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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.

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. Kunnion, 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. E. Justice, Rutherfordton, N. C.
Fall Term—Judge E. B. Clins, 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 S. 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. B. 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, 1916.
T. B. Ebbs, Hot Springs—Term expires February 7th 1915.
Craig Ramsey, Bevere, 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. Cahagan Post, No. 28, G. A. R. T. J. Rice, Commander, M. A. Chandley, Adjutant. Meets at the Court House Saturday before the second Sunday in each month at 11 a m.

NORTH CAROLINIAN IS BUILDING THE GREATEST BRIDGE IN THE WORLD.

(BY CHARLES Z. FLACK.)

To her long list of sons who have "made good," North Carolina will have to add the name of W. B. Fortune of Rutherford County.

Mr. Fortune has been in this section a week looking up his relatives and renewing old acquaintances and it was while on these rounds that The Observer man struck up with him. What is he doing? Why, he is building the largest bridge in the world—a \$13,000,000 structure—over the St. Lawrence River, eight miles west of Quebec.

Some thirty years ago Mr. Fortune was a day laborer on the old Carolina Central, now the Seaboard Railroad, and was helping build trestles between Charlotte and Rutherfordton.

The biggest job in those days was the bridge over the Catawba. About 28 years ago he left Rutherford County and journeyed North. He found employment with a ship-building company at Camden, N. J., and after years of work he rose to the position of superintendent. He remained with the company until 1908, when he was called upon to assume the monumental task of spanning the St. Lawrence.

About the year 1900 a syndicate began the construction of a bridge at this very point and

after seven years of work when the structure was nearing completion it gave way and sank to the bottom of the river carrying 88 laborers with it. This was in 1907 and the accident threw the syndicate into bankruptcy. In 1908 the Dominion of Canada took up the task and awarded the contract to the St. Lawrence Bridge Company, Ltd., and this is the Company now working away on the bridge.

The first four years have been devoted to the masonry and it will require about five years more to complete the bridge. The bridge is of the cantilever type and contains one span which measures 1,800 feet. This is the longest single span ever attempted. The only thing in its class is the Fourth bridge of Scotland, measuring 1,700 feet. The water under the bridge is 200 feet deep and the bridge when completed will clear the water 150 feet. The middle or connecting span of the bridge is 640 feet long and will weigh 6,000 tons. It is being constructed four miles down the river and when completed will be towed up the river and hoisted into position. The total weight of the bridge will be 70,000 tons.

SNEFFELS, COL. A. J. Walsh was badly done up with rheumatism and sent for Foley Kidney Pills which was the only thing that would cure him. Geo. Potter of Pontiac, Mo., was down on his back with kidney and bladder trouble and Foley Kidney Pills made him well and able to work. It is a splendid medicine and always helps. Just try it.—Dr. I. E. Burnett, Mars Hill, N. C.

The Old Man

Be kind to your dady, O gambling youth; his feet are now sluggish and cold; intent on your pleasures, you don't see the truth, which is that your dad's growing old. Ah, once he could whip forty bushels of snakes, but now he is spavined and lame; his joints are all rusty and tortured with aches, and weary and worn is his frame. He toiled and he slaved like a government mule to see that his kids had a chance; he fed them and clothed them and sent them to school, rejoiced when he marked their advance. The landscape is moist with the billows of sweat he cheerfully shed as he toiled, to bring up his children and keep out of debt, and see that the home kettle boiled. He dressed in old duds that his Mary and Jake might bloom like the roses in June, and oft when you swallowed your porterhouse steak, your dady was chewing a prune. And now that he's worn by his burden of care, just show you are worth all he did; look out for his comfort, and hand him his chair, and hang up his slicker and lid.

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TO SCHOOL COMMITTEE AND BOARD OF EDUCATION

Gentlemen:—

In this report to you I wish to give the facts as near as possible, in regard to the present school, and its future prospects.

First let me congratulate you what you have done jointly, in the way of erecting a modern, and may I say, a sanitary school building at the Seminary. Today it stands there as a monument to the builders, and a reminder of the zeal and courage of the true patrons who stood so loyally to the builders. Many times in the past dark days have come to the Madison Seminary. (Once, when the old Seminary building was condemned by Dr. Walker, when it seemed that the high school would be taken from us and placed elsewhere.) In this dark hour the good citizens of the community, with the aid of the Board of Education, came to our cause; and as a result of the combined efforts of these men we have, I believe, the best, if not the very best, public school building in the county. It is situated in the very heart of the county, two and one half miles from Marshall, and in a rich farming section. In fact the location is in reach, as you men know, of the boys and girls from two thirds of the county. Furthermore you are aware that the mission of the rural high school is for the poor boy and girl who is not able to go elsewhere to high schools and colleges. Their training for life must be obtained in the rural high school. Thus you see at once the great and important position your high school holds.

Now men of the committee, the question arises is our county high school at the Madison Seminary which you, without saying, are interested in, and are supporting with your money and good wishes, filling the all-important mission, for which it was intended? To this question, I must answer that it is far as the conditions and the financial side will allow. Today we are crowded with as bright boys and girls as these mountains produce; and they have given to the world some great men. It is needless to say that we are glad to have these boys and girls, who have come to us from many sections of the country. And still they come. Yet more would come if we only had the inducements and could give them the accommodations. Our student body is made up of energetic and progressive young men and women who have come to us for training. Many elementary teachers are with us, trying to become more competent and efficient teachers. Therefore I ask again. Is your school filling its mission? Will it continue to do so? To the first I answer affirmatively. To the second. I answer that it will continue in its usefulness, if you as men, will take the right kind of interest in the way of keeping the school growing. If you fail financially it will not be what it should. If you fail in your energy and your enthusiasm, your school will do likewise. Remember that you are living in a progressive age, and in order to be progressive you must be progressive with your schools. Thus how can your schools be progressive without progress behind them.

The local funds you raised last year entitled you to a larger appropriation from the state. And with the increase of local funds this year and an average attendance in the high school department above the requirements for a 1st class high school you will be entitled to an appropriation from the State of \$500.

Men you know it takes hustle in life, and if we do not ask for these things they will not come to us. Now why should you not take time by the forelock and keep your school growing. To do this you must hustle.

It is an evident fact that Mars Hill College is ever crowded with students. At that place the expenses are soaring out of reach of the poor boy. In a few more years this will entirely eliminate them. With these conditions facing you, what are you going to do. What encouragement are you going to give the boys to make better and more enlightened citizens; and the girls to become better trained for the home. As I said above Mars Hill and other like institutions will soon be out of reach of the boy with common means. What encouragement are you going to give him? I answer emphatically that you will give him encouragement by making the rural high school for him. You have your high school why not make them a community center, and a pride of your country educational system. At Madison Seminary you have a \$8000 building, modern in every respect, and surrounding it you have one among the best communities in the county. As I said above, it is centrally located, in reach of a large per cent of our population of the county. Why not put our shoulders to the wheel and let's push these schools to the point where they will build and boom our county. There is an imperative need for a dormitory to accommodate the many who are kept away. Men the responsibility is on us. Future generations will call you blessed if you will take time by the forelock, and build your high schools for present and future generations. It brings wealth and prosperity to your county. You are spending thousands for your roads, why not spend hundreds for your rural high schools.

Gentlemen in the important positions you occupy you have a great opportunity to make great builders of yourselves. Why not grasp this opportunity? The time is ripe for such work. Why not begin and by so doing, lift your county to a higher plain the county which has been pointed out as "bloody and ignorant Madison?" Men please do not lose sight of the value of your rural high schools.

Jan. 12, 1914.
G. C. BROWN,
Principal
Madison S. High School.

NOTICE! NOTICE!

To the Tax-payers of Madison County:

By virtue of the Tax List in my hands for Collection for the year 1913, I will meet the Tax-payers at the following places on the dates named below for the purpose of receiving your Taxes.

Table with columns: Location, Store Name, Day, Date. Includes Little Pine, Mars Hill, Middle Fork, West Fork, Upper Laurel, Fosters Creek, Old Bull Creek, Grapevine, Big Laurel, Shelton Laurel, Hot Springs.

Office open at Marshall Court House.
I will remain at each place until 3 p. m.

As I have been appointed to collect the tax for the year 1913 and as there has been no tax collected for this year I earnestly request all persons to meet me and settle their tax, as I will be forced to make collections at once. So a word to the wise is sufficient.

Very Truly,
W. C. AMMONS,
Tax Collector.

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