

## MARSHALL AND MADISON COUNTY FAST FORGING TO FRONT IN LARGE REALTY DEALS

Although prices are low compared with other parts of the country, there is a marked increase in the turnover of lands.

Hot Springs, a resort of long standing on account of its famous health giving springs has shown a wonderful activity within the past 90 days.

The St. Joseph Society is contemplating a school there for the faster advancement of priesthood.

Eden Hill, a 5000 acre development under Wythe M. Peyton is fast shaping into summer camps.

On Big Laurel river, the E. W. Grove Co., has 13,000 acres under fence as a fishing and hunting preserve.

At Marshall, the county seat of Madison County, there is an unusual activity in building. Several residences and business houses are now being built. The W. H. Powers Engineering Co., has drawn plans for a 60-room hotel. Marshall is one of the picturesque in the world. Its business section is hedged in by the French Broad River on one side and by magnificent bluffs on the other.

The town has another great advantage in being on the main line of the Southern Railway and at the junction of State Highways No. 20, 69, and 203, and the new river road nearing completion 20 miles from Asheville, over the most scenic highway only rivaled in beauty by the famous Columbia River Highway in Oregon.

There are three power dams within the limits of the city, and it has the most complete water system in the country. This year, the dryest in history, there has never been a scarcity of water. Fed by gravity from the town's water shed on Hunter Creek, the water supply is unsurpassed.

Ohio capital is backing a development on the old Pritchard estate. Rising above the river 600 feet is a beautiful plateau where the late Judge Jeter C. Pritchard built a palatial home in the center of a 300 acre tract of land surrounded by trees and spacious lawns. From anywhere on this plateau a panorama breaks forth unexcelled anywhere in America. To the south is Pisgah, on the northeast Mt. Mitchell rises in all her grandeur; on the west the Tennessee mountains and

the Great Smokies. The French Broad River is the boundary on the south side of this estate. Surrounding and through the property, Highways No. 20 and 69 together with private drives wind, where at every turn the grandeur of the everlasting hills greet the eye. It has the distinction of being the only estate with city water and electric lines already in place.

Two storage reservoirs with a never failing supply of water are on the property. The Henderson Branch, named in honor of Dr. Henderson, a pioneer physician, runs through the estate, falling in cascades through a forest of virgin pine.

From Signal Bluff, commanding a sweep of river for miles, the Cherokee Indians were wont to signal the advance of friend or foe. At the foot of this bluff still stands the hearth stones of the old Vance home. Here Zeb Vance, the famous war governor, first saw the light of day.

This estate is on the market, and will be sub-divided to purchasers.

In all of our travels, we have yet to see the variety of vales, hills, valleys and river as seen from this plateau. Five minutes' walk will place you in the center of town, depot, stores, banks and schools. A new High School is soon to be erected together with the improvements already completed.

The two banks show deposits of over \$1,000,000.00.

Three hotels and numerous boarding houses are always crowded. "Blannahasset" Island, the city park in the middle of the river, affords a playground for the young and old, equipped with baseball grounds, basketball courts, and the Southern Power Co.'s Dam makes a lake with over five miles of shore line—where boating, fishing and bathing can be enjoyed.

Four churches take care of the spiritual welfare of the town, because Marshall is a church-going town, and our ministers are unexcelled. We are always glad to welcome strangers and make them feel at home.

With the new paving work and other improvements that are under way, Marshall will soon be the "Garden Spot of the World!"

## ELABORATE PARTY IS GIVEN IN MARSHALL FRIDAY EVENING

(Taken from ASHEVILLE CITIZEN)

Marshall, N. C., Nov 5.—One of the most elaborate affairs ever given in Marshall took place here on Friday evening, when Miss Ethel Redmon, Miss Frances McDevitt, and Mrs. J. C. Sprinkle were joint hostesses for a masquerade dance, given at "Coolidge," the lovely old home of the late Judge Jeter Pritchard, now the home of Miss Redmon.

For the occasion, the spacious drawing room, reception hall, dining room and library were thrown together and gaily decorated in Halloween decorations; black cats, lighted pumpkins, Jack O'Lanterns, autumn leaves and a profusion of yellow chrysanthemums composing the chief decorations. Colored electric lights and Jack O'Lanterns were effectively strung over the lawn and porches of the home.

Little Miss Martha Redmon and Little Miss Jean Sprinkle, dressed as elves, greeted the guests at the door, and showed them to a book in which all names of the guests registered.

For the party, Miss Redmon and Mrs. N. A. West, Dr.

OURS.  
(By EDGAR A. GUEST)

We call them ours. There seems no better words—  
Our friends, our wives, our little children small,  
And yet we know God rules and owns them all;  
They are but ours until His voice is heard.

Once on a time we had a lovely child,  
We called her ours. We knew no other phrase.  
Possessing her made radiant all our days,  
Our lives were bright with beauty when she smiled.

And then 'twixt dawn and dusk God's angel came,  
Touched the sweet eyes of her that we possessed,  
Folded her hands upon her lovely breast  
And left us but her memory and a name.

These things are ours. Silver and gold and land,  
Jewels and baubles which the hands may clutch,  
But the glad spirits which we love so much  
Are always God's, awaiting His command.

## ENTERTAINMENT IN MARSHALL

Although a small town, Marshall has for the entertainment and education of its people, one of the best theatres to be found anywhere in western North Carolina, except perhaps certain show houses in the larger cities, however in these, no better pictures have been or can be shown than those which have been thrown on the screen at the Pastime Theatre for the entertainment of its patrons.

Among the better grade pictures that have been shown during the past year are, "The Covered Wagon," "North Of 36," "To The Last Man," "Fighting In France," the great world war picture and many others too numerous to mention.

There is no better means of entertainment and education in existence than a good, clean movie show and as long as the theatre in Marshall is carried on in the way it has been in the, it deserves the patronage of the people.

Young Woman—"I want that dog shot at once."  
Policeman—"I can't shoot him here in this residence district. The bullet would go right through him and hit somebody."  
Young Woman—"Can't you shoot him lengthwise?"

Foreman—"Say Thompson, that man is doing twice as much as you are."  
"Sure! I keep tellin' the y' poor sap, but you can't learn him nothin'."—Judge.

and Mrs. W. A. Sams, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Morrow, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Baley, Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Shelton, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rector, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Sprinkle, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Tweed, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Rector, Mr. and Mrs. F. Tweed, Attorney and Mrs. George Pritchard, of Asheville, Mr. and Mrs. Kanoy, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Davis, Mrs. Raines, Mrs. S. E. Redmon, Mrs. Annie May White, Mrs. J. L. Redmon, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Sprinkle, Miss Pauline Sprinkle, of Jefferson City, Tenn., Miss Marguerite Raines, Miss Audrey Byrd, Miss Hortense Roberts, Miss Teana Sue Bayless, Miss Katherine Davis, Miss Pauline Ramsey, Miss Isla Mahone, of Georgia, Miss Mae Davis, Miss Josephine Stansbury, of Jefferson City, Tenn., Miss Rex Ramey, Mr. William Runion, Mr. Paul Bruce, Mr. C. C. Bruce, Jr., of Mars Hill, Mr. Cecil Ramsey, Mr. John McElroy, Mr. Jack Ramsey, Mr. George Robinett, Mr. C. P. Parks, of Asheville, Mr. James Redmon, Mr. Edgar Davis, Mr. H. P. Smith, of Greensboro, Mr. James Baley, Jr., and Mr. Leslie Davis.

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## JESUIT FATHERS PLAN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SCHOOL IN MOUNTAINS

WILL BUY LANDS AT HOT SPRINGS; ADVANCE STUDIES

Over 300 Students to Be Accommodated at Priests' School

(Taken from Asheville Citizen)

The Jesuit Fathers, of New Orleans, La., plan the establishment of a school for advanced studies for priests of the order on the old Rumbough Hot Springs hotel property lying between the Southern Railway and the French Broad River at Hot Springs, in Madison County. It was learned here yesterday.

Agreement has been reached between Charles A. Denschaud, prominent lawyer of New Orleans, and trustee for the Jesuit Fathers, and Mrs. Bessie M. Saford, owner of the property, whereby the latter contracts for the sale of the land, consisting of about 100 acres, for \$50,000, of which sum \$40,000 is to be paid in cash on or before January 1. This option agreement regarding the school will be placed on record at once.

It is understood that the school is to be established at Hot Springs in the near future and that plans call for an outlay of a considerable sum of money in the erection of buildings and the purchase of the necessary school equipment. Facilities will be provided, it is stated, for at least 300 students.

## COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT'S COLUMN

Edited by O. S. DILLARD

The County Board of Education met in regular session on Monday. Many matters of routine were taken up and disposed of by the Board.

There will be a joint meeting of the County Board of Education and County Commissioners on Monday Nov. 6th for the purpose of passing upon applications for loans from the Special Building Fund which becomes available early next year.

The County Board of Education is contemplating a number of building projects next year in order that better high school facilities as well as elementary can be offered to more of the children of the county. It is hoped that within the next two or three years standard high school facilities will be within reach of all the children of the county. It will take quite a number of buildings to do this, but the county cannot afford to educate part of its children without educating them all. For this reason it is hoped that the matter of school building and equipment will become a county project rather than a district project.

Madison County should have at least six standard high schools. At present it has only three. Three others should be established at Middle Fork, White Rock and Spring Creek. Some of these townships cannot finance a building program sufficient to meet their needs and run their school term the required length without an exorbitant tax rate. There is but one way to provide such, and that is by the county assuming the full responsibility of financing their building program.

The children of Madison County are its greatest asset. Therefore as a county we cannot afford to deal niggardly with them. The future prosperity of the county will depend upon their being able to cope with other sections. Let's provide them with the necessary means to prepare for life. It may take a financial sacrifice at the time, but it is the greatest investment that the county can make.

Last year, out of 7,000 children in the county there were only 294 enrolled in the public high schools of the county. There were enrolled in school last year nearly 5000 children. But of this number only 294 enrolled in high school. In this respect, Madison County ranked almost at the bottom of the ladder among the counties of the state. Out of 5000 children enrolled, there ought to be between 800 and 1000 in high school. Until we have made provision for them to attend school we cannot expect them to attend.

There is only one way for a great many of them to attend, and that is by the county putting high schools where they will serve all the children in the county.

There will be group teachers' meetings held at the following places and dates:

White Rock—Nov. 7, at 10 o'clock.

Spring Creek—Friday, Nov. 13, at 1:30.

Marshall, Nov. 14th, at ten o'clock.

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## PROSPERITY IN MADISON COUNTY

Considering its location, opportunities, marketing and climatic conditions, our county, Madison, is one of the most prosperous counties in Western North Carolina.

At the close of the year, especially a good crop year, if we will spend a few days around the Southern Railway de-

pot at Marshall, one will get some idea as to the enormous amount of tobacco and other crops that are being shipped away to foreign markets. Tobacco, for the past few years, has been the "money crop" of our county and many farmers depend on it as means to make a living or with which to finance other important farming operations.

Tobacco, however is not the only way Madison County farmers have to make farming a paying proposition. During the past few years, owing to the uncertainty of crops because of climatic conditions, many farmers are entering the cattle business. Carload after carload of cattle have left Marshall this fall and because of their excellent condition, good prices have been realized.

When the time of year arrives for the sale and shipping of cattle many of the most prominent livestock buyers in the southern states come to this section. Among the buyers who have been in this county buying cattle this fall are D. E. Taylor and Mr. Chester Wallin of Virginia. Mr. Wallin is a former resident of Madison County and left his home on Laurel

about one year ago for Virginia, where he bought a large farm and is doing well. They spent several days in this section and bought, according to reports, about two carloads of cattle. Their many friends in Marshall and vicinity were glad to see them back again, and the fact that they and other cattle buyers are interested in buying cattle in this section is very encouraging to the many farmers and business men of our county who want a good market for their cattle.

Many instances could be mentioned, where farmers in Madison County have received large sums of money for their cattle this year, and this feature of "farming is growing very fast in our county."

## WHAT GRANDPA DIDN'T DO—AND DID DO.

Exchange.

Now, I'm going to put down on paper some of the things grandpa has never done—and one he has done—and perhaps he's just as happy because of his simple, ordered life:

He never slept in pajamas.

He never went to a club.

He never attended a movie.

He never divorced grandma.

He never wore balloon pants.

He never smoked a cigarette.

He never attended a ball game.

He never bought pointed-toed shoes.

He never had his nails manicured.

He never slicked his hair with sta-comb.

He has always taken his hair straight.

He never took a girl to a swimming pool.

He never had a dark-brown taste the next morning.

He never kissed a girl and got red paint for his trouble.

He has always found baths better in summer than in winter.

He never wore a boiled shirt or one of those little go-devil ties.

He never took physical culture or anything that did not belong to him.

He never waited at the barber shop for a flapper to get her neck shaved.

He never took a girl to ride in a flivver.

He never took a correspondence course and learned to be an expert in a few months' time.

But—

He has always paid his debts.

He looks well to his house-

His work is as good as his bond.

His crib has corn in it in August.

So, taking it all in all, grandpa is a pretty good sort after everything is said of him.