

## DIRECTORY

### MADISON COUNTY.

Established by the legislature session 1850-51.  
Population, 20,132.  
County seat, Marshall.  
1655 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. J. E. Lineback, Senator, 35th District, Elk Park.  
Hon. Plato Ebbs, Representative, Hot Springs, N. C.  
W. A. West, Clerk of Superior Court, Marshall.  
Caney Ramsey, Sheriff, Marshall.  
James Smart, Register of Deeds, Marshall.  
C. F. Rannison, Treasurer, Marshall N. C., R. F. D. No. 4.  
A. T. Chandley, Surveyor, Marshall N. C.  
Dr. J. H. Baird, Coroner, Mars Hill N. C.  
W. J. Balding, Janitor, Marshall.  
Dr. Frank Roberts, County Physician, Marshall.  
Garfield Davis, Supt. county home, Marshall.

**Courts as follows:**  
September 1st, 1915 (2) November 10th, 1915. (2)  
March 2nd, 1915, (2). June 1st, 1915 (2). Sept. 7th, 1915, (2).  
J. Ed. Swain, Solicitor, Asheville N. C. 1915, 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**  
N. B. McDevitt chairman, Marshall  
J. E. Rector, member, Marshall, R. F. D. No. 1. Anderson, Silver, member, Marshall, Route 3 W. L. George, member, Mars Hill. J. C. Chandley, White Rock.

**Highway Commission**  
F. Shelton, President, Marshall.  
G. V. Russell, Bluff, N. C.  
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, 1915, and Spring Term begins January 2nd 1914.  
Spring Creek High School, Prof. E. C. Pleasants, 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. Griffin, principal, Walnut, N. C.  
Marshall Academy, Prof. S. Roland Williams, principal 8 mos. school. Opens August 31.

**Notary Publics.**  
J. C. Ramsey, Marshall, Term expires January 6th, 1916.  
Jasper Ebbs, Spring Creek, N. C. Term expires January 6th 1915.  
J. H. Hunter, Marshall, Route 3. Term expires April 1st, 1915.  
J. W. Nelson, Marshall—Term expires May 11, 1915.  
T. B. Ebbs, Hot Springs—Term expires February 4th 1915.  
Craig Ramsey, Bevers, Term expires March 19, 1915.  
N. W. Anderson, Paint Fork, Term expires May 19, 1915.  
W. T. Davis, Hot Springs, term expires January 22nd 1915.  
Steve Rice, Marshall. Term expires Dec. 19th, 1915.  
Ben W. Gahagan, Stackhouse, N. C. Term expires Dec. 20, 1915.  
J. F. Tilson, Marshall, Route 2. Term expires Nov. 14th 1915.  
C. J. Ebbe, Marshall. Term expires April 25th, 1915.  
D. M. Harshburger, Stackhouse, Term expires January 18th, 1916.  
D. P. Miles, Barnard. Term expires December, 23, 1915.  
W. B. Ramsey, Marshall. Term expires Oct. 4th 1915.  
J. A. Wallin, Big Laurel. Term expires Aug. 8th, 1916.  
C. C. Brown, Bluff. Term expires January 6th 1917.

## If you Want to be Loved

Don't contradict people, even if you are sure you are right.  
Don't be inquisitive about the affairs of even your most intimate friend.  
Don't undertake anything because you don't possess it.  
Don't believe that everybody else is happier than you.  
Don't conclude that you never had an opportunity in your life.  
Don't believe all the evils you hear.  
Don't repeat gossip even if it does interest a crowd.  
Don't jeer at any ones religious belief.  
Learn to hide your aches and pains under a pleasant smile. Few care whether you have the earache headache or rheumatism.  
Learn to attend to your own business—a very important point.  
Do not try to be anything else but a gentleman or gentlewoman; and that means one who has consideration for the whole world and whose life is governed by the golden rule: "Do unto others as you would be done by."—Christian Herald.

## Did You?

Did you give him a lift, He is a brother man.  
And bearing about all the burden he can.  
Did you give him a smile, He was downcast and blue.  
And the smile would have helped him to battle it through.  
Did you give him your hand, He was slipping down hill.  
And the world, so I fancied was using him ill.  
Did you give him a word, Did you show him the road,  
Or did you just let him go on with the load,  
Do you know what it means to lose in a fight,  
When a lift just in time might set everything right?  
Do you know what it means—just a clasp of the hand  
When a man was borne about  
Why the half-surpressed sob, all a man ought to stand?  
Did you ask him what it was?  
Why the quivering lip,  
The scalding tear drip?  
Were you a brother of his when his time came of need?  
Did you offer to help him, or Didn't you heed?  
—Selected.

## For Safety Sake

(Springfield Republican.)  
Sound sense dictates that chauffeurs shall wear caps, and folks who undertake to handle their own automobiles ought to do likewise. The reason for this can be illustrated by telling how a Worcester man comes to be laid up in the Burbank hospital in Fitchburg. He was bowling along when the wind lifted his hat and he made an instinctive grab as he felt it leave his head. The quick motion caused him to lose his grip on the automobile, which quickly turned turtle, pinning him under the machine. Thus a moment's forgetfulness of the possibilities which reside in the automobile may lead to serious injury or death. It were better to monkey with a buzz-saw than be off guard when driving your machine.

## A Big Thought for the Week

### THE LOVE OF A WOMAN

By STEEN VANWYCK

The love of a woman is the best thing that can come to a man soul.  
It is religion in a form suited for universal consumption. It is religion, fortified in the primal instincts.  
It makes him loyal, brave, tender, and high souled. No man works so well as when he works for a woman's sake.  
It is the woman that makes his fighting fine, his work good. Without he struggles as a beast; for her he contends as a knight.  
His respect for her has more ethical force than his own self respect.  
That his love for her is rooted in the flesh need not make him think less of it; for all the high spiritualities rest on the ground they do not float in the air.  
The lily springs from the muck; the mother of the rose is the black earth. Out of the dark decays of life grow its delicate creations.  
So the magic wand of True Love touches the fierce potencies of sex, and all the flames of flesh rise into the divinest power dynamic.  
If you have found the one woman, cling to her, for better or for worse. Who knows? Through her eyes you may climb up to God.

## How the Towns Register

### Largest Towns Fall Short on Birth Rate for First Quarter

Of the ten towns of the State having 10,000 population or over, High Point leads in birth registration with a rate of 33.2 Wilmington following with 30.0. The other towns in order of rank are: Raleigh, 29.8; Greensboro, 25.4; Winston-Salem, 25.3; Charlotte, 25.1; Rocky Mount, 24.1; Durham 22.3; Asheville, 21.1; New Bern, 18.1.

By a comparison of the above rates with the average national birth rate which is 35.1 per 1,000 population, it is readily seen that North Carolina is falling far short in registering all her births, else she might as well be framing up a welcome to hold out to foreigners. If 17.1 represents all the births of New Bern where will she be in another century? According to her reports made to the State Board of Health her death rate will consume her birth rate in less than a century.

If we didn't know better, we would expect New Bern, according to her own figures, to disappear from the map within the next generation.

As to the towns reporting best on deaths, perhaps Raleigh leads, with Asheville as a close second. Then comes Wilmington and Charlotte. The next to follow are Rocky Mount, New Bern, Winston-Salem, Greensboro, Durham and High Point.

It is evident that these towns are not reporting all their deaths, but, as a general rule, deaths are more nearly all reported than births. It is difficult to tell which way we are going as a State in health matters unless there be accurate reports of both deaths and births.

I will have anchor Brand and other grades of Virginia-Carolina Fertilizers during balance of season any time you come after it.  
R. H. WARD.

## The Growing of Alfalfa.

(By J. R. Sams.)

To The News-Record:—

I have received a lot of circular letters from Mr. E. S. Mill-sapps District Agent relative to growing Alfalfa.

This letter states twelve rules which if continuously carried out will insure success in growing this most valuable of all legume crops, knowing the difficulty of successfully growing this crop, I hesitate to send these letters out promiscuously; but if any farmers in Madison County desire to grow this crop and mean to do so, if they will call at my office or drop me a card to Marshall, N. C., I will gladly mail them a copy, and will also give any other information and aid possible to help start this valuable crop in this County.

Now that we have a lot of well bred bulls and cows and heifers brought into the county lately; let every one owning such cattle resolve that he will prepare to take better care than ever before of these cattle.

To take a higher stand in the breeding of cattle means to make better provisions for keeping the cattle in the way of shelter and feeding them. A fine animal poorly kept will soon make a poor animal. The Siloe is past the experimental stage. There should be many Siloes built in Madison County this year. Several will be built; but many others should be planned and built. The Octagonal Siloe is the latest idea and said to be the cheapest. This form of Siloe is built entirely of 2x4 scantling without hoops to tighten and loosen at the change of weather and season. My office will be supplied at once with blue prints and furnished to those who desire them.

All farmers who desire to get in on the top floor in their farm management should call at the farmer's office in the Court House when they come to town, not that the agent knows it all; but because he is in touch with men and agencies who can help them, and that is the purpose of this office, which is at your command absolutely free, and placing you under no obligation whatever.

Those who have gullies on their farms should begin at once to eliminate them.

Now is a good time to begin, while the corn is getting large enough to cultivate.

Cut bushes from the branch and creek banks and haul back to the gullies on the hillside and cover them over. If you have no bushes growing along the branch and creek banks, then go to the woods and cut dogwoods, blackgums, scrubby pines and any other undesirable brush and use it in this way, don't delay, every season that passes leaves the gully deeper and wider and consequently harder to stop.

Now while the leaves are on, the brush will be more effective. Several farmers have told me they would clean up their last gully this year.

There are three Townships in this county that have more gullies than all the other thirteen put together. Now let all get busy who have gullies and get rid of them. It is not a hard thing to do, stopping these gullies and building up their soil lies at the very foundation of good farming. Better cattle and other live stock is desirable, back of that lies the

question of better corn, better meadows and better pastures, and still back of that lies the question of soil. The same kind of soil is required for good pasture as for good corn. So let every one get busy in soil improvement.

Corn is now about all planted, and the next step is to keep the harrow and cultivator moving rapidly, don't wait for any particular period to pass from one cultivation to another. Go through the crop rapidly and often. Keep the land fresh and clean, moisture is one of the prime factors in large yields of corn.

No matter how much plant food there may be in the soil; unless it is dissolved in water, it does the plant no good. Frequent shallow cultivation keeps the moisture stored during the winter and spring in the soil and renders the plant food available. Be sure that the cultivation is not deep enough to interfere with the corn roots.

## Feet Instead of Fathoms.

(Marine Journal.)

The United States navy department having jettisoned the nautical terms "starboard" and "port" for "right" and "left" in steering, the United States coast geodetic survey service is seriously contemplating further disregarding former nautical nomenclature by printing the depth of water on coasting charts in feet instead of fathoms, as heretofore, and to that end is obtaining the opinion of navigators pro and con as to its practicability. It is natural that changes of this character should take place, as those engaged in promoting simpler as well as more efficient means of obtaining satisfactory results in navigation find them to be to advantage. There is little doubt but that after obtaining a consensus of opinion from navigators of experience there will be but one opinion that everything in connection with the construction and operation of a ship should be measured in feet and inches as well as on land. Then why not adopt the units of all depths below the surface, the same as all heights above the sea level? The antiquated fathom (six feet) has outlived its efficient but clumsy usefulness.



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to enjoy the deliciousness of Chero-Cola. This way it is always uniform, pure and wholesome.

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## Information in Regard to Sunday School Minutes.

Having had a great many inquiries about the minutes of our convention from the various Sunday Schools of the Union I desire to say that, as secretary of the convention, I prepared the minute of the convention and mailed the same to the printers at Marshall. The copy for our minutes was lost in transmission through the mails. I regret that this is true but felt that the Sunday Schools should be informed of the reason that the minutes have not been published.

The Sunday Schools of this convention need not send in any money to pay for minutes for the coming year. I have sufficient funds to pay the expense of getting them out. The convention meets this year at Chappel Hill on Friday, before the Second Sunday in August.

Respectfully,  
J. W. CROW,  
Secretary.