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CITY WARRIORS MAKE A GOOD SHOWING

Fine Marksmanship of Local Company of Coast Artillery.

The team of ten men picked from the local company of Coast Artillery did some good shooting at Gastonia the sixth, seventh, eighth and ninth of this month.

The men shot ten shots each at the three hundred, five hundred and six hundred yard ranges and also ten shots each at the rate of about five shots in twenty seconds including loading, at the two and three hundred yard ranges. At the two and three hundred yard ranges the head and shoulders of a man were represented on the target and the men tore up the target, making fine scores. At the longer ranges the regular bull's eye was used and the load men made as many as six bull's eyes out of the ten shots, the other four shots being close in also.

There was some preliminary shooting on Tuesday morning to acquaint the men with the range and the wind velocity.

The following men qualified as sharp shooters in the local team: 1st Sergeant W. A. Garren, Private John Saltz; while Capt. Ladd, Sergeant E. L. Drake, Sergeant L. O. Ryan, Corporal A. C. Perry, Corporal R. L. Rusher, Privates Walter Cagle and Fred Chaples qualified as marksmen. They will be awarded marksman pins by the government.

160 points is the marksman rating and 190 the sharp shooter rating. The team average was 178.8 considerably better than marksman. They say they will all make 200 points next year.

It is not definitely known yet but is thought highly probable that this team won the prize offered for Cavalry and Coast Artillery.

FREIGHT RATES

The fight for more equitable freight rates in North Carolina is on in earnest.

More equitable freight rates is the demand; the grievance is not merely that our freight rates are absolutely too high, but that they are discriminatory. They place us at a disadvantage in comparison with neighboring State.

The conference between the State and the railroads came to nothing. The railroads submitted a proposition to make a merely nominal reduction. The State promptly rejected it and made a counter-proposition providing for a real reduction. The railroads rejected that.

The business men of the State are organizing for a real fight. They are demanding that a special session be called. Gov. Craig says that if relief is not granted, legislation can be enacted which will collect from the railroads, in some way, an amount proportionate to the amount of overcharges.

Meanwhile preparations are being made to take the matter up before the later-state Commerce Commission. A large number of North Carolina shippers are expected to become parties plaintiff; and the petition will be not only that rates be reduced but also that the railroads be made to reimburse the plaintiffs for overcharges during the past two years.

WORDS OF PRAISE FOR CITY'S GROWTH

R. H. Edmonds, edit the Manufacturer's Record, writes as follows to the Greater Hendersonville Club:

"This mountain region of Western North Carolina is a land of marvelous beauty and a land of such climatic advantages and of such health giving air and water that I never visit it without thinking of a letter written me more than twenty years ago by Judge Kelley, then known as the 'Father of the House of Representatives,' in which referring to his first visit to this mountain region, he said: 'It is the most glorious land upon which my eyes have ever rested.' 'I believe that the development of all this region is in its infancy. The world is just beginning to capitalize the resources and attractions of this Carolina mountain country, and so I am constantly finding myself longing to visit every spot in it, for wherever I turn, new beauty is seen and new possibilities are realized.'

"I have watched the growth of Hendersonville with great interest ever since more than a quarter of a century ago on my way to Asheville, I had to stage it from Hendersonville to this place in order to get a railroad connection to take me over to East Tennessee. 'The progress through all this region since the day when there was no railroad line between Hendersonville and Asheville is but a faint indication of the progress of the next few years. The development of this section, as of the South, during the next ten years will exceed all that has been accomplished in the last twenty-five.'

THE DEATH OF MR. SANDIFER

George C. Sandifer, a native of Mecklenburg and for the past twelve months a resident of Hendersonville, died in this city Sunday afternoon.

The remains were interred in Oakdale cemetery Monday afternoon, Rev. Mr. Shrive, the Presbyterian minister, officiating.

The following served as pallbearers: C. S. Fullbright, A. H. Hawkins, Mr. Gray, E. R. Black, J. T. Crane and J. O. Williams.

Surviving are a little girl and Mrs. Sandifer, who is better known in Hendersonville, her native home, as Miss Norma Bryson, who has the sympathy of a host of friends in her bereavement.

The deceased had many friends in Hendersonville, where he had become well known during his residence here. The following from the Charlotte Observer of Monday is interesting in this connection:

To many of Mr. Sandifer's friends, who did not know of the seriousness of his condition, the news of his passing will come as a distinct shock. He was only about 33 years of age and when last he lived in this city, two years ago, his health was apparently good, but a year ago it failed and he spent several months in Arizona in what proved to be a vain hope of improving his condition.

While here Mr. Sandifer was engaged in the insurance business and had quite a wide acquaintance. He was companionable and popular, and his character was of the best. In 1911 he was married to Miss Norma Bryson, who was living here at that time, and they removed to Hendersonville where he made his home there after. He is survived by his wife and a little daughter, Sarah Thorne Sandifer. He is survived also by his mother, Mrs. G. G. Sandifer, and the following brothers and sisters: Mr. Graham Sandifer of Washington, Mr. Edward Sandifer of Dallas, this State, Captain J. O. Sandifer of Woodberry School, Va., Mrs. Daisy Hall of Belmont, Mrs. Randolph of Monroe and Mrs. Mary Sadler. His mother, his brother, Captain Sandifer and his sister, Mrs. Sadler, had been with him for some time. He was a son of the late Dr. T. T. Sandifer, one of the best known residents of this county, who died some years ago.

SCHOOL HAS HAD A SUCCESSFUL SESSION

Trustees Re-elect Teachers, Good Report from Superintendent Cale.

At a meeting of the trustees of the Hendersonville graded school, held Tuesday night, applications for positions in the school for the ensuing session were considered.

A letter was received from Miss Bessie Steedman, principal of the high school, tendering her resignation. She stated that it was with sincere regret that she found herself compelled to sever her relations with the school with which she had so long been pleasantly associated. The resolution of the board, accepting her resignation, was accompanied by a vote of thanks for her faithful and efficient services.

The other teachers were re-elected. The chairman and the superintendent were empowered to select any additional teachers that might be required and to fill any vacancies that might occur.

A resolution was adopted that no pupil in the sixth or any higher grade should be promoted without passing a satisfactory examination.

The superintendent reported very favorably upon the faithfulness and efficiency of the teachers and the excellent progress made during the session.

List your property for taxes during the month of May and avoid being double taxed.

P. F. PATTON IS APPOINTED

The Henderson county road supervisors in session last week appointed P. F. Patton general road supervisor to succeed George W. Justice, resigned.

It will be recalled that upon the organization of the county road forces five years ago Mr. Patton was made supervisor, which position he filled until two years ago, when he was succeeded by Mr. Justice.

Since the organization of the road forces, wonderful progress has been made in this county in the matter of good roads building. Practically nothing of a substantial nature had been done in the county until a chain gang was organized, machinery purchased and many other matters in this connection attended to. A tax levy of 20 cents was levied for the maintenance of the road force, but for some reason this was reduced considerably within a year or so. Mr. Patton pushed the work to a considerable extent as a result of which some excellent road work was done in the county at a most economical cost. The good roads work continued when Mr. Justice took charge until today the road situation in the county is no eye sore, to say nothing of approximately \$200,000 that will be spent in the county within the next few years in the building of better roads.

Mr. Justice was not a candidate for re-appointment and the work was placed in the hands of Mr. Patton without any persistent solicitation on his part.

Mr. Patton makes no definite announcement as to where the chain-gang force will be located after completing the road on which they are now working. Various communities are asking for work and influences are being brought to bear to have some work done on the Horse Shoe road.

The importance of finishing the road connecting with Polk county has not been overlooked, but definite announcement has not been made with regard to working this road. Efforts are being made to induce the people of Green River township to issue bonds for the completion of the remaining bad link of the Hendersonville-Spartanburg highway and it is understood that the tax payers are greatly interested in the undertaking.

HOOPER'S CREEK BELIEVES IN ROADS

Hoopers Creek township has elected the following commissioners to take charge of the road work under the new bond issue: J. P. Fletcher, chairman; P. A. Le-Long, secretary; H. E. Lance; E. S. Souther, W. D. Bagwell.

Interest in good roads,—real good roads, not temporary make-shifts,—is steadily growing in Henderson county; and Hoopers Creek points with pride to its record as the pioneer township in this movement.

SUPERIOR COURT

Superior court for the trial of civil cases convened here Monday with Judge C. C. Lyon presiding.

After the organization of the court the divorce bill was put to grinding and it was not long before the following divorce cases had been ground out, the jury answering the issues in favor of the plaintiff in each case:

J. H. Stepp vs. Lillie Stepp.
G. W. Pearson vs. Annie Pearson.
R. N. Edney vs. Flora Edney.

In the case of T. A. Allen versus M. E. Barnwell the plaintiff took a voluntary non-suit.

The jury found in the suit of Benjamin Mills against Claude Rhet et al. that the plaintiff was not the owner of the land in dispute and that the defendant was not in wrongful possession of the lands in question.

A couple of jail cases were disposed of on the criminal docket. Earl Jackson pleaded guilty to assault upon Hascal Sams and was fined \$50.

Will Graspny was found not guilty of larceny.

The important case with reference to the condemnation of water power sites on Green River and Big Hungry had not been taken up at the time of going to press. The parties to both sides of this action are anxious to have the case disposed of at this term of the court as the proposed development of water power sites depend more or less upon the disposition of this case.

It will be recalled that the Blue Ridge Interurban R'y Co., recently obtained an order appointing a jury to assess the value of certain water power sites under condemnation proceedings. The Hendersonville Light and Power company obtained a temporary injunction. These cases were consolidated and set for trial at this term of the court.

Another very important case before the court is that with reference to the telephone situation in Hendersonville, occasioned by the announcement of the local telephone company that it would inaugurate an increase in telephone rentals, effective May 1. The matter was taken before the corporation commission, which authorized a slight increase. From this body the city attorney appealed and the case now comes up in the Superior court of Henderson county. On Tuesday attorneys for the telephone company moved for the continuance of the case on the ground that it had not been brought into this court properly.

At the time of going to press the court had not made a ruling on this motion.

Representing the public are City Attorney McD. Ray and H. S. Anderson. Here in the interest of the telephone company are: General Attorney H. E. W. Palmer; Vice-president Horsey, and Chief Engineer Yundt of the Southern Bell Telephone company with headquarters in Atlanta; M. A. Erskine, district commercial manager of Asheville, and the local manager, A. S. Truex. Attorney Michael Schenck of Hendersonville also represents the telephone company.

"OTHER FELLOW" AT AUDITORIUM

Next Friday night, May 23, at 8:30 at the auditorium the senior class of the Hendersonville High school will render "The Other Fellow," a three-act comedy. An interesting and entertaining performance is promised. The play tells of the fate of a number of bachelors who banded themselves into a society for their own protection. Their efforts were in vain, as the society was broken up by the ladies.

A large attendance is anticipated. The price of admission is ten and fifteen cents.

FOR BETTER FARMING IN THIS COUNTY

District Agent Millsaps Coming in Interest of Co-operative Work.

The following letter has been received by County Superintendent W. S. Shitle from District Agent E. S. Millsaps of the Farmers Co-operative Demonstration work:

I want to go to Hendersonville the first Monday in June to see what I can do about getting demonstration work started in the county. I noticed in the papers that some effort was being made to get the work started there, and I thought it might be advisable to go up there and get in touch with the people who are promoting it. I would be glad to have you let the papers know that I will be there the first Monday in June, and have any farmers who would like to meet me there do so. You will take some interest in it I think. Mr. Weaver expects to go over with me, and we hope to get some movement on foot that will result in starting the work in your county.

Yours truly,
E. S. Millsaps,
District Agent.

As our readers know, The Times has repeatedly urged that some action be taken with a view to securing for this county the benefits of the co-operative demonstration work. Fifty of the 100 counties in this State have tried it; and from the records it appears that the benefits have been very great. What is Henderson going to do about it?

All persons interested should make an effort to be present at the commissioners' meeting the first Monday in June.

COUNTY BOARD WILL APPOINT COMMITTEES

The Board of Education of Henderson county will meet the first Monday in June in the superintendent's office in the court house. Quite a lot of work will be attended to at this meeting.

One of the features is to appoint school committeemen in the various districts of the county. It is expected at this time that a number of women will be placed on the school boards, following the suggestion of the state superintendent of education. Appointments will be made upon recommendation sent in or presented in person.

The board will also receive bids for the erection of a public school building in Green River township District No. 3.

BEST ISSUE OF MOUNTAINEER JUST PUT OUT

The May number of The Mountaineer, which is now out, contains forty pages, and is the largest number in the history of that publication. It contains a large amount of interesting reading matter and shows the school in a very favorable light. There are a number of good illustrations.

Superintendent Cale says that The Mountaineer has been of great usefulness to the school, that the students have taken much interest in it and that its educational value to them has been very great.

The Mountaineer is printed at The Times office.

COMBINED EFFORTS FOR BENEFIT OF CITY, COUNTY AND SECTION

Two Hendersonville Paper United Last Week in Publishing a "Resort and Good Roads Edition"

"The Resort and Good Roads edition gotten out by the Western Carolina Democrat and Western North Carolina Times reflects credit on your good work, and will without doubt rebound to the credit of the city you represent, bringing benefits that cannot be estimated at this time."—Col. Sandford H. Cohen, manager of the Greater Western North Carolina Association.

"The Resort and Good Roads Edition last week is a wonder, not only from a typographical point of view, but from the splendid character of its contents."—Spartanburg Herald.

"It is one of the most creditable things of its kind ever produced in this section."—Asheville Gazette News. These are only a few of the many complimentary remarks concerning the 48-page edition of the Western Carolina Democrat and the Western North Carolina Times of last week. The papers were identically the same in substance, there being only a difference in name. In an effort to fairly represent this much favored section the two papers of Hendersonville combined their mechanical and editorial forces and their product has been highly commended as being one of the most important productions ever published in North Carolina.

The press of North and South Carolina is speaking in the highest terms of the paper and the individual or personal compliments are unnumbered and inquiries are coming in daily for copies of this issue.

Probably no higher compliment has been paid the production than that given by Col. Cohen, manager of the Greater Western North Carolina Association.

The greater part of the work of

this edition was done in a week's time.

The attractive cover was designed by Architect H. C. Meyer of this city and many of the cuts, produced especially for this edition were made from photographs taken by Photographer F. A. Carr, a new resident of Hendersonville.

Following are some of the remarks concerning the edition:

(Asheville Citizen-News.)
The Western Carolina Democrat and French Broad Hustler, and the Western North Carolina Times, of Hendersonville this week issue identical numbers, a "Resort and Good Roads Edition." It is of 48 pages, lavishly illustrated, many of the engravings made especially for this edition, and admirably adapted to its purposes and character. The cover is a strikingly handsome and artistic design, the work of H. C. Meyer, the architect. Naturally we haven't had time to read it, but a glance shows the edition to be filled with good meat. It is one of the most creditable things of its kind ever produced in this section.

(Asheville Citizen.)
Asheville subscribers to the Western Carolina Democrat and the Western North Carolina Times have received copies of the resort and good roads editions of those two papers, which were issued Friday. Both papers contain forty pages and are illustrated with cuts showing scenes of western North Carolina. The reading matter contains some valuable information.

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