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Hendersonville, Thursday Feb., 8, 1917

WHAT KIND OF COUNTY COMMIS- | now on his way to the United States SIONERS HAVE WE?

The county commissioners have been put to the test. A large delegation met with them last Tuesday and put the matter of a farm demonstrator for Henderson county squarely up to them. They are the executive comit is up to them to decide whether the county shall go backward in this work or start forward along with seventy other counties of the state that already have the demonstration work going

Should they decide that the demonstration work ought to be carried on in the county, two thirds of the citiwho are alive to the needs of the county. If by some reason they do not give the county the much needed demon strator then these two third of the citizens of the county cannot help but feel that the commissioners are NOT progressive and are men who have no desire to promote the best interests of the farmers of the county.

There is absolutely no other way of in severing diplomatic relations. looking at it.

.. THOSE EDUCATIONAL BILLS.

The House and Senate at Raleigh have been wrestling with bills the past week providing for the election of boards of education by the people, but at this writing no decision had been reached. All the bills introduced were reported unfavorably by the House committee on education, including the one by Senator Oates to which reference was made in this paper last week. The Senate committee reported the Oates bill favorably and the same will come up for consideration in that body on Friday of this week.

The suggestion of minority leader McCrary before the joint committees of the House and Senate, to the effect that 120,000 Republicans and many Democrats are clamoring for the right to elect their boards of education, and the note of warning sounded by him to the Democrats of these demands should be ignored, must have been amusing to the Democratic members of the committee. Some of them should have reminded Mr. McCrary that when his party controlled the legislatures of 1895 and 1897, no effort was made to give the people the privilege for which he feigns so much concern now. On the contrary, they changed the method so that boards of education were selected by county commissioners and superintendents were appointed by clerks of the supe. rior court.

Furthermore, Mr. McCrary's party changed the name of county superintendent, (or rather abolished the office of superintendent), and called that official by an entirely new name-Couney Examiner,-in order that they might beenabled by law to take charge of the schools. And yet some of that very same crowd are now shedding tears about being deprived of the right to select their school officials.

PARTING OF THE WAYS.

On Saturday morning, February 3, diplomatic relations with Germany were severed by the President of the United States, when Count Von Bernstorff, German Ambassador to this county, received his passports and notice was sent to the United States Ambassador at Berlin that the break had come. Ambassador Gerard is can tell.

and Count Bernstorff has closed his offices and set his face toward the City Hall General -- \$ 1,436.87 Fatherland.

The public has long realized that a break with Germany was inevitable and when the note giving warning that the Berlin government had remitteemen of the county; therefore it moved restrictions on submarine warfare appeared in press dispatches a few days ago, all hope of continuing friendly relations with the Imperial government was dispelled. But no other alternative was left to the United States, without a surrender of honor and self-respect. A few of President Wilson's advisors counselled zens of the county will consider them against assuming that Germany's sub PROGRESSIVE commissioners, men marine notice, in itself, meant invasion of neutral rights and urged that diplomatic relations be continued un til some overt action of a submaine compelled the severance. The President himself suggested the sending of another note of warning to Germany, but this idea was looked upon with disfavor and the position of this Re- W. B. Valentine, stone\$ public made plain by the action taken

> Unquestionably, this break means that a very serious situation faces this country. It may not mean actual war, but nine chances in ten similar conditions have hitherto resulted in hostilities. That this country will soon be in actual war with Germany there is little doubt. The severance of diplomatic relations generally marks the beginning of serious conse- W. W. Redden, salary_____ 280.00 quences. The recent past shows no tween two first class powers that has not probable, therefore, that strained and Germany will continue for any great lapse of time without provoking result from the mere severance of relations. However, under the laws of B. F. Staton, trustee Staton nations, the rights of Germany in the United States and of the United States in Germany will not be seriously affected unless hostilities are actually begun. No treaties are terminated or suspended by the severance of relations, but remain in full force and ef- G. J. Jones, ditching .____\$ 300.00 lect unless either the United States or Germany shall decide to denounce them, which, under international laws and usages, calls for a year's notice.

If the break means war the fault does not lie at the door of President Wilson, who has been patient and long-suffering He has endeavored, in every possible manner, to avoid a break with the Central Powers. He has come the President may confidentand his party on account of the conciliatory spirit shown in his dealings with Germany. Now, that the break ly rely upon the courage and patriotism of the American people to sustain H. Patterson, suits_______\$ him in the position he has taken. He

will have a united peop! further action in the interest or numanity and to maintain the honor and dignity of the United States.

The action that other neutral countries may take is problematic.A major portion of them will probably announce their sympathy with the United States and thus aid in hastening the conclusion of the war. That recent developments will be followed by doubt. It may mean the beginning of the end of the war; or it may mean years blood and carnage. No human mind

CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE. A. A. McCall, freight --- \$

Statement of condition of the City of J. F. Corn, shop work_____\$ Hendersonvile by the City Treasurer Dr. J. L. Rose, supplies____\$ for the months of June, July, August. Houston & Son, feed_____\$ September, October, November and J. W. Brooks, work by Stagg .- \$ December, 1916. GROSS RECEIPTS.

General Tax____ \$6,755.77 License Tax__ ___ \$3,071.50 Street Tax.___ \$.229.50 Dog Tax____ \$ 3.00 Water Tax__ -- -- \$5,204.30 Tap Fees__ __ \$ 175.00 Meter Collection __ __ 310.75 Cemetery Collections ____ \$ 131.00 Side Walk Collections____\$1,162.71 Paving Ass'ts Collections ____ \$3,611.46 Miscellaneous Collections___\$ 307.94

Grand Total __ _ _ \$21,028.94 GROSS DISBURSEMENTS. Street Department __ _ \$ 8,313.59 Water and Sewer ____ \$10,390.97 Cemetery__ -- \$ 45.15 Police Department__ __ \$ 1,953.21 Fire Department __ _ 508.39 Health and Sanitary Dept ._ \$ 394.00 Library __ _ \$ 340.00 Office Expenses __ -- \$ 77.96 Printing and Stationery___\$ 131.85 Executive Salaries __ __ \$ 1,106,80

Charity __ -- -- -- 5 114.11 Miscellaneous __ -- -- \$ 1,858.94 \$26,767.81

Disbursements-Street Department. DISBURSEMENTS. Street Department from June 1st 1916 to December 31, 1916. Rigby-Morrow Co., supplies__\$ 111.86 Chatt. S. P. & F. Co., pipe___\$ 35.71 4.40 J. W. Brookshire, dirt----\$ 39.12 H-ville Hdw. Co., supplies .__\$ Staton Hdw. Co., supplies ____\$ 1.80 R. H. Staton, sand____\$ W. D. Justus, shop work ___\$ 47.10 H-ville Light & P Co., lights. \$2,051.60 L. E. Thompson ,sand____\$ 6.60 J. A. Rusher, sand and team. \$ 178.85 Byers Bros., feed_____\$ 381,43 L. E. Thompson, freight____\$ 72.79 Houston & Son, feed .____\$ 67.23 L. E. Thompson, salary____\$ 585.00 H. F. Stewart, asst. charity_\$ 21.15 M. C. Letson, supplies____\$ 48.55 W. M. Guill, groceries,___\$ 2.00 L. E. Thompson, pay roll.___\$3,416.44 H-ville W. Gro. Co., groceries.\$ 85.63 Albert Gibbs, sand .__ -- \$ 47.45 Frank Evans, trustee for J. J. McCrow, teams __ _ _ \$ 23.63 H-ville Lumber Co., supplies__\$ 67.76 J. R. Willson Lum. Co., sup__\$ 23.95 J. C. Clouse, sharp saws____\$ Bland Hdw. Co., supplies ____\$ W. J. Turner, teams_____\$ Carolina Oil & Sup. Co, teams.\$ J. S. Holbert, bridge work ____\$ E. W. Constant, work-----\$ J. E. Long, 1 pair horses____\$ J. F. Cron, shop work____\$ Slayden Fakes & Co. feed \$ J. A. Hatch, sand__ -- -- \$ P. H. Dearheart, Timber____\$ 16.00 Dr. C. Few, 1 house____\$ J. A. Woodward, audit S & B. books_____\$ 60.00 W. H. Ray, garbage ground.__\$ 15.62

Gus Lya, corn-----Water and Sewer. L. E. Thompson, pay roll___\$1,046.92 Gen. Fire Ex. Co., supplies__\$ 350.90 McIntire & Stacy, plumbing1_\$ 123.79 A. A. McCall, freight.____\$ 692.48 Staton Hdw. Co., supplies ____\$ 18.56 Crane & Co., sup. & hydrants. \$ 345.82 A. A. McCall, salary____\$ 470.00 Chatt. S. P. & F. P. Co, pipe__\$ 460.83 Smith Kline Fresh Co., sup .: \$ 3.75 Frank Evans meter boxes____\$ 257.40 L. E. Thompson sand____\$ 13.13 instance of a diplomatic break be- Bland Hdw. Co., supplies ___\$ 102.45 J. C. Jamison, auto .____ 1.00 J. T. Orr, livery ____ \$ 3.00 not been followed by hostilities. It is H-ville Hdw. Co., supplies____\$ 58.38 A. A. McCall, hydarnt __ _ \$ 12.60 H. Muheler Co., supplies ___ \$18120.94 relations between the United States Central M. & S. Co., supplies.\$ 387.53 Rigby-Morrow Co., supplies ____ Star Dayr Co., drayage____\$ 11.75 Cuyle r& Mohler Co., supplies.\$ 207.21 more serious consequences than would Pittsburg Meter Co., meters__\$1,574.65 A. A. McCall, pay roll.____\$1,297.15 M. M. Shepherd, boots.___ \$ 4.00 Hdw. Co., pipe ____ \$ Central Cafe, luncheon __ ___ W. D. Justus, shop work____\$ J. R. Willson Co., supplies\$

Hunter's Pharmacy, supplies__ J. W. Justus, sewer trap____\$ H-ville L. & P. Co, lights \$ E. P. Black, refund \$ Asheville T. & T. Co., phones__\$ J. F. Corn, shop work__ ___\$ Gen. Pipe & F Co., pipe .___6\$1,832.86 Western Union T. Co. telegram. Justice & Son, surveying ___ \$ 31.00 Asheville Sup & T. Co, sup_\$ 64.49 J. R. Rich, supplies____\$ Cemetery. L. E. Thompson, pay roll ___ \$ 40.15 Atlas PreservationCo. sup____\$

4.84

64.00

\$10,390.97

\$45.15 Police Department. Otis Powers, salary______\$. C. Williams, salary__ __\$ 440.00 J. A. Bryson, salary__ ___\$ 60.00 Walter Reese, salary ____\$ 61.67 J. W. McCarson, salary____\$ 300.00 L. E. Garren, salary____ \$ 373.00 ha scome, the President may confident. J. O. Williams, supplies ____\$ 2.35 Ashevile T. & T. Co., phone_\$ 45.56 H. D. Morris, Austo ____\$ 2.00 96.29 G. T. Orr. livery____\$ 6.50 C. 'E. Brooks, telegrams____\$ 2.92 ostal T. Co., telegrams___\$ 14.67 L. J. Francis, auto._____ McIntire & Stacy, supplies____\$ Mr. Fore, auto_____\$ 3.50 5.50 H_ville Furn. Co., supplies ...\$

Atlanta Paper So., supplies__\$ 15.00 Luther Latham, burying dog --Stradley Barnett, work ----\$1,953,21 Fire Department. Burgin Staton, salar M. C. Letson, suppli Will Brooks, work __ _. 1.00 J. W. Smathers, shop work_\$ 12.25 10.00 Bland Hdw. Co., supplies____\$ 1,25 H-ville Hdw. Co., supplies____\$ 4.50 J. R. Willson, supplies____\$ 3.50 McIntnre & Stacy, worfk__ _\$ 2.82 Rigby-Morrow Co., supplies_\$ 8.17 Ashe, Vet Hospital, services \$

5.10 3.00 5.10 4.00

Health and Sanitary. Dr. Cranford, salary .-- -- \$ Gus Summey, burying dog ____\$ 1.05 . .25 John Hefner, burying dog____ Frank Brown, burying dog -- --1.07 Dr. Cranford, dog head\$ Midland Chemical Co., disinfect. ants__ -- -- --J. V. Helsel, sanitary cans.__\$ 10.75 Mrs. Sandifer, work____ -\$ 1.35

Library.

Mrs. Sandifer, salary.___ _\$ 280.00

W. H. Zimmerman, books ___\$ 50.00

H-ville L. & P. Co., lights_1__\$

A. A. McCall, pay roll----

Chas. L. Brown, work __ -

Mrs. Sandifer, janitor____ \$ 10.00 Office Expenses. Asheville T. & T. Co., phone__\$ W. A. Smith, house rent____\$ 36.00 Atlanta Pape rCo., supplies_\$ 11.25 McIntire & Stacy, work____\$ urroughs Add. Cachine, 1 payment__ -- -- \$

Printing and Stationery. Mutual Printing Co., printing.\$ 20.25 Rector Pub. Co., printing ____ 8 National Offive & Supply Co., receipt books -- -- -- \$ Davis & Eaves, tax receipts_\$ 16.75

____\$131.85 Executive Salaries. J. W. McCarson, salary .___ \$ 81.80 G. W. Brooks, salary __ _ \$ 525.00 C. E. Brooks, mayor __ _ \$ 400.00

M. M. Shepherd, treasurer___\$ 100.00 Total____\$1,106.80 Charity. R. P. Freeman, grcceries ___\$ 1.83 Guice____\$

Total__ __ Miscellaneous. L. E. Thompson, pay roll ____\$ J. W. McCarson, telegram.___ Asheville T. & T. Co., phone_\$ Will Brookshire, refund____\$ C. F. Toms, litigation____\$ J. A. Woodward, audit ____\$ A. D. Reesc, work _____\$ 1.57 Smith & Shipman, deed____\$

P. S. Ramsey, list taker\$ Hackney & Moale Co., book-A. O. Jones, Tr. tax list____\$ 35.00 Star Dray Co., coal____\$ 146.25

Ewbank& Ewbank, insurance.\$ 450.00 W. H. Zimmerman, supplies__\$ 29.26

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H-ville L. & P. Co., lights___\$ McIntire & Stacy, supplies_\$ A. C. Morris, supplies____ \$ 2.15 Chas. Rozzelle, furniture moy. or's court_____\$ 133.84 A. A. McCall, pay roll_____\$ 230.00 A. H. Hawking, plano____\$ 125.00

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NOTICE!

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, HENDERSON COUNTY OFFICE OF BOARD OF HEALTH

It being made to appear to the Board of Health of Henderson County, that recently a number of people as well as a number of dogs, of the County have been bitten by a mad-dog possessed of a violent case of "Rabies" and it being impossible to ascertain which dogs and what number have been so bitten or infected; and the Board of Health considering it extremely dangerous to the health and welfare of the people of the county to allow any dogs to run loose, under these circumstances, does therefore, for the health and security of the people of the County, hereby order and declare that all dogs, male and female, running loose in Henderson County, from the 6th day of February, 1917. until repealed, is declared a public nuisance and that the sheriff, deputy sheriffs and constables of the County are hereby requiren to kill any dog found at large in violation of this ordinance, that all persons, being the owners, having in charge or caring for such dogs, violating this Health Regulation shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, as provided for violations of the Health Laws of the State and upon conviction thereof, be fined not more than fifty dollars or be imprisoned not more than thirty days; and that the sheriffs, deputy sheriffs and constables of the County are hereby instructed and directed to cause this Health Regulation to be strictly enforced.

Passed, ordered and ratified by the Board of Health of Henderson County This 6th day of Feburary, 1917.

> J. T. STATON, Chairman W. S. SHITLE, Sec'y.