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HUMAN INTEREST ESSAYS

Two Conflicting Laws

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There is a mighty influence in Nature, which for lack of a simpler name we will call the Cosmic Urge. It is vast; mysterious, ubiquitous, imperative! This Celestial Law rules in every land, every sea, and in the air all over the earth. The migration of birds are governed by this strange influence.

Every spring a Voice from somewhere speaks to each salmon, shad and herring as it swims out in the sea: "Go as quickly as possible out of this salty brine up into the fresh water of the river and spawn." And these fish by the millions do their utmost to obey that command. If you will go down to where any river runs into the sea, and figure out how just one fish can get through all those miles of nets, you are good at working puzzles. They are caught by the tons and prepared for the market in great salting stations and canneries.

This Cosmic Urge comes with peculiar persuasion into the hearts of all mankind: "Get a Home of Your Own!" this Voice says. And with that command ringing in their hearts with the irresistible appeal of a siren's song, with all the authority of a "Thus saith the Lord," they try and are caught in traps like a fish!

There is a law in Virginia, and I think in each state, that looks as harmless as a sheep. It has soft white wool, but unlike a sheep, it has fierce green eyes and terrible tusks. This law means just this: A mortgage on one property may be legally transformed into a claim on any other property that the maker may own. If a money lender places a loan on a certain property that should decrease in value, should he be allowed to collect from the man who borrowed it? Reasonable in appearance. But the danger is that most mortgages on homes are given by builders who are financially well off, and the property is then sold to a home seeker who assumes the mortgage, and the money lender, knowing that he is safe, puts too much of a loan on the property, which tends to double the price of the home. Let's see how the law works!

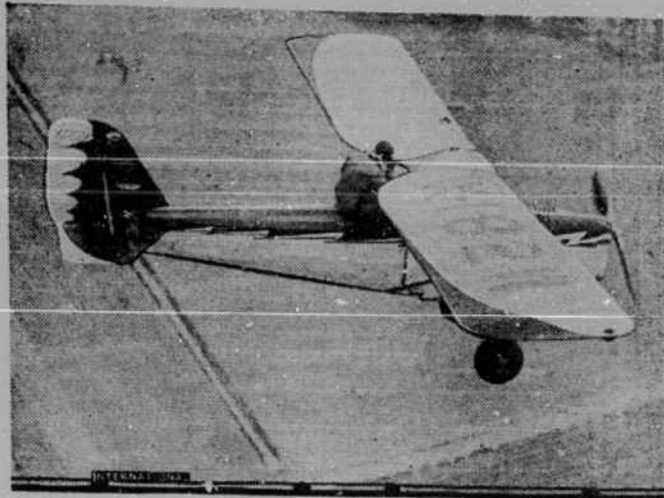
Suppose you had just finished paying off the second mortgage on your home and still owed a note of seven thousand dollars, secured by a first mortgage on the property. Suppose also that you owned, clear of any debt, a corner lot right near the business section of your town or city, and that you had calculated that by the time the first mortgage matures the sale of that lot will about pay it in full. Suppose that you had paid every note on the second mortgage promptly as it came due, had met the interest promptly every time on the first mortgage note, and that you were considered reliable by every banker who knew you. In other words, suppose you were just a nice, big, healthy buck shad, like tens of thousand of other shad that have been caught.

You are short of cash after paying the last note on the second mortgage; you are also the proud father of a new baby. The interest on the first mortgage is nearly due, but it is only two hundred and ten dollars, and you can just step down to your bank and borrow three hundred dollars without any trouble at all. But a mysterious warning has come to some member of the loan committee that you are getting "risky" and at the last minute your application is turned down. Somehow this is your unlucky day and you cannot possibly negotiate a small loan anywhere.

There is a clause in the mortgage which says that if the interest is not promptly paid, then the whole debt is due. This clause is not unjust, and to the home on which you have paid half the purchase price is sold for cash to the owner of the mortgage for four thousand dollars. Now he has the home but you owe him three thousand dollars, which any judge would recognize as a legal claim. Your lot is next sold to the same man for one thousand dollars. Now you are legally in debt only two thousand dollars; then your car is sold for four hundred dollars, leaving you only sixteen hundred past due and drawing interest. Then your furniture, which cost three thousand, is sold, all except the beds, for three hundred dollars, which sum represents not one cent of value that you ever have received or ever may receive.

During this process you are sup-

Self-Flying, Fool-Proof Airplane



G. W. Cornelius of Burbank, Calif., riding astraddle the fuselage of his newly designed "free wing" monoplane that automatically controls and flies itself. Both wings of the plane work free from the fuselage and adjust themselves by tilting up or down in accordance with the different air currents while flying, thus preventing the possibility of the ship going into a tailspin.

CALENDAR FOR TRIAL OF CIVIL CASES, CHEROKEE COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT, AUGUST TERM, 1932

JUDGE H. HOYLE SINK, Presiding

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Hendricks Comes To Murphy L. & N. Depot

O. W. Hendricks, depot agent in Blue Ridge for many years, has, it is reported, bid in the Murphy station, succeeding J. H. Phaup, who has been retired on a pension, and will assume his duties there as soon as he is relieved here. It is not as yet known who will be assigned to the Blue Ridge Station.—Blue Ridge Summit-Pest.

posed to show you are yellow by repudiating some honest debts—your grocery bill, your store account, a note at a bank which some friend has endorsed—you are supposed to go into bankruptcy and make the lie that you are getting "risky" seem true. If you refuse to do this but pay your honest debts as promptly as possible, you shall no longer be called Shad, but Shadrach.

But, the unjust judgment of thirteen hundred dollars against you? A judgment was also rendered against the builder who made the mortgage you assumed. He has paid it, but probably you will have to go through bankruptcy to get released.

Now if this resolution were a law then money lenders would not lend well-to-do builders over fifty percent of the actual value of a home, and a homeseeker could judge the value of a property by his very conservative appraisal. Here is the resolution:

Resolved: That a deed of trust on one property cannot legally be transformed into claim on any other property whatsoever.

If that resolution were a law, it would tear down every trap that catches thousand of home seekers and builders every year. Correct that law and you will clear the Avenue of Faith of many armed legalized bandits. Correct that law and let the vast army of homeseekers come through and they will end the depression and set in motion a prosperity the like of which we never so much as dreamed!

JURORS DRAWN FOR NEXT WEEK'S SUPERIOR COURT

FIRST WEEK

Frank Harum, R. A. Hatchett, O. L. Torrence, A. J. Ramsey, N. B. Odell, W. H. Abernathy, W. R. Martin, G. R. Pipes, C. A. Brown, Jim Raxter, C. H. West, E. H. Allen, G. B. Lovingsood, L. F. Chatman, J. N. Stiles, W. M. Rogers, Cleve Ledford, Lewis Garrett, Ed Raxter, J. H. Abernathy, L. E. Collins, Fred Taylor, H. W. Long, F. L. Wells.

SECOND WEEK

H. A. Fain, W. M. McGuire, R. H. Brown, Bill Long, Fess Davis, J. L. King, Frank Coleman, W. T. Raper, Tom Elrod, George Reese, J. F. Stalcup, Lee Garland, Guy McNabb, H. R. Lovingsood, Jasper Voyles, Zeb Gibson, L. J. Sharpe, T. J. Mauney, J. L. Hall, Lester A. Pace, Julius Reed, W. M. Mostella, S. W. Evans, S. J. Odell.

Chairman,

Local Firm Building Good Grade Caskets

W. D. Townson, local furniture manufacturer, has recently added another department to his furniture plant, and is making a good grade of caskets which sell from \$15 to \$50. Mr. A. B. Martin is in charge of this department and they plan to make and keep several grades on hand at all times.

The caskets are finished in several attractive designs, and are as substantially built and attractive as more costly caskets.

Mr. Townson makes furniture, specializing in desks, having designed and built a desk which is claimed to be the world's strongest school desk. He has placed this desk in a number of North Carolina and Georgia Schools, and is working now on several orders for Georgia.

Remember we take produce, such as chickens, (fryers) potatoes, wood, beans, etc., on subscription, new or renewal—and we are not in the habit of refusing a little cash now and then. Check up on your subscription and if you are behind remember that the editor has to eat.

Tri-County Meeting Of Educators Held Here Thursday, July 28th

Dr. J. Henry Highsmith, supervisor of both high and elementary schools of North Carolina, met with the county superintendents and the principals and superintendents of the county schools of Graham, Clay and Cherokee counties Thursday July 28, at 10:00 o'clock in the court room of the Cherokee county courthouse. A three hour session was held for the elementary department, and an evening session of one hour for the high school department. Mrs. C. D. Douglas of Raleigh, supervisor of libraries for the public schools, was also present, as was Livingston of the State health department. The purpose of the meeting was to introduce and discuss the new "Handbook for Elementary School" which has been recently gotten out by the State department of Public Instruction and is being placed in the hands of the elementary school principals and teachers as an objective guide to teaching and grading of elementary school pupils.

In his discussion of the objectives set up in the handbook, Dr. Highsmith the fact that elementary school pupils are not to be promoted to a higher grade on the basis that they have been in school six months, but that they are to be promoted when they have fulfilled the requirements as set up by the State department which in some cases may take one, two, or three six months terms.

FACULTY LIST OF MURPHY SCHOOLS IS ANNOUNCED

The following members of the faculty of the Murphy high school for 1932-1933 have been announced by J. D. Mallonee, secretary of the school board:

H. Baack, of Cullowhee, superintendent; Miss Annie B. Bailey, of Atlanta, Ga., home economics; Miss Ruby L. Courtney, of Wilmington, S. C., Latin; Miss Fanny M. Hitchcock, of Norwood, history; Miss Margaret Irby, of Enfield, English. Three teachers for the high school are yet to be elected. All of the teachers were re-elected, having been members of the faculty last year.

The grammar school teachers are: Miss Clara McCombs, of Murphy, and Miss Dair McCracken of Hayesville, first grade; Miss Martha Mayfield, of Murphy, second grade; Miss Lucile Wyke, of Cullowhee, third grade; Miss Emily Sword, of Murphy fourth grade; Miss Addie Lpatherwood, of Murphy, fifth grade; Mrs. J. H. Axley, of Murphy, sixth grade. Mrs. Axley and Miss Mayfield are new this year, the others being re-elected. A seventh grade teacher, and two other elementary teachers are yet to be elected.

Mrs. J. W. Dayidson, of Murphy, will be director of music in the school. Members of the board of school commissioners are: R. S. Parker, J. D. Mallonee, Dr. J. N. Hill, T. S. Evans, S. D. Akin and R. F. Williamson.

Unusual Sale By Cherokee Variety Store

The Cherokee Variety Store is starting an unusual sale of aluminum ware and variety store merchandise, beginning Saturday August 6th.

One item they are advertising is White Duck caps. It is said that this cap for men and boys is a fad in many centers of population, especially in New York. One cap factory put on two thousand extra workers to take care of the demand. In Philadelphia, another factory put on 1500 extra workers, and in Atlanta another factory put on about four hundred workers.

Turn to page eight and read their advertisement.

EMPLOYMENT CAMPAIGN IS NOW OVER

North Carolina Leads Southern States; Is Eighth In States of Nation

The employment campaign for jobs for 1,000,000 men of the American Legion has gone over the top, according to information from Michael A. Perry, executive director for North Carolina, to the Local post at Murphy.

The Murphy post was instrumental in placing 66 people to work during the campaign. Mr. Perry's letter to Commander A. W. Lovingsood, of the Murphy Post, follows:

July 1, 1932.
To: Post Commanders and Employment Officers

Our nation-wide employment campaign to return 1,000,000 persons to work is over. I am happy to report that North Carolina has gone over the top with a total of 44,244 jobs. It is first among all the States in the South and eighth among all the States in the nation.

On behalf of Department Commander Bourne and the Employment Committee, I wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to all Post Commanders and Employment Officers who have co-operated with us in making this campaign a success.

This campaign has been the greatest single undertaking of the Legion since its inception. It will go down in history as an outstanding example of practical, patriotic citizenship during a period of national emergency. It truly exemplifies that principle of which we are all proud—"in peace as in war we serve".

May I remind you that employment has always been one of the service activities of the Legion. While the campaign is over, it is suggested that the good work which has been accomplished should be carried on by the individual Posts. As these headquarters have been closed, it is requested that all future communications and reports in reference to employment should be addressed to Department Headquarters, Tarboro, North Carolina.

It was, indeed, a pleasure for me to have been of service to the Department of North Carolina. I return to my home in Philadelphia with the warmest feelings toward the fine Legionnaires and citizens of your great State.

Sincerely yours,
MICHAEL A. PERRY
Executive Director

INJURIES PROVE FATAL TO HANEY

Realous Haney, of Kinsey, died at the Kinsey-Guinn hospital in Ducktown, Tenn., about 8 eight o'clock Friday evening, July 29th, as a result of an accident which occurred at the Valley River Talc company's mine which is located on J. L. Fain's property. Successful drilling had been done, a large body of talc had been found, and Thursday morning the work of sinking a shaft was begun. While Haney was working on the second shift Thursday night fell in burying him for a short time. He was rescued within a minute's time by Jack Roberts and two other men who were working with him. He soon regained consciousness and was taken to the hospital.

He was about 40 years old and leaves his wife and four children.

Postoffice Closed Saturday For Installing New Equipment

The local post office will close at noon Saturday to allow the workmen to install some new equipment and will open again Monday morning, Mrs. Thelma Dickey, Postmaster, announced this week.

The office will be opened one hour on Sunday following arrival of the Southern mail train, mail being handed out the side door.

Mrs. Dickey asks the patrons to please be patient during this short interruption of service, and as soon as the equipment is placed the local postoffice will be in better position to render better mail service to the people.

Rev. D. M. Melver, of Bishopville, South Carolina, will preach at the Presbyterian Church on next Sunday morning, August 7th, at eleven o'clock. All are cordially invited to attend this service.