



DR. HENDERLITE'S ADDRESS HERE FRIDAY

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Dr. J. H. Henderlite, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Gaston, and Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Masons of North Carolina, was the principal orator on the occasion of the laying of the cornerstone last Friday of Lincoln County's handsome new court house...

No doubt we have been thinking about the nature and purpose of this occasion. What is the meaning of the formal laying of this cornerstone? Why have the people of Lincoln County turned aside from their ordinary affairs to give the day to this purpose...

First; we see here a very happy combination of the old and the new. This new building will stand on the foundation of the old and there is a bond connecting the two. It symbolizes that union in the mind and purpose of the people of Lincoln between the past and the present...

And on this site the new building will stand, larger, handsomer, modern and convenient, typifying the growth, prosperity and progress of Lincoln and the Piedmont Carolina. So we have a symbol of the union of the old life and of the new. You have not deserted the past, but are building upon it, combining the best of both periods in your spirit and purpose...

"Then loudly cried the bold Sir Bedivere, 'Ah, my Lord Arthur, whither shall I go?' Where shall I hide my forehead and my eyes? For now see the true old times are dead. When every morrow brought a noble chance, and every chance brought out a noble knight. But now the whole Round Table is dissolved. And I, the last, go forth companionless. Among the new men, strange faces, other minds."

But the King assures him that God still reigns and has not planned a failure or an incomplete purpose. "The old order changeth, giving place to new, and God fulfills Himself in many ways. Least one good custom should corrupt the world."

So reverencing the past, you face the future. As your fathers lived their life and did their work and met their duty, so you realize that you have your life and your own work to do. And in the same spirit of loyalty, you face the changes and the new conditions.

"New occasions teach new duties, Time makes ancient good uncouth. They must upward still and onward. Who would keep abreast of truth. Lo, before us gleam our camps, fires. We ourselves must pilgrims be. Launch our Mayflower and steer bold— Through the desperate wintry sea; Nor attempt the future's portal, With the past's blood-rusted key."

LINCOLN MEN ON FEDERAL JURY

The following Lincoln county men are among those drawn for the Federal Court Jury for service this week in Charlotte.

Levi Hollman, R. G. D.; Thomas H. Chandler, John Bynum, Charlie Childers, Lincoln; Earl Hovis Iron Station; R. C. Coon, Reepsville. With new court officials due to the change in administration, federal court will open in Charlotte today, Monday with Judge E. Yates Webb, of Shelby, presiding, and Frank A. Linney, new district attorney, handling the docket for the government.

In addition to District Attorney Linney, his assistant, Charles A. Jones, of Lincoln, will be with him probably handling the cases before the grand jury. Hamilton C. Jones, assistant under the democratic administration, will hold over until November 1, in accordance with an agreement between him and T. J. Harkins, of Asheville, named as his successor. Mr. Jones will assist Mr. Linney in the prosecution of cases this week.

AFTER ARBUCKLE UNDER THE PROHIBITION LAWS San Francisco, Sept. 9.—Robert P. McCormack, special assistant to the United States attorney general, announced tonight that he would file shortly considerable information charging Roscoe (Fatty) Arbuckle with unlawful possession of liquor. McCormack today submitted to a federal grand jury evidence purporting to show a state-wide liquor ring as developed by the inquiry into the source of liquor consumed by guests at Arbuckle's party last September 5, at which it is charged Miss Virginia Rapp received injuries which resulted in her death.

Women in Wisconsin are on an absolute equality with the men, and can even wear trousers and chew tobacco if they desire. The two, and even hostility. This building should ever remind us of the partnership of the two and their community of interests and duties. The country cannot exist without the city, nor the city without the country. Each is essential to the other. The country is the great producer and there would be no Lincoln but for Lincoln County. There is an old saying that man made the city but God made the country. Even more than that is true. God made the country and then the country built the cities. All that you people here have come from the country. The lumber in your houses, the cotton and wool in your clothing, the food on your table, the men and women, even that compose your citizenship. W. J. Bryan said, "Tear down your cities and the country will build them again. Destroy the country and the grass will soon grow in the streets of your cities."

At the same time the city is necessary to the country. If the country produces, the city consumes. It enriches that market, without which there is no profit in producing. The city provides the banks and the stores and the mills, and drives the wheels of manufacture and commerce. It builds the higher schools of learning and furnishes books and newspapers. It stands at the cross-roads of life and gathers the latest ideas and news and methods all over the world to distribute to the country. The city and its interests are common. What helps one will help the other, and there should be a spirit of warm co-operation between the two.

In conclusion then, let this cornerstone symbolize that happy union in Lincoln County of the old and the new, and stand for the partnership between country and the city thus dwelling and working together. Then will this mark the dawn of a larger day and your children will make better history to record in the new Court House, even than that which has been filed away in the old by your fathers. It is up to us to say what the future is going to be. In our public and private life, let us exemplify the truths inculcated by this noble order, represented here today by the Grand Officers; those immortal principles of virtue, brotherhood and benevolence, which are the crown of any community. We shall have many problems to solve. Though the firing has ceased in France and Belgium, the real war is not over yet. Just exactly three years ago, our boys were breaking the Hindenburg line. In their loyalty to their great trust they counted not their lives dead unto them. As they did their duty in time of battle, so must we in time of peace. Our immortal dead who sleep under the lilies of France are looking to us here to complete that work they began. We need faith, good will and work; above all things we need work. With brain and brawn, with mind and hand, in the office, the bank, the store, the school room, the mill out on the farm, that each man shall do good work, true work, square work, such as shall stand the test of the great Overseer's square. It is thus that we shall not only do our duty and pay the debt that each one of us owes to the community and the nation, but thus shall we fulfill the purpose of life and win our highest honor.

"The longer on this earth we live and weigh the various qualities of men, Seeing how most are fugitive or fitful gifts at best of now and then, Wind wavered, corpse-lights, daughters of the fen. The more we feel the high, stern feature of a plain devotedness to duty; Steadfast and still, not paid with mortal praise, But finding ample recompense For life's unguarded expense In work done squarely and unwasted days."

NORTH CAROLINA GRAND LODGE MASONS LAID CORNERSTONE OF LINCOLN COUNTY'S HANDSOME NEW COURT HOUSE BUILDING LAST FRIDAY AFTERNOON, SEPTEMBER 30TH, AT 2 O'CLOCK

Large Crowd Present From This Section, To Witness Cornerstone Laying—Many Prominent Visitors—Schools Suspend—Business Houses Close—Twenty Masonic Lodges Represented in the Procession—Grand Lodge Officers Make Addresses—History Making Occasion—Large number of Documents Placed in Cornerstone.

The cornerstone of Lincoln county's handsome new courthouse building now in course of construction in this city, was laid last Friday afternoon, at 2 o'clock with the North Carolina Grand Lodge of Masons in charge. It was a celebration in the best Masonic style, with Grand Lodge Master J. Bailey Owen, of Henderson, directing the ceremonies, assisted by other Grand Lodge Officers. About three thousand citizens of town and county and from adjoining counties and neighboring towns were present on the court square and upon the first floor of the building witnessing the ceremonies. It was an eventful day in the history of town and county, being an occasion that occurs perhaps in a century or half century. Besides the adults about a thousand school children were present, the schools being suspended at 2 o'clock to allow them to witness the ceremony. The business houses of this city were also closed during the cornerstone ceremonies. The program was in charge of the Masons, the County Commissioners having invited Lincoln Lodge No. 137, A. F. & A. M. to stage the celebration and have charge of the ceremonies.

A large number of citizens were here from Catawba, Cleveland and Gaston counties, three daughter counties, included in the number being a number of Masons, there being representatives from 20 Masonic lodges registering at the local Masonic lodge room. The North Carolina Grand Lodge was opened at 12 noon Friday, in the Lincoln Lodge No. 137, A. F. & A. M. When an address was made by W. H. Childs of this city, who was Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Raleigh responded. Refreshments were served in the lodge room to the visiting and local Masons; at two o'clock the procession formed in the lodge room and marched to the new court house for the cornerstone ceremonies.

The imposing procession was formed as follows: Tiler with drawn sword—S. W. McLean. Stewards with rods—R. L. Wycoff, G. S. Royter. Master Masons—visiting and local. Two Deacons with rods—J. L. Thompson, J. W. Barneau. Secretary, Herbert Miller; treasurer, T. C. Abernethy. Past Masters—I. R. Self, A. L. Bulwinkle. Grand Tiler, with drawn sword—J. E. Canler. Grand Stewards with rods—J. A. Shuford, C. H. Hinson. Principal Architect, with Square, Level and Plumb—G. W. Cauble. Grand Secretary W. W. Wilson; Grand Treasurer, John K. Cline. Bible, Square and Compasses, carried by a Master of a Lodge, C. B. Armstrong, supported by two stewards, Claude Holly and Hal Hoyle. Grand Chaplains—Rev. J. H. Henderlite, Rev. J. L. Deaton. The Five Orders of Architecture—S. Alexander, Sr. Junior Grand Warden, carrying the Silver Vessel with Oil—A. Nixon. Senior Grand Warden carrying the Silver Vessel with wine—W. H. Childs. Deputy Grand Master, carrying the Silver Vessel with Corn—D. P. Dellinger. Master of Oldest Lodge, carrying the Book of Constitutions—Harry Page. Deacon With Rod, W. K. Rogers. Grand Master J. Bailey Owen; Deacon With Rod, C. C. Crowell. Grand Pursuivant, J. E. Hoover. Grand Sword Bearer, with Drawn Sword—D. H. Shields. Grand Lecturer—G. A. Page. The procession marched from the Masonic Lodge room around court square passing into the square from the south, and to the first floor of the uncompleted courthouse, the grand officers taking up position at the northeast corner, at the corner stone.

Cornerstone Laying Ceremonies. The ceremonies were begun by prayer by Chaplain J. L. Deaton. Joseph B. Johnston, Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, representing the building committee requested the Grand Master to lay the cornerstone according to ancient usages of Free Masons. Music by the choir. Grand Master J. Bailey Owen then stated his purpose to lay the cornerstone. Grand Treasurer John K. Cline reported that the copper box had been prepared and that the contents had been placed therein. Grand Secretary, W. W. Wilson, read a list of the contents of the box, after which the Grand Treasurer John K. Cline deposited the box in the stone and placed the granite cap thereon.

The stone was then lowered to its position under the direction of Grand Marshal J. S. Armstrong. Following the placing of the stone Grand Honors were given by the entire body of Masons. The square, level and plumb were then applied to the stone by Deputy Grand Master D. P. Dellinger, Senior Grand Warden W. H. Childs, and Junior Grand Warden A. Nixon, respectively. Deputy Grand Master D. P. Dellinger, carrying the silver vessel with corn, scattered it on the cornerstone. Music by the choir. Senior Grand Warden W. H. Childs, carrying the silver vessel with wine, poured wine on the stone. Junior Grand Warden A. Nixon, carrying the silver vessel with oil, poured it on the stone. Song by the choir. Following prayer by Grand Master Owen, he then struck the stone three times with the gavel, and the grand honors were given. Grand Master Owen announced the stone had been laid, and requested the Grand Marshal to inform Henry Kistler, superintendent of the building, that the stone had been laid with Masonic honors and if approved to receive it. Supt. Kistler in turn received the work as well and truly done. Music by the choir. The principal address of the afternoon was delivered by Grand Chaplain J. H. Henderlite, who was introduced by Mr. K. B. Nixon.

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River running thence to John Haws on Henry River; thence to William Orrs on Jacob's River; and thence to the intersection of the Counties of Burke, Lincoln and Rutherford as they now stand;" and appointing Joseph Dixon, John Carruth, John Wilson, Joseph Steele and Nicholas Friday, Commissioners to purchase land and build a Court House. 11. Plot of the 300 acres of land upon which the Town was built, made and Surveyed by John Carruth, Surveyor, 27th May 1785. 12. Copy of the grant from the State of North Carolina, to Joseph Dickson in trust for the citizens of Lincoln, N. C., for the 300 acres of land on which the Town of Lincoln, N. C. was built, of date 14th December 1785. 13. Copy of the Act of General Assembly of North Carolina for erecting and establishing a Town in the County of Lincoln, Lincoln's First Charter, 1786. 14. Copy of the Act of General Assembly of North Carolina for laying off of more lots in the Town of Lincoln, N. C., and for other purposes, 1816. 15. Copy of the Act of General Assembly of North Carolina for laying off more lots in the Town of Lincoln, N. C., 1821. 16. Copy of the Act of the General Assembly of North Carolina laying off a new county by the name of Cleveland. Ratified the 11th day of January, 1841. 17. A Copy of the Act of General Assembly establishing a new County by the name of Catawba. Ratified Dec. 12th, 1842. 18. Copy of the Act of General Assembly of North Carolina establishing a new county by the name of Gaston. Ratified the 21st day of December, 1846. 19. Inscription of the Corner Stone of the Old Court House "1853, Aug. A. F. M." 20. Picture of the 1853 Courthouse. 21. Copy of the Laws of the State of North Carolina for the year 1852. The only document found in the corner stone of the Courthouse erected in 1853, the other documents having crumbled into dust. 22. Copy of the Private Laws 1899, Chapter 369, enlarging corporate limits of the Town of Lincoln. 23. Copy Private Laws, 1909 chapter 374 increasing corporate limits Town of Lincoln, N. C., to the South. 24. Copy Chapter 512, Laws of 1919, for erecting of New Court House for Lincoln County, N. C., and amendment of this period. 25. Copy of order Board County Commissioners 7th, June 1921, inviting Lincoln Lodge A. F. & A. M. to lay cornerstone of New Court House. 26. Request of Lodge to A. Nixon to prepare box for corner stone of New Court House and place therein documents historic and otherwise commemorative of this period. 27. Copy of the proceeding of the first meeting of Lincoln Lodge, No. 137 A. F. & A. M., June 20th, 1851. 28. Officers and members of Lincoln Lodge No. 137 A. F. & A. M., 1921. 29. Proceeding of the Grand Lodge of Masons, N. C., 1920. 30. Roster officers and members Lincoln Chapter No. 22 R. A. M. 1921. 31. Copy of Notice to the public of the Corner Stone laying by Publicity Committee. 32. Copy of the By-Laws of Lincoln Lodge 137 A. F. & A. M. 33. Names of Architect, Building committee and the Superintendent of the building. 34. Pay, Roll, Workmen, and wages paid in construction of the New Court House the excavation and where building material obtained. 35. The History of Lincoln County, by Alfred Nixon. 36. List County Officers of Lincoln County, N. C., 1921. 37. List of the Lincoln County Bar, 1921. 38. List of Pension Board of Lincoln County, N. C., 1921. 39. Roster of Confederate Soldiers in War between the States 1861-1865. 40. Roster of living Confederate Veterans in Lincoln County, 1861-1865. Eighty in number. 41. Three oldest men in the County nonagenarians, W. F. Kelly, L. A. Dellinger and Andrew Hauss. 42. Copy of the Official Program and Welcome Home Day, July 4th 1919, with brief history of Lincoln County's part in World War. 43. Roster Officers and members Troop "A", 105 Military Police former Troop "A" Cavalry, N. C. N. G. of Lincoln, N. C., who left for France from Philadelphia, May 11th, 1918 to participate in the World War, being the original debarkation list upon arrival at Le Havre, France, certified by C. H. Hinson, Captain. 44. Roster officers, members Troop "A" Cavalry, N. C. N. G. 45. Census of Town of Lincoln and Lincoln County 1920. 46. Lincoln County Churches and pastors 1921. 47. Physicians and Dentists, Lincoln, N. C., 1921. 48. Roster Officers and Members Mountain Lodge No. 19, I. O. O. F., Lincoln, N. C., 1921. 49. Rosters and members of Lincoln Lodge No. 48 K. of P. 50. Rosters and Officers and members of Maple Camp No. 45, W. O. W. 51. Officers and members of Lincoln Chapter No. 114, Order Eastern Star. 52. Mayor, Aldermen and officers of Lincoln, N. C., 1921. 53. Ordinances of the Town of Lincoln, N. C. 54. Business Directory of Lincoln, N. C. Its banks, mercantile, manufacturing plants and various other industries. 55. Post Office Directory, Postmaster, Clerks, P. F. B. Carriers, City

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