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## DIRECTORY.

### MADISON COUNTY.

Established by the legislature session 1850-51.  
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. Mashburn, 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. Rynnion, Treasurer, Marshall N. C., R. F. D. No. 4.  
R. 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. Cline, of Hickory, N. C.  
County Commissioners.  
W. C. Sprinkle, chairman, Marshall R. 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 B. Brown, Waverly, "  
A. F. Sprinkle, Mars Hill, N. C.  
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. Roland

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, Joe, 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. 38, G. A. E. T. J. Rice, Commander; J. H. Ballard, Adjutant. Meets at the Court House Saturday before the second Sunday in each month at 11 a m

### ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as the administrator of J. C. Sanders, Jr., deceased late of Madison County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of the said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Hot Springs, N. C., on or before the 17, day of November, 1914, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.  
All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement.  
This 17, day of November 1913.  
W. T. DAVIS,  
Administrator of J. C. Sanders, Jr., deceased.

## How is This?

Before the voters of the United States changed the policy of the government administration the Republican politicians told us that if the Democrats went into power the prices of products of farm and labor would drop to almost nothing; on the other hand the politicians of democracy told us they would lower the cost of living; the democrats went into office; at one time since the price of cotton went so high that it was said the record was broken; we now see in the papers that eggs have gone so high that an army of 15000 women of Washington city, including the wives of cabinet officers; are pushing a campaign to boycott eggs. How is this matter? It looks to us like both politicians were wrong. Show us the light. Are the hens on a strike? Was it a bad year for cotton?

## A Strange Verdict.

In a western mining town, it is said a man was found dead hanging to his bed post by his suspenders. A coroner's inquest was held and the jury brought in this verdict. We the jurors, having held an inquest over the body of A. B., deceased, find that he, the said A. B. deceased, came to his death thru a mistake which he made by hanging himself, instead of his breeches, to the bedpost.



The children, the boys and the girls and the grown ups, too, are counting the days to "Old Santa's" coming. Who is there that does not look forward to this day when all shall be merry around the hearthstone, of every home in the land. Its a time when we all go back home to make merry at the Christmas dinner and again renew the ties of love that bind the family closer together. Too, its the time when, for once in the year, we forget ourselves in happier thoughts for others.

We take up the harp of life and smite on all the cords with might.  
We smite upon the chord of love and self, trembling, sinks out of sight."

Every hand bears a gift for some friend and the mails are loaded with presents betokening the love of mankind; the world is full of words and dreams rich with music and love. The poor are not forgotten. The Christmas spirit is abroad in the land and everywhere that the gospel has been spread there is the spirit of "Peace on earth, good will to men."

While we are buying our presents for this happy season it will not be out of place for us to remember the home merchants whose shelves and counters, windows and show cases, are loaded with suitable and appropriate gifts for the season and we doubt not that our home merchants will more deeply appreciate our trade than those who have no local interest. We, therefore, suggest that our Christmas shopping be done, as largely as possible, with our home merchants.

### SOUTHERN DEVELOPMENT.

Room for development and progress in the South is one of the marvels of the present day. Let us give one instance Patrick Hagan of Scott county Virginia last week sold the timber off of 23,000 acres of land for \$250,000 in cash. The deed to this property only carries the timber rights, and the coal rights which still belongs to Mr. Hagan are valued at \$2,000,000 and are probably worth more. Most of this land was bought by Hagan years ago at ten cents an acre Patrick

Hagan is now 86 years old. He came to Scott county, Virginia from Ireland. It is said that at one time he could get on his horse at his home in Scott county and ride through to Letcher, Ky., without getting off of his own land. Much of the land bought by him at ten cents an acre is now worth \$200 to \$500 per acre and the end is not yet in sight. With these actual figures before us who can comprehend what the near future may disclose as to the real value of property throughout the Southland? When all kinds and classes of advantages are taken together we believe there is no

country on the face of the earth which today offers the opportunities to be found in the South. She is just beginning to come in to her own and the next ten years will witness development which will far surpass the sanguine expectations of those who believe most strongly in the South and her future prosperity.

This article is taken from the New Port Times. It reads almost like a "fairy tale" but things yet more wonderful will come to pass in "Dixie." years ago the Cane River bottoms in Yancey County, this state, were sold for a dog and a gun. Today if you were to ask the owner what his price on these lands is you would think the dog and the gun transaction had long since been forgotten. You could probably buy these bottoms for \$200.00 per acre.

## New Jersey Match- es North Carolina

A preacher of days that are gone by in North Carolina while reading his bible in Sunday School came upon the word "Stephen" and when he looked at it it seemed a very simple word and he pronounced it "Step-Hen." The story is well matched, if not quite out done, by the following clipped from Current Events:

Joseph P. Tumulty, secretary to President Wilson tells of a former member of the Jersey City Board of Education, who, upon a visit to one of the schools, took a reader from the teacher's hand, and addressed the nearest little girl.

"My dear, can you spell 'egg-pit'?" he said.  
The little girl didn't recognize the word, but was willing to take a chance, so she said:  
"E-g-g-p-i-t."

"Erroneous—can anybody else spell it?" the inquisitor asked, looking over the room.

Other children tried. Some spelled it with one g; others with two t's. Still wrong. The member of the board had his big finger on the word, and knew. He turned to the teacher:  
"Of course, ma'am, you know how to spell it?"

The teacher blushed and confessed that, while she was not familiar with the word, she would expect it to be spelled as it sounded—"e-g-g-p-i-t."

"Not familiar with it!" roared the guardian of the public instruction. "Not familiar with it—it's right here in the book!"  
The teacher looked, and saw the word—EGYPT.—N. Y. Evening Post.

## CHRISTMAS

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PIPES BOTH MEERSCHAUM AND BRIAR.  
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Marshall Pharmacy.