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REMODELING OF BUILDINGS FOR MASSIE STARTED

Hugh Massie And Mrs. Nora Reece Purchase 2 Main Street Buildings.

MODERN STORE WILL HOUSE DEPARTMENT STORE

Workmen started Monday morning in tearing out the partition and the fronts of the two buildings on the west side of Main street formerly used as a theatre building and the one used by Martin Electric Company in preparation of a modern building which will be the new home of the Massie Department Store.

Final details were completed last week between Mrs. G. C. Briggs and Hugh Massie and his sister, Mrs. Nora Massie Reece, who purchased from Mrs. Briggs, the two buildings and are having them made into a modern building for the future home of their store.

T. C. Norris was awarded the contract for remodeling the building, and had 10 men at work Tuesday morning. It was announced that only Waynesville labor will be used on the building.

The new building will have only one main entrance with modernistic windows and trimmings. The window framing will be nickel plated and the front of the building made of cream brick. A black marble slab will extend from the floor to the bottom of the display windows.

The new building will be about twice as wide as the present building the firm is located in. The new building is being 43 feet wide.

The contractor intends to have the building complete by the middle of April.

While in St Louis recently, Mr. Massie bought new fixtures for the entire store including window fixtures. While there he spent much time in getting expert advice and blueprints on the most modern interior plans for the store.

Mr. Massie stated that no new lines would be added to the stocks, but that the lines now carried would be enlarged, and the store departmentized. The stock will be divided into seven principal departments.

An oak floor will be constructed in the new store, and also a concrete basement. The basement will be used for storage only.

The enlargement of quarters for the store is in keeping with the increase in business, Mr. Massie said. The new store will be a credit to a town the size of Waynesville, according to those who have gone over the plans of the new store.

The Massie Department Store began its business here five years ago at the present site. The building in which the firm is now located is the property of Clyde H. Ray.

R. H. Haynes, 55, Is Buried At Clyde On Last Wednesday

Deceased Had Spent All His Life In Clyde, Had Been Sick For Sometime

R. H. Haynes, 55, who died at the home of his brother F. E. Haynes, in Clyde last Monday night about 12 o'clock, was buried at Clyde Wednesday afternoon, with Rev. R. P. McCracken, pastor of the Baptist church in charge of the services at the Baptist church of which the deceased was a member.

Mr. Haynes has been in ill health for several years with heart trouble. Mr. Haynes was a son of the late Humphrey Posey Haynes, for many years one of the most prominent citizens of the county and for several terms the member from Haywood county in the State Legislature. For many years R. H. Haynes had not been in business. His health failed a number of years ago. He was regarded as an exemplary citizen.

Brothers and sisters surviving are: Mrs. J. Wiley Shook, of Greensboro; Mrs. W. H. Rich, of Waycross, Ga.; Mrs. D. M. Caldwell, of Clyde; Mrs. George Brooks, of Clyde; Mrs. John D. Wood, of Greer, S. C.; Mrs. L. B. White, of Live Oak, Fla.; James H. Haynes, Mark P. Haynes, Frank E. Haynes and Grover C. Haynes, all of Clyde.

Howell Bill Would Validate Tax Sales

The Senate Tuesday received the Howell bill which validates tax sales by various municipalities in Haywood, Graham, Swain, Jones, Jackson and Cherokee counties. Originally introduced by Representative Howell to apply only to Haywood county, the bill was amended to embrace the other counties Monday.

As received by the Senate Tuesday, the bill provides that the authorities of municipalities in these counties have until October 15 to hold tax sales for 1929, 1930, and 1931. It also validates all tax sales held later than prescribed by law.

Bids Amounting To \$121,700.90 Made On Soco Gap Road

Bids for the construction of the Soco Gap road were opened in Raleigh Tuesday, and it was found that the low bid was submitted by C. A. Ragland, of Louisburg, who submitted the bid of \$110,456.60 for the 8.49 miles project.

W. H. Anderson Construction Co., of Asheville, submitted the lowest bid for necessary structures. This bid was \$11,244.30.

The Highway Commission was to meet again Wednesday and officially award the contracts.

The Soco Gap road will be of crushed stone and asphalt, according to the contractor's specifications which were bid on. The road will be 18 feet wide.

The bids above were part of the eight projects let Tuesday by the state at a cost of \$444,449.30.

Mrs. S. C. Liner, 66, Dies Here Tuesday At Daughter's Home

Was Native of This County. Funeral Services Were Yesterday Afternoon

Funeral services were held at the Methodist church Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock for Mrs. S. C. Liner, 66, who died at the home of her daughter, Mr. C. G. Logan, early Monday night after a lengthy illness.

Rev. Wade Johnson, pastor of the Methodist church, had charge of the services. Active pallbearers were Hugh Jolly, Harry Hyatt, Theodore McCracken, Jerry Linee, J. R. Boyd, and Dr. S. P. Gay.

Mrs. Liner was a sister of the late compunction of diseases. She had spent several weeks in the hospital, but had returned to her daughter's home before her death. She was the daughter of the late William and Mary Battle Rhinehart and was reared in the old Battle residence here.

Mrs. Liner was a sister of the late Mrs. C. B. Atkinson. She is survived by her husband; two daughters, Mrs. C. G. Logan, Waynesville, and Mrs. B. H. Pearson, Nashville, Tenn.; a grandson, C. G. Logan Jr., St. Petersburg, Fla.; and a sister, Mrs. W. F. Lee, of Raleigh and Waynesville. Mrs. Logan and Mrs. Pearson were at her bedside when death came.

Hugh Massie Named Superintendent In Methodist S. School

Hugh Massie was recently appointed superintendent of the adult department of the Methodist Sunday School, comprising four classes, Sunday School, comprising four classes, two women's classes and two men's.

The class of men who have as their teacher, the Rev. Wade Johnson, have launched a membership drive, with Frank Ferguson, Jr., and Lee Davis captains of the two teams. Much interest is being shown in the contest and the leaders expect at least a hundred present by next Sunday.

A drive is being put on to increase membership in all classes.

Teachers of these classes have been selected as follows: The Rev. and Mrs. Wade Johnson, Professor F. J. Robeson, and Mrs. J. M. Kellet. The older men will meet in the auditorium of the church for the study of the lesson each Sunday, the elder women will meet in the ladies' parlor, the younger men in the pastor's study, and the younger women in a class room on the second story of the church.

300 EXPECTED TO ATTEND CONFERENCE HERE APRIL

Annual Meeting Of Women's Missionary Division Of Methodist coming Here

The annual meeting of the Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist church, will meet in Waynesville April 18-20 with approximately 300 delegates expected from all parts of the conference present, it was announced here.

The Western conference includes about one-half of the state, comprising all territory west of Charlotte, Greensboro and Winston-Salem.

Mrs. C. C. Weaver, of Winston-Salem, president of the women's work of the western conference, will be here and will preside at the meetings.

The program has not been completed to date it was said, but several outstanding women of the conference and others are expected to take part on the two-day program.

All sessions will be held in the Methodist church here. Definite announcements will be made later.

WALLS NOVELTY COMPANY SOLD TO R. V. AND WM. ERK

New Owners Are From Tampa, Fla. Plan To Enlarge The Business

Succeeding H. L. Liner and J. H. Barnes, joint proprietors and owners of the Walls Novelty company, manufacturers of many different patterns of novelties in wood, R. V. Erk and his father, William Erk, took over the plant Tuesday morning, their purchase of it having been completed Monday afternoon. The Messrs. Erk are from Tampa, Fla., where they have been for some years in business.

R. V. Erk said that in taking over the plant his first purpose will be to enlarge the area of sales, or to express it differently, the objective of the new owners will be to cover the entire field of the United States. He said he now had a salesman in New York City, and hoped soon to establish connection with salesmen on the Pacific coast, in New Orleans, Chicago and St. Louis. He said that he would begin to make arrangements for an exhibit at the Chicago World's Fair which opens June 1.

The purchase price has not been disclosed, but the information given out is that an amount of money sufficient to enlarge the plant in its sales operations and manufacture will be put in. It is not the purpose at this time, it was stated, to change the name of the plant, or to change in any way the quality of the product or the make of the novelties; but there will be added from time to time other patterns that will add materially to the output and sales. Mr. Erk said that he had in mind some old games that he had seen played in his childhood and had gone out of vogue, but he felt should come back, and he was going to have some patterns in hand crafts of these old games and add in bringing them back into use.

It is understood that a full organization of the running part of the plant will be made in a short while, but for the present, the same general outfit and the same shop personnel will continue as at present. H. L. Liner and J. H. Barnes, former owners, will continue as operatives in the plant, and the force will be increased as the trade demands.

Mr. Erk emphasized the statement (Continued on page 5)

New Beauty Parlor Opens Here Friday

The Jo Ann Beauty Shop will be formally opened here Friday afternoon between the hours of 4 and 6.

The new beauty parlor is located in the same building with Ann d'Orrs Dress Shop. During the past few days the interior of the building has been rearranged and repainted.

Elizabeth Meredith will have general charge of both the beauty shop and the dress shop. Miss Fay Kilpatrick will be operator in a beauty shop, and Miss Josephine Davis will be associated with Mrs. Meredith in the dress shop.

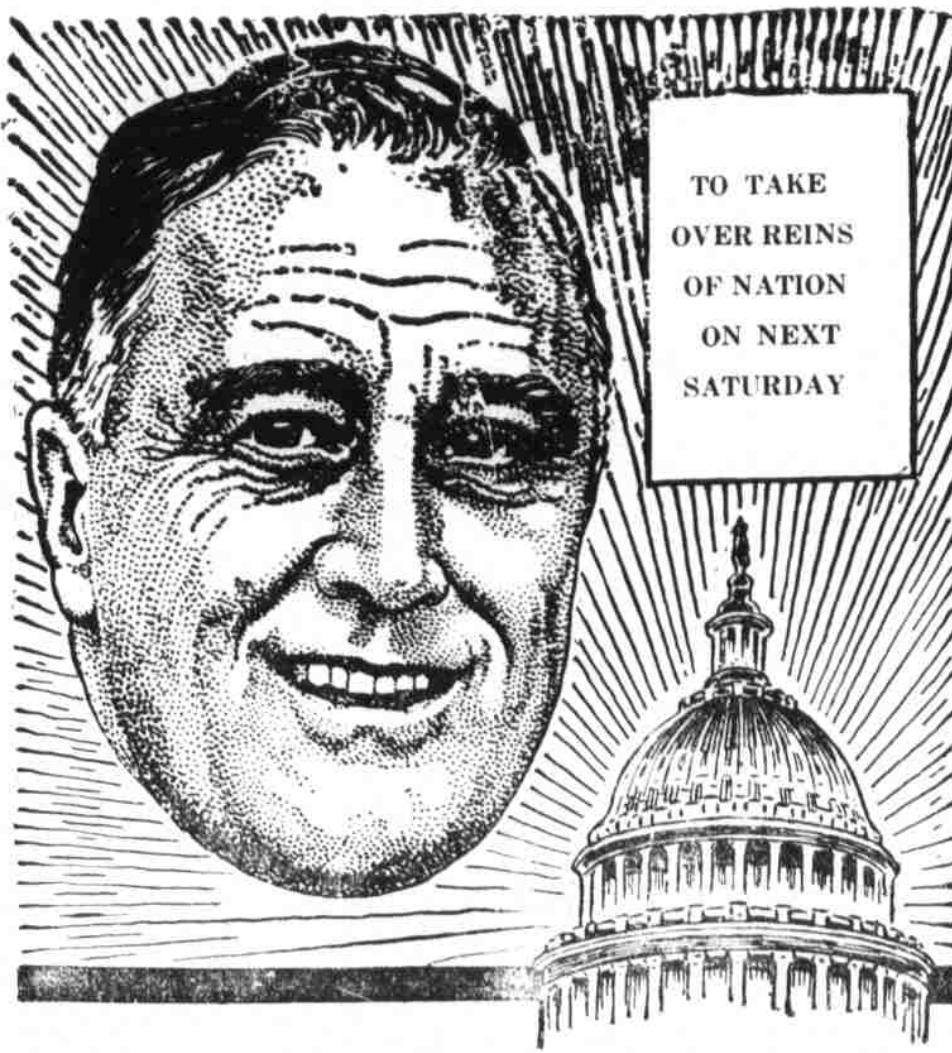
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The purpose and nature of the meeting was not disclosed, although Mr. Atkins did state that he and the others were encouraged and that things looked brighter to them.

It is expected that some announcement regarding Wednesday's meeting will be made public within the next few weeks.

Those attending the meeting were: E. A. Cole, of Charlotte; Dr. J. A. Harmon, Macon, Ga.; Dr. A. W. Plyler, Greensboro; Dr. Paul Powell, Owenboro, Ky.; Hon. D. C. Stinson, Owenboro, Ky.; Col. Coswell Rhoades, Nashville, Tenn.; J. A. Anderson, Nashville, Tenn.; Dr. H. C. Smith, Durham; and L. H. Burghard, Macon, Ga.

TO TAKE
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ON NEXT
SATURDAY



CITY BOARD NOT TO SELL TIMBER ON WATERSHED

All Members Of Board And Mayor Make Statements That They Are Against Movement.

MATTER HAS BEEN TOPIC OF MUCH DISCUSSION

Ten Times More Damage Than Profit Would Be Done If Timber Is Sold,

"I am opposed to the matter, and have no idea of taking such steps, and the members of the board of aldermen have never discussed or mentioned the matter to me," said Mayor C. B. Atkin on when questioned about the matter of cutting the chestnut and pulp wood from the Waynesville watershed, which is a topic of much discussion in Waynesville since Representative J. H. Howell got a bill passed in the General Assembly which gave the board of aldermen the right to sell the pulp and wood on the Waynesville watershed.

"The bill was passed giving the board power to sell the chestnut wood if they wanted to, but the present board have no intention of doing such a thing," Mayor Atkins continued.

T. N. Massie, who has been a member of the board for the past three years, said "the board of aldermen have no idea of selling the timber in the Waynesville watershed."

"The, too," he continued, "the board could not sell timber from the part of the watershed that we now get water from if any timber was sold off within a mile to that part of the watershed which is a mile and a quarter below the place where our water is now taken to the city. This is more of a virgin watershed, and probably will not be used for 40 or 50 years, because the present source of supply is furnishing us about three times more water than we use."

"Even if the board wanted to sell the timber or had any intention of selling any of it, the present market price would not warrant the sale of it at the present. The most we could hope to realize from the sale of the timber, and we have been told that there are 10,000 cords of chestnut, a million feet of saw timber and 1,000 cords of pulp wood up there, would be almost nothing. The price now is lowest in years."

R. T. Messer, who is chairman of the water department on the board, stated: "I am not in favor of selling the timber and in fact, I never have been. I don't think that it is the right thing to do, because we could not realize anything. To sell the timber would do 10 times more damage to the watershed than the profit would be."

"The bill did not have to be passed at all. I don't believe it will ever be used."

"As far as I know, there is no movement on foot by the board to sell one bit of this timber. It was discussed a long time ago, or rather brought up by an outsider, for the board was opposed to such action, and are still opposed to it," he continued.

J. M. Palmer, who was appointed member of the board last December, stated: "I am bitterly opposed to cutting the timber on our watershed. And since I have been on the board, the Mayor or any member of the board have not even as much as mentioned the matter to me. I am against any such movement. There has not been any plans made by the board to sell the timber on the watershed since I have been on the board."

"To sell the timber up there we would do \$30,000 damage for each \$1,000 received for the wood. I am against it."

The Waynesville watershed consists of about 9,500 acres and is about eight miles from Waynesville at the head of Allen's Creek. A recent estimated value has been placed on the watershed at a half million dollars.

Some few years ago Gilber C. White, foremost water works engineer, told Clyde Ray, then mayor of this city, that the Waynesville watershed was the best watershed in the country. Other experts have made similar remarks during the past years.

Summer visitors coming here are impressed with the wonderful water that Waynesville is supplied with and without a doubt, Waynesville's water is one of the biggest drawing cards to the city for tourists.

With these facts in mind, the people of Waynesville and community could not grasp the idea of the bill being passed in the assembly granting the board the power to cut the timber from the water supply source of the city, and it has been a topic of much discussion during the past few weeks.

The statements from the board and mayor of this city given above should clear up all questions lingering in the minds of those wondering what was going to be done about the watershed.

RUTH RAY MOVES BEAUTY SHOP Ruth Ray's Beauty Shop moved the first of the week into the Schulhofer Building on Main street here.

The building now being occupied by the beauty shop is one of the newest and most modern buildings in the city.