl in some good home.