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\$1.50 PER YEAR, 1 ADVANCE

R. J. S. BROWN ELECTED AS COUNTY PHYSICIAN.

Will Also Have Quarantine Work; \$20 Monthly Salary and Two-Thirds of Fee Bill Rates.

The county board of health met Monday and elected Dr. J. S. Brown to the office of county physician, succeeding Dr. A. B. Drafts, who has served for two years. Dr. Brown will receive \$20 a month for poor house, all and changing services and two-thirds of the fee bill for quarantine and fumigation. The employment was not made for a full year and Dr. Brown explained that discontinuance of the work at any time would be agreeable with him. It is highly probable that the county and city will unite in whole-time health work during the summer. Dr. Brown served in this capacity before Dr. Drafts assumed the work.

"Help, please," says Dr. Brown in an interview with the Democrat. "Not personal or political help. No. Help myself by helping to build up your community."

"Having been elected quarantine officer as well as county physician, I wish to urge upon every citizen of the county that it is his duty to himself, his family, and to his neighbor to co-operate with me in my efforts to put Henderson county where it belongs—at the head of the list for healthfulness. You should report promptly every case of contagious disease as well as any bad water supply or other unhealthful condition about any school or church or other public or private place."

"I aim to earn my wages ten times over and more, but I cannot do it without your help."

"Politics and personalities must be excluded so that I can do everything in my power for every fellow citizen."

Written Before the Meeting.

John Albert Maxwell, chairman of the county board of health has addressed letters to physicians in Henderson county asking them to name a price for which they would render services to the county.

The letter states that the board is anxious to get a good man for as little money as possible.

Dr. A. B. Drafts is at present the county physician at a salary of \$65 per month. It is understood that a few years ago the salary was above this. A Hendersonville physician is reported as saying that he would do the work for far less than the present price. This report may be the reason why the matter is left open for bids on the work.

The county commissioners have been requested to appropriate money toward employing a whole-time health officer for the county and city and let the salary given the county physician be included and therefore combine the work.

INSTALL NEW OFFICERS.

Officers for the ensuing year were installed at the regular weekly meeting of the Woodmen of the World last Thursday night. They were, V. E. Grant, council commander; Floyd A. Jackson, advisor; lieutenant; J. M. Stepp, banker; G. J. Millward, clerk; A. H. Hawkins, escort; Wiley H. Gibbs, watchman; George Freeman, secretary; John T. Wilkins, W. F. Case and Allard Case, managers; Dr. J. S. Brown, physician.

BORROWED NEIGHBOR'S PAPER.

Example of the Evil Effects of Borrowing Your Neighbor's Newspaper.

The Democrat is in possession of facts which convince it that a number of people in Henderson county enjoy reading the paper, but depend on their neighbors to subscribe for it. Following is an example of what borrowing a newspaper leads to, taken from the Brooklyn Eagle:

"We once knew a man who was too stingy to take the newspaper in his home town, and always went over to borrow his neighbor's paper. "One evening he sent his son over to borrow the paper, and when the son was on the way he ran into a large field of bees, and in a few minutes his face looked like a summer squash. "Hearing the agonized cries of his son, the father ran to his assistance, and in doing so, ran into a barbed wire fence, cutting a handful of flesh from his anatomy and ruining a \$1 pair of trousers. "The old cow took advantage of the hole in the fence, got into the cornfield and killed herself eating green corn. Hearing the racket, the stingy man's wife ran out of the house upsetting a four-gallon churn full of cream into a basket of kittens, drowning the whole flock. She slipped on the cream and fell down stairs, breaking her leg and a \$19 set of false teeth. The baby, left alone, crawled through the spilled cream into the parlor and ruined a \$40 parlor carpet. During the excitement the daughter slipped with the hired man, taking the family savings bank with her. "The moral is that every man would be a subscriber to his home newspaper."

DR. J. FRANK CRANFORD IS CITY HEALTH OFFICER.

City Commissioners Make City New Year Gift of Whole-Time Health Officer; Monthly Salary \$45.

The city commissioners in monthly session Thursday night decided after a lengthy discussion to elect a whole-time health officer as a result of which Dr. J. Frank Cranford, present city physician, was elected to the office with a salary of \$45 per month.

The death rate of Hendersonville was discussed and different views of the necessity of more health work in the city were held by the commissioners, but they soon agreed that something must be done.

Dr. Cranford filed his application for the position saying that he would do the work for \$50 per month. After a short conference with Commissioners Ficker and Freeze he decided that he would accept the position for \$45.

All Scientific Attention Necessary.

While this does not mean that Dr. Cranford will give his full time to the city's health work, it means that the city will have all his time needed as it was not deemed necessary to employ a health officer for full time in a city the size of Hendersonville.

Work to be Systematic.

Dr. Cranford will pay regular visits to the slaughter pens, meat markets, dairies and other places requiring attention.

The city authorities have been considering increased health work for some time and have taken the matter up with the county authorities in the hope of inducing them to co-operate in the employment of a whole-time health officer. The county commissioners have so far failed to give a definite answer, therefore the city commissioners deemed it unwise to wait longer since it appeared necessary to get busy and clean the city before next summer.

Considerable work has already been done along sanitary lines as nearly 100 water closets have been contracted or installed within the past few weeks.

Goodbye Mr. Hog.

In keeping with the health movement the police men were instructed by the board to enforce the hog-pen ordinance, which forbids the keeping of hogs within the city limits. This ordinance has caused considerable feeling at times and the presence of hogs in the city limits has caused considerable complaint. The officers were instructed to how to the line, letting the chips fall as they may.

What Work Includes.

The following application from Dr. Cranford, covering what he proposes to do, will be of interest:

"To the Honorable Board of City Commissioners: "I hereby make application for the position of city health officer, this to include meat inspection and the examination of milk."

"I agree to visit the slaughter house and each meat market at least twice a week to determine their sanitary condition; to examine and make bacteria count of milk from each dairy or dispenser of milk at least once a week, this report to be made public each month. To visit the city dairies when called upon to do so, or when in my opinion an investigation becomes necessary; to give my personal attention to the sanitary condition of the city."

"The city to pay me a sum of \$45 per month, this to include the work of city physician."

12,000 PERSONS LOSE LIFE IN EARTHQUAKE OF ITALY.

Cities Are Bazed to the Ground; Heavy Property Losses and Thousands Injured and Homeless.

Rome, Jan. 13.—Italy has been visited by an earthquake of wide extent which, according to the latest advices has resulted in the death of 12,000 and injury to possibly 20,000 in towns and villages destroyed.

The shock was the strongest Rome has felt in more than a hundred years.

The town of Azzezano, in the Abruzzi department, 65 miles east of Rome has been levelled to the ground and here 8,000 persons are reported to have been killed.

WHO ARE HUSTLERS?

"Who runs the Community shops? He certainly is a hustler," inquired Commissioner R. P. Freeze.

Why is the management of Community shops a hustler? Mr. Lindsey advertises in the Democrat as a result of which the paper has directed some inquiries to him about work.

Moral: Advertise in the Democrat and be a hustler.

FARM DEMONSTRATION WORK WILL CONTINUE BY SUBSCRIPTION

CITIZENS SUBSCRIBE \$261 OUT OF THE \$300 NECESSARY TO GUARANTEE SERVICES OF DEMONSTRATOR PERKINS.

Realizing the importance of the farm demonstration work and knowing that it resulted in greater agricultural advancement for the farmers of Henderson county during the past year than there has been for any equal period in the history of the county, and being determined that the work should be continued despite the action of the board of county commissioners in withdrawing an appropriation for this purpose, those mostly interested in the matter have taken upon themselves the task of raising the money by private subscription.

A. P. Gallamore of the Gallamore Drug company, Postmaster S. Y. Bryson and Manager Gordon F. Garlington of the Western Carolina Democrat drew and circulated a petition among the business men of Hendersonville and community Wednesday with the result that \$261 was raised with little difficulty.

Many Willing Helpers.

The publicity that had been given by the Democrat to the results of the farm demonstration work by Ernest L. Perkins during the past year made the raising of the money a far less difficult task than it people realized that the farm demonstration work meant more for the agricultural interests of the county than any other one thing. Regardless of political considerations they readily saw the mistake of the county commissioners in withdrawing the appropriation for the work.

Where Money Comes From.

It is understood that the amount raised by subscription will be supplemented by the \$175 from the County Board of Education and the \$125 from the farmers union.

The amounts solicited from the various business interests have been small and it is therefore hoped that the people will rally to this worthy cause by making subscriptions. They are urged to make their contributions without delay in order that the services of demonstrator may be assured.

Non-Political Movement.

The movement has no political significance whatever. It is for the interest of all the people. All political parties are contributing as will be seen from the list of contributors below. They want to keep Demonstrator Perkins for the reason that it would require considerable time and duplication of efforts for a new man to learn and accomplish what he has during his stay of a year in the county.

District Agent E. S. Millsaps, who is in a position to know Mr. Perkins' ability, declares that he is second to no demonstrator in North Carolina and that his services are incalculable to the county, therefore should be retained.

A number of business people were called on Wednesday by the committee, but were not in at that time and others will contribute to the work and their names will be given in the Democrat next week, when it is hoped that the full amount will have been raised.

Appealing to the Farmers.

Republicans and Democrats have keenly regretted the action of the county commissioners and in order to show that the republicans as well as the democrats desire to see the work continued, the following letter from D. S. Pace, one of the most influential republicans of the county, to the farmers, will be of interest:

"Jan. 13, 1915.

"Dear Sir:

"As you already know, the county commissioners on the first Monday in December discontinued the farm demonstration work for Henderson county, and also reaffirmed their decision on the first Monday in January. I am sure the county commissioners are conscientious, and think they are doing the thing the people of Henderson county want them to do, but I am of a different opinion, and a larger number of the leading farmers of our county agree with me; therefore it is our desire to continue the work. It will, therefore, be necessary to raise by private subscription \$300, and I am writing this letter to see how much you will give of this amount. You may write me by return mail and advise the amount that you are willing to give. Assuring you that the merchants and business men of Hendersonville will come to the aid of the farmers and will do their part in raising the \$300. I fully agree with the leading farmers that to stop the farm demonstration work would be a great calamity to the county, when we take into consideration the enormous drainage that is going out of the county every year for farm products, that could easily be raised at home. Uncle Sam's in sympathy with us and agrees to pay one-half of what it will cost to keep a farm demonstrator in our county, and we should certainly come across with the remaining half, and show our appreciation for Uncle Sam's liberality.

"Yours truly,
"D. S. PACE."

It is highly important that other contributions be made in order to secure Mr. Perkins' services, therefore the people who have not been called on would be conferring a favor on the work should they notify either, Mr. Pace, Mr. Bryson, Mr. Gallamore or the Democrat of their intention at once.

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E. W. EWANK SUCCEEDS F. E. DURFEE AT CITIZENS BANK.

Mr. Durfee Resigns as President, is Succeeded by Vice President; the Other Officers.

At the regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Citizens bank held Tuesday afternoon, F. E. Durfee resigned, was succeeded as president by E. W. Ewbank, who has been vice president since the bank's organization. Mr. Durfee, who has been president since the bank was organized in 1908, tendered his resignation to the board of directors some time ago.

Mr. Durfee had under consideration the purpose to resign at the end of the year 1913, but, being urged by the stockholders, consented to remain another year. He does not intend to leave the city but will engage in other business on his own account, which will enable him to have greater freedom and less exacting duties.

F. A. Bly was elected first vice president and F. A. Ewbank second vice president. C. E. Brooks and E. H. Davis were re-elected cashier and assistant cashier, respectively. All the old directors, excepting Mr. Durfee, were re-elected.

The bank has just closed the most successful year of its existence, paying the usual 8 per cent dividend, and carrying to undivided profits a larger amount than for any previous year.

The policy of the bank will pursued as heretofore conducted under the direction of Mr. Durfee and the reputation for well guarded conservatism sustained in the future as in the past.

The following resolutions were adopted by the stockholders expressing their thanks to Mr. Durfee for his splendid work while at the head of the institution:

"Be it resolved that we tender to Mr. Durfee the thanks and appreciation of the stockholders for the splendid service that he rendered to the Citizens bank since its organization in 1908.

"We feel that the splendid success of the bank is largely due to the untiring efforts of Mr. Durfee and the implicit confidence that the entire community has placed in Mr. Durfee's ability and high integrity and we regret the severance of Mr. Durfee's connection with the bank."

Most Violent Battle.

London, Jan. 6.—Apart from the Russian victory over the Turks in Trans-Caucasia, which is described in dispatch to the Russian embassy from Petrograd as "complete," interest in the war centers in the stubborn fight the French and Germans are carrying on for the roads to Cernay and Muelhausen in upper Alsace.

The battle in that region, raging for a week, is described in a Berlin dispatch as the most violent of the war. The Germans regained one trench they had lost, but on the whole the French reports appear to show that the forces of France maintain their advantage, for every inch of which they have had to fight, often with the bayonet.

AT THE REX.

The Modern Woodmen of the World has made arrangements to have shown at the Rex theater a picture of particular interest to the members of the lodge entitled "The man who came back." This picture will be shown Wednesday, January 20.

HOSPITAL WINDOW OPENS.

The ladies of the hospital association will begin their Saturday window sales on Jan. 16.

The first sale of cakes, chickens, rolls, candy and all other good things to eat, will be in charge of Mrs. Guy E. Dixon and Mrs. J. Frank Cranford. Mr. Rowe at the book store has offered the use of his window.

The proceeds of these sales will be applied on expenses at the hospital.

FIRST BANK & TRUST CO. WAS VERY PROSPEROUS YEAR.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the First Bank & Trust Co., Tuesday the officers of the bank were re-elected. The work of the past year was reviewed and the stockholders expressed high satisfaction at the progress the institution had made.

THEIR PULLING POWER.

"That Want Ad. certainly brought the inquiries about a stove Mrs. Few had for sale. I think there were about half a dozen replies," said Dr. C. Few.

Moral: Democrat Want Advertisements will usually bring inquiries. The advertiser must make the sale.

SUPERIOR COURT HEARD MANY CIVIL AND CRIMINAL CASES.

Docket and Calendar Cleared; Many Road Sentences; Important Cases Tried; Grand Jury's Report.

Superior court for the trial of criminal and civil cases with Judge B. F. Long presiding, adjourned Monday at noon after the criminal docket and the civil calendar had been cleared.

The criminal cases had been disposed of last Wednesday at noon, after which the civil calendar was taken up. A number of cases were continued, several non-suited and several tried by jury.

Among the interesting cases was that of John W. Hooker, infant, by his next friend, Rodder E. Hooker, against Prof. James H. Pace, in which the plaintiff sued for damages, alleging that he had been maimed and cruelly whipped by his teacher at the East Flat Rock school. The jury brought in a verdict awarding damages to the extent of one penny, the cost to be divided between the litigants.

Probably the hardest fought case was that of the Blue Ridge Interurban Railway company vs. the American Water Works and Guarantee Co., and the Toxaway Power Co., and that against H. L. Borland and the Toxaway Co. In each of these cases the railway company sued for two tracts of land on Green River and in each instance the verdict of the jury was in favor of the plaintiff.

Bub Mitchell was convicted of retailing and sentenced to the roads for six months.

Lola Creasman, pleaded guilty of carrying a concealed weapon and received a sentence of six months on the roads.

Mack Bryson was convicted of retailing and was sentenced to the roads for three months.

Hattie Walker was convicted of having too much liquor in her possession and was sentenced to jail for a term of four months.

There were many road sentences, the majority of which were given in last week's Democrat.

Among the civil cases disposed of were:

Lena Lewis Erts vs. Samuel Urfe, divorce granted.

Michael Brothers vs. R. M. Pryor, judgment for \$31 and costs.

The judgment of the Supreme court was confirmed in the cases of J. E. Embler, administrator, vs. E. F. Stanton, administrator, vs. Gloucester Lumber Co. The judgment in the Embler case was for \$3,789; and in the Stanton case \$3,313.81. These cases resulted from a falling wall, which caused two deaths.

H. S. Nelson vs. Gloucester Lumber Co., non suit.

A. H. McCall vs. Southern Railway Co., non suit.

W. C. Brown vs. Ohio Hay & Grain Co., appeal dismissed.

Wetmur & Houston vs. Ohio Hay & Grain Co., appeal dismissed.

French Broad Hustler Co., vs. O. H. Foster, motion to dismiss and defendant's appeal allowed.

H. L. Pace vs. J. L. Ramsey, non suit.

T. B. Carson vs. J. B. Capps, non suit.

Hendersonville Column Co., vs. Hendersonville Light & Power Co., non suit.

Asheville Construction Co., vs. Ohio Hay & Grain Co., appeal withdrawn.

C. E. Wilkie vs. J. B. Patterson, non suit.

Citizens Bank vs. Laura M. Little, administrator, non suit.

A. H. Young vs. Hendersonville Column Co., non suit.

First Bank & Trust Co., vs. City of Hendersonville, non suit.

P. P. Johnston vs. P. P. Corn, non suit.

W. F. Nickel vs. Wm. Hall, non suit.

J. M. B. Ward vs. Hendersonville Brick Co., non suit.

Joseph Greenlee, assault and battery, sentence to roads stricken out and fine of \$15 and costs imposed.

Blue Ridge Interurban Railway Co., vs. Toxaway Power Co., non suit.

W. R. Pierce vs. Southern Railway Co., non suit.

George Guice, forfeiture stricken out and case continued under \$100 bond to show good behavior and payment of \$25 monthly to his wife.

Daisy Sanders, larceny, guilty, six days in jail.

Joe Shester, forcible trespass, continued on good behavior under \$100 bond.

C. A. Tabor vs. W. S. Byers, compromise judgment.

W. H. Hyder, administrator, vs. Southern Railway Co., removed to Federal court.

First Bank & Trust Co., vs. John H. Cox, judgment for \$1,450, case resulting from promissory notes.

John R. Cowley vs. L. E. Littlefield, judgment for \$1,800.

Quinn Marshall Co., vs. A. O. Jones, judgment for \$150.

W. Erwin Ladford, reported in last week's Democrat as receiving a sentence of nine months for larceny and receiving was given a road sentence of nine years, having been found guilty of stealing a horse.

Grand Jury Reports.
The grand jury made the following

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Get a Line on Municipal Affairs by Reading Home Newspaper

PATRONIZE YOUR HOME NEWSPAPER! The functions of a newspaper are many. Among its principal ones is to see that the municipality in which it is published is well governed.

It is AN INSPIRATION, AN INCENTIVE, to the man who regards public office as a public trust.

If one wants to know what the officials are doing, if he wants to know how the municipality is being run, he must read the columns of the home newspaper. If he doesn't care enough about his home town to know what is going on he is LACKING IN THE FIRST QUALITY THAT MAKES FOR CITIZENSHIP.

THERE ISN'T A NEWSPAPER IN THE COUNTRY TODAY, FROM THE HUMBLEST COUNTRY WEEKLY TO THE MOST POWERFUL METROPOLITAN DAILY, THAT DOESN'T DEVOTE A GREAT DEAL OF ITS SPACE TO MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS. EDITORS, BIG AND LITTLE, REALIZE THAT MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS ARE THE VERY LIFE OF THE NATION. IF YOU WANT TO KEEP POSTED ON MUNICIPAL DOINGS YOU MUST PATRONIZE THE HOME NEWSPAPER.

THE HOME NEWSPAPER HAS BEEN THE GREATEST FACTOR IN REAL REFORM. The people are growing more intelligent. They closely read the newspapers. They are observing more keenly.

Take this newspaper, for instance—your own home publication. We constantly devote columns to municipal news. We fully record the meetings of our town officials. We give space to everything that is doing in political circles. We keep you fully informed on town government affairs.

This paper fulfills this PUBLIC DUTY with FAIRNESS to ALL.

GET A LINE ON MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS BY READING THE HOME NEWSPAPER!