

Directory.

Madison County.
Established by the Legislature Session 1890-91.
Population, 20,132.
County Seat, Marshall.
1646 feet above sea level.
New and modern Court House, cost \$23,000.00.
New and modern jail, cost \$15,000.00.
New and modern County Home, cost \$10,000.00.
Officers.
Hon. C. B. Mashburn, Senator 36th District, Marshall, N. C.
Hon. James E. Hector, Representative, Hot Springs, N. C.
N. B. McDewitt, Clerk Superior Court, Marshall, N. C.
W. M. Buckner, Sheriff, Marshall, N. C.
Zade G. Sprinkle, Register of Deeds, Marshall, N. C.
C. F. Runlon, Treasurer, Marshall, N. C., R. F. D. No. 4.
R. L. Tweed, Surveyor, White Rock, N. C.
Dr. Chas. N. Sprinkle, Coroner, Marshall, 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., R. F. D. No. 2.
R. A. Edwards, Member, Marshall, N. C., R. F. D. No. 2.
Reubin A. Tweed, Member, Big Laurel, N. C.
J. Coleman Ramsey, Atty. Marshall, N. C.
Board meets first Monday in every month.
Road Commissioners.
A. E. Bryan, Chairman, Marshall, N. C., R. F. D. No. 2.
J. A. Ramsey, Secretary, Mars Hill, N. C., R. F. D. No. 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. 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. H. A. Wallis, Principal, Spring Creek, N. C., 8 Mo. School opened August 1, 1911.
Madison Seminary High School. Prof. J. M. Weatherly, Principal, Marshall, 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. Agard, Principal, Marshall, N. C., 8 Mo. School began Sept. 4, 1911.
Notary Public.
J. C. Ramsey, Marshall, N. C., Term expires Jan. 1, 1914.
J. H. Hunter, Marshall, N. C., R. F. D. No. 3. Term expires April 1, 1913.
J. F. Tison, Marshall, N. C., R. F. D. No. 2. Term expires April 3, 1913.
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 3, 1913.
Geo. M. Pritchard, Marshall, N. C. Term expires May 25, 1913.
Dudley Chipley, Marshall, N. C. Term expires July 29, 1913.
W. O. Connor, Mars Hill, N. C. Term expires Nov. 27, 1913.
J. A. Wallis, Big Laurel, N. C. Term expires Jan. 24, 1914.
D. C. Bullock, Stauchhouse, N. C. Term expires Feb. 23, 1914.
D. P. Miles, Barnard, N. C. Term expires March 14, 1914.
J. G. Ramsey, Marshall, N. C., R. 4. Term expires March 15, 1914.
J. E. Gregory, Joe, N. C. Term expires Jan. 7, 1914.
Jasper Ebbs, Spring Creek, N. C. Term expires Sept. 24, 1914.
C. G. Brown, Bluff, N. C. Term expires Dec. 9, 1914.
W. T. Davis, Hot Springs, N. C. Term expires Jan. 23, 1915.
George W. Schaefer, Post, No. 21 G. R. S. M. Davis, Commissioner, J. H. Baker, Adjutant. Meets at the Court House Saturday before the second Sunday in each month at 11 a. m.

POSTMASTERS FOR NORTH CAROLINA

PRESIDENT WILSON SHAKES OFF EIGHT PLUMS FOR THE TAR HEELS.

A FIGHT FOR WADESBORO

S. S. Lockhart is Opposed on Charge That He is Too Deaf For the Job.—Wilson Member of N. C. Society of the Cincinnati.

Raleigh.—A special from Washington states that President Wilson in sending in 200 postmasters' nomination relieved a situation that had become acute. Almost an open break had been caused between the president and congressmen over the failure of nominations made six weeks or two months ago to come through. Whether the president's friends told him of the anxious state of feeling is not known, but he relieved much apprehension by bringing to the capitol the plum tree with 200 postoffice plums.

North Carolina gets eight new Democratic postmasters. All of these were recommended by the congressmen from the districts in which they are located. They follow: Newton, F. M. Williams, recommended by Mr. Webb; Hamlet, R. B. Terry; Hockesville, R. E. Hunt, Sr.; North Wilkesboro, James G. Hackett; Mount Gilboa, Richard A. Bruton; all recommended by Mr. Page; Lenoir, Virgil D. Gulre; Albemarle, J. D. Bivins, recommended by Mr. Doughton; Greenville, David J. Whitehead; recommended by Mr. Small.

Word reached Congressman Page through the postoffice department that charges have been filed against S. S. Lockhart, recommended as postmaster at Wadesboro. The principal charge is that Mr. Lockhart is too deaf to properly discharge the duties of the postmaster. The matter was a complete surprise to Mr. Page and he was unable to learn who had preferred the charges. The fact that papers are being the appointment of W. M. Morton, who was a contestant against Mr. Lockhart, would seem to indicate that the action was taken by Mr. Morton's friends.

President Wilson was presented with a gold insignia of the North Carolina Society of the Cincinnati. A committee composed of Col. W. G. Lamb, of Williamston, president; J. C. Davis, vice-president, and Col. Benjamin Cameron, of Stagville, called at the White House to inform Mr. Wilson that he was elected an honorary member at a meeting held in Greensboro recently.

Women on Henderson School Board. Reputing time-honored customs and joining the ranks of the new counties in North Carolina adopting the more progressive educational methods the Henderson county board of education in special session here announced the first appointment of ladies to serve on school committees, expressing the hope that sufficient applications would be made for the appointment of women to fill half the vacancies on school committees in this county.

North Carolina New Enterprises. A charter is issued for the Gibeonville Insurance & Real Estate Co., Gibeonville, capital \$50,000 authorized and \$5,000 subscribed by W. E. Sharpe and others of Burlington. There is an amendment for the charter of the Mutual Aid & Banking Co., Newbern, changing the status of shares and stocks by order of the stockholders.

New Drainage District. Stewart's Creek drainage district, comprising about 7,000 acres of fine land situated just across Cape Fear River from Dunn, is now an assured fact. All the preliminary legal steps have been taken and the district declared formed and the drainage commissions appointed.

Caldwell Singing Association. The annual meeting of the Caldwell County Singing Association met at New Collier's church in the Bush settlement of the county. The entire day was taken up by the association. In the morning the devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. J. O. Slight, pastor of the First Baptist church, at Lenoir, after which officers were elected for the ensuing year. At the noon recess a feast was served and an old-fashioned picnic dinner was enjoyed by the large crowd which had gathered.

Many Blockade Distilleries. As a result of raids made by Sheriff Stafford and his deputies on blockade distilleries, the court house green at Greensboro was graced with the building were several bags of meal and malt, vessels containing over 700 gallons of liquor, and in the hall recessed some white men in the person of James Haynie. The officers captured a still near Brown Summit, near the Rockingham county line, poured out about 300 gallons of beer and confiscated twenty gallons of liquor.

CRAIG ISSUES COMMISSIONS

For the Naval Brigade Officers on Recommendation of Commander C. D. Bradsham.

Raleigh.—Governor Craig issued a number of commissions to naval brigade officers on recommendation of Commander C. D. Bradsham of Newbern as follows:

F. P. Shipp, lieutenant commander and chief of staff; R. Duvall Jones, surgeon and lieutenant commander, Newbern; E. E. Williams, chief engineer and lieutenant commander, Newbern; J. H. Crawford, paymaster and lieutenant commander, Newbern; A. T. Willis, gunnery officer and lieutenant; Newbern; B. F. Husk, chaplain and lieutenant, Newbern; J. C. B. Ehringhaus, judge advocate and lieutenant; Beaufort; J. B. Green, aide and lieutenant, Newbern; E. H. Baker, Raleigh, aide and lieutenant; J. R. Grade, Raleigh, lieutenant.

Commissions are also issued to a number of officers elected by cavalry troops as follows: R. M. Phipps, first lieutenant Troop B, Asheville; Bert Nichols, second lieutenant, Troop B, Asheville; L. S. Bynum, second lieutenant Company I, second infantry, Edenton.

Three Important Hearings.

There are three important hearings set by the corporation commission for this month. The first is in the Rockingham case for May 16 in which there is demand for the physical connection of the Seaboard Air Line and the Rockingham railroads. This will be in the offices of the commissioner at Raleigh, May 20, at Greensboro, there will be the hearing on the petition for improved train service on the Southern from Sanford to Mount Airy and for better passenger station facilities at Mount Airy. On May 23, at Raleigh there will be the hearing in the case of 75 central and western Carolina shippers against the Southern Railway for the refunding of excessive rates on freight charges on interdivisional shipments into and out of the western Carolina divisions of the Southern, on which high divisional rates are allowed because of high cost of maintenance and operation. This is an especially important hearing. The amount involved is hundreds of thousands of dollars.

Medical Students Given Degrees.

Twenty-six graduates of the North Carolina Medical College received their degrees of Doctor of Medicine, the exercises being held in the auditorium of the Presbyterian college. The exercises were simple, yet pretty and the evening was featured by an address delivered by Dr. C. R. Harding, professor of Greek at Davidson College. The large auditorium was filled with friends and relatives of the graduates and by a large number of Presbyterian college students many of whom assembled to see Miss Mary Montreville Parker, an alumna of the Presbyterian college, receive her degree in medicine, and incidentally be presented with a case of surgical instruments won by having led her class.

Mecklenburg Drainage Commission.

The Mecklenburg Drainage Commission met at the county court house, with Dr. James R. Alexander, presiding, and with Mr. W. S. Pharr acting as secretary. The meeting was for the most part taken up in routine business, though there were several petitions coming from farmers throughout the county asking that various creeks and branches be drained at the earliest possible time. One dredge is now near Pineville and will soon reach the county line, when it will then be moved elsewhere. The second dredge is near the grist mill of Long & Beattie, six miles southeast of Charlotte, where condemnation proceedings are now going on with regard to altering the site of the above mentioned mill.

Purchase of Land Approved.

The purchase of 5,465 acres of land in the Nantahala region of Macon county, North Carolina, was approved by the National Forest Reservation Commission, the price ranging from 50 cents to \$10 per acre and an average of \$7.50.

Millions Lost in Forest Fires.

Millions of dollars of losses have resulted from extensive forest fires that have raged in western North Carolina mountains the past three weeks. The oldest residents say that no such forest burning has occurred before for more than 20 years. Beginning about 25 miles south and east of Linville Falls, the fires have extended from 20 to 40 miles north and east. Not all that territory has been burned, but much of it. All of Linville Mountain, within two miles of Linville Falls, has been burned.

Organists to Fight For Just Rates.

Twenty-one North Carolina cities through their representatives, met in the Bellevue Hotel at Charlotte, and organized the Just Freight Rate Association, a permanent organization and calling a meeting for next Thursday, May 16, in the legislative hall at Raleigh to select officers. The officers were not elected at last meeting because they had only 40 hours in which to gather, the towns in the far eastern part of the state were represented by telegrams only.

HUERTA ANGRY AT PRESIDENT WILSON

SAYS UNITED STATES AMBASSADOR HAS NO STANDING DIPLOMATICALLY.

KEEN INTEREST DISPLAYED

Action of the United States in Consequence of Repudiation of Ambassador Awaited With Interest.

Mexico City.—Keen interest is being displayed by the government and the public generally in what action the United States will take as a consequence of the virtual repudiation of Ambassador Wilson by President Huerta. The president has made no statement either to Ambassador Wilson or to the public qualifying his statement that Mr. Wilson, "diplomatically, has no standing" but foreign Minister De La Barra displayed an eagerness to minimize the incident. Senator De La Barra said the declaration of President Huerta did not mean the severance of diplomatic relations between Mexico and the United States. He draws a fine distinction between the diplomatic representative who performs the full functions of his office, and one who confines himself to routine matters, and said he apprehended no serious consequences from the incident.

Those close to the administration say they would not be surprised should the United States take Mexico at her word and recall Ambassador Wilson. That President Huerta during his conference with Mr. Wilson used much emphasis in explaining the position of his government, and that his remarks were characterized by a bitterness and warmth which clearly reflected his deep resentment against what he termed the unreasonableness of the Washington government in withholding recognition of the Mexican government, has been established, though ambassador Wilson has refrained from discussing it.

In the face of the statement of President Huerta that a loan had been arranged through English, Belgian, French and German bankers and was lacking only authorization by congress, there persists the opinion that recognition of the Mexican government by the United States is an essential condition to the consummation of the loan and that this fact was the chief cause for President Huerta's break with Ambassador Wilson.

NEW PEACE PLAN LAUDED

Thinks America Can Beat Bring About Cessation of Warfare.

New York.—William Jennings Bryan, speaking at a dinner given in honor of the foreign members of the international conference that is arranging the celebration of 100 years of peace among English-speaking peoples, declared that "the new peace plan offered by President Wilson to all nations is the latest and longest step toward peace."

Mr. Bryan's subject was "Press Toward Peace." He said that the part of the United States in the cause of necessity would be large because "more than any other nation it had a population which is attached by blood to nearly all other nations."

Peace for all time between the United States and Great Britain was the keynote of other addresses of the evening delivered by Lord Weardale, chairman of the English delegation; Sir Edmund Walker, of Canada; Sir George Houston Gray, of Australia, and Judge George Gray, of Delaware. The function marked the last of many that have engaged the delegates here.

Labor Unions Exempt.

Washington.—By a vote of 41 to 32 the senate refused to accept an amendment to the sundry civil bill by Senator Gallinger striking out a clause exempting labor and farmers' organizations from prosecution under the anti-trust law with funds appropriated by the bill. Three Republican senators, Jones, LaFollette and Norris, voted with the Democrats against the Gallinger amendment and two Democrats, Pomeroy and Thomas, joined the Republicans in supporting it. The bill itself, carrying about \$117,000,000.

Army Aviator Killed.

Los Angeles, Cal.—Lieutenant J. D. Park, a military aviator, who started from San Diego on a flight to Los Angeles, was killed at Olive, nine miles north of Santa Ana. Lieutenant Park met his death in a fall of less than fifteen feet. He had alighted a quarter of a mile from Olive school house on account of a heavy mist that confused him as to his bearings, and after giving a message to a little girl to telephone to Glenn Martin in Los Angeles, he rose again. Then he swooped over a low hill and crashed into a tree.

Glover Reprimanded Before House.

Washington.—Charles C. Glover, the Washington banker, who recently attacked Representative Sims, of Tennessee, on account of a speech delivered in the house, was brought before the bar of the house and reprimanded by Speaker Clark for violating the privileges of the house. A resolution authorizing the banker's arrest had been adopted with only four dissenting votes. When brought in by the sergeant at arms, Glover read an apology, saying that his act was committed under great stress of feeling.

GOVERNOR JOHNSON SIGNING ALIEN LAND LAW



The photograph shows Gov. Hiram Johnson of California at his desk in the capitol signing the alien land law in which the administration at Washington took a deep interest on account of the possibilities of foreign complications.

JAPAN TO MAKE PROTEST

JAPANESE AGAINST ANTI-ALIEN LAND LAW PASSED BY CALIFORNIA.

Diplomats Think It Has Put United States in Delicate Position.

Washington.—The Japanese embassy was supplied by the state department with a copy of the alien land law bill passed by the California legislature and the ambassador will employ the time between now and secretary Bryan's return to Washington in preparing a formal protest against the measure.

Apparently the embassy has no hope that any word President Wilson may send after Secretary Bryan returns will influence Governor Johnson to withhold his signature from the act, so the only object of the protest will be to acquaint the American people with the Japanese contention and, if possible, to influence the executive branch of the government to endeavor to nullify the action of the California legislature.

The embassy will make known the ground of its protest in a diplomatic note to Secretary Bryan. It is well understood that to settle the question no matter what may be the point of objection will require the action of the United States courts, and much consideration must be given to the procedure to be followed in arranging for a judicial test of the California law. It will be for Secretary Bryan to determine whether the United States government shall become a party to a suit of this character, in the capacity of an intervenor.

REBELS CAPTURE AN ARMY

Huerta's General and 700 Soldiers Are Taken by Rebels.

El Paso, Tex.—The rebel committee received verification of the report that General Trucey Aubert had surrendered to the Carranzans insurgents at Lampasa, below Laredo, Tex. The verification was brought to the border by Major Salvador Gomez, of the state forces, who says he saw the surrender of Aubert and 700 federal troops. Mutilous federal troops, which drove their commander, General Jones Ines Salazar and his faithful followers from old Casas Grandes, Mexico, are being urged to accept formally the constitutional revolution. This practicality would place the revolutionists in control of the territory along the Mexico Northern railroad, southwest of Jaures. So far the mutineers, who number 250, merely have displayed resentment of their leaders ordering them to proceed to Chihuahua City, on instructions from General Antonio Rabago. But insurgent agents here believe that they soon will accept the revolutionary plan.

Soldier Is Killed at Post.

Atlanta, Ga.—John Gallivan, a Spanish war veteran and a private in Company L of the Seventeenth United States Infantry, stationed at Fort McPherson, was struck and instantly killed by a Central of Georgia local in-bound passenger train in front of the army post. Gallivan was a little deaf and, when he crossed the track, evidently failed to hear the train coming. When it hit him, he was hurled fully ten yards away. Practically every bone in his body was broken. He struck on his head, breaking his neck.

Slayer of Wife Jailed for Life.

Rome, Ga.—I. W. Williams, 64-year-old slayer of his wife, Mrs. Henrietta Williams, was sentenced to life imprisonment at the state farm. The jury bringing a verdict of guilty, with recommendation to mercy after ten minutes deliberation. The defense plea of insanity and the age of Williams were the contributing factors to the leniency, the defense's attorney admitting in his speech before court that the crime was so "unprovoked that no sane man would have committed it."

Canada Girl Sponsor for U. S. Warship

San Francisco, Cal.—When the new submarine torpedo boat H-1 was launched at the Union Iron works, an American naval tradition was shattered. For the first time in the country's history a United States warship was christened by a subject of a foreign country. Miss Leslie Jean Meakin, who stood sponsor for the new craft, was born in Montreal and is a niece of King George. Miss Meakin is the daughter of John A. McCreger, superintendent of the Iron works.

50,000 OFFICES FOR DEMOCRATS

PROVIDED THEY CAN WIN IN COMPETITIVE EXAMINATIONS.

TATEMENT OF BURLESON

Taft's Fourth-Class Postal Order is Amended by President Wilson.

Washington.—All fourth-class postmasterships, except those paying less than \$180 a year, were thrown open to competitive examinations by an order issued by President Wilson. These positions are retained in the classified service, but about 50,000 incumbents who were "covered" into the classified service by executive orders of previous administrations, will have to meet all comers in competitive examinations to hold their positions with civil service protection.

In a statement making this order public, Postmaster General Burleson announced that it was the purpose of President Wilson and himself to extend the classified service to include presidential postmasters of the second and third-class, probably within a year. This may require legislation by congress, he said. His plan, which will be laid before the president, would provide for a qualification test for incumbents and applicants "in keeping with the importance of the offices."

Under President Taft's order of October 15, 1912, fourth-class postmaster positions were divided into two classes, Class "A," those drawing more than \$500, and Class "B," those drawing less than \$500. Competitive examinations were prescribed for future applications for Class "A" appointments, while the Class "B" positions were to be filled upon recommendations of post-office inspectors.

The order leaves only the offices paying \$180 or less to be filled upon inspectors' recommendations. Rules and regulations to govern the administration of the new order will be worked out and announced by the civil service commission as soon as possible.

FOREST RESERVE BOUGHT

Latest Purchase 93,000 Acres in Virginia, Tennessee and N. C.

Washington.—Approximately 93,000 acres of mountain land in Virginia, Tennessee, North Carolina and West Virginia, was approved for purchase by the national forest reserve commission. This will make almost 600,000 acres bought by the government up to date for the Appalachian and White mountains forest reservation.

The largest of the group of tracts comprises 38,400 acres in the Massanutten region in Fago, Warren and Shenandoah counties, Virginia, the present purchase practically rounding out what the government needs in that section. In the Potomac purchase area, a group of 32 tracts, totalling 32,650 acres in Frederick and Shenandoah counties, Virginia, and Hardy county, West Virginia, was approved, about half of which adjoin lands already bought. In the Nantahala purchase area in Macon county, North Carolina, 31 tracts, containing 5,465 acres, was approved, filling out tracts previously purchased there.

U. S. Mail Boat Sinks

Jacksonville, Fla.—The United States mail boat Laporte, a gasoline launch which carries mail to the St. Johns river towns, sank while off Arlington. The boat was overloaded with mails and parcels post matter besides some cargo and went down in 19 feet of water, 200 feet off shore. Five persons aboard were rescued in a dinghy. A sack for Fulton, Fla., was not recovered.

Mrs. Longstreet Loses Her Office.

Washington.—Representative Thomas M. Bell's nomination of A. S. Hardy, editor of the Gainesville Eagle, to be postmaster at Gainesville, was turned down and President Wilson sent in the name of Mrs. H. W. J. Ham, widow of "Snollygoster" Ham, to succeed Mrs. Helen D. Longstreet. The rejection of Mr. Bell's nominee has caused the liveliest interest here.

School Children in Peril.

New Orleans.—Several hundred panic-stricken school children fled from the Amesville school building in a blinding rainstorm when lightning struck an oil tank belonging to the Texas Oil company and set fire to the more than 2,000,000 gallons of crude oil which it contained. There was no explosion, but the flames burst forth in an instant and enormous volumes of black smoke ascended to a height of more than a thousand feet. A half-dozen other large oil tanks near by were endangered by the heat.

Sheriff Shot While Killing Slayer.

Vienna, Ga.—Two men are dead and a third mortally wounded as a result of two pistol battles near here. The first encounter was between Oscar Blow and P. P. Slaughter, the latter being killed. When Sheriff Ramsey and his deputies cornered Blow he opened fire, shooting the sheriff in the stomach. The officer killed Blow as he fell. The scene of the shooting was near Pritchard's Station, the county. Blow and Slaughter were neighbors and neighbors. But Blow had a grudge against Slaughter for some time.