

OFFICE OF HOME DEMONSTRATION
AGENT IS CONTINUED

MISS CRAFTON REELECTED
FOR ANOTHER YEAR

The office of Home Demonstration Agent was continued by the County Board of Commissioners in session here Monday. Miss Frances Crafton, who has filled this office in the County since last fall, was reelected for another year. This action of the Commissioners followed the request of a large delegation from over the County, 43 being housekeepers and 9 club girls, and one man. Miss Crafton seems to be getting her work well organized and the women in the County are responding. However, better work could be done with much better results if more of the women of the County would cooperate in this matter. Let the women of Madison cooperate in every way possible to make this office prove to be one of the most beneficial of all.

"WHOOZIT IN
MADISON"

MOVING PICTURE OF MR.
GEORGE LLOYD, OF MAR-
SHALL, AFFECTIONATE-
LY KNOWN AS "UNCLE
GEORGE"

If you live in Madison County and do not know Uncle George, you must be a very obscure person yourself, for Uncle George is easy to meet, though hard to pass, and has a host of friends, not only in the urban communities, Marshall, Hot Springs, etc., but also in the coves and hollows of Bloody Madison.

Uncle George came to Marshall eight or ten years ago to visit friends, and possibly to study at first hand our mountain lions and human animals; he liked the country and its lovable folks so much that he has stayed right on, and is now a recognized citizen, although he pays no taxes.

Uncle George's father was born in Wales, which made a Welshman of him; Uncle George himself was born in the State of Pennsylvania, which made him a Republican. He takes little part in local political matters—in fact, he seldom carries a gun at all.

The date of his birth is somewhat obscure. The writer has had various conversations with Uncle George as to his early life, but whenever the talk got close to the question of his first birthday, this canny Uncle of ours would give us a sort of look which plainly implied that he wondered what the devil we were driving at. Some people are interviewed with great difficulty, as to their private lives. You can lead a woman to a soda fountain and make her drink much more easily than you can find out her true age, and in this respect, at least, Uncle George is just a trifle like a woman. We know, however, that he was born prior to the Civil War because we find him enlisted in a Pennsylvania regiment that was sent down to subdue the Southern Rebels in the '60s. Due to his fleetness of foot, he came through that bloody ordeal almost without a scratch. He then enlisted in the army of the Pennsylvania R. R. and served that Corporation so well and faithfully that he was retired with full pay. In other words, he now draws two pensions, as we believe, one from the Government, which is indirectly paid by you and me, and the other from the Pennsylvania R. R. which, in a remote sense, is paid by me and you. But we do not begrudge one cent of the money, for Uncle George earned it well—and knows well how to handle his earnings.

But we will have to hurry on with our little story. The writer is so fond of Uncle George, even on short acquaintance, that he finds it hard to keep within the limit allowed for this subject. His habits of life in our community are simple and sound. Gets up before breakfast and retires after supper; is punctual at the post office but usually late at Sunday School; walks with a brisk and confident step and can outpace many a man whose legs are twice as long as George's; carries a silver watch on a golden chain; sports no less than half a dozen hats of as many styles and appears to change headgear more often than any other bachelor in town; being a bachelor, in this case, does not mean that he has no use for womankind, or that he is a woman-hater, but it does signify that he is absolutely unwedded, and we believe his case is hopeless, for when asked when he expects to take unto himself a wife, he came right back and asked, "When do you expect to take a trip from Marshall to Newport in a submarine boat?"

The writer is not paid by the inch, but by the foot, for this series of sketches, and we are limited to one per issue. Should we happen

Inscription On Fossil

The Field Museum of Natural History has acquired a fossil turtle which has aroused the interest of numerous scientists. This turtle, which belonged to an entirely unknown species, contains six Chinese inscriptions believed to have been carved on the shell about 4,000 years ago. It was found in Shen-si province and was brought to this country by C. F. Yau. The inscriptions are delicately traced and are in the earliest stage of Chinese writing, being identical with that on the famous oracle bones of Ho-nan. Apparently the inscription was carved on the fossil by some Chinese mystic millions of years after the turtle's death. The Chinese regarded the turtle as a sacred creature with the power of predicting the future. There are no zoological records of this particular species of turtle and it is believed by paleontologists that it lived in the Miocene age, some 19,000,000 years ago. Orientalists hope to be able to decipher the inscription.

—The Pathfinder

to run over that mark, the editor claims the right to chop the story at the end, which would sadly spoil our work, in this case, for just at closing we want to say of Uncle George Lloyd that he is one of the finest sports we have ever met; a good companion and a friend worth keeping; and whatever his age really is, we hope he lives to reach a hundred and turns into his second century with unimpaired health.

Stay on in Marshall, Uncle George. They like you—some of the girls really love you—and every town needs men like you who set the example of minding their own business!

NEXT WEEK:
Steve and Guy, or
A Partnership that Works, Without
A Working Partner.

MARSHALL SCHOOL
TO OPEN AUG.
29TH

MARSHALL FACULTY SESSION
1929-30

The Marshall High School will open August 29th instead of a week later, as had been expected, says Professor Robinson, who was in Marshall this week preparing for the opening.

The following will constitute the faculty for the Marshall school the next session. Some changes may be made in the arrangement of grades, but these are the names of the faculty.

HIGH SCHOOL—
Douglas M. Robinson, of Mars Hill—Principal and Mathematics.
Miss Anna Mae Caddell, Carthage, N. C.—Home Economics.
Miss Madge Tweed, Marshall, N. C.—Science.
Miss Selwyn McDevitt, Marshall, N. C.—English.
Miss Ada Michael, Oxford, N. C.—Latin.
Mrs. C. M. Blankenship, Marshall, N. C.—History.
Professor Dixon—Coach & Science.

7th Grade—Mr. E. O. Burnett, Grand View, N. C., & Miss Mary Burgin, Weaverville, N. C.
6th Grade—Miss Selma Rector, Marshall, N. C.
5th Grade—Miss Bessie Ramsey, Marshall, N. C.
4th Grade—Miss Ada Silver, Marshall, N. C., Route.
3rd Grade—Miss Louise Webster, Mars Hill, N. C., and Miss Mary Culbreth, Rutherford, N. C.
2nd Grade—Miss Nina Hunter, Biltmore, N. C., and Miss Ruby Edwards, Mars Hill, N. C.
1st Grade—Miss Jeannette Bigham, Chester, S. C., Miss Margaret Ward, Marshall, N. C.
Music Teacher—Miss Marie Hale, of Boone, N. C.

Pure Food

One reason for a longer span of human life may be traced to our pure food laws. The public endorses the package-goods idea that has recently annexed macaroni, wieners, fish, etc., into the cellophane-wrapped family of protected foods.

Go as far as you can see and when you get there, you will see farther.—Elsie Lincoln Benedict.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

BEGINNING WITH THIS ISSUE THE NEWS-RECORD OFFERS TO ITS READERS SOMETHING BOTH DIFFERENT AND EXCLUSIVE

The News-Record has the good fortune to engage, for a limited season, the exclusive services of one of the country's foremost specialty writers—a man who describes himself as a columnist, if you know what that is. We have made a contract with this party by which we will be able to give our readers something novel and racy in each and every issue, and we doubt if any other county weekly in the State can offer anything just like it. This agreement between our correspondent and the News-Record is confidential, in some of its terms and conditions, but we deem it prudent on our part to publish the fact that we have conceded a free hand to the correspondent, in his choice of subject and object, upon condition that he will hold the News-Record harmless as to any flare-back or kick-up from his writings. In other words, we pay him well for his services but we require indemnity from him before allowing him entire "freedom of the press."

Elsewhere in this edition you will find his first offering, under the heading, "WHOOZIT IN MADISON." We hope our readers will enjoy his unique style in the treatment of his subjects.

This correspondent desires us to announce that the series will continue indefinitely, possibly through a hundred individual subjects; that it will include both ladies and gentlemen and that it will finally be county-wide.

He also hands us for publication the following synopsis of a few of the features that will follow under "WHOOZIT IN MADISON":

Dr. Frank Roberts, venerable and beloved dean of our medical men and one who is equally skilful with knife, whether in the operating or dining room.

Judge Pender McElroy, a jurist who sticks to the middle of the road and is probably headed toward Raleigh and the Supreme Bench.

Mr. O. S. Bradford, genial and sunny Agent of the Southern Railway at Marshall.

Hon. N. B. McDevitt, former law-maker, sometimes law-breaker, but one of our best citizens, in spite of his faults.

Chief Bob Nanney of the Marshall Fire Department, who is also head surgeon in one of our leading cut-up places, the Sanitary Meat Market.

Ex-Sheriff Bob Ramsey, a man who makes money in the country and spends money in town, now a J. P., but said to be especially fond of fish caught without a license and of game taken out of the lawful season.

Hon. C. B. Mashburn, reputed to make money wherever money is to be made, to handle said money with extreme care (some say he fondles his cash) and devotes some part of said lucre to the judicious improvement of his country estate, which is located well within the city limits of Marshall.

Mr. Roy Gudger, best known for paying taxes cheerfully, and a man who adheres to St. Paul's advice, at least as to marriage, and sticks pretty close to the lines marked out by Ben. Franklin for our guidance in the care and use of money.

Miss Edna Robinette, conceded by all who know her to be the most popular young lady in the city.

Mrs. Annie May White, who gave up a political position for one in business and has made an enviable record for ability in both fields.

(Etc., etc., to be continued)

HARRISON CUTSHALL
KILLED IN TRUCK WRECK

JONAS HENDERSON AND TWO
OTHERS BARELY ESCAPE
DEATH WHEN TRUCK
TURNS OVER

Sunday, July 28, Mr. Jonas Henderson was taking Mr. Harrison Cutshall to Greenville to have his foot treated. Mr. Henderson was driving his big truck and Mr. Cutshall was on the seat with Mr. Henderson in the cab of the truck. On the back of the truck were Mr. Will Cook of Belva, and Mr. Bob Lunny of Greenville, Tennessee. As they were about 1 1/2 miles from Greenville, the truck turned over, catching all four men under it. The cab crashed and Mr. Cutshall was crushed to death. Mr. Henderson managed to release himself except his feet, but was unable to help his companion. The two men on the rear of the truck managed to get out and when assistance from Greenville reached them and lifted the truck, Cutshall was dead. Mr. Henderson had two ribs broken, was badly bruised and skinned, but the other two men escaped with bruises, no bones being reported broken at the Greenville hospital to which all were taken.

Mr. Cutshall lived slightly on the Tennessee side of the line, and is survived by his wife and children. Mr. Henderson was able to be in Marshall Saturday and wishes it distinctly understood that he was not drunk, that there was no whiskey about the truck. He says the wreck was caused by the brakes locking when applied.

PAPER LATE AGAIN
POWER OFF THURSDAY

Everything was set for the News-Record to be out on time again this week, when just as we needed power more than ever it was cut off at two o'clock and remained off until six, making it impossible to catch Thursday night's mail.

ELECTRICITY AND RELIGION

Stauley News-Herald.

Henry Ford says religion is like electricity. It is hard to understand. He says he does not understand electricity, but that he believes in it just the same and recognizes it as a powerful force. The same is true with the matter of religion he says. "I want to know more about electricity," he recently said, "I see its power and its results in that light. I see it turn the wheels of industry. I know that it warms our hearts and that it makes the whole world better. I know that it lights up the dark places of the earth. I see and admit its effectiveness even though I do not profess to understand it all," he said, in comparing electricity with religion.

DIFFERENCE YEARS MAKE

The Chickasha Star tells in the following interesting manner of the difference in amount of materials required to make an evening dress 40 years ago and today:

"Then it required 15 yards of wide silk, 5 yards of skirt lining, 3 yards of horsehair cloth to stiffen the skirt, four yards of silk for dust ruffle, 5 yards of velveteen, 1 and 1-2 yards of sleeve lining, 2 inches of buckram for collar stiffening, 4 dozen fancy buttons, 1 card large hooks and eyes, 5 spools of silk thread, 2 spools cotton thread, 4 buttonhole twist, 2 yards featherboning for collar, bolt of seam binding. Today it takes three yards of silk and thread. Yet no man on earth can figure why today's dresses cost far more than those of 40 years ago."

TAX RATE CUT IN MADISON
COUNTY TWENTY-EIGHT CENTS

Venus Rotates

Astronomers have hitherto been in doubt as to whether Venus, the earth's nearest neighbor among the planets, rotates upon its axis. Although Venus has a much heavier atmosphere than the earth, its density, temperature, size and other physical properties resemble those of our globe. Dr. W. W. Coblentz, of the Bureau of Standards, stated before the National Academy of Sciences that fine measurements of the temperature distribution of Venus indicate that the planet is rotating on its axis like the earth, although possibly at a very slow rate of speed. Formerly it was supposed that Venus always turns the same face toward the sun, which would mean that one side would be intensely hot and the other extremely cold. The planet's dense atmosphere prevents an examination of its surface through powerful telescopes. Dr. Coblentz was able to measure the heat radiation from definite spots by means of the latest thermocouple.

—The Pathfinder

RELIEVING THE FARMER

The corn borer eats the farmers grain
The bee moth spoils his honey,
The mosquito gives him quite a pain
And the auto gets his money.

JUST LIKE SOME VOTERS

Pennsylvania paper—A large barn on the George E. J. Lewis was elected to fill the vacancy on the board of education caused by the resignation of Dr. Campbell.—Pathfinder.

RANGER WRITES

Editor, News-Record:

I am comparatively a stranger in your city, but I like your town and your people. It seems to me that Marshall and the country around it can have a fine development in the future, if you people will grasp your opportunities.

Are apples raised to any extent in Madison County? My reason for asking this is that I am extremely fond of fried apples with my breakfast and I wish you would kindly let me know where I will find a place in Marshall that serves fried apples at breakfast. My wife at home follows the best method of cooking fried apples I have ever seen, and I will give it you, as it might interest some of your readers:

She drops a few slices of very fat bacon in the pan and renders out the grease, after which she removes the meat. She then drops in the sliced apples, either freshly prepared or good canned apples, sprinkles this liberally with sugar over the top and adds a plenty of butter to season. Then she puts it in a hot oven and when it is cooked, you have the main reason why I feel a little homesick when I am away from the wife.

Thank you for giving me the time to read the above, and for an early answer to my request.

Yours truly,
S. T. Ranger.

The editor is very glad to hear from Mr. Ranger and hopes he will like our town well enough to return and spend some time with us every year. We have asked Mr. Brintnall, our capable County Agent, to give you any possible information about apple culture in our community. In regard to fried apples, we have made inquiry of our public eating places and we are happy to inform you that Mrs. Bob Nanney, who conducts one of our leading hotels, makes it a rule to serve fried apples for breakfast every morning in the year. You will find her place on Main Street. Call there for a meal and we feel sure you will be delighted.—Editor.

A mosquito has twenty-two teeth, all of which may be seen through a microscope, we are told, and all felt through a silk stocking, as any girl can tell you.—Albany Knickerbocker Press.

N. G. Brascom has been secured as assistant county agent in Buncombe County.

"Pop what's a monolog?"
"A monolog is a conversation between husband and wife."
"I thought that was a dialog."
"No, a dialog is where two persons are speaking."—Capper's Weekly.

NO BACKWARD STEP BY COM-
MISSIONERS IN MATTERS
ESSENTIAL

The above headlines will perhaps be the best news to come to the people of Madison in many a day. The burden of taxes has been a sore subject for quite a while and the people have been fed on promises that it would be reduced only to be disappointed but the commissioners Monday seemed to have fallen upon a solution of the problem, partly due to the increased equalization fund. The rate has been reduced from \$2.23 to \$1.95 on the hundred dollars valuation of property. The rates as they now stand are:

General County \$0.15
(Same as last year)
Maintenance of Public Schools for six months (97c last year) .92
Surfacing and building roads and bridges (20c last year) .30
County Debt Service fund (85c last year) .50
Jury Tax (.01 last year) .03
County Home and Outside Poor (same as last year) .05

This makes a total of \$1.95 on \$100 valuation of property.

SPECIAL ROAD TAXES

Special Road Taxes are as follows:

No. 2 T. S. \$0.45
No. 8 & 9 T. S. .20
No. 13 T. S. .68
No. 14 T. S. .20
No. 15 T. S. .12
No. 16 T. S. .07

Special taxes in all Special Tax Districts is 20c with the exception of Spring Creek, where it will be 30c by virtue of their having no special tax for the year 1928.

The allotment to Madison county of \$68,596.14 from the state equalization fund, and of \$13,672.61, from the fund to aid eight months' term schools, made it possible to cut the countywide tax rate for schools five cents on the \$100 valuation, and the rates in the special tax districts by amounts varying from 10 to 30 cents.

At a meeting of the county board of education Monday afternoon, supplies for the new Spring Creek High School were purchased. The new building will be finished and turned over to the county school board next Saturday. It will be dedicated some time in September.

Purchase of the supplies for the school was before the board at the meeting in July, but action was delayed, and Tuesday members of the Board said that, by delaying, they secured better bids and saved the county several hundred dollars.

All the schools in this county will be open by September 2, with about 160 teachers at work.

Madison county is making as rapid progress as any in the state in education, according to former State Senator Woltz, of Gastonia, a member of the state equalization board, who was here a few days ago conferring with members of the county board of education.

WHAT'S NEW?

A midjet airplane recently displayed at Roosevelt Field, L. I., has a wing spread of only 20 feet.

Chemists have produce a nonintoxicating alcohol called isopropyl.

By a cross of wheat with rye, a new grain with great power of resistance to cold has been developed in Russia.

Lead is now used between foundations and steel framework of skyscrapers as a shock absorber.

Solid instead of liquid fuel is used in a new English tractor which plows at the rate of six miles an hour.

In recent tests an airplane was hooked on to the dirigible Los Angeles and released again while in flight.

Women To Eventually
Run The "Whole
Works"

(From Graham Messenger)

The emancipation of women is still marching on.

Women are now doing things in every walk of life, and are indulging in every habit and custom known to the race. They lead churches, teach school, dictate to men, manage offices, raise children, make homes, legislate, politic, drive cars, gamble, swear fight, paint their faces and accord to some authorities, dress indecently. And these facts are gathered from an average day's news.

It's growing on them, too, and whatever it is will soon have the women folks running the whole works. There's no end to what a woman can do. And, there seems to be no limit to what some of them will do.