

## Woodmen Make 4th Big Day Here

Rain Delays, But Does Not Deter, Great Celebration on Fourth By Woodmen and Dokeys

About 2000 people heard the Sovereign Commander of the Woodmen of the World speak at the Carolina Terrace on the Fourth of July. It had been planned to have the speakers at the high school grounds, but on account of the wet weather, it was decided to utilize the Terrace grounds. The Commander spoke from the porch of the hotel and the people stood below.

The celebration of the day was begun by the parade, the beginning of which was delayed some time by the rain, which poured intermittently all day long.

Heading the parade was Mayor Mack Rhodes, Sheriff V. E. Grant and Chief of Police Otis Powers, on horse back. Following came the Dokey band in resplendent array. The Dokeys in their brilliant uniforms and the distinguished Woodmen visitors made a very impressive parade. There was approximately 3000 people on the streets of Hendersonville to see the parade that day.

The speakers, who were on the porch of the hotel, were applauded vigorously by both Woodmen and town people, and made to feel in every way that their presence was appreciated. During all the addresses, the immense crowd stood in rapt attention, taking in every word uttered by the commander of the great insurance order and the other speakers as well.

The first speaker of the day was Dr. W. S. Rankin, State Health Officer, who was introduced by John T. Wilkins. Dr. Rankin, on behalf of the governor of North Carolina, expressed his sincere regret that he was not able to be present at the great meeting, and that the state felt the honor conferred upon her in the Woodmen choosing North Carolina as the place for their meeting.

With a world of convincing statistics at his command, Dr. Rankin showed the undeniable advantages procured for her by the climate which has made her famous throughout the United States.

"Four hundred years ago, the average duration of life was 21 years. In 1800 the average duration of life had been raised to 42 years and since 1900 the average duration of life has been increased so that five and six years have been added to the average human life. Man is gradually assuming a dominion over nature.

"The death rate in your state is now the lowest of any death rate in the Union—11.6, as compared with the national death rate of 11.8, and in Western North Carolina, it is still lower. No expense has been spared in the efforts to lower the death rate; the real way to look at it is the results produced.

In closing his address, Dr. Rankin told the story of the Good Samaritan, an example of practical Christianity. On this, the W. O. W. order is based.

"We have got to come back to that old lesson of 2,000 years ago," said Dr. Rankin, "not to preach Christianity less, but to practice it more." We are spending more money than any other state in the south in the per capita expenditure for health. So you will find a sympathetic people in this state." With the toast to "the Old North State", Dr. Rankin closed his address.

The next speaker was General B. S. Royster, of Oxford. He paid Western North Carolina many compliments, that, while high, were deserved, and introduced the Sovereign Commander of "the greatest fraternal order in the world."

"When the committee called on men and said they were going to have a Fourth of July celebration, I thought that we were coming here to fly the flag and make the eagle soar. But, in the midst of the celebration of your independence, I feel very much like the man who went out to the funeral of a friend with whom he was well acquainted. He sat in the room with the corpse, head the beautiful eulogy pronounced by the preacher, who turned to the men and women in the room and said:

"Now, is there anyone here who would like to add anything regarding our dead brother?"

"One man rose and said: 'As no one seems to have anything to say regarding the dead brother, I would like to say a few words about the Woodmen!'"

"And so I find myself here today in a sort of conventional jollification. It is a great day for all of us—the celebration of our independence—such a great day that really it is hard for me to determine whether the Fourth of July is the proper day or not."

Mr. Frazier spoke eloquently on independence. "Way back, 2000 years ago, we are told that the rain came down in torrents, that the thunder rolled and the lightning flashed and that in a manger, in an unclean stable in Bethlehem there was born one who, when his time came gave the world a new thought, a new idea, the idea of brotherhood and independence."

The Sovereign spoke of the declaration of independence, the Magna Charta and the independence fought for in the world war when a great nation waged a war against a baby nation—Belgium. Thirty-two years

ago another great declaration of independence was made and signed, the declaration that founded the Woodmen of the World, who are banded together to protect their families and homes. Dr. Frazier stated the amounts paid out by the Woodmen in the past few years to widows and orphans, and the vast amounts expended by the Woodmen in other sources. He declared that Woodmen money helped pay for the very roads in North Carolina. "You have the finest roads in this section that I have ever traveled on," he said.

Mr. Frazier stated that there would have to be a home erected to care for the aged Woodmen and those afflicted with tuberculosis. He expressed himself as greatly pleased with western North Carolina and with the way in which he and the Woodmen have received here.

"I can think of no happier thought than to have the privilege of spending my declining years on the top of Mount Pisgah and tickling the angels feet."

### FORMS H-VILLE ATHLETIC ASSN.

Young Men of City Will Receive Training In All Sports.

The wrestling and boxing exhibition given by the Hendersonville Athletic Association on July Fourth at the city gymnasium was declared by all present to equal any exhibition even among the professional ranks in larger cities.

A battle royal between four local colored boys proved very amusing. Several grudges of long standing were settled in the bout. Two knock-outs occurred in the battle royal.

George Chapin and Travis Leverette led to a draw in a match of three rounds.

Nolan Faulkner threw Bill Hallman best two out of three falls, by the use of a toe hold. In another wrestling match, the famous Holtzclaw needed to extend himself to get a draw with Jim Ward.

The main bout of the evening, a handicap match, was between Floyd Elsom of Hendersonville and Gerald Beauford, of Jacksonville. In the exhibition, Elsom showed real skill and boxing ability against the superior weight and strength of Beauford. The bout was a furious four round draw. Mr. Buford, of Buford's book store referred all bouts.

There were in the neighborhood of about 50 ladies in the audience and all were pleased with the absolute cleanliness and good sportsmanship displayed by all participants.

It is planned to have the boys work out under the direction of Mr. Buford three evenings in the week. All who are interested in their physical development and who wish to learn boxing and other sports should get in touch with Mr. Buford at once. On Monday night the bill will go repeated, the entire proceeds will go towards the purchase of some much needed permanent equipment for the gymnasium.

### MOYER TURNS BACK CANTON

League Leaders Hold Canton To Three Runs While Making Eight

Try as they may, they can't push Hendersonville out of the lead in the Western North Carolina League. The Boosters always come back after a defeat and win out.

Canton tried in vain to set Moyer's men back a notch, but Moyer himself was in the box. The final score was 8 to 3.

Loving was pounded for 11 hits. In the second frame, the Boosters batted nearly around, seeming to master the twists that Loving put over. Canton got her three runs in the first five innings, but after that was held helpless in the hollow of manager Moyer's capable hand, while his mates ran the Canton fielders ragged. Both pitchers had good control, and fanned six men each.

Clayton, Booster shortstop featured the game. He had a perfect average at the bat, getting three hits out of three times up. On first base, Mosley accepted 13 chances without an error. Shuford, in right field was in good form and pulled down a line drive by one of the Canton hopefuls. For the visitors, Denekie, on the initial sack, handled 11 throws without a misdeal.

The score: R. H. E.  
Canton ..... 3 8 3  
Hendersonville ..... 8 11 0  
Batteries, Clayton, Loving and Hatcher; Hendersonville, Moyer and Robinson.

### STANDING OF THE TEAMS

The standing of the teams in the Western North Carolina League, not counting today's game, is as follows:

Club	Won	Lost	Pct.
Hendersonville	19	10	.655
Waynesville	16	12	.571
Asheville	13	17	.433
Canton	11	20	.355

H. D. Carter, Jr., of Belton, S. C., is visiting relatives in the city for a few days.



### THE "BOY WONDER" RESORT OPERATOR

James P. Cresswell, Manager Kanuga Lake Inn, Praised Highly.

(Wright Dope, Atlanta, Ga.)

Adjoining this printed matter is a portrait of the boy wonder, Jimmy Cresswell, resort operator. When he wants to be real dignified, he signs himself James P. Cresswell, proprietor of the Kanuga Lake Inn, Hendersonville, N. C., and the Hotel Poinsettia, West Palm Beach, Fla. That sounds pretty heavy but to those who know him, it does not disguise the fact that he is only a thirty year old kid who has come a mighty long way in an alarmingly short time. Of course, there is always an interesting story back of such an early success. Cresswell is no exception. He started in the game at the age of fourteen as a store room boy, and has worked through every department of a modern hotel in the remaining sixteen years interval. Although he was born in Baltimore, and his earliest recollections center about the cooling of the diamond back terrapin and the love songs of the canvas-back duck, he began his hotel operations further south. He led off with the Brand Hotel, then moved over to the Yarrowburgh at Raleigh, N. C. His next pilgrimage carried him to the Central at Florence, S. C., and then he switched back to the Tar Heel State with the Empire at Salisbury. Then came the Poinsettia, at West Palm beach; and more recently he added Kanuga Lake to his holdings. Kanuga Lake Inn is really quite a young settlement in itself, consisting of sixty-five buildings. In addition to the Inn proper, there are large numbers of cottages, servants' quarters, garages, children's building, pavilion, boat houses and the like. A nine hole golf course of the "sporty" variety, tennis courts, baseball diamonds and other athletic equipment supplement the attractions of the lake. It is not surprising to learn, therefore, that Kanuga Lake is one of the most popular summer resorts in Western Carolina.

### Woodmen Leave On Visiting Tour Today

The members of the head camp of North Carolina and the sovereign executive committee left this afternoon for Spartanburg, Tryon and other points.

At Spartanburg they will be met at the station by a delegation appointed for that purpose and royally entertained in the city during their stay there. There will be a large gathering in the large auditorium at Converse college, at which the prominent Woodmen will speak.

Visiting other points in South Carolina, the Woodmen will be away from Hendersonville until Tuesday, when they will return to the "Land of the Sky."

### Mr. Eldridge Speaks at Kiwanis Luncheon

An address by William Eldridge, Philadelphia manufacturer was the feature of the Kiwanis luncheon at The Carson yesterday.

Mr. Eldridge spoke on co-operation, its value and how to obtain it in a community. His address was one of the best that has ever been delivered at any of the Kiwanis luncheons and was greatly appreciated by his hearers.

There was a larger number than usual of the club members present and the meeting was declared by one of them to be "the best yet."

### S. C. CLOTHIERS HERE NEXT WEEK

Two Hundred and Fifty of 300 Members of Association To Be Here

Between 250 and 300 members of the South Carolina Clothiers Association will be here next week, making their headquarters at the Carolina Terrace.

The members of the Association will have the use of the convention hall during their stay here. They will arrive on the 12th and will remain for about three days, it is expected.

An elaborate banquet will be given on the 13th, at the Terrace, for which preparations are now being made. It is planned to make the meeting one of jollification and pleasure. Many trips will be taken to various points of interest around Hendersonville and the visitors will be entertained as royally as possible.

### UNDERWRITERS HERE TOMORROW

Mayor Mack Rhodes Will Address Association of Underwriters.

The Asheville Association of Life Underwriters will meet here tomorrow. There will probably be between 30 or 40 members of the association present.

Headquarters for the meeting will be at the Carolina Terrace, where the underwriters will hold their banquet.

One of the speakers at the banquet will be the mayor of Hendersonville, J. Mack Rhodes.

The underwriters will be here for only a day, but plan to spend that day as profitably as possible.

### B. W. M. U. Convention Meets At Ebenezer

The Baptist Women's Missionary Union of the Carolina Association will hold its annual meeting Wednesday, July 12th, at the Ebenezer church. There will be an all-day service beginning at 10:30 and extending until 4:30 with an intermission for dinner. Dinner will be served on the grounds by the ladies of the church and vicinity.

Mrs. Wesley N. Jones, state president of Baptist, W. M. U., work will be a distinguished visitor and make an address. Mrs. C. P. Klutz, president of the Asheville division of the Carolina Association will also be present and make a talk. Fruitland Institute will figure prominently in the program. Several important conferences will be held.—Personal Service, by Mrs. W. C. Stradley; Mission Study, Mrs. J. A. Mason; Standard of Excellence, Mrs. John S. Forest.

Mrs. John S. Forest is chairman of Transportation and any desiring to go may communicate with her.

Mrs. Jones will arrive in Hendersonville the evening of July 11th and will be the guest of Mrs. M. A. Brown, on Fourth avenue.

### County Health Nurse In July 4th Parade

A feature of the Fourth of July parade which took place Tuesday was the Henderson county Red Cross nurse in her automobile, preceded by a number of nurses, who carried a sheet, in which the spectators tossed money as the parade went by. The appearance of the nurse, Miss Pearl Weaver, was applauded by the crowd all along the street as the parade proceeded down Main street. A godly sum was realized for the Patton Memorial Hospital.

### SUICIDE ATTEMPT BY MURDERER

Tench Slye Murders Father-in-Law in Palmetto Cafe and Attempts To Take Own Life.

Clarence Hill, negro, aged 50, was instantly killed Wednesday afternoon in the Palmetto Cafe, a small negro restaurant near the depot by Tench Slye, his son-in-law, aged 22.

Slye is now in the city hall lock up, with a bullet wound near his heart, inflicted by himself when the officers found him yesterday morning.

The killing was caused when Hill remonstrated with his son-in-law for beating his wife, Hill's daughter. This was not the first time that Slye had mistreated his wife. It is stated that he had beat and abused her on numerous occasions, and that he had been arrested for it and was, at the time of the killing under bond for his appearance at court on a charge of mistreating his wife. Slye and his wife had been struggling in the cafe when Hill came in, as knocked down tables and chairs testify. When Hill demanded that Slye stop mistreating his wife, Slye turned and fired three shots at Hill. One bullet entered the left arm, near the shoulder and the fatal shot drilled his forehead in the exact center, causing instant death. A waitress in the cafe was shot in the arm, but the injury was not serious.

Immediately after the killing, Slye fled in a vain attempt to make his escape. The police were called, and they spent the afternoon and the greater part of the night looking for the murderer, searching all the roads and many of the negro dwellings of the city.

When Slye fled from the cafe, he went to a small negro house behind the ball park and hid under the floor. He remained there until he was able to slip away under cover of night. From the house, he went to the colored cemetery, with the officers close behind him. Eluding them there he took refuge in the colored section of the city, John City, hiding in the home of Sallie Summy.

At nine o'clock in the morning, the officers traced him there, and came to the house. Chief of Police Otis Powers and Policeman Fred Edney began a search of the house, which was locked up and the windows nailed down. The Chief entered the cabin through a window, in front of which was a bed. Pushing this out of the way, the Chief discovered the murderer, with a revolver in his hand. As Powers reached for his automatic, Slye said, "Hello, Mr. Otis," turned the gun on himself and fired. The bullet entered near the heart.

Slye was taken as quickly as possible to the hospital, and from there brought to the city hall lock up. Doctors who examined the wound state that his condition is uncertain, but that the wound is very serious.

There were five people in the cafe at the time of the shooting. Slye, his wife, the waitress, Hill and some one who was eating there, as an unfinished meal testified, and who evidently left hurriedly.

The pistol that Slye used on himself and Hill was a Harrington and Richardson, caliber 38. It had been re-loaded after the killing of Hill.

### W. O. W. BANQUET WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Prominent Woodmen Express Hope That Home Be Lorated Here.

The members of the head camp of North Carolina and the sovereign executive committee of the Woodmen of the World were entertained at a banquet at the Carson Wednesday night. The ladies of the Woodman party were present on this occasion.

The evening was one of the most successful spent since the arrival of the Woodmen. Goodfellowship and friendliness prevailed, and the distinguished visitors came to feel more at home in Hendersonville and the Hendersonville people to think more of them as "home people"—which is Hendersonville's intention to make of them.

In all the addresses of the night, the Woodmen expressed their sincere appreciation of the hearty welcome extended to them, and the generous manner in which they are being entertained. They all were highly pleased with western North Carolina and did not hesitate to say so in no uncertain terms. It is the wish of all of the speakers, according to their speeches, that the Woodmen hospital be placed here. It was their opinion that no better place could be found for the location of the home.

D. E. Henderson, head adviser of the camp officials, created a great deal of amusement by his burlesque of some of the sovereign executive committee and other prominent officers. His imitation of E. B. Lewis was particularly good, and brought forth peals of laughter from all present.

Among the speakers of the evening were Sovereign Commander Frazier, Dr. Rankin, of the state department of health, who gave many statistics, showing that North Carolina, and especially western North Carolina, is the healthiest place to live in the world; E. B. Lewis, General Royster and many other prominent Woodmen.

Miss Margaret Phillips, of Tampa is a guest at The Waverly.

### PREDICTS GREAT PROSPERITY

W. C. Rector Predicts Country Is On Eve of Great Era of Prosperity And Wealth.

(By W. C. Rector)

To the Editor of The Times: You may not believe it, but we are at the threshold of what promises to be an era of the greatest prosperity this country has ever enjoyed. You will be inclined, no doubt, to take this statement with some degree of doubt. But no matter how you take it, the statement is based on the consensus of opinion of our foremost business men, leading manufacturers, thorough-going economists, up-to-the-minute financiers, great miners, and far-seeing railway men, and people who pilot our industries, and who are in position to know and see the real situation.

History supports and the facts at hand prove the unquestionable soundness of this opinion of the leading men in all lines of industry, to such an extent as to make it almost uncontrovertible.

Every great and decisive war that the world has had in these latter days, has been followed, in the course of time, by a period of great industrial activity. Even small wars have been followed by a good measure of business activity. It cannot be otherwise. It is as certain as two and two are four. You see a great war makes it necessary to put into action all possible energy to the production of war materials. Production of supplies that we use and consume in times of peace must be restricted to the minimum, and in many cases, abandoned entirely. In short, everything that can be put off must be delayed.

Then there is the withdrawal of men from civil pursuits to war duty. Instead of being producers such men become consumers. Instead of being engaged in productive work, they really become engaged in destroying what others produce.

You will remember that in the late war this country had four million of our youngest and most active men engaged in consuming and destroying everything in sight for periods of about four months to two years, and during that time much of the remainder of our productive machinery was busy in producing what the men in the field of war needed.

And our loss of man power and our producing ability, while it was curtailed, was small in comparison with that of European countries.

Must Include World. In reviewing and discussing this subject we cannot confine ourselves to an analysis of conditions in our own country. We have got to consider it from a world standpoint, because we are most vitally interested in world industry just as we are in the industry of our own country. In other words, we cannot prosper unless—(Continued on page 8.)

### YOUNG LADY INJURED AT FREEZE-BACON MILL

Miss Primrose Wilkie, of Hendersonville, R-4, an employee at Freeze Hosiery Mill, was painfully hurt last week while on duty at the mill.

The young lady's hair was hanging down her back and a draft of wind blew it back where it was caught on a revolving shaft of machinery. The entire upper scalp was torn from the skull but without a break in the skin. Only the prompt action of one of the officials in stopping the machinery saved the girl from more serious injury or perhaps death.

Miss Wilkie is now in the local hospital where it was necessary to open the flesh that bruised blood might escape and allow the scalp to grow back in place.

The patient is resting comfortably and will soon recover.

### CONFEDERATE VETERANS ATTEND THE REUNION

Six Confederate veterans of Henderson county attended the Confederate re-union at Richmond, June 20. These were T. J. Shipman, Dr. Johnson, Fletcher, Doc Sitten, near Horse Shoe, W. D. Case, Horse Shoe, Tom Osborne of Mills River and Mark Brittain, of Mills River.

These Confederates left Asheville June 19 at 7:15 in the morning and arrived in Richmond on the morning of the 20th. They were entertained free in Richmond and everything possible was done for their comfort. Homes were assigned them as soon as they arrived.

Between seven and ten thousand Confederates were entertained in the city for three days. The Daughters of the Confederacy took the old soldiers around the city and gave them a good time at the "Old Soldiers' Home."

Thursday, the last day of the convention, there was a parade. Over a thousand autos took part in the procession, which was composed of the Daughters of the Confederacy, with their families and the veterans. The veterans paid a visit to the Old Soldiers' Home, where there are about 130 Confederate veterans. All during the convention, the city of Richmond was decorated with flags. The soldiers paid a visit to the cemetery in Richmond where the leader of the Confederacy, Jeff Davis, lies. All the graves were profusely decorated with flowers.

The next reunion of the veterans will be at New Orleans.