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Directory.

Madison County.

Established by the Legislature Session 1860-61. Population, 30,132. County Seat, Marshall. 1646 feet above sea level. New and modern Court House, cost \$33,000.00. New and modern jail, cost \$15,000.00. New and modern County Home, cost \$10,000.00.

Officers.

Hon. Jas. L. Hyatt, Senator, 33 District, Burnsville, N. C. Hon. J. C. Ramsey, Representative, Marshall, N. C. W. H. Henderson, Clerk Superior Court, Marshall, N. C. W. M. Buckner, Sheriff, Marshall, N. C. James Smart, Register of Deeds, Marshall, N. C. C. F. Runkin, Treasurer, Marshall, N. C. R. F. D. No. 2. R. L. Tweed, Surveyor, White Rock, N. C. Dr. J. H. Baird, Coroner, Mars Hill, N. C. Mrs. Eliza Henderson, Jailor, Marshall, N. C. John Honeycutt, Janitor, Marshall, N. C. Dr. C. N. Sprinkle, County Physician, Marshall, N. C. James Haynie, Supt. County Home, Marshall, N. C. Home located about two miles southwest of Marshall.

Courts.

Criminal and Civil, First Monday before First Monday in March, commencing Feb. 26th, 1912. Civil 11th, Monday after First Monday in March, commences May 20, 1912. Criminal and Civil, First Monday after First Monday in Sept. Commences Sept. 9th, 1912. Civil 6th Monday after First Monday in September, commences October 14, 1912.

BOARDS.

County Commissioners. W. C. Sprinkle, Chairman, Marshall, N. C. C. F. Cassada, Member, Marshall, N. C. R. F. D. No. 1. Reubin A. Tweed, Member, Big Laurel, N. C. C. B. Mashburn, Atty., Marshall, N. C. Board meets first Monday in every month. Road Commissioners. A. E. Bryan, Chairman, Marshall, N. C. R. F. D. 2. J. A. Ramsey, Secretary, Mars Hill, N. C. R. F. D. 2. Sam Cox, Member, Mars Hill, N. C. R. F. D. No. 2. G. W. Wild, Big Pine, N. C. Dudley Chipley, Road Engineer, Marshall, N. C. George M. Pritchard, Atty., Marshall, N. C. Board meets first Monday in January, April, July and October each year. Board of Education. Jasper Ebbs, Chairman, Spring Creek, N. C. Thos. J. Murray, Member, Marshall, N. C. R. F. D. No. 3. W. R. Sams, Marshall, N. C. R. F. D. No. 3. Prof. M. C. Buckner, Supt. of Schools, Mars Hill, N. C. R. F. D. No. 2. Board meets first Monday in January, April, July and October each year. Colleges and High Schools. Mars Hill College, Prof. R. L. Moore, President, Mars Hill, N. C. Fall Term begins August 17, 1911. Spring Term begins January 2, 1912. Spring Creek High School, Prof. G. C. Brown, Principal, Spring Creek, N. C. 8 Mo. School opened August 1, 1911. Madison Seminary High School, Prof. J. M. Weatherly, Principal, Mars Hill, N. C. R. F. D. No. 2. 7 Mo. School began October 2, 1911. Bell Institute, Miss Margaret E. Griffith, Principal, Walnut, N. C. 8 Mo. School began September 9, 1911. Marshall Academy, Prof. R. G. Anders, Principal, Marshall, N. C. 7 Mo. School began Sept. 4, 1911. Notary Publics. J. C. Ramsey, Marshall, N. C. Term expires Jan. 11, 1912. A. J. Roberts, Marshall, N. C. R. F. D. No. 5. Term expires May 30, 1912. Jasper Ebbs, Spring Creek, N. C. Term expires August 10, 1912. C. C. Brown, Bluff, N. C. Term expires December 6, 1912. J. A. Leak, Revere, N. C. Term expires January 10, 1913. W. T. Davis, Hot Springs, N. C. Term expires January 10, 1913. J. H. Southworth, Stackhouse, N. C. Term expires January 15, 1913. N. W. Anderson, Paint Fork, N. C. Term expires February 6, 1913. J. H. Hunter, Marshall, N. C. R. F. D. No. 2. Term expires April 1, 1913. J. F. Tilson, Marshall, N. C. R. F. D. No. 1. Term expires April 3, 1913. C. J. Ebbs, Marshall, N. C. Term expires April 21, 1913. J. W. Nelson, Marshall, N. C. Term expires April 25, 1913. Roy L. Gudgeon, Marshall, N. C. Term expires May 3, 1913. Geo. M. Pritchard, Marshall, N. C. Term expires May 25, 1913. Dudley Chipley, Marshall, N. C. Term expires July 29, 1913. W. G. Connor, Mars Hill, N. C. Term expires November 27, 1913.

POST.

George W. Gahagan Post, No. 28 G. A. R. J. H. Davis, Commander. B. H. Dillard, Adjutant. Meets at the Court House Saturday before the second Sunday in each month at 11 A. M.

BODIES CLOGGED LIFEBOAT'S PATH

BRITISH INQUIRY INVESTIGATING SINKING OF TITANIC BRINGS GRAPHIC STORIES.

BOATS WERE NOT FULL

Hundreds of the Dead Floated About as Rescued Rowed to Safety, Says Morris.

London.—A graphic picture of the scenes that accompanied the sinking of the White Star liner Titanic giving a new viewpoint to a tale already told many times, was painted for the British government's court of inquiry which is investigating the great sea horror.

Frank H. Morris, a baker of the lost ship, told how foreign steerage passengers were prevented from rushing the lifeboats, how sixteen persons were saved from a collapsible boat as it was sinking, and how the lifeboat in which he was rescued passed among hundreds of human beings floating in the water in its path, while only three of them cried out for help. Morris' explanation was that he supposed the others were either dead or unconscious, being buoyed up by their lifebeats.

"When I went upon the boat deck I was told to help get lifeboat No. 16 away. There were a number of women by the boat, and there was hardly any excitement at all as they entered. Not a man tried to get into the boat. They stood bravely by and bade farewell cheerfully to their wives and families who put off in the boats.

"I was ordered into lifeboat No. 14 by Fifth Officer Lowe, to help man the oars. Some foreigners tried to rush the boat, but Lowe drew his revolver and fired half a dozen shots, which sent them scampering back. There were 53 women and children in our lifeboat when it swung over the ship's side.

"We pulled away from the vessel, but as there was plenty of room in the boat, it was decided to go back. We met some other boats that were not full, and transferred some of our passengers to these boats. It was mighty ticklish work, too, for the women had begun to grow excited.

"Then we pulled back toward the wreck. On the way we passed a collapsible lifeboat which was so crowded that it was awash and would not have lasted much longer. We took 18 persons out of that boat in our own.

"The ship went down while we were rowing toward it. Soon we were passing among many bodies. There must have been hundreds of them. All were held up by the brand-new lifebeats which were buckled around their bodies, and were drifting slowly with the current. Only three of them called out for assistance. I suppose the others had become unconscious from the ice cold water. It may be that they were dead. We rowed around for a while, then set off after the other boats."

STORM RUINS LEVEE WORK

New Orleans Has the Greatest Storm in Her History.

New Orleans.—New Orleans withstood the severest rainstorm in her history. All of the lower half of Louisiana was affected, and thousands of the people who live behind the already terribly strained levees that hold back the Mississippi's flood waters were panicky.

The wind raged from 27 miles an hour at New Orleans to 40 miles at Baton Rouge, and at many points along the river it swept the waves of the swollen stream over the levees. The Mississippi river here was backed up by the high winds, and rose eight inches in two hours, forcing the waters over the levees at several points.

After four days of welcome sunshine, hard rains set in again in Louisiana, with high winds reported 100 miles north of New Orleans, and all along the Mississippi river, where such a hard battle is on to save weak stretches in the levees, gloom came to dispel the extreme optimism that has prevailed.

Bryan Working For Nomination. Washington.—An attack upon W. J. Bryan, stating that his attitude in this pre-convention campaign be accounted for only on the hypothesis that he hopes to be again nominated at the Baltimore convention, was given out here by the Harmon national headquarters. The statement calls upon "the Democrats of the country to give candor to the real situation." It declares that a successful Democratic candidate must carry Northern states, as well as those that Bryan carried in last race.

Young, Commander of Veterans. Macon, Ga.—Gen. Bennett H. Young of Louisville, Ky., commander of the Army of Tennessee, was elected commander-in-chief of the United Confederate Veterans, succeeding Acting Commander-in-Chief Gen. C. Irvine Walker of Charleston, S. C. The names of General Walker and Gen. W. K. Van Zandt of Texas were both presented, but they withdrew and the election of General Young was made unanimous by a rising vote. Gen. Irvine C. Walker was unanimously elected honorary commander-in-chief.

MAJ. GEORGE C. SQUIER.



Major Squier, an officer of the signal corps, has been appointed to military attaché of the American embassy in London, succeeding Maj. Stephen Blicom. Major Squier invented the multiplex telephone and gave his patent to the government.

PRIMARY IN MISSISSIPPI

OSCAR W. UNDERWOOD BEATS GOVERNOR WILSON BY BIG MAJORITY.

Vote of Underwood Practically Doubled That of Wilson Giving Southerner Entire Delegation.

Jackson, Miss.—Oscar W. Underwood of Alabama carried the state of Mississippi in the Democratic presidential primaries held in this state. His vote approximately doubles that polled for Gov. Woodrow Wilson of New Jersey, his only opponent for the support of this state in the national convention.

Underwood has received a majority in three-fourth of the counties of the state and in nearly every congressional district delegates favorable to him have been elected. The names of Clark and Harmon do not appear on the ballots.

The four delegates-at-large elected are Senator John Sharp Williams, C. H. Alexander, Senator-elect J. K. Vardaman and Gov. Earl Brewer. The two former had expressed a personal preference for Wilson and the latter two for Underwood, but under the vote of the primary they will, as will the sixteen district delegates, be compelled to vote as a unit for Underwood.

No regularly established headquarters for either of the two candidates existed in this city, their canvass being in the hands of their supporters.

Annuities for Old Employees.

Washington.—President Taft sent to congress a message approving the plan of the commission of economy and efficiency to retire all government employees at the age of 70 years on annuities equal to half salary with a maximum limit of \$600. The plan provides that employees entering the service after adoption of the superannuation shall make annual contributions to provide a retirement fund. The commission estimates that the plan would cost the government \$227,000.

Kansas Stands for Roosevelt.

Independence, Kan.—After adopting resolutions favoring the entire Progressive movement the Republican state convention named four delegates at large to the national convention and instructed them for Colonel Roosevelt.

Titanic Wreckage On Iceberg.

Philadelphia.—What probably was the icebergs which was struck by the Titanic was reported by Captain Wilcke of the German tank steamer Clio. The captain says that on April 29, in latitude 41.25 north, longitude 48.43 west, he saw an iceberg about 130 feet high, one end of which was broken as if in a collision. The mass of ice was surrounded by steamer balloon fittings, deck chairs, cushions and innumerable pieces of wreckage.

Endless Prayer Chain Floods Falls.

Chicago.—Postoffice authorities here are annoyed by the circulation of numerous anonymous postal cards urging the recital and spread of a religious prayer and are endeavoring to learn the identity of the senders in order that the flooding of the mails with the appeals may be stopped. The postals, it is believed, are being circulated by religious fanatics. They were the principal developments in the situation. The publishers said they expected normal conditions to prevail before the end of the week.

Clark Gets Washington Delegation.

Walla Walla, Wash.—The state Democratic convention voted to endorse Champ Clark as its candidate for president. The vote stood: Clark 455, Wilson 106, Bryan 136 1/2, Harmon 1 1/2. An attempt was made to stampede the convention for Bryan, but it was unsuccessful. The platform adopted advocated presidential preference primaries, the initiative, referendum and recall and publicity of campaign contributions before the election. The convention adopted a resolution endorsing woman's suffrage.

BLUE AND GRAY TO JOIN HANDS

VETERANS ACCEPT INVITATION OF G. A. R. TO MEET ON GETTYSBURG BATTLEFIELD.

CHATTANOOGA GETS REUNION

Tennessee City Will Entertain Veterans in 1913—Won After a Fierce Fight.

Macon, Ga.—The choosing of Chattanooga, Tenn., as the convention city for 1913, the unanimous, enthusiastic acceptance of the invitation of General Trimble, commander-in-chief of the G. A. R., to merge the blue and the gray at Gettysburg in July to heal all remaining sores of the long interecne strife of the sixties, the crowning of Miss Mary Scandrett of Macon as queen of the 1912 reunion before 20,000 people on Coleman's hill, and a Georgia sun melting mellowly over the city all day, featured the third day of the twenty-second annual reunion of the Confederate veterans in Macon.

Chattanooga's victory in the fight for the 1913 reunion was a sweeping victory over both Jacksonville and San Antonio, and came at the close of a rather stormy session, although the uproar which retarded the progress of the convention was not altogether the outcome of the fight for the next meeting place.

The United Confederate Veterans, in solemn session, paid eloquent and loving tributes of esteem and reverence to their deceased comrades and leaders. The annual memorial exercises were held in the vast auditorium at Camp Gordon, with the Sons of Veterans, the Ladies' Memorial Association and sponsors and maids in attendance.

Special tributes were paid to the late Gen. Clement A. Evans, honorary commander-in-chief, and to Gen. George W. Gordon of Memphis, who died subsequent to his election as commander-in-chief at the reunion in Little Rock last year.

At the final session of the Southern Confederate Memorial Association the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Mrs. Daisy M. L. Hodgson, New Orleans, recording secretary; Mrs. J. Enders Robinson, Richmond, Va., corresponding secretary; Mrs. J. H. Maxwell, treasurer; Miss Mary Hall, Augusta, Ga., historian; Mrs. Virginia Frazier Voyle, Memphis, poet laureate; Mrs. A. McD. Wilson, Atlanta, vice president for Georgia.

CHARGES AGAINST JUDGE

House Committee Hearing Case of Judge Robert W. Archbald.

Washington.—Charges against Judge Robert W. Archbald of the commerce court were unfolded before the house committee on judiciary which is to determine if impeachment proceedings shall be brought against the jurist.

How Judge Archbald, in partnership with Edward J. Williams, a Scranton coal dealer, while deliberating as a judge on the "lighterage cases" to which the Erie railroad was a party, is alleged to have negotiated an option from that railroad for 42,000 tons of culm dump property to be sold at a \$12,000 profit, was related to the committee by Williams himself.

Judge Archbald heard the testimony, and occasionally looked at photographic copies of letters bearing on the case, one of them a letter in which the judge told of his connection with the culm bank negotiations in his own words.

In addition to that transaction Williams told of another deal in which he said Judge Archbald acquired an interest with him in an option on a million acres of Venezuelan timber land for which the judge gave a note for \$500. Williams tried to discount this note with C. J. & W. P. Boland of the Marion Coal company of Scranton, who had at that time had a case pending before Judge Archbald in the Federal court. The Bolands refused to discount the note, and later lost their case.

600 Rebels Slain in Mexico.

Mexico City.—Six hundred rebels were killed and the remainder of a force of 1,500 were sent scurrying to Cuatro Ciénegas during a fight with 400 Federals under Colonel Pablo Gonzales, according to reports received from the field of action. The Federal loss is not given. The number of dead, considering the force of the government, is considered remarkable. The battle took place between Cuatro Ciénegas and Monclova. It was the second engagement within four days.

Titanic Victims Killed by Exposure.

Halifax, N. S.—Only one of the seventeen persons whose bodies were recovered by the cableship Minia in the vicinity of the Titanic tragedy died from drowning, in the opinion of the cable ship's physician. The other sixteen perished from exposure, death ensuing some four hours after the vessel sank. This was demonstrated by examination of the bodies, water being found in the lungs of but one person. This statement was made by Rev. W. H. Cunningham, who accompanied the Minia.

MISS ELEANOR ANDERSON.



Miss Anderson, who is the daughter of Medical Director Frank Anderson, U. S. N., is to be married on May 14 to Ensign Rush Southgate Fay, U. S. N.

9 KILLED IN TRAIN WRECK

TRAIN BEARING DIXIE VETERANS TO THE MACON REUNION RAN OFF TRESTLE.

Old Soldiers Assisted in Caring for the Injured Passengers After the Wreck.

Hattiesburg, Miss.—Nine persons, including three women and two children, were killed and fifty-six persons injured when the first section of the "Van Zandt Confederate Veterans' Special" of eleven cars, en route from Texas to the annual reunion at Macon, Ga., was wrecked on a trestle, one mile south of Eastabuchie, Miss., on the New Orleans and Northeastern railroad.

The locomotive, baggage car, one day coach and three tourist sleepers were derailed and tumbled down a high embankment, making a conglomerate mass of wood and iron debris.

Though several hundred Confederate veterans were aboard the train, not one was numbered among the dead. Several of the veterans were injured, though none fatally. The dead are:

Mrs. J. L. Cameron, Henderson, Texas; Mrs. Charles Holmes, Big Springs, Texas; J. S. Downing, Atlanta, Ga., president of the Downing Locomotive Draft Appliance company; W. A. Wood, Meridian, Miss., engineer; two children, aged 3 and 5, unidentified; one man, aged about 35; weight 150, unidentified; one man, aged 30, smooth face, brown hair, unidentified; C. C. Jones, a negro fireman.

The derailment was on a straight line and the train was running about thirty miles an hour. The dead were brought to Hattiesburg.

The scene immediately after the crash was made particularly distressing by the cries of the injured. Those among the aged veterans who were uninjured immediately went to work willingly assisting in extricating less fortunate comrades, carrying them to improvised hospitals in the few coaches not overturned.

CLARK CARRIES MARYLAND

Roosevelt and House Speaker Get Maryland's Delegation.

Baltimore, Md.—Maryland's sixteen votes in the national conventions will be cast for Theodore Roosevelt and Speaker Champ Clark.

The results were lost and Colonel Roosevelt, on the face of the returns, had but one more than the number of votes necessary to control the state convention.

The primaries divided the delegates to the state convention as follows: Republicans—Roosevelt 6, Taft 63, Democrats—Clark 72, Wilson 44, Harmon 4, in doubt 9.

Majority necessary to control the convention, 65.

Although the preference vote of the state as a whole did not determine the result, it favored Roosevelt and Clark by pluralities more conclusive than the division of state delegates based on the county preference vote.

Hookworm Dispensary in Wilson.

Drs. R. W. Covington and G. F. Leonard, in charge of the work, attended by a committee of Wilson physicians, appeared before the board of county commissioners at their regular monthly meeting and urged the adoption of hookworm dispensaries in Wilson county under the auspices of the Rockefeller Commission, who have charge of the fund donated by Mr. John Rockefeller for this purpose. Dr. Covington stated that it is one of the most beneficial movements that has yet been made.

State School for the Feeble-Minded.

With the impressive ceremonies of the Masonic order, the cornerstone of the first building of the North Carolina School for the Feeble-Minded was laid at Kinston. The ceremonies were conducted by Grand Master W. B. McCoy, of Wilmington, and other officers of the Grand Lodge of Masons and local lodges. A mixed quartet rendered several selections and instrumental music was furnished by the Second Infantry band. Concluding the Masonic ceremonies, Grand Master McCoy delivered an address.

MUST ATTEND THE SUMMER SCHOOL

THIS ORDER TO THE TEACHERS BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION.

TWO WEEKS TERM AT A. & M.

Several Schools in the State Will Conduct Summer Terms — Teachers Who Attend Entire Session Will be Allowed an Increase in Salary.

Raleigh.

By order of the county Board of Education of Wake county and with the consent of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction and of the authorities of the A. and M. College, the two week's May School of that institution has been adopted as the regular Biennial County Teachers Institute for Wake county: Provided, that any person or persons who wish to teach in the public schools of Wake upon some regular county teachers' institute or summer school, approved by the Wake County Board of Education, for attendance upon the A. and M. May School, The A. and M. School begins May 14th.

The State Normal and Industrial College, Greensboro, will conduct a two week's Institute. This work will be in charge of expert teachers and superintendents. The Board of Education heartily recommends this institute to such Wake county teachers as cannot attend some summer schools of longer duration.

Several schools in the state will conduct summer terms. The Univer city of North Carolina, the State Normal and Industrial College, and the East Carolina Teachers' Training School have submitted their courses of study for approval by the Board of Education. Teachers wishing to attend other summer sessions are requested to submit announcements of courses of study for approval.

Primary teachers who attend the entire session of the above-named summer schools and of such others as may hereafter be approved will be allowed an increase of thirty-five dollars, or seven dollars per month for a term of five months in their next year's salaries, and grammar grade teachers and principals will be given an increase of fifteen dollars or three dollars per month.

Man Been Missing Several Days.

James McCulloch, white, is missing from Wilmington. When last seen he was dozing on the stern of a launch bound for Southport. He was alone at his place on the launch, and his absence was discovered about 10 miles south of this city. Whether he went to sleep, fell overboard and was drowned, is a question. It, however, is probably the truth. There is a possibility that he swam ashore but this is not probable. It is the general opinion that he was drowned.

Special Tax Elections to Be Held.

The county board of education has approved the calling of special tax elections in two townships of this county. In district No. 3, Barringer township, a special tax of fifteen cents on the hundred and forty-five on the poll will be held June 22. A similar election will be held in district No. 2, Coddie Creek township, June 8. The board decided to help in the building of a new school house in what is known as the county line district.

Reconvene County Convention.

Col. J. C. L. Harris has sent out the call for the reconvening of the Republican county convention of Wake May 18th at 1 o'clock in the afternoon. The action is taken upon finding that there is a law that seems to make obligatory the holding of the Republican primary. This would set the date for June 1 and the Republicans want to be regular. Before that time the state and congressional conventions will have met and settled the right of the Harris convention to convene.

First Real Steps For County Fair.

The first real steps toward the establishment of a county fair in Mecklenburg this fall is being taken in the advertising for bids for the construction of a race track on the property of the Charlotte Fair Association west of Charlotte, near Lakewood Park. The advertisement for bids recites that fact that the contract will include the removal of some 25,000 cubic yards of earth and that plans and specifications can now be seen at the office of Mr. C. A. Spratt.

Judges For Special Election.

The county commissioners have appointed G. G. McCain, registrar and L. W. McDonald judges to hold an election for special school tax in district No. 6 for the negroes on the line between Buford and Jackson townships. As it was agreed that the whites should not be taxed for the colored race, the negroes have not been taxed, and this is the only negro district that has applied for the special tax. It is believed there will be many more and it is commendable, showing the progressive spirit.

FOR CRAVEN COUNTY FAIR

Mr. Williams of New Bern is Boosting the Project—He Has Made Many Visits in County.

Raleigh.—Mr. J. Leon Williams, representing the Eastern Carolina Fair Association as secretary, was here from a long junket in which he had visited the fair grounds of several states.

Mr. Williams had been to Brockton, Massachusetts, the Trenton Tri-State fair grounds of New Jersey, the Allentown fair of Pennsylvania, the Mecklenburg fair and ended his trip in Raleigh with Col. Jos. E. Pogue. He brought back blue prints and pictures of those associations visited and will have something upon which to work.

The New Bern fair will be held in October. This is the plan now and there doesn't appear to be anything in the way of making it one of the greatest things of its kind ever attempted by any county association. It has plenty of money as a starter and the Craven county folks expect to make it every bit and grain as good as the Mecklenburg or Greensboro demonstration.

From the pick of all the grounds visited, the Craven people will get their plans. Mr. Williams will devote a good part of his time between now and October towards getting everything in readiness and work will soon start on the development of the grounds.

Though Mr. Williams found Mecklenburg in a rather bad way, the experience of the county in the fair business was worth a great deal. It always did things worth while and had a great exhibition. New Bern has an advantage hardly vouchsafed to Charlotte. That city had a dozen rivals near the Queen City, while New Bern has a great territory without actual opposition in the fair line.

Mr. Williams is remembered well by Trinity boys as the 1907 red-headed leader of the Trinity Glee Club.

Interest in Southeastern States.

Never before has there been such widespread interest in the Southeastern States as is now being manifested throughout the North and West. The resources and opportunities of the entire section are better known than ever before and the agents of the Land and Industrial Department of the Southern Railway Company are meeting with encouraging success in the solicitation of farm settlers and the establishment of new industries.

The growing interest of the people of other sections in the advantages of the Southeastern States is summed up in the following paragraph from a recent report of the Western Agent of the Southern Railway Land and Industrial Department:

"The work of this office reveals the continued and growing interest on the part of residents of the North and West in the Southeast, and its opportunities in agriculture and the various lines of business, and our territory was never before so well and favorably known in the sections in which we are soliciting new business, or had as active inquiry concerning its resource, advantages and possibilities. We are anticipating an active spring and summer business."

North Carolina New Enterprises.

Charters were issued for two new corporations as follows: The Piedmont Hardwood Company, Statesville, capital \$100,000 authorized and \$10,000 subscribed by B. R. Thurman, A. J. Saley and others. The Como Automobile Supply Company, Charlotte, capital \$50,000 authorized and \$10,000 subscribed by Morehead Jones, C. C. Coddington, Mrs. Maggie M. Jones and Mrs. Marjorie L. Coddington.

Special School Tax Election.

At its regular session the Wake county board of education recommended to the board of commissioners a special school tax election for the village of Wake Forest. It will be recalled that an election was called for this district on the first Monday in April. On account of certain technicalities the election was called off and a new one ordered. The people of the classic town of Wake Forest are to be congratulated upon their determination to have first-class school facilities for their children.

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