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UNION TRUST BANK DISCONTINUES COMMERCIAL DEPARTMENT

Many Madison County People Have Stock—Therefore Interested

Quite a number of people in Madison and adjoining counties have stock in the Union Trust Bank of Bristol, Tenn., Va., and they will therefore be interested in a recent change in the policy of that bank. Mr. John A. Hendricks, of Marshall, N. C., has received the following letter which explains itself:

Mr. John A. Hendricks,
Marshall, N. C.

The newspaper clipping enclosed from the Bristol Herald-Courier will explain better just what change has been made. The Directors have been contemplating some time the change made on account of our deposit line not being a paying one. In our new field we are able to cut down our overhead expense to such an extent that we will be able to make more money than by competing in the deposit field with the other banks at a continued loss. We were never able to bring our deposits to much over \$250,000.00 at any one time, still we had to maintain all the facilities to accommodate depositors and might have handled four times as much with little additional expense.

We now have the cooperation of all the other banks of Bristol and have been complimented by the business interest of this section very highly for the step taken which we firmly believe is for the best interests of all concerned. We still have our capital and surplus just the same and will give more time to real estate loans and real estate paper bought at a good discount.

Trusting that the above meets with your approval and is the explanation that you want, I am,

Very truly yours,
S. T. BOWMAN
Assistant Cashier.

The clipping referred to was in part, as follows:

Union Trust Bank Will Discontinue Commercial Dept.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF THIS CITY TO TAKE OVER ACCOUNTS

To Devote Time To Trust Department

PRESIDENT FAUCETTE EXPLAINS CHANGE THAT IS TO TAKE PLACE IN LETTER TO DEPOSITORS

Announcement was made yesterday by John H. Faucette, president of the Union Trust Bank, that effective tomorrow December 8, the Union Trust Bank would discontinue its commercial banking department, and that arrangements had been made whereby the First National Bank of this city will take over the deposits of the Union Trust Bank. The reason for this action was the decision of the board of directors of the Union Trust Bank to devote the entire facilities of that institution to its trust department. To effect this change immediately it was necessary that the Union Trust Bank get some other banking institution in this city to take over its deposits, and beginning tomorrow persons

having money on deposit with the Union Trust Bank will have their checks honored by the First National Bank.

STREET CAR SERVICE TO BE SPEEDED UP

Asheville, Dec. 28.—The Asheville Power and Light Company plans to install a seven and a half minute schedule during peak hours on two of its lines January 11, when six of the new street cars ordered by the company will be placed into service.

MAY HARNESS WIND TO CONSERVE FUEL

Amsterdam, Holland Director Busiman, of the Dutch Hydrodynamic Institute, believes that Anton Flettner's discovery of the principles by which air currents can be made to produce heat and energy will revolutionize the entire fuel industry. In an article which is causing much comment in engineering circles, he advances the opinion that when once the Flettner system has been applied completely, it will be possible to reduce the world's consumption of coal 90 per cent.

From BARNARD

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Moore, of Marshall, spent Christmas Day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Phipps.

Mrs. Luther Lunsford and daughter, Jeanne, are visiting relatives in Druid, N. C.

Mr. Harrison Lunsford was hurt in an automobile accident a few days ago. His injuries are painful, but not at all serious.

Mr. Oscar Anderson has moved into the house which was recently vacated by Mr. C. J. Treadway and family.

Misses Myrtle Fortner, Pearle Tweed and Winnie Bryan have resumed their school duties, after a week's vacation.

Miss Margaret Haynie visited relatives and friends in White Pine, Tenn., this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lacy Reed spent Christmas day with home folks at Walnut, N. C.

Mr. Luther Chandler, who has been working in Virginia for some time, spent Christmas holidays with his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Chandler.

Mr. G. H. Goforth spent Christmas at home, but will soon return to his work in Va.

Miss Gertrude Goforth, who attends school at Dorland-Bell Institute, is at home for two weeks vacation.

Mr. Dan T. Haynie and family spent Christmas in Knoxville, Tenn.

Miss Daisy Jo Phipps has been visiting her sister in Marshall for the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Luns-

Ring Out the Old, Ring in the New

Ring out wild bells, to the wild sky,
The flying cloud, the frosty light;
The year is dying in the night;
Ring out wild bells and let them die.

Ring out the old, ring in the new,
Ring, happy bells, across the snow;
The year is going, let him go;
Ring out the false, ring in the true.

—Tennyson

ford visited home folks in Alexander recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd McDevitt went to Marshall Wednesday.

The stork visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carlje Meadows a little over a week ago and left a fine baby boy.

Mr. M. V. Boydstein and Mr. Hubert Reece, who work in Asheville spent Christmas with their families.

Misses Lillie and Clara Goldsmith went to Marshall last Wednesday.

Rev. and Mrs. Henry Wright and daughter are spending two weeks at their home here. They have been in Raleigh for some time.

Mr. J. W. Randall Jr., went to Asheville last week.

From FORKS of IVY

Every body at this place has enjoyed a splendid Christmas and all seem to have the Christmas spirit.

Brother N. B. Phillips preached an excellent sermon Sunday afternoon. We are having a good Sunday School and prayer meeting at this place.

Misses Laura and Mary Sams of Winston Salem spent Christmas with their home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Horne of Winston Salem spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Morgan,

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Marshbanks and son, Harvey, took dinner with their daughter, Mrs. W. S. Willis, Christmas Day.

Miss Sallie Morgan from the Asheville Normal spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Morgan.

Miss Blanche Deaver, of Asheville spent Christmas with her cousin, Bulah Deaver.

Miss Cleota Davis of Mars Hill was the guest of Miss Willie Mae Morgan Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. M. T. Morgan has returned from South Carolina.

MEETING OF BOARD OF EDUCATION POSTPONED ONE DAY

Marshall, N. C.,
December 30, 1924,
Editor News-Record—

Dear Sir;

Please put this notice in your paper this week:

As the Board of Education and County Superintendent of Schools will receive the school building at Mars Hill Monday,

James Merritt Blankenship

The subject of this sketch was born April, 1873, at Indian Creek, Yancey County and died December 9, 1924, at 8:45 A. M., age 51. Mr. Blankenship was taken suddenly ill Sunday morning about eight o'clock. Monday he showed signs of improvement and was thought to be much better Tuesday morning. He died of pneumonia of the heart. The funeral was from the home at eleven o'clock Wednesday morning conducted by Rev. N. B. Phillips, pastor of the Missionary Baptist Church at Fairview, N. C. The body was taken for interment to the Blankenship family cemetery at Indian Creek, Yancey County Wednesday about five o'clock. The pallbearers were Messrs. F. A. Penland, Joe Mitz, Duffie and Orphie Shuford. The deceased is survived by his wife, who was Miss Loretta Haynes, the marriage taking place Dec. 24, 1901; his father, Rev. J. N. Blankenship, of Indian Creek, Yancey County; his brothers and sister, G. H. Blankenship, Hendersonville, N. C.; G. M. Blankenship, Just, N. C.; Taylor Blankenship, Black Mountain, N. C.; Frank Blankenship, Weaverville, N. C.; John Blankenship, Paint Gap, N. C.; Zeb Blankenship, Bold Creek, N. C.; Mrs. Charles Brigman, Weaverville, N. C., two children, Messrs. Carl M. Blankenship, Principal Marshall High School; O. F. Blankenship, Principal Fairview High School. Among the out-of-town attendants were many friends from Fairview, Asheville, Weaverville and surrounding country, also the High School children and teachers from Marshall.

Mr. Blankenship was deacon and church secretary of Black Mountain Missionary Baptist church.

EASTERN STARS ENTERTAIN AT AN OLD FASHION PARTY

AN INFORMAL GET-TOGETHER PRODUCING MUCH FUN

Invitations sent out as telegrams, with holly border and snow covered cabin and other snow scenes read as follows: "The Eastern Stars invite you to attend on old fashioned party given at the Masonic Hall Tuesday evening, December 30,—Seven to ten thirty."

The people went and such a time they did have. Those who could not attend do not know what they missed. By seven-thirty, games were in progress and those who have played the games know already what was done, but if there is anybody in the world who has not played such games, well, they are to be pitied!

The very first thing the guests knew they were all lined up for what is called "The Grand March." Then followed "Marching to Jerusalem," "I See a Ghost," Spinning the Plate," "Grunt." Then an old fashioned square dance, followed by the Virginia Reel and then some more modern figures by the younger set. And this is one time when the old feel young and the young feel younger. Men with hoary locks forgot their older feelings and hopped, skipped and jumped as if but kids.

There's Mr. John Jarrett, Mr. W. H. Morrow, Mr. W. A. West and Mr. George Sams and Dr. W. A. Sams—such boys as they are on an occasion like this. We wonder if these men could skip for a scuttle of coal or for a broom for the wife with the dexterity with which they caught the spinning plate or the dancing maids. Why should they be expected to? A function like that given by the Eastern Stars does not happen every day. Perhaps at home they don't always have the music like the Morrows' to cheer them on. (By the way, in order to tell how the piano could be made to sound they actually had to put a Gage on it. But while some watched the Gage, others were swinging their partners until all got lost in the barn yard where Gage lost her shoe.) But it was all right—the holidays were not yet gone and Christmas comes but once a year. It was hard to tell where you were, whom you were with, or what you were doing because of the noise of the merry makers. If you stayed on the inside you got fruit, though no fruit basket was played. In the adjoining room, if you chose to go thither, if you didn't get "punched" it was your own fault.

Of this organization Mrs. Victoria Jarrett is Worthy Matron, Mr. W. A. West, Worthy Patron, Mrs. J. N. West Chairman of the Refreshment Committee, and the entertainment committee is composed of Miss Evelyn Baley, Mrs. W. A. West

and Mrs. W. H. Morrow. Among those who attended this delightful party were:

J. M. Baley, Grace Rogers, Louise Champion, G. W. Sams, Gage Morrow, Orla Plemmons, Anna Kate Ramsey, Hortense Roberts, Hattie Roberts, Lawrence McElroy, Edna Rice, Audrey Byrd, Ted McKinney, Katherine Davis, Josie Tipton, Edgar Davis, Leo White, A. W. Whitehurst, Pender McElroy, Mrs. Stromm, Mrs. J. M. Baley, Mrs. J. N. West, Maude Tate, Emma Logan Mrs. W. E. Ranes Mrs. Claude Sawyer, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Fisher, Janie Lee Fisher, Ida Belk, W. A. West, Emmett Ramsey, W. F. Stromm, McKinley Ramsey, John Jarrett, W. A. West Jr., H. L. Story, Frances McDevitt, Miss Bayless, Mrs. C. R. Stuart, Mrs. J. T. Byrd, Mrs. J. M. Baley, Mrs. A. W. Whitehurst, Miss Evelyn Baley, Miss Parnell Davis, Mr. Weller, Cecil Ramsey, Mrs. Weller, Mrs. Geo. Fortner, Cecil Shelton and Dr. W. A. Sams.

The party said to be old time Was certainly worthy of a rhyme, And if we could We surely would Express our thoughts in words sublime.

For if you wish to have the best, Just leave it all to those named West For Junior Bill And Senior Will With mother and with wife are blessed.

To Morrow, meet before it wanes And laugh until we all have pains For W. H. And Edna Gage And Mrs. Morrow hold the Raines.

The Ramseys, yes, Miss Anna Kate, And all the teachers, yes, Miss Tate, Beheld the dance And had a chance, But didn't dance at any rate.

It might not be with perfect Grace A dancing Byrd from place to place. O, were it daily With Evelyn Baley And loving parents' beaming face!

If those attending had been few And had such names as Tenna Sue, We'd make a pun And all for fun So many makes the Story through.

A MODERN EPITAPH

Here she lies with turned-up toes. She died because she wore no clothes. She might have lived if she'd had sense, But, having none, she journeyed thence.

A good Christmas present this year is a subscription to the home paper. Try it on a friend who has moved away. The neighbor would like to have a subscription to a good farm paper, too.

An Error Corrected

News-Record, Marshall, N. C., It is an absolute mistake that I myself and Miss Mary Wilson were secretly married in September. I am not married at all.

The December 19, 1924.