

## COMMERCE CHAMBER BEGINS TO FUNCTION

Promise of New C. C. & O. Depot Follows Letter from Committee From Body—Hard At Work On Other Problems.

That our newly organized Chamber of Commerce will be able to accomplish many things for the upbuilding of the town is well attested by the following letter from Mr. L. H. Phetteplace, general manager of the C. C. & O. Railway. One of the first acts of the new organization was the writing to the above gentleman in regard to the new depot. Other good work will follow. Mr. Phetteplace writes as follows:

"Erwin, Tennessee, April 7, 1922. —Secretary, Forest City Chamber of Commerce, Forest City, N. C. My dear Sir: This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 5th, in connection with new station on our line near Forest City.

"We have not overlooked our promise to the people of Forest City to give them a new station this year and same will be forthcoming in due time, but we will probably not get to work on it until some time around June 1st.

"In order that you may assist us in determining the proper location for the station, would advise that at first we thought of placing the station on the east side of our main track, but upon further consideration we feel that the west side is the better location of the two and we can get a better grade for a road into the station. The station will be located just north of the new underpass. If you have any suggestions in connection with the matter I would be glad to hear from you.

"I hope it will be possible for me to accept your kind invitation to visit the city some time in the near future and if an opportunity presents itself I assure you I will be glad to advise you.

Yours very truly,  
L. H. PHETTEPLACE,  
General Manager.

## FLORENCE MILLS BREAD BAKING CONTEST

Wednesday, April 5, the ladies of the Florence Mill village held their bread contest. Each contestant exhibited three each of Parker House rolls, baking powder biscuit and corn muffin. All of the bread was good, so good that the judges were quite a while making their decision. Mrs. I. B. Covington, Mrs. Beulah Moore and Mrs. C. A. Ford judged the bread and the following winners were declared:

Best bread, three kinds, Mrs. James Robeson, Mrs. E. H. Doggett, Mrs. G. R. Early, Mrs. J. M. Williams.

Best biscuit, Mrs. M. Queen, Mrs. E. G. Flack.

Best Parker House rolls, Mrs. C. S. Barnard, Mrs. Charles Jackson and Mrs. Virgie Barnard tying, each was awarded a prize.

Best corn muffin, Mrs. Lee Proctor, Mrs. G. W. Shytle.

We wish to thank the following merchants for the prizes donated by them: Padgett & King, porch rocker; Moss & Reinhardt, rug; bowl; Flack Hardware Co., pre-bowl; Flack Hardware Co., preserving kettle; Peoples Drug Store, bottle of toilet water; Reinhardt's Drug Store, box of powder; Long's Drug Co., ivory brush and comb; Jones Grocery Co., sack of flour; Watkins Grocery Co., can of snowdrift; Barnes Grocery Co., bucket of lard; Quality Grocery Store, can of coffee.

## ATTORNEY N. C. HARRIS FOR THE LEGISLATURE.

Following the earnest solicitation of a number of friends, Attorney N. C. Harris announces this week as a candidate for the Legislature, subject to the action of the Democratic primary. Mr. Harris is a member of the strong law firm of Quinn, Hamrick & Harris, of Rutherfordton, and is one of the best known and most popular young lawyers in the county. He is especially well equipped for the place and has the strong backing of a number of influential friends. Elsewhere in this issue will be found a petition gotten up by his friends.

## COMMENCEMENT SATURDAY, APRIL 15

Educational Forces of County Will Turn Out En Masse for Occasion—Also Field Day Exercises.

All this week busy preparations have been going on throughout the county to get in readiness for commencement at Rutherfordton next Saturday. Weather permitting, a large crowd will be present.

The program is as follows:

### At Court House

10:00 A. M.—Debate, Mr. Frank Hall in charge.

10:45 A. M.—Declamation Contest, Mr. Frank Hall in charge.

### Graded School Building

10:00 A. M.—Recitation Contest, Mrs. J. B. Jones in charge.

10:45 A. M.—Singing Contest, Miss Pearl Harrelson in charge.

11:45-12—Parade from Graded School building to Courthouse led by Logan Band, W. R. Hill in charge.

### Rear of School Building

1:00 P. M.—Singing Games, Miss Lillian Belk in charge.

### Side of Graded School Building

1:00 P. M.—100 Yards Dash. Running Broad Jump, Running High Jump, Sack Race, Mr. Bert Cagle in charge.

Rear of Graded School Building

2:00 P. M.—Dodge Ball, Capt. B. L. Smith in charge.

2:30 P. M.—Potato Race, Mr. J. B. Jones in charge.

3:00 P. M.—Relay Race, Mr. Douglas Melton in charge.

All contestants please be at place of contest at the hour indicated and so save time. The person whose name appears after each event will have charge of the contest. It will be his place to get judges, time keeper, etc., announce the 1st and 2nd winners in literary contests and 1st, 2nd and 3rd winners in athletic contests and report to the County Superintendent's office. All medals should be presented immediately.

### VESS—HARDIN

Mr. Robert L. Hardin, carrier on Rural Route 2 out of Forest City, and splendid young man who has scores of friends, was married to Miss Lennie M. Vess, Wednesday, April 5. The Spartanburg Journal had the following account of the wedding:

A simple, but beautiful, home wedding was solemnized last evening at 8 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Davis, of Drayton, when Miss Lennie M. Vess became the bride of Mr. Robert L. Hardin, of Forest City.

To the strains of the wedding march from "Lohengrin," rendered by Miss Jessie Drum, the bride and groom entered the ceremony room together, Miss Dula Davis being the only attendant. The room was artistic in decorations of ferns and spring flowers, making a color effect of white and green. Ferns were banked against white backgrounds, forming an altar, before which the wedding party stood. Rev. C. A. Kirby, of Green Street Baptist church, officiated, using the impressive ring ceremony. The bride, who is a striking brunette appeared unusually attractive wearing gown of midnight blue crepe with a corsage of bride's roses.

After an informal reception, Mr. and Mrs. Hardin left for a short wedding trip, after they will be at home to their friends in Forest City, N. C.

Mrs. Hardin, who came from Dalton, Ga., is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Vess, of that city, and since her stay here has won many friends who will be interested in her future happiness.

## LET EASTER BE A DAY OF INSPIRATIONS



Isn't it true that in the seeming hustle, bustle and striving of business life we all sometimes lose sight of the true meanings of events, occasions, days or seasons?

Isn't this true, more or less, in regard to Easter? Are we permitting self glory, desires, ambitions, commercialisms to overshadow the day and rob us of inspirations which should mean for us happiness, peace, plenty?

These few words are not aimed to preach creed nor form. Instead they are grouped in a new form of a sincere invitation to every person in Rutherford county to visit his or her church on Easter. To let it be a day of inspirations—inspirations to all that is best in them.

Easter commemorates the resurrection of the Christ. An occasion which was the living proof of the victory of Life over Death. And if that be so, then frail human fears, worries, jealousies, despairs are all useless. It is to us to look to the source of our being—and we are at least striving to do this when we attempt to live the Christianity we all know—Each in his own way.

So visit your church Easter Sunday. It will give you the inspirations to strive anew in meeting your work-a-day problems—dealing with fellowman—as you would be dealt with.

It's well worth the effort.

## LOCAL BOY WINS ORATORICAL MEDAL

Charles B. Trammel Victorious in Face of Strong Competition—Those Taking Part.

Chas. B. Trammel, of the Forest City High School, won the Price oratorical medal at Rutherfordton Thursday night, April 6. The medal is the gift of Editor R. E. Price, of Rutherfordton, and is given to the boy or girl in Rutherford county who delivers the best oration.

The names of contestants, schools represented and, subjects of orations follows:

Miss Mary Summey, Avondale, "The Future of Western North Carolina."

Mr. B. Mahafee, Henrietta, "A Plea for Justice."

Miss Roxana Roper, Henrietta, "Problems of Education."

Ocie Nanney, Spindale, "The Soldier Bonus."

Arthur Nash, South Mt. Industrial Institute, "Nation Builders."

Chas. B. Trammel, Forest City,

## "Objections to the League of Nations."

Muss Summey, of the Avondale School, won the silver medal, given by the South Mt. Industrial Institute.

The time of the contest was changed to December instead of April, as heretofore held.

## CITY ORDINANCE

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen on Tuesday, April 11, the following ordinance was passed:

It shall be unlawful to allow dancing at any public place in the Town of Forest City. Anybody violating this ordinance shall be fined \$25.00 for each offence, or work 10 days on the streets.

This ordinance will be in full effect 20 days from date of passage. Done by order of the board, this 11th day of April, 1922.

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## TAX MEETING

All who are interested in the tax question are invited to meet at the courthouse in Rutherfordton, Monday, April 17, at 2 p. m.

ED. THOMPSON, Chairman.

## BAPTIST CHURCH IS ORGANIZED

To Be Known As the "Florence Baptist Church"—The New Officers—Should Have Rapid Growth.

The pastors and deacons of the following churches, Forest City, Spindale, Bethany, Smith's Grove, Alexander, Mt. Pleasant (R), Caroleen, Henrietta, Cliffside, and Mt. Pleasant (C) met at the Florence Mill Welfare Building Sunday evening, April 9, for the purpose of organizing a Baptist church.

The Presbytery consisted of six pastors and thirty-eight deacons.

C. C. Matheny was elected chairman and C. D. Barton, secretary.

Thirty-three people presented themselves for membership in the new church. Their letters were received by the Presbytery and after the reading of the Covenant and Articles of Faith, were declared to be a regular and just constituted Baptist church.

Then one member was received as a candidate for baptism and one was received under the watch care of the church.

A collection was taken, which amounted to \$101, to be used as a building fund.

The church was named Florence Baptist church.

The music was led by Prof. Jordan, of B. S. H. S.

Rev. W. K. Collins, of Cliffside, preached a great sermon on "The New Testament Church."

On Monday night the church held its first conference meeting.

The following officers were elected: C. C. Matheny, Pastor; Winford Webb, Clerk; E. G. Flack, Treasurer; H. L. Henderson, E. G. Flack, Winford Webb, Russell Nanney, deacons. Building Committee: C. C. Matheny, I. B. Covington, E. G. Flack, G. R. Earley, H. L. Henderson.

The church will meet each Thursday night for prayer meeting.

The pastor will preach on the 2nd and 4th Sunday afternoons at 3:30 o'clock.

## LADY CANDIDATE FOR COUNTY TREASURER

At the earnest solicitation of a number of friends, Mrs. Minnie Blanton, of Forest City, this week announces her candidacy for the Democratic nomination for County Treasurer. She is the first lady to announce as a candidate, and her friends claim that she will add much to the strength of the ticket if she gets the nomination. She is well equipped for the place, being an experienced book-keeper and having had a fine business training. She is the widow of the late T. R. Blanton, and is widely known and popular.

Fresh supply of Whitman's and Hollingsworth's candies for Easter. Peoples Drug Store. 25-2t.

Some day you will own a Chevrolet

## COUNTY CONVENTION HELD SATURDAY

Delegates to Meet in County Seat—Full List Not Obtained—Other News of Interest.

Rutherfordton, April 12.—Democratic County Chairman Gudger W. Edwards has been unable to get all the returns from the different precincts of the county, naming the precinct committees, and a complete list will appear in next week's issue. The following precincts have made returns:

Rutherfordton Precinct—W. A. Harrill, chairman; Oscar Duncan, Garner Padgett, J. C. Hampton, J. Y. Yelton.

Ladies' Committee—Mrs. Lee Taylor, chairman; Mrs. Plato Rollins, Mrs. J. C. Cagle, Mrs. H. L. Carpenter, Mrs. C. H. Moore.

Gilkey Precinct—C. F. Cline, chairman; H. P. Hines, J. F. Groves, H. F. Killian, C. S. Lynch.

Cool Springs, No. 1—J. E. McFarland, chairman; Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Bostic, A. H. McDaniel, W. S. Moss, A. J. Higgins, John Harrill, Mrs. R. E. Biggerstaff, Mrs. P. D. Harrill, I. B. Covington, J. H. Thomas.

Cool Springs, No. 2—J. D. Smith, chairman; J. A. Pealer, E. H. Dalton, L. C. Lowrance, G. W. Griffin, Mrs. F. I. Barber, Mrs. S. N. Watson, Mrs. G. M. Huntley, Miss Mary Stone, at Alexander, and Miss Margaret Young.

The Rutherfordton Chamber of Commerce met in the Commerce Hall Friday night, and the following officers were elected for the next year: Gudger W. Edwards, president; W. C. Twitty, vice president; O. C. Erwin, secretary and treasurer.

The board of directors met directly after and elected Mr. B. J. Dobbins chairman of the board. The board consists of B. J. Dobbins, Gudger W. Edwards, W. A. Harrill, O. T. Waldrop, N. C. Harrill, W. C. Twitty, M. L. Justice. The board will have luncheon at the Iso Thermal Hotel Friday afternoon. Watch Rutherfordton grow.

Mr. James M. Carson, candidate for Solicitor of this district has, been called upon to address the Democratic County Convention at Burnsville, N. C., on April 15. Mr. Carson is an able speaker, and up to this time has no opposition for the primary. He is an ex-Senator and was Democratic chairman for a good many years, and has always stood by the Democratic party. He made a fine record as chairman of the Congressional Committee of the Tenth district in the last campaign.

## PETITION

We, the undersigned citizens of Rutherford county, who are interested in the general welfare and the up-building of all the interests in our county, desire that we secure the best man that we possibly can get to represent us in the next General Assembly, and after careful consideration, we have concluded that we have in one of our fellow citizens, Mr. Natt C. Harris, of Rutherfordton, N. C., who is a man of splendid intellect, of high ideals, and who is interested in the growth and development of Rutherford county, and we hereby call upon him to announce himself as the candidate of the Democratic party in the primary of June 3.

R. L. Reinhardt, I. B. Covington, Dr. W. C. Bostic, A. H. Long, W. R. Harrill, J. B. Long, A. B. Flack, F. I. Barber, B. B. Doggett, E. O. Thomas, O. R. Coffield, W. A. Harrill, J. C. Byers, J. J. Edwards, D. S. B. Bridges, J. H. Hill, B. E. Roach, J. S. Rudisill, W. W. Nanney, A. R. Wall, C. H. Swofford, D. C. Cole, Geo. C. Shuford, Robert James, M. Hendrick, R. V. Bland, W. W. Wind, C. C. Tate, W. J. Hoy, A. I. Moore, Lawrence Goode, V. B. Splawn, N. L. Harris, H. V. Adins, J. F. Long, H. G. Womack, C. D. Hughes, R. B. Watkins, G. K. Moore, H. M. Owens, Una C. Edwards, J. C. Haynes, J. B. Watkins, Dr. J. F. Whisnant, Dr. Amos C. Duncan, C. H. Wilson, T. A. Biggerstaff, A. Y. Cantrell, John G. Roch, Sam A. Thomas, R. W. Vick, J. N. Good.

## Making It An Event



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