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Edward Maxwell Whitson, cartoonist and illustrator, was born in Asheville [2], the son of William Roberts and Ida May Keith Whitson. In 1915–16 he attended The University of North Carolina [3], where he drew cartoons for the student yearbook, *Yackety Yack*, and the humor magazine, *Tar Baby*. Afterwards he became a cartoonist and illustrator for various magazines and newspapers. Among the state papers that used his work were the *Asheville Citizen*, the *Asheville Review*, and the *Asheville Times*. Popular magazines of the time that published his cartoons included *Judge* and *Country Gentleman*, while many others presented his commercial work.

He died at his home in Holly Hill, Fla., survived by his wife.

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