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DIRECTORY.

MADISON COUNTY.

Established by the legislature session 1859-51.
Population, 20,132.
County seat, Marshall.
1656 feet above sea level.
New and modern court house, cost \$33,000.00.
New and modern jail, cost \$15,000.
New county home, cost \$10,000.00.

County Officers.

Hon. C. B. Nashburn, Senator, 36th District, Marshall.
Hon. J. E. Rector, Representative, Hot Springs, N. C.
N. B. McDevitt, Clerk Superior Court, Marshall.
W. M. Buckner, Sheriff, Marshall.
Z. G. Sprinkle, Register of Deeds, Marshall.
C. F. Rannion, Treasurer, Marshall N. C., R. F. D. No. 4.
E. L. Tweed, Surveyor, White Rock N. C.
Dr. J. H. Baird, Coroner, Mars Hill N. C.
Mrs. Eliza Henderson, jailer, Marshall.
John Honeycutt, Janitor, Marshall.
Dr. C. N. Sprinkle, County Physician, Marshall.
James Haynie, Supt., county home, Marshall.

Courts as follows:

September 1st, 1913 (2) November 10th, 1913 (2)
March 2nd, 1914 (2), June 1st, 1914 (2), Sept. 7th, 1914 (2).
R. R. Reynolds, Solicitor, Asheville N. C. 1913, Fall Term—Judge Frank Carter, Asheville.
1914, Spring Term—Judge M. H. Justice, Rutherfordton, N. C.
Fall Term—Judge E. B. Clive, of Hickory, N. C.

County Commissioners.
W. C. Sprinkle, chairman, Marshall
E. A. Edwards, member, Marshall, R. F. D. No. 2. Reubin A. Tweed, member, Big Laurel, N. C.
J. Coleman Ramsey, atty., Marshall.

Road Commissioners.
Frank Roberts, chairman, Marshall.
J. K. Wilson, secretary, route 2, Marshall.

Highway Commission.
F. Shelton, President, Marshall.
Guy V. Roberts, " "
Geo. W. Wild, Big Pine, N. C.
S. W. Brown, Hot Springs, " "
Joe S. Brown, Waverly, " "

Board of Education.
Jasper Ebbs, Chairman, Spring Creek, N. C.
John Robert Sams, mem. Mars Hill, N. C.
W. R. Sams, mem. Marshall.
Prof. R. G. Anders, Superintendent of Schools, Marshall.
Board meets first Monday in January, April, July, and October each year.

Schools and Colleges.
Mars Hill College, Prof. R. L. Moore, President. Fall Term begins August 17th, 1913, and Spring Term begins January 2nd 1914.
Spring Creek High School, Prof. R. G. Edwards, Principal, Spring Creek. 8 mos school, opens Aug. 1st.
Madison Seminary High School, Prof. G. C. Brown, principal. 7 mos. school.

Bell Institute, Margaret E. Griffith, principal, Walnut, N. C.
Marshall Academy, Prof. S. B. Land Williams, principal, 8 mos. school. Opens August 4th.

Notary Publics.
J. C. Ramsey, Marshall, Term expires January 1st, 1914.
W. O. Connor, Mars Hill, Term expires Nov. 27th 1914.
D. P. Miles, Barnard, Term expires March 14th, 1914.
J. A. Wallin, Big Laurel, Term expires Jan. 24th, 1914.

J. G. Ramsey, Marshall, Route 4. Term expires March 16th, 1914.
J. E. Gregory, Jos, N. C. Term expires January 7th, 1914.
Jasper Ebbs, Spring Creek, N. C. Term expires September 24th 1914.
J. H. Hunter, Marshall, Route 3. Term expires April 1st 1915.
J. W. Nelson, Marshall—Term expires May 14, 1915.

T. B. Ebbs, Hot Springs—Term expires February 7th 1915.
Craig Ramsey, Revere, Term expires March 19, 1915.
N. W. Anderson, Paint Fork, Term expires May 19, 1915.
C. C. Brown, Bluff, Term expires December 9th, 1914.

W. T. Davis, Hot Springs. Term expires January 22nd 1915.

Post.

George W. Gahagan Post, No. 23, G. A. B. T. J. Rice, Comaungior; J. H. Ballard, Adjutant. Meets at the Court House Saturday before the second Sunday in each month at 11 a. m.

Madison County Wants Convicts.

Greater Western North Carolina Association Helping to Get Them. Matter Before the Governor.

The following Good Road news is taken from a recent issue of Asheville Citizen:

"The Greater Western North Carolina Association is now lending its aid to Madison county in an attempt to secure the 50 State convicts that were promised by the last session of the general assembly to construct roads for county—at least to construct a central road as a link of the Central highway to replace the roadbed that was sold to the Southern railway by the State for its present right of way. The convicts were promised on or before June 1st, last, but up to this time they have not appeared on the scene.

At the meeting of the association here yesterday Guy Roberts of Madison county appeared and made an eloquent speech about the matter, declaring that on the promise made by the general assembly the county authorized an issue of \$300,000 in bonds to build good roads, and that \$50,000 of this issue was sold at a considerable sacrifice in order to have the money available when the convicts arrived. Following his speech he introduced these resolutions before the board of directors of the association which were unanimously adopted:

"Whereas, it was enacted by the legislature of North Carolina session of 1913, that Madison and Buncombe counties should be furnished with a sufficient number of convicts on or before June 1st, 1913, to aid in building the Central highway; and

"Whereas, Madison county, relying upon this aid from the State, has issued bonds for \$300,000 to carry out this work, part of which issue has been sold at a sacrifice in order to have funds available to supplement the work of the convicts; and

"Whereas, the council of state has already allotted 50 convict to aid in the work of the Hickory Nut Gap road, but has failed to make any provision for the work in Madison county; and

"Whereas, the projected road in Madison county cannot possibly be constructed without state aid, on account of the heavy expense necessary to build said road; therefore be it

Resolved, That this Greater Western North Carolina association, knowing the supreme importance of the completion of the highway through Madison county in its relation to the interest of the whole of western North Carolina, does hereby most respectfully ask that the act of the legislature, as it applies to Madison county, be carried out at the earliest possible moment.

A copy of these resolutions was mailed to Governor Locke Craig and the council of state, accompanied by the following letter:

"I take pleasure in submitting to you these resolutions, which were unanimously adopted by the board of directors of the

Greater Western North Carolina association at a meeting held yesterday, the 24th inst., at Asheville. The resolutions were introduced and seconded by representatives of each of the counties of the association, and I have been instructed to forward same for your consideration. I trust the matter will meet with your early co-operation." The letter was signed by W. A. Smith of Hendersonville, vice president of the association. Frank W. Miller, Secretary.

This matter of delayed convict labor for the building of the Madison county road has aroused considerable discussion lately among good roads people of the section, and it is believed that with the concerted action of the counties of the section that the request of the county for convicts will be complied with at an early date."

South Carolina Letter.

Editor NEWS-RECORD—Will you allow me space in your paper for a few brief news items.

There has been some of the hottest weather here for the past week that we've experienced in a long time, but in the last few days a good rain and local thunder storms have relieved us to a great extent. During one of these storms lightning struck the railroad round house and it was soon burned to the ground.

There is quite a lot of work going on here on the big dam that is being constructed to create electric power.

Corn crops are greatly damaged by the recent dry, hot weather.

A. A. Odell left last week for North Carolina. W. Y. Meadows and Lewis Hames are going to Texas on a prospecting trip. Hope to see them back soon.

There is some sickness in and around Lock Hart at present. Success to the NEWS-RECORD. L. A. M.

CONVICTS FOR MADISON COUNTY.

Work to be Rushed on The Highway.

Sunday's News & Observer contains the following interesting News:

"J. E. Rector, representative from Madison County in the last General Assembly was here yesterday on business pertaining to the detalling of convicts to the Highway in Madison county, as authorized by an act of the last Legislature. Mr. Rector was in conference with the Council of State relative to the matter and he went away satisfied that the convicts to push the completion of the work of that splendidly conceived piece of highway will be forthcoming.

Mr. Rector boarded the early morning train last night out of Raleigh for Chase City, Va., where, on Tuesday he enters into the solemn bonds of matrimony."

Minister Praises this Laxative
Rev. H. Stutenvoll of Allison, Ia., in praising Dr. King's New Life Pills for constipation, writes:—"Dr. King's New Life Pills are such perfect pills no home should be without them." "A better regulator for the liver and bowels. Every pill guaranteed. Try them. Price 25c. at Marshall Pharmacy."

Lon Wells Fails to Secure Pardon

GOVERNOR CRAIG REFUSES EXECUTIVE CLEMENCY.

Holds That According to the Evidence He Cannot Grant Request—Case Most Unusual One.

At a hearing held at the Battery Park hotel yesterday morning, Governor Locke Craig refused to grant a pardon to Lon Wells, convicted in Swain county Superior court of the larceny of goods from the Southern Railway company. Attorney Edward Norval of Murphy, presented a monster petition, signed by people all the way from Murphy to Asheville, but Governor Craig held that according to the evidence he could not grant the pardon.

Mr. Wells, who is 70 years of age, was convicted of a very peculiar theft. With his wife he was moving from Murphy to Bryson City. In unloading the household goods from the car at Bryson City a box of men's clothing was unloaded with the household goods and removed to the new Wells home. It was stated at the trial that Mrs. Wells was to blame for the failure to return the goods to the railway company, but Mr. Wells refused to allow this view to be taken and

insisted that he was equally guilty.

The trial jury in Superior court in Swain county found both Mr. and Mrs. Wells guilty, and sentenced each to serve two years in the penitentiary. Each made bond and appealed to the Supreme Court. About a month ago the Supreme court affirmed both sentences, and when the officers went to look for the pair it was found that Mrs. Wells had for feited her bond and left.

Mr. Wells announced himself ready to serve his sentence, but his attorneys gave notice of a petition for pardon and Governor Craig granted him a 30-day respite to secure the petition. This petition was presented to Governor Craig yesterday, and the governor declined to issue executive clemency. Mr. Wells will be taken to Raleigh next Wednesday.

The prisoner, who is white-haired and feeble, is a former resident of Buncombe county and is well known here. He served one term in the general assembly as representative from Buncombe and was one of the electors-at-large at the time of the election of Grover Cleveland.—Sunday Citizen.

A CALL MEETING.

There will be a call meeting of the F. E. C. U. of Madison County August 4th all Locals are requested to send a full delegation. H. D. SMITH, Pres.

A Ginseng Patch That is a Patch.

Mr. R. M. Gahagan of Allamstead N. C., has a ginseng patch of about two and one half acres, the seng is growing in the woods the seng is transplanted in rows on an average of about 6 inches in the drill and the rows are about three feet apart, the seng in this field ranges from three to ten years old, and is kept as nicely cultivated as the up-to-date gardener would keep his garden.

Mr. Gahagan says that he now has enough plants to transplant about three acres. At a low estimate Mr. Gahagan could now dig from his sang field at least from 18 to 20 thousand dollars of sang and then not dig any under five years old.

It is a show for any one to see. Mr. Gahagan is a genial, courteous gentleman and will take a great pleasure in showing any one over his sang patch, and telling them how to cultivate it.

But woe unto the man who visits this patch alone, as it is kept strictly and closely guarded. There is a cabin built in the center of this patch, and a faithful watchman is kept constantly on the job, night and day, and as his companions he keeps a vicious bull dog and a Winchester rifle, but in these are meant no harm. They are only to serve as a warning to those who are disposed to purloin some of the sang.

Respect.
J. WILL ROBERTS.

ONE CAR LOAD UNBROKE WESTERN Horses & Mares AT AUCTION

Hot Springs, N. C. Friday Aug. 1, 1913, and Marshall, N. C., Saturday, Aug. 2, 1913

I will sell a load of extra good bred, heavy boned and good shaped unbroke Western Horses and Mares, ranging in age from 2 to 4 years. This will be a great opportunity for you to get a good Horse or Mare cheap.

Don't miss this Sale for these horses will be sold. Remember the date, Saturday, August 2, 1913. Sale begins at 10 a. m.

I also want to buy 50 head of mules from 4 to 10 years old; 13 to 14 hands high for the mines.

M. F. Brannan