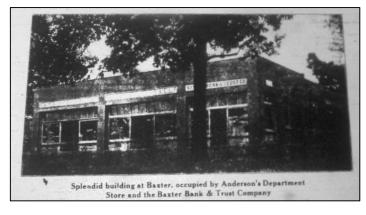
WILLIAM GROVER ANDERSON (1889-1970)

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WILLIAM THOMAS ANDERSON (1874-1926) DEPARTMENT STORE

Putnam County Herald, Cookeville, TN: Thursday, 30 March 1922.

The store that service built may be found at Baxter, Tenn., owned and managed by Mr. W. G. and Mr. W. T. Anderson.



The very atmosphere bespeaks good will. They give an extension of their good will in a practical manner, by offering their clientele merchandise of a superior quality at prices which are in keeping with those who advocate a return to a normal era we enjoyed several years ago.

This store busy in large quantities and place their facilities for distribution at the pleasure of their patrons. They so conduct their store that every transaction is a pleasure and a service

on those they cater to.

W. G. & W. T. Anderson extend to everyone the firm's assurance of good will and cordial wishes for a mutual and enduring trading spirit.

Extending over a period from 1917 to 1920 the concern has erected buildings which have a floor space of 22,000 square feet. The buildings are of brick reinforced with concrete and when the writer first saw them he through they had been transplanted from a city of 20,000 people to Baxter, Tenn.

The store has everything in stock that one may possibly need in life, and when the final adieu is make, they have the means to make it most respectable. They have the only embalming department to be found in Putnam county. Everything about this store is in its place. It would have pleased the methodical mind of Benjamin Franklin. Every department of the store is prepared to care for the wants of its large following at prices in harmony with economical buying.

In the second story of the building there is a lodge room that is a gem of its kind. Four different lodges hold their meetings in this hall. It is in perfect alignment from East to West.

Both of these gentlemen are local men, having been raised in Putnam County. Mr. W. T. Anderson is vice-president of the Baxter Bank & Trust Co. Mr. W. G. Anderson spent four years as its teacher, that he might perfect his business training. Mrs. "W.G." is a Shriner, while Mr. "W.T." is a Scottish Rite Mason. Mr. W. T. Anderson, speaking to a representative of the Herald said: "Baxter is one of the prettiest and most healthful little towns in the country. The rural community has as fine a type of citizens as one may find anywhere. The people of both town and country are intelligent, the schools and churches are good; it is a good home town."

*See more about William Grover Anderson in the Anderson files. Also the story "Recycling a Building in the Baxter section, and Chapter 2 at: http://www.ajlambert.com.