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## THREE JAILED IN SLAYING OF STINES AT HOT SPRINGS

### Nichols Captured By Posse Member

### NEGRO SAID TO HAVE MADE INSULTING REMARKS TO STINES' DAUGHTER

The following taken from Sunday's Asheville Citizen-Times is virtually verified by Madison officers:

Hot Springs, July 4, (Special)—Charles Stines, 60, Hot Springs, laborer was shot and fatally wounded at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon, at the east end of the French Broad river bridge here, allegedly by Gus Nichols, 35, negro, with whom Stines was remonstrating for insulting remarks the negro and a companion are said to have made to his daughter.

Stines, shot three times, once in the stomach and twice in the abdomen was rushed to Dr. David Kimberly's hospital here where he died at 5:30 this afternoon.

Nichols was placed under arrest an hour after the shooting by Claude Huff, a member of a hastily-formed posse. Before the negro surrendered to the policemen, they exchanged shots, the negro firing three times and Huff three or four times, but neither was hit. Huff used a .38 special revolver, while the negro's weapon was an old-style .38 calibre revolver.

Taken To Marshall Jail 6 Huff, rushing ahead of the other 75 members of the posse, came upon the negro at Deep Water Branch, a mile east of Hot Springs. After capturing the negro, Huff waited until the other members of the posse came up and the negro then was turned over to members of the Madison county sheriff's department who rushed him to Marshall, where he was lodged in the county jail.

Also arrested in connection with the case was Willie Stokely, 22, Hot Springs negro, who was Nichols' companion, and Maggie Stokely, a relative of the two negro men.

The rapidly with which Nichols was taken from this spot on probably prevented violence which was threatened for a time. Four or five hundred citizens, assembled on the streets here to discuss the State election, voiced threats, but no one took the leadership and excitement died down after the negro was taken to Marshall.

### Made Improper Remarks

Officers, who made an investigation into the shooting, said that Stines' daughter, Betty, about 20, and Miss Ruth Holder, of Hot Springs, were walking along the street here when Nichols, accompanied by Stokely, made improper remarks. Stines, when informed of this by his daughter, approached the negroes and asked them what was meant by such remarks. Then, according to officers, both negroes struck Stines, Nichols hitting him twice in the head with a gun, and Stokely striking him with his fist. Stines picked up a rock and as he did so, Nichols is said to have drawn a revolver and fired three shots, all taking effect on Stines' body. Nichols and Stokely then ran.

Stokely was arrested an hour later at his home on the outskirts of Hot Springs by Joe Waldroup and Major Tweed, who turned him over to Madison county officers. He offered no resistance.

After Stokely's arrest, Maggie Stokely, mother of Willie Stokely and sister of Nichols, is said to have come into town, wheeling a baby carriage. Officers, in searching this carriage, said they found a .25 automatic pistol, a blackjack, and four

rocks. The woman was placed under arrest and also taken to jail at Marshall. Nichols, officers said, when 15 years of age, was convicted of criminal assault and sentenced to serve 25 years. After serving five or more years he was paroled. Mr. Stines is survived by his widow; one daughter, Betty, and three sons, Joe, Glenn and Lewis. Funeral was on Little Pine Sunday afternoon.

## NOMINATED



**THAD EURE** who broke the record as a runner-up in last Saturday's election defeating the incumbent, Stacey Wade as Secretary of State.

## \$48,738.16 LOANED BY H. O. L. C. IN THIS COUNTY

### LENDING CHANGES TO COLLECTING

More than \$3,000,000,000 has been loaned to more than a million distressed home owners in the United States since June, 1933 by the Home Owners' Loan Corporation. Of that amount \$31,394,471.12 has been loaned in North Carolina to approximately 12,500 home owners. Of the total amount loaned in North Carolina \$48,738.16 has been loaned to 26 distressed home owners in Madison County.

Under the Home Loan Act a fifteen year loan at five percent was granted distressed home owners while the holders of their default mortgages received HOLC bonds backed by the Federal Treasury.

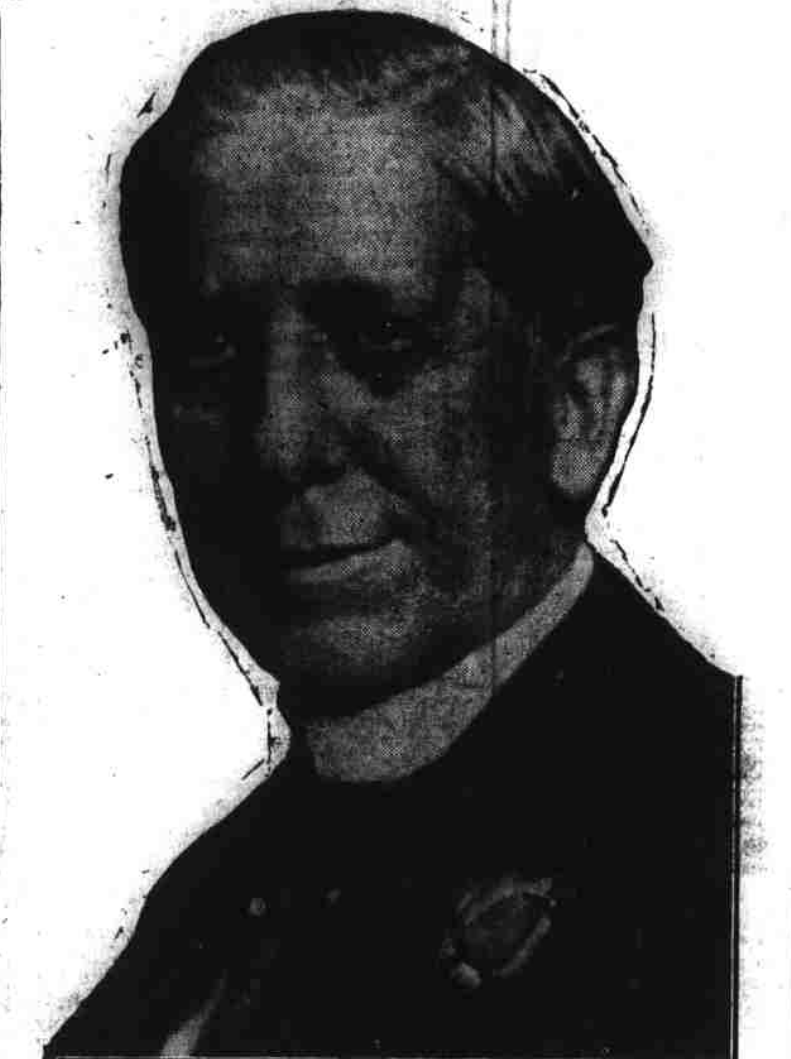
The work of the Home Owners Loan Corporation has shifted from "lending" to "collecting" and the job is far from being complete, but the State Manager of this Agency reports that there has been no foreclosures out of the 26 loans made in Madison County. There have been some defaults by home owners in every part of the county and foreclosures have been started. However, officials state, the collections have been unusually good over the entire country and that the percentage of delinquent accounts is relatively small. The defaults, they added, are comparatively few and chiefly by "misguided" persons. Only 111 foreclosures have been made on HOLC mortgages in North Carolina as of June 30, 1936.

## HONOR ROLL

Beginning with our issue of October 17, we are publishing below the names of people who subscribe or renew their subscriptions to The News-Record within the last week. By keeping your subscriptions paid up you will greatly help your local paper. Of course, those whose subscriptions are paid in advance are already on our honor roll.

Rev. H. L. Smith, Clinton, Tenn. Miss Clota Cody, Weaverville, N. C. Miss Harriett Phoenix, Cullowhee G. C. Robinson, Mars Hill Mrs. Ralph Sprinkle, Marshall Mrs. Miss Whitten, Hot Springs Mrs. A. B. Silver, Marshall Byard Ray, Marshall, R-3 J. E. Griffin, Marshall, R-1 R. A. Phoenix, Spring Creek Miss Winnie Bryan, Asheville, N. C. T. Dunbar, 49 Hancock Ave, Jersey City, N. J. Mrs. C. J. Ebbs, West Asheville Mrs. L. M. Hendricks, Marshall W. J. Grinstead, Mars Hill E. W. Thomas, Mars Hill J. D. Hensley, Hot Springs

## DEMOCRATIC NOMINEE FOR GOVERNOR OF NORTH CAROLINA



**CLYDER R. HOEY** who defeated Dr. Ralph McDonald by more than 50,000 in the primary held July 4.

## STATE SPEAKERS HERE FOR POULTRY AND DAIRY RALLY DAY

### TO BE HELD IN THE HIGH SCHOOL

This promotion day for poultry and dairy farmers of Madison County is to be held in the Marshall High School, on the island, Wednesday, July 15.

It is to be an all day affair. Speaking will take place in the auditorium in the morning, and the demonstrations will be conducted outside in afternoon. The leaders are anxious that all interested farmers attend for the full day if possible. However, any part of the day will be very helpful to attend. It is hoped to make this rally day an annual event.

The complete program for the day follows:

Morning 10:00-10:15 Music

Possibilities with poultry in the county — Mr. C. F. Parrish, extension poultryman 10:15-10:45 Future of dairying in Madison, (speaker to be selected) —10:45-11:15 Music 11:15-11:25 Introduction of other guests 11:25-12:00 Basket dinner 12:00-1:00

Afternoon Music 1:00-1:10 Butter making demonstration, Mr. Clevinger of State College —1:10-2:10 Poultry clinic, Mr. Parrish 2:10-3:00 Selecting dairy heifers—3:00-3:30 Vaccinating pullets for chicken pox 3:30-4:00

A large attendance is expected.

## ALDERMEN BATTLING WITH PROBLEMS OF TOWN OF MARSHALL

### SEVERAL MATTERS DISCUSSED AT MEETING TUESDAY NIGHT

Several matters other than regular routine were brought up at meeting of the Town Council board Tuesday night. Mr. G. B. Woody, of Burnsville and Mr. Lee Gwaltney, of Marshall were present representing the power company. A contract was submitted by the Northwest Carolina Utilities, Inc., which if accepted, would practically double the lighting of the town. This would increase the cost of the present system from about \$300 a year to \$600 a year. The Board seemed not to be favorable to the extra expenditure and the proposed contract was taken under consideration. Another matter taken up was the removal by the power company of the two poles at the lower-end of town—the poles which support the power wires and are a menace to traffic, being too near or practically in the highway. The gentlemen representing the company agreed to move them as soon as a place can be found to move them to. It is hoped this can

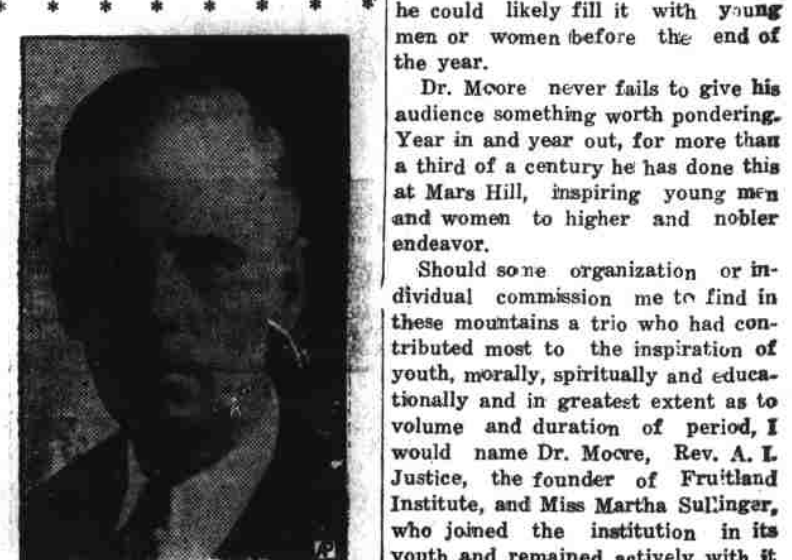
## SUGGESTS MOVING FRUITLAND TO MARS HILL

### Fight Follows Vote Counting at Walnut

Tabulation of election returns in the Walnut precinct of Madison county, ended in a free-for-all fight Saturday night when it was discovered there were 25 more ballots in the precinct box than there were persons voting.

It was reported five persons were involved in the fight, but none was seriously injured. There were no arrests.

### Lieutenant-Governor



**W. P. HORTON** who defeated Paul Grady July 4 for the office of Lieutenant-Governor.

## HOEY NOMINATED FOR GOVERNOR

Clyde Hoey, of Shelby, defeated Dr. Ralph McDonald, of Winston-Salem, by about 54,000 votes, July 4. For Secretary of State, Thad Eure, of Winston-Salem, N. C., defeated Stacey Wade, in a record breaking increase between primaries. W. P. Horton defeated Paul Grady for Lieutenant-Governor. How Madison County voted July 4 appears elsewhere in this paper.

be done at once, as it was said the highway officials are waiting for this improvement before they finish the paving at that end of the street.

The knotty problem which Marshall faces as to parking has not yet been solved. This matter was discussed at some length, but no action was taken.

Mr. George Pritchard, attorney, appeared before the Board, representing certain clients who have claims against the Town for the site on which the large new million gallon reservoir rests. It seems that the Town officials failed to get a deed for the land before the reservoir was built. Now the parties who own the land wish its value to apply on their taxes. It seems that one acre of land is a part of three separate tracts of land.

## Singing Convention To Be In Marshall

The French Broad Singing Convention will convene at the Marshall Free Will Baptist church next Sunday afternoon, July 12, at 2:00 o'clock. All singers are invited to be present.

LEE BRYAN, Ch'm'n.

## PRESIDENT R. L. MOORE ADDRESSES KIWANIS CLUB AT HENDERSONVILLE

The following was written by Mr. Noah Hollowell, of Hendersonville, and appeared in The Times-News of that city, July 1:

Dr. R. L. Moore, President of Mars Hill college, when in the city last week to address the Kiwanis club, expressed the wish that some fairy could pick up the girls' dormitory of Fruitland Institute and Junior college and take it to Mars Hill where he could likely fill it with young men or women before the end of the year.

Dr. Moore never fails to give his audience something worth pondering. Year in and year out, for more than a third of a century he has done this at Mars Hill, inspiring young men and women to higher and nobler endeavor.

Should some organization or individual commission me to find in these mountains a trio who had contributed most to the inspiration of youth, morally, spiritually and educationally and in greatest extent as to volume and duration of period, I would name Dr. Moore, Rev. A. I. Justice, the founder of Fruitland Institute, and Miss Martha Sullinger, who joined the institution in its youth and remained actively with it until its recent suspension.

In a most wholesome way this trio of educators has for a third of a century inspired not only its students but numerous others to noble endeavor.

## Art Exhibit And Silver Tea

### To Be Given By Methodist Society

On Tuesday afternoon, July 14, from 3 to 5 there will be a Japanese Art Exhibit and Silver Tea at the Methodist church. The pictures are reproduced from Japanese wood blocks and will be on sale. All ladies are cordially invited to attend this exhibit and tea.

## Thad Eure Thanks People

Raleigh, N. C. July 6, 1936

Dear Mr. Editor: I am completely overwhelmed with joy and gratitude at the magnificent vote I received for the high office of Secretary of State. I want to thank each and every one who participated in securing my nomination and assure them that they will always have a warm spot in my heart. The Secretary of State's office will belong to them, and whenever they are in Raleigh, I want them to come in to see me and afford me the opportunity of rendering to them every possible courtesy and service. The warmest possible welcome will await you.

It is impossible, of course, to write to each and every one, so please give this letter space in your good paper which has been so friendly to me in my campaign.

With heartfelt appreciation as thanks, I am

Sincerely, THAD EURE.

## COMMISSIONERS REFUSE TO MAKE LEVY FOR WELFARE

### Farm Agents Re-elected for Another Year

### COUNTY AUDITOR MAKES REPORTS AS TO COUNTY NEEDS

At the regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners here Monday, quite a number of matters were discussed. Three matters were

of special significance: A point blank refusal was recorded as to making an extra levy for relief. The county agents, Mr. George Miller and Mr. K. A. Hany were re-elected for another year. Mr. L. C. Reed, County Auditor submitted his annual report as to the amounts needed to carry on the County Government another year. The report was taken under consideration but no action taken as to the rate of taxation for another year.

## NOTICE

### To All Taxpayers:

The law says your 1935 taxes will be advertised first Monday in August, and sold on first Monday in September. Pay your taxes before August 1st and save the costs of advertising.

I will call on all persons listing Personal Property for taxes about the first of August, and will be forced to levy on Personal Property for all Taxes not paid.

PAY YOUR PERSONAL TAXES BEFORE AUGUST 1st AND SAVE COSTS.

J. K. WILSON, Tax Collector