

B. Y. P. U.
TO GIVE
PROGRAM AT LAUREL BRANCH CHURCH
December 24, at 6:30 P. M.

-PROGRAM-

Recitation—Welcome Leta Joe Allman
Quartette Mule
Song Ten Little Girls
Play—THE STORY OF RUTH the GLEANER.
CHARACTERS
Naomi Eliza Hunter
Arpah Nina Hunter
Ruth Bess Roberts
Boaz Clyde Roberts
Reapers Mae Eller, Hat
Roberts, Mary Lee Merrell, Lester Roberts,
Marie Roberts.
Recitation Marie Roberts
Quartette Male
The Prayer Clara White, Cleo El-
ler, Bon White, and five little girls.
Christmas Bells Five Boys
Play—THE FIRST CHRISTMAS.
CHARACTERS
1st Shephard Charlie Metcalf
2nd Shephard Cleo Eller
3rd Shephard Eugene Burriss
4th Shephard Larkin Greene
Joseph Glenn Merrell
Mary Mrs. Andrew Metcalf
1st Wise Man Guy White
2nd Wise Man Clyde Roberts
3rd Wise Man Lester Roberts
Angels Nine Hunter, Clara
White, Geneva Allman, Clara Merrell, Sallie Hunter, Bess
Roberts, Eliza Hunter.
Quartette Male
Drill Eight Girls
Christmas Fairies Four Girls
Pantomime—O' Zion Haste Seven Girls
Recitation—Love Me While I Am Living Geneva Allman
Quartette R. C. Eller, G. G. Rob-
erts, Anderson Metcalf, Clarence Eller.
Chorus Eight Girls

"Which am de most usefut-
est, Ebon, de sun or de moon?"
"Why, de moon, ob course.
Ebes de moon, he shine in de
night when we need de light,
bu de sun he shine in de day
when de light am ob no conse-
quence"

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the many
friends of ours for the acts of
kindness and sympathy shown
us during the death of our dear
wife and mother Mrs. Georgia
E. Woody. Also Dr. A. T.
Hipps and Dr. Bernard R.
Smith of Asheville for being so
faithful to her while in the hos-
pital.
S. N., & A. N. WOODY,
Trust, N. C.

NOTICE

All Members of The Madison
County Poultry Club are here-
by notified to attend a Call
Meeting of the Club on Satur-
day, December 14, at 2 P. M.,
in the office of Mr. BRANTNALL
at the Courthouse, Marshall, N.
C.

Every member urged to be
present, and remember the
date. If you don't forget the
date you won't forget to be
present.

MRS. JIM BRYAN,
President.
MR. OLIN JARRETT,
Secretary.

**SCHEDULE OF PIC-
TURES AT PAS-
TIME THEATRE
NEXT WEEK**

The following pictures will
be shown at the Pastime Thea-
tre during the week of Decem-
ber 15 to 19:
Tuesday night, December
15—"DEEDS OF DARING" and
a comedy, "WHY NOT NOW?"
Thursday night, December
17—"A FIGHTING HEART"
and a real good King Bee com-
edy, "BACK STAGE."
Saturday night, December
19—"FIGHTING ODDS" and
a comedy, "THE MESSENGER"
The public is cordially invit-
ed to attend.

**UNUSUALLY GOOD PRO-
GRAM AT PASTIME THE-
ATRE SATURDAY NIGHT**

One of the best programs
that has been announced for
some time will be given at the
Pastime Theatre Saturday
night, December 12, when the
Arrow Productions, Inc., will
present Yakima Comett, world
champion cowboy in "Brand-
ed-A-Bandit." This great pic-
ture was written and directed
by Paul Hurst, also a comedy,
"Candy Kid." This program
is one of the best that has ever
been presented to the people of
Marshall. And everybody is
invited to attend.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many
friends for the kindness shown
us during the illness and death
of our beloved husband and fa-
ther.
Mrs. H. Chandler and Family.

THE DEATHLESS ROSE

By DOUGLAS MALLOCH

"Leave but one rose of all my garden,
And then I could be well content.
But winter comes, the highways harden,
And summer's joy is past and spent.
My garden fills with drifted snows,
Without one rose."

But has not summer something left you,
Though autumn comes, though petals fall?
No winter ever quite bereft—
You had the memory, after all,
Of roses when the spring was fled,
The roses dead.

In every life, in every meadow,
Some memory of deathless rose,
Blooms on. Ah, yes, we have the shadow
When down the west the sunset goes,
Yet, time leaves something in the heart,
Although we part.

**UNLAWFUL TO SELL, BUY,
TRANSPORT, KEEP FOR SALE
OR EXPLODE FIRCRACKERS**

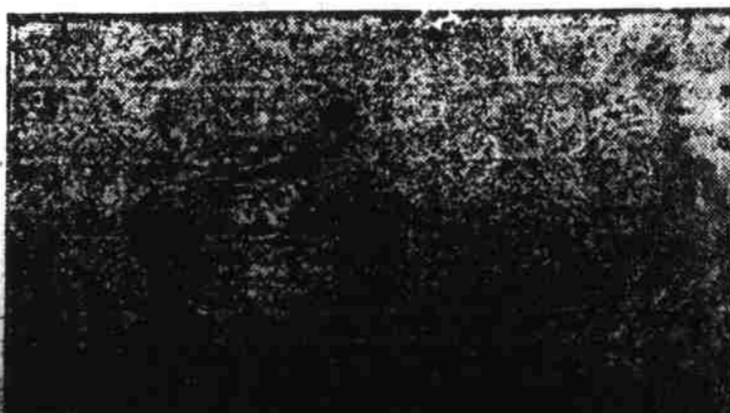
Chapter 443, Local Laws of Session 1925.
An Act to Prohibit the Sale and use of Fire-
works and toy pistols in Mitchell, Madison Yan-
cey, Avery and Macon Counties.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do
enact: Section. That it shall be unlawful for any
person, firm, or corporation to sell, buy, trans-
port, keep for purpose of sale, or explode any fire
crackers, roman candles, or other fireworks or
toy pistols in the boundaries of Mitchell, Yancey,
Madison, Avery and Macon Counties:

Section 2. That any person violating the
provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misde-
meanor, and upon conviction shall be fined not
less than \$10.00 nor more than \$50.00 or impris-
oned not exceeding 30 days.

Ratified, This the 27th day of February,
1925.

**ONLY 14 DAYS MORE UNTIL CHRISTMAS
BUY CHRISTMAS SEALS NOW.**



"Stand By Us a Little Longer"
Observe International Golden Rule Sunday
in December for Near East Relief Organism.

COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT'S COLUMN
Edited by O. S. DILLARD

The County Board of Educa- the seventh grade from any of
tion met in regular session on the three large schools of the
the first Monday in December. county this year and be ready
Quite a number of important to go into high school next year,
actions were taken by the than there will be from all the
Board. One of these was the one teacher schools in the coun-
adoption of a county-wide plan ty. I will further state that
of school organization. there will be more finish from
The Board of Education has Mars Hill seventh grade, and
outlined a plan for the reorgan- prepared for high school,
ization of the school system of than there will from all the one
th county, providing for a high school within reach of all the
school within reach of all the county!
children of Madison County just The County Board of Educa-
as fast as the roads and means tion approved a petition for a
necessary to provide them may special election to be held in the
be had. In this connection al- special school taxing district of
so, it is well to remember that Marshall. This district will in-
the elementary schools are not clude the present school district
going to be neglected. It is im- of Marshall with the addition
possible to maintain high that was made some time ago
schools unless there are strong from the Dry Branch district,
elementary schools upon which and the Skyland and leasant
to build these. A number of View districts. It is proposed
schools of six to eight teachers to vote a special tax in this a-
in the elementary school has rea to supplement the funds al-
been planned. From sixty-six ready apportioned by the Board
schools that were maintained to equalize the educational op-
last year, the board hopes to portunities of the district. to
cut the number down as fast provide funds for the much
as conditions will warrant needed buildings and equip-
around twenty. By so doing ment. The election will be
the educational interests of the held on January 23. It is ex-
entire county will be more near- pected that very little opposi-
ly equalized, and a much more tion will be had to the proposi-
efficient system can be worked out. as a good porion of the ter-
ritory included is already in a
special tax, and the children
ion as a good portion of the ter-
ritory look to the school at Mar-
shall for high school work.

It is rather remarkable that
in the larger type school such as
Marshall, Walnut or Mars Hill
that the problem of attendance
is practically solved. One may
go into any of the grade or high
school rooms in these larger
schools any day, and he will
find the rooms full of happy,
contented children eager for
the tasks before them. You
will be met by pleasant, courte-
ous teachers who are efficient
and happy in their work. There
are but very few reports of vi-
olations of the compulsory at-
tendance act. The children
like to go to school. The work
is so interesting that the child-
ren want to attend.

Contrast this with the small-
er type school. As a rule when
the weather begins to get bad,
the children drop out. The
teaching is poor, the buildings
are poorly heated, and lighted,
the playgrounds are small, usu-
ally muddy and upon a hill
top where no real games can be
played. There is absolutely
nothing to interest or attract
the child. It may safely be put
down as a fact that the larger
the school, the more efficient it
is. The ratio of the school's effi-
ciency increases in the same
ratio that the No. of teachers
in it increase. Figures without
number based upon the condi-
tions in the county and state
can be produced to prove these
statements.

Figures show that in the
schools of seven or more teach-
ers that the average training of
the teachers is two years above
that in the one teacher school.
They further show the attend-
ance is 9.6 per cent better in the
large type school than in the
small. It would be much
greater in this county.

The one teacher schools have
but very few pupils finishing
the seven years' course of study.
These will be more pupils finish

The Board appointed Jonas
C. Chandler to fill the unex-
pired term of Dan T. Haynie
who has moved away. Mr.
Chandler has had a great deal
of experience in public affairs,
serving on the Board of Coun-
ty Commissioners for a number
of years, part of the time as
chairman. Mr. Chandler is an
enthusiastic supporter of the
public schools, having done
much for the upbuilding of the
school at Walnut. While we
regret to lose Mr. Haynie who
was an exceedingly good mem-
ber of the Board we are glad
that a man of Mr. Chandler's
experience and ability has been
placed in his place.

The parent-teachers of the
Marshall school have organized
for the year's work. It elect-
ed Mrs. Guy V. Roberts as
president. It will under her
able leadership be able to do
much for the betterment of
the school. It is always a source
of pleasure to see these organi-
zations in the school and com-
munity. More good has been
accomplished through live or-
ganizations of this kind than
can be estimated. We feel sure
that the Association at Mar-
shall will measure up to the
best, and that much can be
done by it for the betterment of
the school.

"What did the pahnson 'scuss
in his sermon?" asked one Ne-
gro of another, returning from
preaching.

"Well, sah," was the reply,
"he used so many words I did-
n't 'zactly ketch what he was
talkin' about."

**WATCH PAGE SEVEN
This Week
FOR PICTORIAL SCENES IN
AND AROUND MARSHALL**

MINSTREL

A minstrel will be given by MARSHALL
HIGH SCHOOL at the Courthouse Friday night,
December 18, 1925.

The public is cordially invited to attend.
The proceeds will be used to finish paying
for the Basketball at the schoolhouse.
Admission: 25c.