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## FIRST BANK TO ERECT NEW OFFICE BUILDING AS TESTIMONIAL TO PEOPLES' SUPPORT!

### Buys Adjoining Main St. Frontage and Will Build One of Finest Bank Homes in the State

The First Bank and Trust company has purchased adjoining property on Main street owned by A. Ficker and will erect there one of the finest banking structures in the state on the combined frontage totalling 130 x 50 feet on Main and Fourth avenue.

Even approximate figures on the cost of the new building are not available now. Enough is known, however, to state positively that the new home of the First Bank and Trust company will be the peer of any in North Carolina.

President R. C. Clarke said: "The new building will be in the nature of a testimonial of appreciation. This is the feeling of the bank's directors and stockholders. It will be a testimonial of appreciation of the loyal support this bank has received from the people of this city and county. With this idea in mind only a suitable building could be erected."

Mr. Clarke's ideas of what comprises "suitable" building has been demonstrated here. The building occupied by the Bland Hardware company and some of the finest and best built private residences in town are instances in point.

The new structure will be a modern office building, and the announcement of the bank's intention has created a stir in business circles here. The main banking room will be 70 x 50 feet, fronting on both Main street and on Fourth avenue. Facing on Fourth avenue and immediately adjoining the bank will be several stores.

The banking room will be handsome, it is quite needless to say, and plans are being prepared to give it a peculiar dignity and atmosphere appropriate to a bank of the importance this institution enjoys. Safety deposit vaults of the most modern description are to be installed.

This improvement of the "Heart of Hendersonville" when linked with the new building to be erected on adjoining Fourth avenue property by Brownlow Jackson, marks a distinct period in the growth of the city. It is understood there is an agitation for paving Church street, and it is taken for granted there will be a lowering of the Fourth avenue sidewalk grade when the bank erects its new building. There will be a completely paved block, bounded by Fourth, Church, Fifth and Main in the heart of Hendersonville.

Mr. Clarke refers to the new building as a "testimonial of appreciation." And this is quite correct, for under the able leadership of President Clarke, aided by Vice-Presidents Hilliard Staton and R. M. Oates, the bank has prospered and grown and has wonderfully increased its usefulness to the entire community. Its deposits are in excess of \$600,000 and this spells but one thing—confidence in the bank and its officers, of whom J. Mack Rhodes, its genial cashier is one.

### HOOPER WILL CASE IS COMPROMISED

What Judge C. M. Pace characterizes as the most important law suit heard here in many years was settled by compromise Tuesday, when the daughters of the late John Hooper agreed to pay \$25,000 for the old farm in Mills River.

The deceased left a widow, three daughters and five sons. Only four of the sons were mentioned in the will, Dr. Hooper, with his three sisters, being omitted. Suit to break the will was brought by the three daughters. It was claimed the deceased was mentally incapable of making a will at the time the instrument was drawn and also on the further ground that the execution of the will was obtained by undue influence. The property is said to be worth about \$40,000.

There were possibly more than 100 witnesses summoned. About fifty were sworn at one time. The case had been heard for several days and promised to hold the attention of the court for the entire term. Smith, Shipman and Arledge represented the four sons; O. V. F. Blythe and McD. Ray the three daughters. It is not known what interest the mother of the children and Dr. Hooper have in the settlement.

There are still over forty cases on the docket.

### DR. CHANDLER PREACHES COMMENCEMENT SERMON

"The Essential Qualities of Character" was the theme of Dr. O. K. Chandler's sermon to the city high school graduating class on last Sunday night.

Dr. Chandler whose home is in Asheville, made a strong and logical plea for an individual contribution to life. He illustrated his sermon by contrasting the characters of David and Solomon. Jesse is known as the father of David, while Solomon is known as the son of David. He urged his hearers not to be content with being merely reflectors of character, depending upon their association with others for recognition in the world.

Superintendent W. H. Hipps of the Buncombe schools in his address outlined several things for the class graduating from the seventh grade to do. He said:

"Be a good athlete, eat carefully and with moderation, join the church and Sunday school, obey superiors, watch habits, finish high school, and finish college."

### NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Tax lists of Henderson County, is ordered to close the books June 14th, 1919. All persons who have not listed tax on or before that date will be subject to 25 per cent penalty.

J. N. RUSSELL,  
Chairman

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## SOLDIERS ARE GIVEN GREAT RECEPTION

Led, perhaps, by an invisible company of their old companions, the veterans in gray and the veterans in khaki marched to the band's blare on Memorial Day, and in the cheers and applause greeting them from thronged Main street, in the tremendous crowds and most excellent entertainment at Laurel Park, found their official welcome home—an event the most successful, the most delightful and the most worth remembering of any event in the history of the city.

And eat? Child, hush! The scene at Laurel Park about one p. m., last Thursday was enough to drive a dyspeptic to an untimely grave.

Dr. Few, who marched so bravely with that little company of veterans of another war, said the day was the happiest and pleasantest within his recollection. There were many factors contributing to this state of affairs. The people came from all over to see their boys. There was music, there were flowers, there was a splendid ball game between men from Kenilworth and Blue Ridge, in which by a score of one to nothing, Kenilworth won. Then there was the picnic and the crowds there. Then there was the dance at the armory Thursday night. And finally, there was the weather. It was a perfect day and the god of rains was afraid to show his face. As told of in last week's issue, The Hustler had made arrangements with the weather man for a suitable day, and the arrangements went through without a hitch.

The parade formed at the monument to the Confederate dead, marched up Main street to the Carolina Terrace and then back. The Hendersonville brass band did itself proud, and its pulse-quickenng strains fitted the occasion admirably. Main street was (Continued on last page)

## SAMPLE PLACE BRINGS FINE PRICE

The Hendersonville Automobile company has bought the entire Sample property on Main street, one of the finest business properties of Greater Hendersonville.

The consideration has not been announced. Judges of real estate values here believe the price paid was somewhere about \$15,000.

J. O. Bell, interested in the automobile company, said last night the property would be improved.

The erection of a big business structure on this land will mark the extension of the city's business district and indicates the rapid growth of this city.

Hendersonville—10,000 in ! ! !

### MISS OATES TO BE MARRIED

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Oates announce the marriage of their daughter, Miss Anne, to Capt. Harold Ashley, of San Francisco, Cal., on Tuesday June 10, at Mrs. William E. Holt's in Baltimore, Md.

Capt. Ashley is a prominent lawyer in San Francisco and has some business interests in Shanghai, China. Capt. and Mrs. Ashley will spend a year there and will be accompanied on their trip by Major and Mrs. Sumner Everingham, relatives of Capt. Ashley.

### THE WEATHER

The ladies brought fine weather with them as well as fine clothes. Asheville was somewhat less fortunate with the national organization which met there last week.

## She Visits a Pleasant Spot

Perhaps you remember last Sabbath? A quiet day, one full of present peace and holding promise of future joy. It was just such a day, as you know, that Mrs. Sarah Egerton would have chosen for a visit, a little friendly visit, to some flower-strewn spot where the sun shines and the feathered choiristers are part of a choir celestial, and where the wise old wind whispers so comfortingly of so many things.

Well, then, that is just what happened, when that change which men call death came to this aged lady, mother of a well-beloved physician, and it came softly and, one may well believe without pain. And so great was the calm on that aged face that one needs to have been very selfish indeed to have wished it might have been delayed for even the shortest time.

This change came last Saturday morning, just before nine o'clock. Her visit to that place of abiding peace called Oakdale was on Sunday. It started from the Baptist church, the church with the tall steeple pointing towards the sky, and a home, almost, to her. Rev. A. I. Justice, an old and intimate friend, talked very beautifully indeed about it all and tried to explain things that really require no explanation, you know. This was in the morning, before noon, and how splendid with flowers the crowded sacred edifice did look. There were flowers and flowers everywhere. Other friends of Mrs. Egerton brought their testimonials of love until there were so many and their fragrance was so splendid, and their variety so great that it became almost impossible to understand so much of beauty in one place.

Then to Oakdale, where she rests now, beside her husband, Dr. Thomas R. Egerton. And that was the end, for a little while.

Mrs. Sarah Egerton was 84 years old when this change in her life came. For a year she had been in failing health, and the last illness lasted for ten days. For fourteen years her home had been with her only surviving child, Dr. J. L. Egerton. Dr. Thomas R. Egerton died in 1895. Two girls and one other boy, and to the very end her living son was but her "boy Jim" to her, died in childhood, while the Rev. Montraville Egerton died in 1905.

Before her marriage she was Miss Sarah Logan, a sister to Rev. W. H. Logan and A. L. Logan, both deceased, and she was born in Rutherford.

There are many grandchildren surviving. Mrs. W. R. Kirk, Mrs. Erskine Ehringhouse and Mrs. Perry Quattlebaum, of Conway, S. C. Surviving children of the late Montraville Egerton are Montraville, of Knoxville, Thomas A. Egerton and William Egerton.

Great-grandchildren surviving are: Elizabeth, Egerton and Camille Ehringhouse, Martha Quattlebaum, Ann Elizabeth Egerton.

Among the relatives who were here Sunday were Mrs. W. A. Logan and Mr. Fitzgerald, Asheville; John Logan and daughter, Miss Mary, Chimney Rock.

It is the custom to tell something about the character of a beloved woman or an esteemed man who has gone on that journey that ends no one knows just where. But it may be omitted in this instance, for there really is no need for it, as you know.

### MILLINERY STORES EMPTY

It is said that every millinery store in Hendersonville is sold down to the bare shelves.

It's a man that says this. He says there's a reason—the meeting here of the Women's clubs.

### AN INTERESTING RUMOR

There is an interesting rumor going around town that's really interesting. It has to do with a new business enterprise for Hendersonville, of which announcement is soon expected.

## STATE FEDERATED CLUBS HERE IN MOST SUCCESSFUL MEET IN ORGANIZATION'S HISTORY

### Convention Draws 300 Delegates Who Listen to Interesting Addresses, Transact Important Business and Enjoy a Most Elaborate Program of Entertainment

Welcomed by the smiles of many flowers used lavishly to decorate the First Baptist church, and by sincerely spoken words of greeting from the city's representatives, the seventeenth annual convention of the North Carolina Federation of Women's clubs met here Monday and adjourned Thursday morning after what is believed to have been the most successful meeting in its history.

Every session of the convention, attended by perhaps something like 300 delegates, seemed to be the vitality important one of the three days' meeting. Almost every session was marked by an address from some one speaking with authority on the great questions and the great opportunities for service now open to all woman-kind.

The Women's Federated clubs is a wonderful power for good in the state and it is felt that those fortunate enough to have listened to the addresses during the past three days will find a new impetus in their work of well doing.

An elaborate program of entertainment prepared by the Hendersonville Woman's club was carried through, contributing in no small way to the success of the convention and the pleasure of the delegates. A pretty idea utilized was the generous use of flowers for decorating the church. On Monday, for instance, golden eyed daisies and azaleas together formed the colors of the organization—white and gold. The azaleas prolonged their visit, it is whispered, that they might have this distinction. Other flowers were used as effectively on other days. On Monday there was a luncheon to the executive board and trustees given at the residence of Mrs. R. P. Freeze, with Mrs. Freeze and Mrs. L. M. Colt as hostesses. On Monday evening there was a reception at Park Hill hotel, with the compliments of the Daughters of the American Revolution. On Tuesday there was luncheon at the home of Mrs. R. P. Freeze and in the afternoon an automobile drive to Stoney Mountain, the cars being furnished by those anxious to contribute to the enjoyment of the ladies honoring the town with their presence this week. On Wednesday the visiting delegates were the guests of the home club, a delightful luncheon being served at the Kentucky Home. On Wednesday afternoon there was afternoon tea at Fassifern, with the compliments of Miss Shipp.

### Monday's Session

Monday morning there were meetings of the various executive officers and trustees, the first formal meeting of the convention being Monday night. Mrs. Clarence Johnson of Raleigh, president, presided, and introduced Rev. J. F. Ligon of this city, who offered prayer. Mrs. L. M. Colt, president of the Hendersonville club, cordially welcomed the convention to this city. S. T. Hodges, for the board of trade, also extended a most cordial welcome, expressed as only Sam T. Hodges may express such sentiments. Miss Harriett W. Elliott responded. There were greetings from state organizations: Mrs. Felix Harvey, president U. D. C.; Miss Gertrude Well, president Equal Suffrage association.

### The Music

A delightful musical program was rendered by Mrs. Blotsky and Mrs. Lucas of Spartanburg. Mrs. Josiah Evans Coles, president of the national federation, spoke in a most charming manner of the delights of this country and of the welcome showers. "Doub-

ly welcome," said she, "for the reason that showers are so infrequent in Southern California, my home."

Mrs. Clarence Johnson replied to the welcoming addresses, and little Miss Catherine Valentine presented a basket filled with golden eyed daisies to the federation's president.

The ushers and pages for the different meetings were: Misses Mary Brooks, Allene Dürfee, Ada Whitmire, Ruth Black, Willie Morrow, Dora Tatum Sossamon, Elizabeth Cannon, Mary Elizabeth Justus, Anna Bell Goodwin and Katherine Valentine.

On Tuesday delegates and alternates were elected to the biennial convention, as follows:

Delegates: Mrs. Clarence Johnson, Mrs. James Gudger, Mrs. T. W. Bickett, Mrs. S. P. Cooper.

Alternates: Mrs. C. C. Hook, Mrs. R. M. Oates, Miss Julia Thomz, Miss Cox.

The board of trustees has completed its endowment fund of \$5,000 after working on this task for five years. During the war \$1,500 was invested in bonds.

The loving cup for the best poem during the year was awarded to Mrs. Zoe Kincaid Brookman of Gastonia.

### Officers Elected

The report of the nominating committee was received on Tuesday morning and the following officers were elected:

President, Mrs. Charles C. Hook of Charlotte.

Second Vice-president, Mrs. Sidney P. Cooper of Henderson.

Corresponding secretary, Mrs. Hugh Murrell of Charlotte.

Auditor, Mrs. James M. Gudger of Asheville.

General Federation Secretary, Mrs. E. F. Reid of Lenoir.

General Federation Director for North Carolina, Miss Margaret L. Gibson of Wilmington.

Member Board of Trustees to 1925, Mrs. Clarence Johnson.

### The Addresses

The convention was notable for the addresses delivered. Chief among them was one by Rachelle S. Yarros, M. D., director bureau social hygiene, Illinois state department of public health.

Miss Donna Roberts, director woman's war work loan organization, brought a message of peculiar interest to her hearers.

The welcoming address of Mrs. L. M. Colt, president of the Hendersonville club, was exceptionally fine while her delivery was well high perfect.

### The Entertainment

Expressions of appreciation of the courteous hospitality received here, and of the admirable arrangements made for the entertainments made for the entertainment of the delegates were heard.

The committees of the Hendersonville Woman's club responsible for these arrangements were:

Program, Mrs. R. P. Freeze; luncheon, Mrs. A. E. McMillan; social, Mrs. R. M. Oates; reception, Mrs. Michael Schenck; decoration, Mrs. J. L. Egerton; automobile, Mrs. F. A. Ewbank; finance, Mrs. E. W. Ewbank; hospitality, Mrs. R. P. Freeze; badges, Mrs. W. R. Kirk.

### THE TRIP TO STONEY

About fifty motor cars made the trip to Stoney Mountain, where Dr. Tebeau was in personal charge of the road. The superb panorama there seen will be one of the fondest memories of the delegates to the seventeenth annual convention of the North Carolina Federated clubs.