

## MARSHALL SCHOOL TO BE LOCATED ON THE ISLAND

### COUNTY SELLS ISLAND TO TOWN OF MARSHALL AND TOWN DONATES SITE FOR SCHOOL AND ATHLETIC FIELD

Island To Be Protected and Beautified For Use Of Public

SCHOOL AUDITORIUM TO SEAT ONE THOUSAND

\$85,000 AVAILABLE FOR PROJECT

Marshall has this week made a long and important stride forward. The County of Madison, through its Board of Commissioners, this week conveyed to the Town of Marshall Blannahasset Island, a body of land in the French Broad River opposite the town, containing at least seven acres. For a number of years this Island has been the property of Madison County, deeded to the County with the provision that it could not be sold to private individuals, but must be used for the public. It was sold to the County for \$2000. The County sells it to Marshall for \$3200 and Marshall donates to the Board of Education a site sufficient for the school and athletic field. It can be seen from Mr. Dillard's article this week what is to be done.

### COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT'S COLUMN

Edited by O. S. DILLARD

The State Board of Education at a meeting held last Friday approved the application for the new high school building for \$85,000.00. This gives a total of approximately \$85,000 that is now available for this project.

The County Board of Education has been donated by the town of Marshall a site on the Island for the erection of the building. It is the purpose of the Board of Education to build a breakerwater sufficient to protect the island from any further overflows that will mar the natural beauty of the island. The grounds will be beautified, and a park provided for the use of the town, as well as the school.

The Board of Aldermen of the town are to be congratulated on this action. It will mean a great deal to the town as a town; for it will enable it to provide an ample auditorium which is so badly needed for the town. In addition to this, ample playgrounds will be provided for the townspeople and visitors.

It is the purpose of the County Board of Education to proceed immediately with the carrying out of this project. The State Board of Education through the Director of School House Planning, is sending an engineer here at an early date to work out plans for the building of the wall to protect the Island. We wish to assure the people that nothing will be left undone to preserve the Island and make it more beautiful and attractive.

Plans and specifications for the new building will soon be in the hands of the architect. The building proposed will be a two story structure, above the basement, containing at least sixteen class rooms, provisions for domestic science, manual training, large library and reading room, offices, and an auditorium on the first floor that will accommodate 1000 people. The building will be modern in every detail, and when completed will be the finest in any town in western North Carolina the size of Marshall.

It is planned to have the building completed in time for the opening of the term next fall. Therefore every effort will be used to expedite the work. In a few weeks we hope to hear the ring of the hammer and saw as the work goes forward.

Elections are planned to enlarge the Walnut Special School District so as to provide better educational advantages there.

This territory should include all the territory that must look to Walnut for high school instruction. This will lower the tax rate of the Walnut district somewhat, and at the same time provide an eight months' term for all the children of the proposed district. Elections are also being talked of for the combination of the Flint Knob district with the Madison Seminary. This will provide a uniform rate of tax throughout the entire section that will be served by the Marshall High School, and will make it possible for the Board of Education then to equalize educational opportunities within this area. One of the most troublesome problems now in these districts after the six months' term is that of tuition and transportation. If all the territory can be brought within one special taxing area then it will eliminate all this problem,

and make the work much easier and more satisfactory for everybody concerned.

It is hoped that special elections may be held in Number Eight Township and in number Four this spring so that high school facilities may be secured for the children of these sections. With the coming of better weather, campaigns will be launched to crystallize sentiment for better schools. Already a great number of people from these sections have expressed themselves favorable to such projects. Therefore it is hoped that these may be carried out within the coming summer.

Group Commencements will be held within the next two weeks. The dates for these commencements are as follows: Mars Hill, Feb. 12th, White Rock, Feb. 13th, Walnut, Feb. 18th, Spring Creek, Feb. 19th, and at Marshall Feb. 20th. At these commencements the work of the schools during the year

will be shown. It is earnestly desired that the people of these sections will bear these dates in mind, and attend them so they may get first hand information of what the schools are doing.

### CIVIC CLUB ORGANIZED AT MARS HILL

To Cooperate with Marshall and Other County Communities in Interest of County Projects

The town of Mars Hill is preparing to do things as a progressive town. It has a new organization which they call Civic Club which will function as a chamber of commerce or board of trade. The organization is not yet complete as the committees have not all been appointed, but the officers are as follows: Prof. Carr, President; Mr. T. L. Bramlett, vice-president; Mr. Paul Bruce, Secretary; Mr. W. S. Whitaker, Treasurer.

The organization will be complete when the following committees have been appointed or elected: Executive Committee, Program Committee, Highways and Streets Committee, Health & Sanitation Committee, Publicity Committee, Financial and Industrial Committee, Buildings and Grounds Committee.

The purpose of the organization is to cooperate with Marshall and other committees of Madison County in promoting the development of the County in such ways as building good roads and bringing and developing worthy enterprises.

From time to time it is expected that speakers from various sections of the county and elsewhere will address the organization.

### BUGS AND HUMBUGS

#### PNEUMONIA

Following "colds" and "influenza" then comes pneumonia. Not that pneumonia is always preceded by either of these for often it is not,—often it comes like a bolt from a clear sky. Pneumonia is associated in our thoughts with colds and influenza because it is a respiratory infection and the discussion of it follows the discussion of them because it is the most often fatal.

It is safe to say, however, that pneumonia is always preceded by something which debilitates. Often this was a cold or influenza but it may have been unusual fatigue or exposure. If there is added to this factor of debility an irritation of the lungs, as colds or influenza will do, then pneumonia is much more likely to occur. Pneumonia has sometimes followed an ether anaesthetic for some surgical operation.

The cause of pneumonia is a specific germ—the pneumococcus—which grows, when planted, and multiplies in some part of the lung structure. Like other infections this bacteria when growing eliminates a substance which is peculiarly toxic to the human being.

Catarrhal pneumonia, or bronchopneumonia as it is often called, is more common in children and the aged. In children it often follows measles or whooping cough.

Croupous pneumonia is often called lobar pneumonia, fibrinous pneumonia acute pneumonia or pneumonitis. Lobar pneumonia occurs mostly between the ages of twenty and fifty and statistics show that there are four times as many cases in women as in men. In three-fourths of the cases of lobar pneumonia the lower lobe of the right lung is affected and in one-half of the cases this lobe is alone the seat of disease.

Unlike most other infectious diseases one attack of pneumonia does not protect against subsequent attack. No immunity is produced and the lung once diseased is more likely to again become infected. Also the lung that has been crippled by pneumonia is much more susceptible to tubercular infection. Pneumonia is often ushered in with

a chill, rapid rise of temperature, and with pain in the chest. When this happens you can't get a doctor too quick, and don't wait until he comes to go to bed. Negligence at this time may cost a life.

#### LIFE

There's never a day so dreary,  
There's never a night so long,  
There's never a life so lonely,  
There's never a grief so strong,  
But follows a gleam of sunshine  
A morning bright and fair,  
A solace in the pathway,  
A joy that lingered near.

The prisoner in the dungeon,  
The soldier in the fight;  
Alas, the day how dreary!  
Alas, how long the night!  
But when the chains are lifted,  
And when the fight is done,  
How bright will be the dawn-  
ing!

What joy the victory won!  
Since sunshine follows shadow,  
And pleasure follows pain,  
What matters it if life  
Has more for us of rain?  
At the end will be the dawning  
Of the bright eternal day,  
Which lasts not but a season,  
But forever, and for aye.  
—MRS. F. THORNE.  
Farmville, N. C.

#### "NO EXTENSIONS FOR FILING INFORMATION RETURNS"

Heretofore taxpayers have been urged to file their income tax returns early. The filing of returns this year is delayed, pending the enactment of the new revenue act now before the Senate, which, as it passed the House, contains changes in regard to rates and other features. However, there is nothing to prevent a taxpayer at this time from closing his books and computing his net income. Such computations will not be affected by any provisions of the new act. The actual preparation of the return itself, after the computation, requires, in a majority of cases, but a few minutes. Therefore, it is advised that all figures and data be assembled, pending receipt of blanks by taxpayers. When released, blanks will be sent to taxpayers and also may be obtained at the office of the U. S. Collector at Raleigh, North Carolina.

Forms 1099 and 1096 used for making information returns; also partnership returns, Form 1065, are now available at the Office of the U. S. Collector of Internal Revenue and branch offices. Such returns are required of persons "in whatever capacity acting" who made to a single person during the year 1925 a payment of \$1,000 or more, or to a married person a payment of \$2,500 or more. Such payments include salaries, rent, interest, "or other fixed or determinable gains, profits and income."

While no extensions may be granted for filing INFORMATION RETURNS, you may make application, before the filing date of March 15th, direct to the U. S. Collector at Raleigh, North Carolina, for an extension to file INCOME TAX RETURNS, provided you give good and sufficient reasons for such extension.

#### THE LOQUACIOUS CONDUCTOR

"Fare, please!—Fare!"  
The passenger gave no heed.  
"Fare, please!"  
Still the passenger was oblivious.  
"By the ejaculatory term 'Fare,'" said the conductor, "I imply no reference to the state of the weather, the complexion of the admirable blond you observe in the contiguous seat, nor even to the quality of the service vouchsafed by this philanthropic corporation. I merely allude, in a manner perhaps lacking delicacy, but not in consciousness, to the momentary obligations set up by your presence in this car, and suggest that you liquidate."  
At this point the passenger smothered

### J. T. BYRD SHOT FOUR TIMES BY E. R. CANDLER

Candler Under Bond For Appearance at Court

Byrd's Injuries Not Serious

The town of Marshall was alarmed last Saturday by four shots from a pistol in rapid succession. It was about ten o'clock and some of the stores had closed for the night. It was found that the shooting was done by Mr. E. R. Candler, proprietor of the Sanitary Cafe, and his shooting was aimed at Mr. J. T. Byrd, proprietor of the Marshall Motor Company. Both men are well known in Marshall and it appears that the shots were aimed to kill, as three of the four or five shots struck Mr. Byrd. However, he was not seriously hurt, as he received only skin wounds. Mr. Candler is under a total of \$500 bond for his appearance at the February term of Superior Court on two charges. Two probable causes for the shooting are reported, which will doubtless be aired in the trial.

#### MUCH TRAVELING DONE TO GET NEEDED WATER

One good housewife on a N. C. farm walks about an average of three miles per day or at least 140 miles per year in getting water for the family needs.

"This is a useless waste of energy for an already overworked individual," says Prof. D. S. Weaver, agricultural engineering specialist for the Department of Agronomy at State College. "A hydraulic ram, an overhead water tank in the house, and some plumbing in the kitchen can easily replace this daily marathon and the cost need only be around \$100. This is rather a low price to pay for getting rid of this amount of travel, half of which is done with a heavy load."

Prof. Weaver states that some one with a head for figures has reached the conclusion that the energy expended in getting water to the home would have replaced that of two horses plowing eleven acres of land.

"The greatest and most needed improvement in most farm houses is a good water pressure system," says Prof. Weaver. "The gas engine will furnish the necessary power and if electric power is available, the problem is much simpler. The equipment that is needed to provide running water in the home is very simple and the cost has no comparison in the worth of the system to the health and happiness of the family."

#### AN EDITOR'S INVOICE

Square and Compass.  
According to the Milwaukee, N. D., Globe, an editor once kept track of his profits and losses during the year and gave an invoice of his business diary at the end of twelve months of ups and downs, in the following manner:

- Been broke 361 times.
- Praised the public 89 times.
- Told lies 720 times.
- Missed prayer meetings 52 times.
- Been roasted 431 times.
- Roasted others 52 times.
- Washed the towel 3 times.
- Mixed meals 0.
- Mistaken for preacher 11 times.
- Mistaken for capitalist 0.
- Got whipped 8 times.
- Whipped others 0.
- Cash on hand at beginning—\$1.47.
- Cash on hand at ending 16c.

#### LO, THE ICE MAN! IS HE DOOMED?

Electric Refrigerators Costing Him \$10,000,000 Yearly

Electric refrigerators already installed are costing the icemen of the United States ten million dollars a year, and if their installations continue at the present rate, they will be costing the icemen not less than seventy million dollars by 1930, according to the report of a special committee made at a recent convention of the National Association of Ice Industries.

It is estimated, said the committee, that there are already in service in homes and stores approximately 200,000 electric refrigerators, and that additional units are being added at a rate of about 300,000 a year.

There are now in the country around fourteen million homes equipped for electric service, each of which is a potential user of an electric refrigerator. There are in addition stores in which large numbers of electric refrigerators are being installed.

The special committee has recommended a national advertising campaign to increase the use of refrigeration in homes, whether by ice or electricity, and the establishment by local ice companies of home economics departments, similar to those of gas and electric utility companies, to demonstrate the importance of refrigeration to sanitation and good health.

A report of the convention says that several leading ice manufacturing companies contemplate undertaking the sale of electric refrigerators as a measure of self protection.

#### ALEC WILL DO IT

"Let George do it" was once a favorite saying. Nowadays it might be amended to read, "Let Alec Tricity do it." The latest example is now opening a mile of windows at one time by electricity in a factory down east. The building is four stories high and more than 500 feet long, equipped with steel sash windows which open at the top. An electric window control makes it possible to open all the windows at once; but also each window can be separately controlled.

#### CAMPAIGN FOR PAINTING AND WHITE-WASHING

"I WOULD like to suggest a campaign for painting and whitewashing this spring," wrote Ralph D. Quisenberry of Montgomery County, Alabama, recently. "Now when we are having so many tourists going southward from every direction it is opportune and proper that the farm premises should be made more attractive and home like. It would go a long way towards keeping our boys and girls better satisfied at home, and would certainly be the most inviting invitation we could give to friends."

#### NEXT FIFTH SUNDAY MEETING TO BE AT GRANDVIEW

The next Fifth Sunday Meeting will be held with the Grandview Church.

Miss Ethel Allen returned Sunday afternoon from Whitney, S. C., where she visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jobis Allen.  
Miss Bessie Worley spent last Sunday night with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Worley, of Worley, N. C.  
The Fenland Cafe is expecting to have music Friday night. Everybody is invited.