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UNC Press. p. 100. (Digital page 124). [3]Sherwood Haywood, banker, was born inEdgecombe County [4], the son of William [5] and Charity Hare Haywood. He first entered public life as clerk of the state senate, a position to which he was elected on 4 Jan. 1786, following the resignation of his brother, John Haywood, to accept the post of state treasurer [6]. He continued to serve as clerk of the senate until 24 Dec. 1798. Early in 1800, he moved from Edgecombe County to Raleigh [7], where he purchased four lots from John Haywood which comprised the block bounded by Wilmington,Edenton [8], Blount, and Jones streets. In 1804, when the Bank of Newbern [9] was chartered by the state, Sherwood Haywood became Raleigh agent of the bank, a position that he held until his death.

Haywood was one of the original trustees of theRaleigh Academy [10], serving for the rest of his life. He also subscribed to the fund to complete the Main (South) Building at The University of North Carolina [11]. Calvin Jones [12] described him as a "good, polite, clever, worthy man, who never contradicted anyone in his life." Haywood was the enslaver of Lunsford Lane [2], an enslaved then free black businessman and entrepreneur. He married Eleanor Hawkins, by whom he had nine children; one son was Richard Bennehan Haywood [13], who became a physician and surgeon in Raleigh. Haywood and his wife were buried in City Cemetery, Raleigh, in the Colonel William Polk [14] plot.

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