

QUESTIONS FOR TAXPAYETS

The last session of the Legislature passed a law providing for the appointment of supervisors in each county in the State to list each tract of land or town lot at its actual cash value. The alleged purpose of this enactment is to find the value of each separate tract or parcel of land in the State equally, and then make it so that each taxpayer will have to bear his part of the burden equally with every taxpayer. This sounds good. Mr. Maxwell, one of the members of the State tax commission, however, says that he believes it would be better to tell the people the truth about the matter rather than try to have them believe that the whole scheme is one to reduce their taxes. He says he thinks the authorities would do well just to say to the people that the State officials have got to have more money to defray the expenses of running the government of our commonwealth, and that they may expect a raise in their taxes of 1920 of 10 per cent. Is Mr. Maxwell right? Of course he is. Why try to fool the people about the matter, when that is impossible? They will be much better satisfied if the truth is told them.

Now, it may be interesting to our readers to know about what questions land owners will be called upon to answer when the supervisor calls on them. The following are in substance the questions that each property owner will be called upon to answer:

- County?
- Township?
- Town?
- Is property in city limits?
- Name of owner?
- Race?
- Postoffice?
- Listing lot located on street?
- Give accurately street number.
- Did you acquire it by purchase or inheritance?
- From whom?
- If by purchase, how many years ago?
- What was the purchase price?
- Give terms of sale, whether for cash or on deferred payments?
- Were there any circumstances connected with the sale which caused it to sell for more or less than its actual cash value at that time?
- Give value of improvements, if any, made since purchase?
- Size of lot, front feet, depth?
- Value of lot, not including buildings?
- Give accurate description of and character of improvements?
- Value of improvements?
- Amount of insurance on buildings?
- If under mortgage, give amount due on mortgage?
- Who owns mortgage?
- Give rate of rental?
- In your best judgment, what was the actual cash value of this lot and improvements on the first day of May, 1919?

Each lot or parcel of land owned by the taxpayers will have to be listed separately, and each list signed and sworn to be the owner.

The above questionnaire is to be used for city property. The questionnaire for farm property is about the same, however, except the owner of a farm or acreage in the country will be called upon to state the number of acres in cultivation, number of acres in timber, number of acres in grass, number of acres in waste land. The supervisor will also have to know if the land was rented in 1918, if so, who was the money value of the rents obtained, distance from nearest city or town and name of city or town closest to property.

As stated above, the foregoing are substantially the questions that will be put to the real property owners by the supervisor when he commences the work of listing property for the levy of 1920. Property owners might as well commence now to get up the data necessary to enable them to answer the foregoing questions. It is going to be a big job, but the officials in charge of the administration of our State affairs have got more money, and this is a part of the plan which has been devised to get it.

Getting out of doors is absolutely essential to the cultivation of the mind. Improving one's mental capacity is by no means an indoor proceeding. Communion with the great school of nature should be an important part of the life of every Hendersonvillian.

PURCHASES OF REAL ESTATE

H. Patterson, proprietor of the big department store at the corner of Fourth avenue and Main street, has purchased from Mrs. Mary Ann Johnston, executrix of S. Johnston, deceased, the mercantile business formerly conducted by Mr. Johnston, and also the store building and lot. The full consideration is not stated in the papers executed in connection with the transfer of the stock of merchandise and the house and lot. It may be correctly stated, however, that the deal is one of the largest put through here for quite awhile.

Mr. Patterson will put the store building in first class repair at once, and put in some new fixtures and do whatever is necessary to make the store attractive and inviting. He will rearrange and straighten up the large stock of goods now in the store and get everything just to his liking before the store is opened for business.

This deal was closed just as we were going to press, and Mr. Patterson had not had time to make any calculation at all as to the time he thought would elapse before he could get ready to open his new store for business, but thought perhaps it would be two or three weeks before he could announce his opening sale, of which he said the public would be notified through the press. In the meantime the many customers of Mr. Patterson will find a cordial welcome at his big department store across the street.

CHAS. ROZZELLE BECOMES OWNER BIG BUSINESS HOUSE

The large granite building on the east side of Main street, formerly occupied by H. Patterson's department store, has been sold, by J. P. Charles of Greenville, who has owned the property for some time, to Charles Rozzelle, the well-known furniture dealer of this city. The price paid for the property is not stated. It is understood, however, that Mr. Charles has been asking \$20,000 for the house and lot.

Mr. Rozzelle, after making some repairs on the building, and having some changes made in the partition walls and in the basement, will occupy the entire building with his steadily growing furniture business.

WEEKLY REVIEW

The following review of the stock and cotton market for the past week is written for The Times by G. A. Ledsworth, manager of Clement D. Cates & Co.:

Stocks
The New York stock market has not made much headway the past week owing to the fact that the Federal Reserve Bank has requested the powers that be to curtail the volume of trade as much as possible. This, coupled with the fact that money rates are very high, and the call loans being subject to orders to close out the loan at anytime, has brought about a decided feeling of uncertainty among the big traders, and considerable apprehension and uneasiness is very manifest at times. On these occasions, stocks are offered for sale freely with the result that prices work lower for the time being.

On any real good news, the market responds readily enough, but if the activity becomes too pronounced, the forces referred to above again come into the limelight, and market again becomes quiet, and values decline.

This see-saw action has been going on for some little time. Congress seems to be about to do something to help the railroads, and when something definite is known on this subject, we expect the shares of these companies to lead the market in the upward movement which is sure to follow.

Cotton
Lack of exporting facilities during the latter part of last week, and some improvement reported in the weather conditions throughout the southwestern portion of the cotton belt, caused prices to react, to about 28 cents for the deferred future.

However, at the decline the demand responded quickly, the advance being about 2 1/2 cents a pound since last Friday.

Considerable wet weather is reported from Texas points, and if things do not improve materially in that district, we are certain to see a much higher market in the near future.



C. E. BROOKS

KEDRON LODGE FRIDAY NIGHT

The regular Communication of Kedron Lodge, No. 387 A. F. & A. M., will be held Friday night, June 13, at 8:30. Officers for the ensuing year will be elected.

Visiting Brothers cordially welcomed.

After the Communication, there will be a banquet at the home of J. Mack Rhodes.

CAROLINA TERRACE TO OPEN

The Carolina Terrace hotel will open Thursday, June 19, for the season. E. B. Wooten, owner of the hotel, says it will be operated in like manner as the Kentucky Home, and that he expects the house to be well filled with guests throughout the summer.

The Carolina Terrace hotel stands out prominently among the many hotels in and around Hendersonville. It is thoroughly modern in all of its appointments, and is elegantly furnished. It has hot and cold running water and telephones in all rooms; is electrically lighted and abundantly equipped with private baths. It has only desirable outside rooms, with plenty of light and air. The verandas are broad, cool and restful. The lobby and all public rooms are spacious and attractive and nicely furnished. The house is located in the center of a beautifully shaded, private park of about seven acres, which fronts on and rises to a height of fifty feet above the Main street of the city. It is but three blocks from the center of town, yet is so sheltered by its magnificent grove of oaks, and so far removed from all dust and noise, that its patrons may enjoy the perfect quiet and repose of the country.

The owner says it will be the especial effort of the management to make of the Carolina Terrace a comfortable and real home for guests, and as already stated, the house will be operated on the same plan upon which the Kentucky Home is conducted, and which has made that institution noted throughout the South. It goes without saying that if the house is conducted along the same lines as that of the Kentucky Home it will be well patronized by tourists and the traveling public during the entire time it is open for the entertainment of guests.

RAILROADS CARRIED ELEVEN BILLION IN YEAR
Eleven billion fare paying passengers were transported last year on the street and interurban railways of the United States, according to a report issued by the Department of Commerce.

CITY COUNCIL RE-ORGANIZED

The governing body of this city re-organized as a result of the recent election, held a prolonged session Thursday night of last week. Those present were Mayor J. Mack Rhodes, commissioners J. T. Wilkins, Thomas Shepherd, A. H. Hawkins, W. M. Bacon and J. A. Fletcher.

Appointments were made as follows: City clerk, G. W. Brooks; street superintendent, J. L. Orr; police, Otis Powers, chief; J. H. Ballenger and Eli Garner; health officer, Dr. Howe; librarian, Mrs. Sandifer; treasurer, J. T. Wilkins.

Hendersonville appears to prefer bankers as chief executives. C. E. Brooks, retiring mayor, is vice-president of one of our banks, and J. Mack Rhodes, the new mayor, is cashier of the other bank. The steady and continuous growth of these two institutions affords a natural explanation of the preference which our people evidently have for bankers.

CHICKEN LAW

The following law makes it a misdemeanor for the owners of chickens and other fowls to permit them to run at large:

It shall be unlawful for any person in the counties of Buncombe, Vance, Henderson, etc., to permit any turkeys, geese, chickens, ducks or other domestic fowls to run at large, after being notified as in section two of this act, on the lands of any other person while such lands are under cultivation in any kind of grain or feedstuff, or while being used for gardens or ornamental purposes.

Section 2. Any person so permitting his fowls to run at large after having been notified to keep them up, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction, shall be fined not exceeding \$5.00 or imprisoned not exceeding five days, or if it shall appear to any justice of the peace that after two days' notice, any person persists in allowing his fowls to run at large and fails or refuses to keep them on his own premises, then the said justice of the peace may, in his discretion, order any sheriff, constable or other officer to kill said fowls when so deprecating.

Buy War Stamps.

THOMAS B. YOUNG

Thomas B. Young died suddenly Sunday evening, June 8, at the home of his sister, Mrs. C. S. Fullbright, on North Main street in this city. Funeral services were conducted Monday by Rev. J. F. Ligon, and interment was made at Swannanoa.

Mr. Young was 56 years of age. He had been in feeble health for a number of years, and although he had recently seemed to be better, it was realized that the end might come at any moment.

Surviving are his mother, two brothers and three sisters, to all of whom the sympathy of the community is extended in their sorrow.

On account of his health, Mr. Young had not been able to lead an active life since he came to this city, and he was therefore not very widely known in this community; but he was held in the highest esteem by all who knew him, both here and in Buncombe county which was formerly his home. One of his brothers, W. A. Young, is cashier of the Citizens National Bank of this city, and that institution was closed Monday.

Enforce the dog law.

NOTICE

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

J. N. RUSSELL,
Chairman
Board of County Commissioners.



J. MACK RHODES

NEWS NOTES AROUND TOWN

Tom Davenport, colored, convicted of larceny at the March term of the superior court for this county and sentenced to serve a term of eighteen months on the roads, made his escape from the county chain-gang Monday night and has not yet been captured.

Shortly after Davenport made his escape from the camp, which is located at the extreme east end of Fourth avenue, local officials procured blood hounds from Asheville and put them on his track. The dogs trailed the negro to Fletcher where the trail was lost. It is thought the negro got on a train or wagon at that point, and that this accounts for the inability of the dogs to track him further. Davenport's home is said to be at Winston-Salem, and the road authorities believe they will be able to have him arrested and returned here soon to finish out his sentence of which he had served less than three months.

SMITH'S BAKERY ENLARGED

The building which houses Smith's bakery, has been made 20 feet larger, and a large new oven, and quite a lot of other machinery and equipment has been installed therein. The enlargement of the building and the installation of the new equipment enables the proprietors to supply their growing patronage with much more and a better quality of bread, cakes and cookies than heretofore.

In addition to the improvements described above, Mr. and Mrs. Smith say they will make very decided improvements in the front part of the building, that will add much to the attractiveness and convenience of their place of business. In fact they say they intend to keep on making improvements, until their already well-equipped bakery is second to none in the State.

The large patronage that this home industry is receiving is well merited and will doubtless be increased when our people learn that the product of this plant is fully as good as the imported kind.

MODER WOODMEN

MEMORIAL SERVICE

In accordance with their usual custom Fernwood Camp, Modern Woodmen of America, of Hendersonville and surroundings, will observe their annual memorial day on Sunday afternoon, June 15. The exercises proper will be held at their hall in this city beginning at 3:30 p. m. A program of unusual merit is being arranged and will include several selections by the Edneyville quartette, Prof. Bassett, of Asheville and others. Fernwood Camp is to be congratulated upon securing for the occasion Rev. Anson Brown, of Asheville, who will deliver the memorial address. At the conclusion of the exercises a delegation of the neighbors will visit the graves of the departed members of the camp and bedeck them with floral offerings. The public generally is most cordially invited to the services. Friends and neighbors are requested to bring or send their flowers to the hall not later than 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

BANK DIRECTORS MEET

The directors of the Citizens National Bank held their regular monthly meeting Tuesday in the directors' room of the bank building. The business of the bank was found to be in a growing and very satisfactory condition. The bank's deposits now

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CITY SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT

The graduating exercises of the Hendersonville high school were held in the city hall Thursday night of last week. Superintendent G. W. Bradshaw was absent on account of sickness and the diplomas were presented to the sixteen graduates by Miss Bessie Steedman, principal of the high school, who made two announcements of interest to all friends of the school. One was that the high school has been placed on the accredited list; the other was that, in spite of the loss of two months through influenza, the graduating class had completed 100 per cent of the prescribed course.

Judge Blythe, chairman of the board, introduced Prof. A. Vermont of Converse College, who delivered an interesting and instructive address on the vital importance of education and patriotism.

Friday night a comedy, "The Butterflies," was presented by the high school under the direction of Miss Steedman. The play was well rendered and well received. The proceeds were \$160.

SEYMOUR PACE SHOT

BY SEVIER CLARK

Seymour Pace, son of Benjamin Pace, was shot and seriously wounded on last Sunday morning at Upward in Blue Ridge township, by Sevier Clark, son of Frank Clark, a well-known citizen of that section of the county. The wounded man and the man who did the shooting are each about 25 years old, and both are married.

It is said that Mr. Pace had driven to the Upward church in his car, and that after he had gotten out of his machine, Clark, who it is alleged was very much intoxicated, attempted to crank the automobile and run it off, when his father and Mr. Pace persuaded him to go away from the car and not bother it. This accomplished, Mr. Pace, it is alleged, walked away some distance, and upon looking back, saw the Clark boy making an attack on his father, who is a crippled man and for that reason, unable to take care of himself in much of a combat. Mr. Pace then went, it appears, to the two men and took hold of the Clark boy in order to prevent him from hurting his father. After the attack by Sevier on his father had been stopped, Mr. Pace took the boy to his father's house nearby. There, it is claimed, he procured a shot gun and fired upon Mr. Pace as he was walking away from the dwelling back toward the church. The whole load of shot was received by young Pace. About 75 of the shot, it is said, entered the hand and wrist, and several of them entered the right side of the chest, but it is thought none of these penetrated deep enough to cause any very serious trouble. It is thought the wound in the shot man's hand is the most serious.

Dr. J. S. Brown is attending Mr. Pace, and Clark is in jail where he was placed by Sheriff Case shortly after the shooting, and where he will be detained until the result of the shot man's wound's can be determined. As soon as it can be determined that Mr. Pace's wounds will not prove fatal Clark will be given a preliminary hearing before a magistrate, and if probable cause be shown, he will give bond for his appearance at the fall term of the superior court when the charges against him will be disposed of.

WHAT ONE GIRL DID

Carrie Lyda, aged 13, of Route 2, Hendersonville, gives the following account of her experience in the potato club last year:

"I want to give my experience in the Potato Club last year. On one-eighth acre of Irish potatoes I made 20 bushels and sold them for \$20. I bought a calf for \$10 and a pig for \$6, leaving me \$4. After this I sold the calf and pig for five War Stamps and \$10 in cash. This makes a total of \$39 in less than 12 months.

"I am one of the club girls again this year. Have worked my potatoes three times, have them clean and they are looking fine. I failed to get the prize last year on the number of bushels made, but girls, I am trying for a prize this time."

The Times takes pleasure in publishing the above. This is the kind of thing that will make Henderson county grow.