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Almost in a day Hendersonville has grown to a beautiful town of five thousand! Plans of a gigantic character are now being formed which will make the bright story of her past progress dull and uninteresting! But even today it is

Hendersonville, The Fastest Growing Town of the South

ABOUT OUR People

Hilliard Staton, the well known attorney, went to Raleigh last week.

T. R. Barrows leaves on Thursday for Ohio. He will return next week.

H. W. Kirkpatrick, of the old reliable Piedmont Insurance Co., of Charlotte, spent a few days in town last week.

Dr. Kirk, who has been seriously sick, is recovering nicely and is taking care of his patients again.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Lyda, Jan. 14th, a boy, named Mack, a democrat of democrats, sure.

Chas. E. Pless has returned from New York where he has been buying stock for his new Winston bookstore.

Cashier C. E. Brooks, of the Citizens Bank, has moved into his new and handsome residence on College street.

Mr. and Mrs. Church, who have been the guests of Dr. and Mrs. Morey, left for their Ohio home on last Thursday.

H. C. Duffy has been busy the past week on some plumbing work in Brevard, returning to town on Monday.

B. M. Bryson's meat market, will, after Feb. 1st, be located in the rear of J. W. Cairne's store on Anderson ave.

Mayor Michael Schenck will improve his newly acquired property on Main street by the erection of a handsome residence.

Miss Lena Lewis left Sunday for a visit to friends in Charleston. Before returning Miss Lewis will visit friends in Savannah and Montgomery.

MARRIED—Miss Eunice Osteen and U. F. Ballard, on Jan. 9th, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Osteen, Zirconia. Rev. John C. Ward officiated.

E. C. McLoughlin, of Rowan county, who purchased B. B. Jackson's place near town, has brought his family and household goods here and is now happily situated in his new home.

Rev. A. E. Sample will probably move his residence on Main street to the corner of Anderson Ave., facing that avenue, and placing all the Main street property on the market.

Simp Hart, the son of Postmaster J. L. Hart, of Saluda, died at his home there on Saturday, age 26 years. Mrs. Hart died four months ago. The burial occurred Sunday, at Friendship Church, Polk county.

Deputy Tax Collector Allen has turned his office into a bowser of beauty with a dozen or more finely growing potted plants in the window. It doesn't hurt half as much now to pay your taxes. Try it and see.

Capt. W. J. Sanders, who has been coming to this town every summer for more than 25 years, died at his home in Fairfax, S. C., on Jan. 18th. Captain Sanders is survived by his widow and one son. He was a property owner here and well known in Hendersonville.

M. T. Justus has at last a fine steel engraving of Stonewall Jackson, a recent gift from Mrs. W. A. Smith. Mr. Justus already has a picture of Gen. Lee, and a group picture of two soldiers and a Captain, making rather an interesting collection of men who fought for the Lost Cause.

Mr. T. M. McCulloh, of the Hendersonville Wholesale Grocery Company, came here from Salisbury about three years ago, and he's glad he came, of course. But it is interesting to note that he has been instrumental in bringing here not less than seven men and their families from his home town.

Mill Will Be Built

If the Citizens want It! It's Up to the Town! Raise the \$75,000 and the Mill Will Be Built and In Operation By October 1, 1909

Mr. D. D. Little, the cotton mill man of Spartanburg, Mr. Carroll Baldwin and Mr. S. J. Hallyburton, two capitalists of New York City, had an extended conference at the Hotel Gates with a large number of representative citizens of the town, today, in reference to the proposed cotton mill to be located here.

The conference was held at two o'clock on Wednesday. At the time of the mill would be built.

Mr. Little and his associates offer to invest \$200,000 if \$75,000 is raised here. It is believed this amount will be raised and the mill built.

The meeting was largely attended by representative business men of Hendersonville, about 200 being present. A committee of five were appointed to raise \$75,000 subscription to the capital stock.

The weekly pay roll will be over \$600 per week. There will be absolutely no debt on the mill.

The shares will be \$50 each. It is said that 100 carpenters will take one share each.

The mill will be located near town and there will be no company stores.

The mill will be started about April 1st and be in operation by October 1st.

It is the duty of every lover of this beautiful town to aid to the very best of his ability in this gigantic undertaking.

This mill is but the starting point. It will be increased until it will be truly a gigantic proposition.

Judge Pace was chairman of the meeting and K. G. Morris, secretary.

The committee is: Messrs. W. A. Smith, R. M. Oates, E. W. Ewbank, J. Williams, Judge Blythe, H. S. Anderson.

Remember, other towns are after this mill!

The committee held a meeting immediately after the meeting. The committee subscribed the following amounts:

Hendersonville, with a population of five thousand, is today growing more rapidly than any town in the South!

But two, or possibly three cities show a larger volume of building operations than Hendersonville.

No town in the mountains can show so large a gain in summer tourists.

Almost in a day Hendersonville has grown from a straggling mountain village to a modern, beautiful, clean and compact town.

Wonderful as has been this transformation, short as has been the time required, it bids fair to be surpassed a hundred-fold within the next few short years!

Great enterprises have been told of in this paper, from time to time, and many of them are now actual realities or on the verge of becoming so.

But plans of so vast and far-reaching a character, so stupendous in their scope, are now in their formative period, are now in the hands and brains of level-headed business men, that when they are finally consummated, as they will be, the past story of Hendersonville's marvelous progress will seem dull and uninteresting.

These gigantic plans are now being carefully worked out by men of affairs who generally do what they start out to do, men who have, or are able to get, ample capital for their consummation.

The attention of capitalists of the first rank has been drawn to this town, and he who would predict its future five years from now must be bold, with the keen judgment of a successful business man and the imagination of a poet and a dreamer.

The reasons for this town's wonderful growth and still more wonderful future, are not hard to find.

On a level plateau, 2250 feet above the ocean's waves, surrounded by the dark blue mountains, height overtopping height, peak rising behind peak, with here and there a solitary giant standing solemnly aloof, and with far-off ranges so faint that it is impossible to tell where the emerald heights and azure sky blend, Hendersonville has the most superb location possible for any town.

Climatic conditions peculiar to itself, absence of fog and dampness, freedom from contagious diseases, with pure and abundant water, good schools and churches, modern hotels and high-class boarding houses, with moderate rates for the service rendered, are a few reasons why Hendersonville has become the principal resort of the mountains.

The tourist accommodations have trebled here during the past two years and this summer promises to test the capacity of the town to take care of its guests.

No town in the South possesses a more magnificent thoroughfare than Main street. Sixty feet of macadam, with twenty feet of cement sidewalk on either side, it commands the admiration of every visitor to the town and is a constant advertisement of the public-spirit and go-aheadness of Hendersonville.

The two beautiful lakes, Oseola practically finished, and the gigantic Kanuga where hundreds of thousands of dollars will be spent and which will be finished this season, is ample testimony as to what men think of this town's future. These two beautiful lakes are realities, direct outgrowth of the stupendous project to encircle the town with a beautiful body of water, and which gigantic proposition is now being carefully looked into by men able to carry it to a successful issue.

The proposed electric belt line railroad, practically a necessity, is gradually assuming definite and concrete form. The electric railroad from Hendersonville to Asheville will be built, the permanent survey, costing many thousands, being completed.

The permanent survey of part of the Appalachian Interurban has been started, with a complete engineering corps in the field, and this third railroad means much to this town.

The approaching conference of noted men in this city, when President Finley, of the South-

ern Railway, Mr. D. A. Tompkins, and other Captains of Industry known through the country, will draw the public's attention to Hendersonville, the subject of the conference, "Cooperation of the People and the Railroads," being one of vital interest.

The admirable location of Hendersonville, making it an ideal distributing point, is indicated by its three wholesale grocery houses, its wholesale hardware house and the proposed wholesale shoe house of Mr. Asher Asher, of Philadelphia.

The fact that Mr. D. G. Little is ready to invest \$150,000 in a cotton mill here, with two others in prospect, the big Green River Manufacturing Company's plant ready to start operations, the doubling of the Skyland Hosiery Mills capacity, the successful operation of the Trident Hosiery Mills, all show that Henderson county is rapidly being "discovered" by the mill men of the South.

The innumerable hills crowned with handsome residences, the solid and substantial business blocks being erected, scores of new residences, the yearly increasing volume of summer and winter visitors tells of Hendersonville's present prosperity.

The vast schemes now assuming definite form tell of its future.

Hendersonville has five thousand inhabitants today.

What will it have five years from now?

With its superb location, its incomparable natural advantages, under the impetus of its present rapid growth and its many present developing propositions, what will the population of this town be when these new and vaster projects become actual, concrete facts?

Who can tell!

FIRST ACT PASSED.

District Attorney of New York has well said, the poor has but little showing in law with the rich. But all are equal when they are buying from RIGBY-MORROW & CO.

See our stock before buying Fresh first-class Doors, Sash, Lime, Cement, Patented Plaster (Ivory) Flooring, Ceiling, Moulding, Roofing, Shingles, Deadening Felt and Mantels. Special attention to mail orders.

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Four Hundred Wagons A Day.

It is said that not less than 400 loaded wagons come into Hendersonville every day now. If the average load is worth two dollars, which is a very low average indeed, that means \$800 a day being paid to Henderson county men by this town. Lumber for the new buildings, cord wood, corn and roughness form the bulk of the stuff brought to town.

The Advertising Committee Returns.

Messrs. W. A. Smith, and J. Williams, part of the special advertising committee of the Town of Hendersonville have returned from their missionary trip to Florida. Much advertising literature was distributed in that State and many informal talks given on the subject so near the heart of each of these gentlemen—Hendersonville. They are well pleased with their trip and believe Hendersonville will show a substantial increase in its number of tourists this summer. Mr. Wilson is still in Florida talking Hendersonville.

See D. S. Pace for your fertilizer. All grades. The very lowest prices. Cash or time.

Miss Louise Thomas and Mr. Frank Dodson, of Kansas, were married at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Thomas on last Thursday by Dr. R. B. Grinnan. The happy couple left on the 1 o'clock train for their future home in the west. The bride is a sister of Mr. Thomas, the groom a brother of Mrs. Thomas.

For your Fertilizer see D. S. Pace at the Depot. All kinds.

Don't Like The Road Law.

To the Editor: I have been a road supervisor for twenty years and have heard various plans suggested how to keep up the roads of Henderson county. I have worked under the different laws and have found the Sam Justice law to come nearer giving satisfaction than any law we have ever had. But under the McD. Ray law you will hear "cussing" right. A better law than that ought to be printed on a post card. I am not in favor of paying Mr. Jordan \$1200 a year to drive over the roads of this county. I think it is a shame. We have too many leaks for the public money now. I am not hard to please but I say this road law.

G. W. LYDA.

NINETY-FIVE SOLID CAR LOADS OF BUILDING MATERIAL

Mr. Henry Jordan, the well known contractor, has 75 men in his employ today. This number will be increased at once to 150. Most of Mr. Jordan's contracts are very large ones, and he has just bought ninety-five solid car loads of building material. He has placed an order for 320,000 feet of lumber with one man, and has contracted for 1,800 barrels of cement to finish the sidewalks, which work will start about March first.

Mr. Jordan will start work on the First National Bank's new three-story building at once, material now being delivered on the ground for this new structure.

A \$3,500 residence for Mr. A. Ficker, adjoining his present home on Academy street, will be started at once by Mr. Jordan.

When one contractor orders 95 car loads of material, 320,000 feet of lumber at one crack, nearly two thousand barrels of cement and has 150 men in his employ, the question naturally arises,

What on earth is the matter with little old Hendersonville, anyway?

THIRD NUMBER HENDERSONVILLE'S LYCEUM COURSE

Walden, the great Magician, gives the third number of the Lyceum Course, at the Court House on Feb. 5th, at 8:00 p. m. Walden has his own stage manager, and will give two hours of most wonderful entertainment, showing the very wonderful things that educated hands can do.



Walden, The Magician. There are no dull numbers in this Course, and this number given by Walden, is the best of the kind given anywhere. It is a regular \$1.00 entertainment, but to put same in reach of all, One-night tickets have been placed by the management at only twenty-five cents. And for benefit of the school children, every child under twelve years of age, accompanied by some person, who buys a ticket, will be admitted free. Also a premium of \$1.00 will be given to any boy, girl or person for each \$10.00 worth of tickets sold before six o'clock of the day of the entertainment.

No matter about the weather, the room will be warm and comfortable, and a large audience is expected.

The Local Management.

SKYLAND HOISERY MILLS SPENDING THOUSANDS!

Will Have Big Addition Completed March 1st. Over 350 Employees. Wonderful Transformation at East Flat Rock.

The Skyland Hosiery Mills, about three miles from Hendersonville on the Southern Railroad, are now erecting new buildings which will double their capacity and give employment to over 350 people.

The paid in capital stock of the company is \$150,000, authorized capital \$300,000, which will be utilized in their new mills at East Flat Rock.

The officers of the company are: John F. Wilcox, president; F. S. Wilcox, vice-president; H. E. Stilwell, secretary and treasurer; C. P. Rogers, superintendent; Herbert Wilcox, sales manager. The stockholders are New York capitalists, and the sales force on the road numbers eight men.

The company manufactures a high grade article, under the widely advertised brand "Biltmore," made to retail at 25 cents a pair. Ladies' stockings of the best grade are also made.

The main building of the mill now in operation covers 30,000 square feet of floor space, is 30-150 feet, admirably ventilated and clean, with sunlight pouring in the great windows so prettily filled with potted plants, and almost covered with marvelous, half-human machinery. The employees, largely girls and mighty pretty, and sweet-looking girls, too, seem to have ideal working conditions in the great pleasant room, and an air of brightness and cheerful attention to their interesting work is a marked characteristic of the whole mill force.

A new 75 horse power engine and an additional boiler will be installed in the modern engine room now under the efficient care of Mark King, which will be in the center of the whole mill when the addition is completed.

A large force of masons and carpenters are busy on this addition, which will be 50-116 feet, two and a half stories high and which will contain the finishing department and dye house—a most important part in the manufacture of the company's product, involving as much labor and expense as the actual making of the goods themselves. This building will be completed by March first. Mr. Herbert Wilcox is the architect and has the construction work in charge.

The Skyland Hosiery Company owns 60 acres of land surrounding their mill. The mill village is well laid out, the houses are very pretty indeed in their white paint and green roofs. There are now 25 cottages, six being built, and ten more to be erected. Every family has ample garden space with the privilege of cultivating a still larger garden a short distance away.

Mr. Rogers offers three prizes for the most attractive garden surrounding a cottage, and a modern library will shortly be at the service of the employees. A fine baseball team is already organized and a brass band is among the possibilities. Pure water and an excellent sewerage system are most excellent features of this pretty industrial village so near Hendersonville.

The company sells direct to dealers. Their product is high grade, retailing at from 10 to 25 cents. The men's half-hose are made in 12 beautiful colors, most attractively put up, and fully warranted not to require darning for six months. Egyptian cotton is used exclusively for the body of the sock, and American cotton for the heel and toe, which are four ply and very durable.

There are now 150 employees. This number will be increased March first to 350. The capacity of the present mill is 1200 dozen per day. The wages paid are good, many young girls getting \$3.00 to \$1.50 per day while the knitters average at least \$2 per day. The socks are made by automatic machinery, and there are 160,000 stitches in a single pair.

When running at its full capacity 450 people will be employed, with a population of over 1000 in the mill village.

The present mill was completed and the first pair of socks made within 90 days of starting building operations. A railroad siding from the Southern's tracks will shortly be an added improvement. The additions to the mill will not cease with the erection of the new building now going up, the company having still other improvements in view.

The village is beautifully located in a superb grove. The sunlight glinting through the long lines of pine and oak, the birds so bravely singing, the azure sky, and the flood of glorious sunshine over all, with the familiar old mountains looking approvingly and solemnly over the busy scene, makes you think that life in a mill village may be a very pleasant life after all! And this belief is strengthened when you step inside the big brick building, so bright and clean, with scores of prosperous looking operatives working industriously, and see that long table with forty pretty North Carolina girls bending over their light tasks and listening to the whirr of the countless machines.

Then, it is suddenly borne upon you, maybe, that the machines are singing a song of prosperity and peace and plenty to the people of these mountains, and that some glorious day even Hendersonville may hear their music and hearing it once may insist upon it being multiplied until their song, too, shall rise, a glorious anthem of praise, that at last true, substantial prosperity has come upon this town.

ABOUT OUR Town!

What do you think of this weather, anyhow?

The excavation for the new Smith-Jordan building has been started.

Postmaster Brownlow Jackson has bought another one of those fine Bowen property lots, adjoining the one he already owns.

The big hole in the ground for the Clarke wholesale building, 60 x 130 feet is completed. Stone masons are at work and the foundation is being pushed.

When the ladies of this town go driving with white shirt waists on and no wraps, maybe the full beauty of a Hendersonville winter will be realized.

Hendersonville is truly a town of surprises! Now, for instance, the Wanteska Trust Company has a beautiful formed lemon tree bearing fruit—a large lemon almost ripe.

The office of the Laundry, Ice and Fuel Company is now in the Hustler building, where all laundry should be left and orders for coal or Ice will be taken. The convenience of an up-town office, so centrally located, will be appreciated by the company's patrons.

What is the population of this town? Some of the most careful estimates, made after some investigation, place it at not less than 6,000. This is probably very close to the exact figures and shows a tremendous growth here during the past two or three years.

Probably the best two clasp men's garter ever sold in this town is the "Neverfelt," a most satisfactory article in every way and which is sold exclusively by G. M. Glazener. Mr. Glazener has a way of getting "the best" for his customers which is most satisfactory and pleasing to his large clientele.

The O. A. B. Club was entertained last Friday evening by William H. Twyford in honor of his fifteenth birthday. The "bean bag" was the feature of the evening, and two prizes were awarded, Charlie Morrow winning the first and Harry Hunter the booby prize. And did the boys partake liberally and freely of the bountiful feast set before them? They were boys—all healthy and vigorous and as one remarked he didn't believe he wanted any breakfast next morning.

Miss Sadie Smathers has returned from a few days' visit to Asheville.

Miss Shackelford of Newberry, S. C., was the guest of Miss Nettie LeGrand on Wednesday.

Part of the Staggs property was sold at the court house, on Monday, to Homer Hawkins and Claude Pace, for \$1160.

Fertilizer at D. S. Pace's, at the Depot. All kinds. See him at once.

Notice of Dissolution

Notice is hereby given that the co-partnership and business relations existing between the undersigned have been dissolved by mutual consent, and that all claims due Justus Pharmacy will be paid to W. H. Justus, and all debts due by the firm will be paid by him from this date.

This the 27th day of January, A. D., 1909.

W. H. JUSTUS, COLUMBUS FAW.

The old firm of Pace & Sherman will re-open a business at their former stand near the depot on February 1, 1909 with a full line of first class meats.

Wishing to thank our many friends and customers for their former patronage and heartily solicit a good share of their present. Prompt delivery and satisfaction guaranteed in every respect. Respectfully yours to please, PACE & SHERMAN