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Directory. Madison County. Established by the Legislature Session 1880-81. Population, 50,122. 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, 25 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. Runion, 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 1st Monday after First Monday in September. Commences October 14, 1912. BOARDS: County Commissioners: W. C. Sprinkle, Chairman, Marshall, N. C. C. F. Casanda, Member, Marshall, N. C. R. F. D. No. 1. Reubin A. Tweed, Member, Big Laurel, N. C. C. B. Masburn, 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. Fritchard, 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. 2. 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. 7. Mo. School begins October 2, 1911. Bell Institute, Miss Margaret E. Griffith, Principal, Walnut, N. C. 8 Mo. School began September 3, 1911. Marshall Academy, Prof. R. G. Anders, Principal, Marshall, N. C. 8 Mo. School began Sept. 4, 1911. Notary Publics: J. C. Ramsey, Marshall, N. C. Term expires Jan. 11, 1913. 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 5, 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, Stockhouse, N. C. Term expires January 16, 1913. M. W. Anderson, Paint Fork, N. C. Term expires February 6, 1913. J. H. Hunter, Marshall, N. C. R. F. D. No. 1. Term expires April 1, 1912. J. F. Tison, Marshall, N. C. R. F. D. No. 2. Term expires April 3, 1912. C. J. Ebbs, Marshall, N. C. Term expires April 31, 1913. J. W. Nelson, Marshall, N. C. Term expires April 25, 1913. Roy L. Gudgeon, Marshall, N. C. Term expires May 2, 1913. Geo. M. Fritchard, Marshall, N. C. Term expires May 25, 1913. Dudley Chipley, Marshall, N. C. Term expires July 25, 1913. W. G. Connor, Mars Hill, N. C. Term expires November 27, 1913. POST: George W. Gahagan Post, No. 38 G. A. R. E. M. Davis, Commander. J. H. Ballard, Adjutant. Meets at the Court House Saturday before the second Sunday in each month at 11 A. M.

\$200,000,000 FOR NATIONAL PENSIONS. SUM WILL EXCEED ALL APPROPRIATIONS OF FORMER YEARS. CAUSED BY SHERWOOD BILL. Unusually Large Appropriation Will Be Necessary at Short Session of Congress. Washington. — Appropriations of nearly \$200,000,000 for pensions to veterans of American wars will be necessary at this session of congress. The unusual sum, exceeding all appropriations of former years, will be necessary to make up a deficit of nearly \$20,000,000 resulting from the increase of pensions by the Sherwood bill last winter and the proportionate increase of the general pensions authorized by this act. Estimates by members of congress made indicate the regular pension bill probably will carry about \$175,000,000. This in itself will be a record-breaking total, as the Sherwood law materially increased many pensions. It has not yet been determined whether the deficit of approximately \$20,000,000 will be added to the regular appropriation bill or put into some other measure. The pension bureau has enough money for the present, but will run short between March 4 and July 1, when the new fiscal year begins, unless it gets the extra \$20,000,000. Unexpected support has appeared among returning members of the senate for a bill to remove the present limitation upon the pensions to widows of veterans. The law now gives no pension to a widow who married her soldier husband after July 27, 1890. Repeated efforts to remove or modify this limitation have failed, and it is expected that if the senate should act on a bill this year, Democrats of the house would vigorously oppose it, because of the great increase it would bring to the annual pension outlay. To give all widows of soldiers the right to apply for pensions would add for \$13,000,000 to \$15,000,000 to the present pension total, it is stated.



Miss Marie Peary, daughter of Rear Admiral Peary, is one of the season's debutantes in Washington. She will be remembered as the "snow baby," so called because she was born within the arctic circle.

SENATOR RAYNER IS DEAD. HE WAS ONE OF THE MOST STRIKING FIGURES IN THE U. S. SENATE.

Had Gained National Reputation by His Vigorous Conduct of the Admiral Schley Case. Washington.—Senator Isador Rayner of Maryland died here of neuritis, after a protracted illness. Official Washington was largely represented at the funeral. President Taft and members of his cabinet attended the funeral, and committees from both houses of congress, as well as many Marylanders prominent in official and civic life, were present. Senator Rayner was one of the striking figures of the senate. He had been a member of that body for almost eight years and was one of its strongest debaters and a recognized authority on constitutional law. Before he entered the senate he had attained a national reputation because of his vigorous conduct of the late Admiral Schley's case before the naval court of inquiry that investigated the action of American officers in the battle with Admiral Cervera's Spanish fleet. Mr. Rayner was a native of Baltimore and was 62 years old. He was elected to the United States senate in 1904, after having served a four-year term as attorney general of Maryland. His death creates a vacancy in the senate that probably will be filled by a Republican through appointment by Governor Goldsborough of Maryland. While the legislature of that state is Democratic, it does not meet this winter and the Republican governor's appointment will hold through the opening sessions of the next congress. The control of the United States senate after March 4 may hinge on the death of Senator Rayner. The Republican whom it is expected Governor Goldsborough will appoint in his place will hold office at least until the Maryland legislature meets in January, 1914. Senator Rayner's death removes one of the Democrats on whom the control of the senate depended in the new congress. With his vote the Democratic leaders counted on mustering 49, one or more than a majority of a total membership of 98.

BOY STRANGLER CONFESSES. J. Frank Hickey Confesses to Murder of Three Youths.

Buffalo, N. Y.—The accidental killing of a man in Lowell, Mass., twenty years ago was given by John Frank Hickey, in a signed confession as the starting point of a career of debauchery and crime during which he murdered two boys and assaulted many others. Hickey's victims, according to his confession, were Ed Morey of Lowell, Mass., poisoned with laudanum over twenty years ago; Michael Kruck, 12 years old, a New York newsboy, strangled in Central Park in 1902; and Joseph Joseph, the seven-year-old son of George Joseph, a merchant of Lackawanna, killed in a similar manner October 15, 1911. Young Joseph disappeared the afternoon of October 12, 1911. His father, George Joseph, a merchant of Lackawanna, insisted from the start that the boy had been kidnapped, and a country-wide search was instituted. The case at the time attracted widespread attention, as the father from time to time received anonymous letters warning him to discontinue the search on pain of having his son murdered. The confession was made to District Attorney Dudley and Chief of Police Gilson of Lackawanna. It was begun on the train that brought Hickey from New York to Buffalo.

Princes to Build 12 Warships. Bombay, India.—Three superdreadnaughts and nine first class armored cruisers will shortly be presented to the British government by the independent rulers, princes and nobles of India if they can carry out successfully a plan recently drawn up by them to collect funds for the purpose among themselves. It is suggested that the warships when presented be stationed in the Red sea, the Mediterranean and the Indian ocean.

Jackson Succeeds Rayner. Baltimore, Md.—Governor Goldsborough has announced the appointment of William F. Jackson, Republican national committee man from Maryland, to succeed the late United States Senator Isidor Rayner. He will serve until the legislature, which meets in January, 1914, fills what will then be an unexpired term of three years. The legislature at that time also will elect a successor to Senator John Walter Smith (Democrat), whose term will expire in 1915. Mr. Jackson is 44 years old and a business man.

\$140,000 Found on City Dump. Kansas City.—Bonds having a face value of \$140,000 together with cheques and a small amount of coupons that disappeared here June 5, when two registered mail sacks were stolen while on route from the post office to the railway station here, were found on the city dump by three laborers. The bonds were Waco, Texas, city paper, which at the time they disappeared from a mail trolley car en route to the railway station, were being shipped by the Commerce Trust company of this city.

PROTECT AGAINST AN AMERICAN. New Orleans.—The plan of having Americans administer the customs affairs of Nicaragua as provided for in a recent loan contract made by that government with New York bankers, has resulted in a vigorous protest against F. W. Wilson, chief of customs at Bluefields, by the entire commercial contingent of that city. Not only Nicaraguans, but Americans, English, German and Chinese merchants of Bluefields signed a protest to the Masagosa government.

BIG EUROPEAN WAR FEARED BY POWERS. SINISTER RUMORS OF CONFLICT ARE ALARMING THE WHOLE OF EUROPE. COMMENT OF THE PRESS. The Balkan Conflict May Result in a General War Between the European Nations.

London, England.—The possibility and danger of a greater war than that between the Balkan states and Turkey absorbs public interest far more than the first out of diplomacy between the belligerents outside of Constantinople. The steps toward mobilization which Austria and Russia are taking, although but preliminary precautions, have made possible a vision of the vast consequences, which, as far as Great Britain is concerned, are considered nothing less than appalling. Apparently the British public has no desire to sacrifice lives and money, paralyze commerce and risk the navy over the settlement of the status of the Balkan peninsula. Yet it is uneasy because ignorant of how far Great Britain's diplomatic engagements with France and Russia extend in the direction of an alliance and of how much likelihood there is that the government will be drawn into a conflict in which one or both its partners in the extreme, may be engaged. The Liberal press is unanimous in urging Great Britain to preserve neutrality. The majority of the Conservatives demand the same policy. The Times, declaring that none of the European peoples want war, says: "Yet that is whether the nations are blindly drifting." It asks: "Who, then, makes war?" and replies: "The answer is to be found in the chancelleries of Europe among the men who too long have played with human lives as pawns in a game of chess, and who have become so enmeshed in formulas and the jargon of diplomacy that they have ceased to be conscious of the poignant realities with which they trifled." The Pall Mall Gazette almost alone speaks in a warlike voice. It declares: "England ought to act firmly with France and Russia in refusing simply to be swept aside. If the conference desired by the British government is refused, we ought to face the alternative and stand by our friends." England, France and Germany are playing a peace-making role. Their efforts are directed apparently toward keeping the powers together in a compact to refrain from taking up piecemeal the questions which the war raises, and defer their consideration until the general conference.

ELECT SUFFRAGE OFFICERS. Non-Partisan Attitude to All the Political Parties.

Philadelphia.—Women from the West, South, North and East, delegates to the convention of the National American Woman's Suffrage association, realized their principal ambition here when they exercised their right of franchise in choosing officers of that association for the ensuing year. The majority of the officers were re-elected, though there were several nominees for some of the positions. The officers chosen are: President, Anna Howard Shaw, Moylan, Pa.; first vice president, Jane Adams, Chicago; second vice president, Anita Whitney, California; recording secretary, Susan W. Fitzgerald, Boston; corresponding secretary, Mary Ware Bennett, New York; treasurer, Mrs. Stanley McCormick, Chicago; auditors, Mrs. James Lee Laidlaw, New York, and Mrs. Joseph H. Bowen, Chicago.

Widow of Gov. Boynton Dead. Athens, Ga.—Mrs. Susie Harris Boynton, widow of James J. Boynton, who succeeded Alexander Stephens as governor of Georgia, died of pneumonia at her old home at High Shoals, 10 miles from Athens. Mrs. Boynton was about 65 years old. She had been in a critical condition for some time, and her death was not unexpected.

Seven Convicts Escape From Gang. Charleston, S. C.—Seven negro convicts, armed with three shot guns and a pistol, escaped from a negro convict camp at Ladson's, about 15 miles from Charleston. The guard at the camp was roughly handled by the convicts and a negro who carried the news of the escape to the telegraph operator at Ladson's would have been killed if one of the convicts who aimed a gun at his head had known how to fire the weapon which was of the "pump" variety. The negroes are all desperate men.

Prayed for Presidents. Hamilton, Bermuda.—The president-elect, accompanied by Mrs. Wilson and the members of his family, attended the oldest Presbyterian church in Hamilton, of quaint setting. The pastor, the Rev. Archibald Cameron, offered a prayer for the king and then for the success of the close of President Taft's administration and that the new president of the United States be imbued with the spirit and, fearing thus, have no other fear: that he be honored as the leader of a nation.

SENATOR A. O. BACON



Senator Bacon of Georgia will be elected by the senate as its president pro tempore when it convenes in December. He is a Democrat, and although his party does not control the upper house, it is expected a number of Progressive senators will vote for him.

EXPLOSION SCATTERS DEATH. TWELVE MEN ARE KILLED BY THE EXPLOSION OF DRY STARCH.

Waukegan, Ill.—An explosion which wrecked the dry starch house of the Corn Products company's plant killed twelve workmen, injured 27 others, several of whom will die, and caused about one hundred thousand dollars' damages. Nearly all of the workmen killed or injured were Polish, Lithuanian or Austrian, and they were on the company's payroll by numbers, and not by names. This further increased the difficulties met by the coroner in his efforts to arrive at a correct death list. The explosion tore the two-story frame top house from the five-story building, and scattered bits of it for 50 yards in all directions. The body of one man killed was blown across the Chicago and Northwestern railroad right of way onto the hillside in Oakwood cemetery. All of the injured were coated with starch, which had to be washed off before surgeons could treat their injuries. Private automobiles were pressed into service to carry the injured to the hospital.

Civil Service for Navy Yard Men. Washington.—Rules formulated at the recent conference here of navy yard commanders designed to put 20,000 navy yard employees throughout the country under the civil service department. Assistant Secretary Beekman Winthrop mailed copies of the rules to the commanders of the New York, Boston and Washington yards, with instructions that the views of the men whom it is proposed to convert into the civil service be obtained.

Reform Measures Carried. Helena, Mont.—Returns on the initiative and referendum measures submitted to Montana voters at the recent election make certain that the measures providing for party nominations for state officers by direct vote, limiting of campaign expenditures of candidates to 15 per cent. of the office salary for one year, providing for the direct election of United States senators, and for a presidential primary, all carried by a margin of 2 to 1.

To Celebrate Battle of Gettysburg. Washington.—The war department is making plans for the feeding and sheltering of army veterans, Confederate as well as Federal, who are to attend the encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic on the battlefield of Gettysburg next July when the fiftieth anniversary of the great battle will be celebrated. Orders assigned Capt. Harry F. Dalton as assistant to Major Normoyle here who is charged with the military arrangements. Both officers have been authorized to proceed to the battlefield.

Mexican Border Situation Worse. Washington.—The situation on the Mexican border has been rapidly growing worse. General Steever has protested to the war department against any reduction of the border patrol such as was about to be ordered. Many of the insurgent leaders have developed great activity, adding their quotas to the considerable force which under General Salazar has been operating in the country between Columbus, N. M., and El Paso. They have thrown the whole border into a state of disturbance and unrest.

EXPIRING SESSION HAS ASSEMBLED. IN BRIEF PERIOD FIFTEEN APPROPRIATION BILLS MUST BE PASSED. THE TRIAL OF ARCHIBALD. The Democratic Policies to Be Shaped and Plans Made For the Entrance of the Wilson Administration on March 4.

Washington.—The expiring Sixty-second Congress assembled at noon Monday for its final work of legislation. In the brief period remaining before constitutional limitation brings it to an end and turns many of its members back into private life, 15 appropriation bills, carrying over \$1,000,000,000 for the support of the Government, must be passed; the impeachment of Judge Archibald of the Commerce Court must be tried in the Senate; many investigating committees must conclude inquiries and make their reports; and scores of legislative matters must be disposed of. Throughout the session attracting as much attention as the actual work of legislation, will run the preparatory work for the extra session to be called soon after President-elect Wilson takes office March 4. Committees, pursuant to this, will thrust out questions of tariff, currency, and anti-trust legislation, aiming to have Democratic policies shaped, and Democratic plans made, before the new Administration comes into power. It is assured, say the legislative leaders, that there will be no tariff legislation this winter. Neither is it expected that the currency or anti-trust problems will receive much attention in the House or Senate, the principal work of the session being confined to preparation for the Democratic Administration and the enactment of some of the more important bills pending on the calendars of the two houses. Cabinet Crisis Arises. The refusal of Minister of War, Lieutenant General Uyehera, to accept a Cabinet decision rejecting the scheme for increasing the military forces in Korea. After a number of extraordinary sittings, Premier Salon informed the War Minister that the Cabinet adhered to its position. General Uyehera then indicated his intention to resign. It is doubtful whether the Emperor will accept his resignation. The press and general public support the Cabinet. Lieutenant General Uhera was appointed Minister of War April 3, 1912, to succeed General Inamoto, who died the previous day.

Hyde To Ask For New Trial. New York.—Counsel for Charles H. Hyde will make their first move to get a new trial for the former city chamberlain, found guilty of bribery as soon a she is sentenced. Meanwhile the convicted man will have to stay in the Tombs, although up to the present time he had not been lodged in a cell. He is occupying quarters in a part of the building formerly used by the warden. Hyde is too big a man to be accommodated comfortably in one of the cells. These are only six feet long, while Hyde is 6 feet 3 inches tall and weighs over 200 pounds.

Wilson Advocates Later Inaugural. Hamilton, Bermuda.—Woodrow Wilson is willing to take the oath of office as president of the United States without ostentation March 4 and that the formal ceremonies be postponed until the last Thursday in April. To that extent he has endorsed the propaganda in favor of a later inauguration which has been advocated in and out of congress in order that the event might be conducted at a time when the weather is usually good.

To Prevent Car Shortage. Washington.—To prevent a short age in freight cars, the Interstate commerce commission ordered all the railroads to forward to the commission not later than December 10, a statement showing the location of all freight cars and their ownership. After December 1 railroads will be required to furnish a semi-monthly report of the location of freight cars. The first and fifteenth days of each month are fixed as the time for filing such reports.

FROM ALL OVER THE STATE. Short Paragraphs of State News That Has Been Collected For the People of the State.

Thomasville.—Wheat crop in this season of the year than at present and everything points to a big crop to harvest next year. The factories are all running full time and a number are running at night on extra time in order to supply the many orders now coming in. Lillington.—Responding to invitations previously sent out, about seventy-five ladies and gentlemen gathered at the Caviness hotel to betake of the feast of good things prepared by the Daughters of the Confederacy and map out the work of raising funds for the erection of a monument to the Confederacy. Kinston.—W. L. Turnage, of Greene county, sold several loads of tobacco here recently, the product of five acres, at the remarkable price of \$1,653.58. There were 7,008 pounds of the weed, which was cured in seven barns. The sum paid Mr. Turnage was exclusive of the warehouse and other charges. Stanonsburg.—The first meeting of the Stanonsburg township teachers was held here recently in the high school building, Prof. W. J. Sloan presiding. These meetings will be held each month and all the teachers in this vicinity will be asked to participate. The patrons and friends of the school are also invited. Kinston.—In a review of the past fiscal year's work, Rev. F. Swindell Love, pastor of the Queen Street Methodist church here, told his congregation that they had raised over nine thousand dollars in cash and that the membership had been increased by seventy-five during the past twelve months. Charlotte.—Fire in the furniture store of W. T. McCoy & Co., on the third floor of the W. F. Dowd building, South Tryon Street, caused a loss of some four or five thousand dollars, and but for prompt closing of fire doors and the efficient work of the fire department would have spread and torn a big hole in the map of Charlotte. Raleigh.—Beginning several days ago the Wake county branch of the Aycock association took up the raising of the \$2,000 promised by this county to the memorial to Governor Aycock and the hope is to have the amount ready in the next fifteen days. Of the \$2,000 that Wake is to raise, pledges for \$1,500 have been secured. These range in subscriptions from \$200 down. Asheville.—From 15 to 20 members of the United States Secret Service are in the vicinity of Asheville, investigating the recent forest fires, which have devastated so many acres of timber land in this section in the past few days, besides endangering the T. M. C. A. Assembly grounds, near Black Mountain. Private detectives for the Vanderbilt estate at Biltmore are also in the field, making private investigations. Asheville.—Worn and disheveled, and apparently dazed from an overdose of some sort of drug, Walter Trexler, the young man, whose disappearance from home several days ago caused his parents so much anxiety, was found wandering around in the Haw Creek section of the county by a deputy sheriff. An examination of the young man showed him to be suffering from an overdose of cocaine, and he is being detained in the city jail, pending his improvement. Raleigh.—In convening a two-weeks' term of federal court here Judge Henry G. Connor expressed the wish that the state of North Carolina might have entire charge of the enforcement of the prohibition law and that the federal court was entirely free from having to deal with distilling and blind tiger cases that now come up in great numbers. However, he charged the jury that due attention be given to these classes of offenses, and that they be dealt with in a spirit of fairness and good judgment. Kinston.—The committee in charge of the campaign for the sale of Red Cross seals here decided to order 15,000 from the state headquarters in Charlotte. This is the largest amount ordered by any town of Kinston's class in North Carolina. Butler and J. A. Michale, were shot, and it is reported that two or more negroes were hurt in the shooting battle, which took place at a construction camp on the Carolina and Yadkin-Valley railroad in a remote section and very few particulars are obtainable. Raleigh.—An exchange of courts is ordered by Gov. Kitchin between Judge H. P. Lane and Judge Bragaw whereby Judge Bragaw will hold the Washington court two weeks beginning Dec. 2 and Judge Lane will hold the Robeson county court two weeks beginning Dec. 2. Statesville.—The home of Harvey Troutman, a farmer living some miles west of Statesville, was totally destroyed by fire recently, with a portion of its contents. The fire started from a defective stove, while all the members of the household were at church except Mrs. Troutman.