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The Proper Attitude Toward The Public Schools

GLANCING over the Morganton News-Herald the other day, we were attracted by an editorial, "Our Public Schools," which was so fine that we wish every man and woman in the state would "read, mark and inwardly digest it."

In North Carolina education may be regarded as a sort of second religion, the finest flower of American idealism—the symbol of hopes of parents for a finer life for their sons and daughters.

Public education is an agency of society, established by the people for their own welfare and advancement. It is, therefore, the responsibility of every citizen to understand the purposes, procedures, and needs of the school.

About all we can add is a hearty "AMEN." If everyone took the attitude toward schools, as expressed by the News-Herald, we not only would have better schools, but we also would have greatly improved social conditions the country over.

A New Crop for Farmers

A NEWS letter from Raleigh informs us that John D. Chalk, newly appointed state game and inland fisheries commissioner, is planning to encourage the construction of fish ponds on every farm in North Carolina where such ponds are feasible.

This is a constructive step in the right direction, not only because it will make the state more attractive for sportsmen, but also because it should increase the supply of a most wholesome and delectable food, which (sad to say) is found all too infrequently on the tables of most inland North Carolina homes.

Here in Macon county several private fish ponds have been developed quite successfully. Where good, fresh water is available in sufficient quantity, as is the case on most mountain farms, a fish pond can be built at small expense. State fish hatcheries will furnish young fishes for stocking such ponds.

We hope more and more of our farmers will become interested in raising a crop of fishes. And, too, we hope that when the little fellows grow into big ones ye editor will be asked out to drop an unskilled hook into their mouths.

BREVITIES—BY E. E. F.

Empty stomachs are dangerous things. When she's in fashion she's in little else. Who possesses most has least appreciation. A stadium is a nucleus for college buildings. People would rather be amused than instructed. Don't mortgage the future for a good time now. Endeavor to be what you desire to appear—Socrates. The more happiness you give the more you have left. When I'm afraid it's prudence, when he's afraid it's cowardice. One fallen preacher gets more advertising than fifty other fallen men. The more of your gift depends on the spirit that gives it, and on the amount you have left. The more the Church, don't you cry; you'll be an orphan. Weep when she serves him hot and cold. Men they're bound to have.

Public Opinion

APPROVES SALES TAX

The PressMaconian:— I notice that the merchants are organizing and pledging themselves not to support any candidate for the legislature who does not promise to do what he can to repeal the sales tax.

The sales tax is one of the easiest taxes collected in the world. There is no farm, horse, cow, or pig to be sold to pay it. It is paid so gradually that it is scarcely noticed. It does not take a lot of book-keeping for the merchants. All that is necessary is a special box, and drop into it the tax for each sale.

We pay from 20 to 25 cents on each dollar's worth of gasoline we buy to keep up our good roads. Now that is a high tax. People do not complain much about it. They say look at our good roads. What I want people to realize is the smallness of the tax and the fine crop of boys and girls it is to help.

The schools are the medium through which these boys and girls are to be developed into good law-abiding citizens. Opponents of the sales tax, where is the money to be collected to run these schools? Until you can tell us, we better not try any "Will O' the Wisp" plan.

Teachers are the ones to complain. Those who paid only a few dollars in taxes before their salaries were cut are now paying as much as from \$150 to \$300 or more per year. Some try to claim teachers are getting enough now. I would like to see the merchant with a \$2,000 or \$3,000 stock of goods that would think he was getting enough if he only got wages and nothing on his investment. It takes a teacher about six years after they complete the common school before they are prepared for teaching. Besides, a teacher loses all this time preparing to teach. Just find out what it will cost for one year's work at a teachers' college and you will begin to realize what the teacher is up against.

In closing this article, I ask that each candidate for the legislature, of both parties, tell the people how they stand on the sales tax; also if they are in favor of the repeal of the absentee ballot law. I know the editor of The Press will publish it if all the candidates will tell where they stand on these issues and the people will know better how they wish to vote.

Yours truly, D. J. MOSES.

RELIGION

In The Here and Now

By Rev. Norvin C. Duncan

PETER Cooper, New York philanthropist, who died in 1883, was one of the honest, hard-working men who helped to make America a great nation. He embodied in himself the ideals upon which the greatness of America rests. Those who laid broad and deep the foundations of America were men who drew inspiration from great ideals, and labored with genuine concern to make their lives count for the finest and best things of life; and to make those ideals and principles reflective in the social order which they built.

There is an incident in the life of Mr. Cooper which illustrates this statement. He had a patent upon something which was bringing in a great deal of money. One day he said to a friend:

"I do not feel quite easy about the amount we are making. Under one of our patents we have a monopoly which seems to me something wrong. Everybody has to come to us for it, and we are making money too fast. It is not right."

The price was reduced. That was a marked contrast to ideals and practices of our day. Indeed, we have grown too wise for idealism and have reduced life to a stark realism. We can hardly imagine a leader in our economic world today being greatly troubled in conscience about making money too fast, or voluntarily reducing prices. The interests demanded by financing concerns, and prices of all commodities do not indicate an economic world with a sensitive conscience.

We have recently witnessed some investigations which have revealed the sordidness in financial circles, and the high costs levied upon people for everything they buy. Those revelations are only a starter of what we are to see when the public is permitted to get information of costs of production as compared to what the public must pay. There is no use denying the fact that we have reached a great national and social crisis in the history of America. Thinking men no longer defend the principles of competition and profits in business,

though those who make profits fight hard to keep the old system alive. The surrender of idealism to realistic selfishness produced the conditions and experiences through which we have been passing in the last few years, and which we have labeled depression.

A group of laymen and a clergyman were engaged in a discussion of an enterprise in which some principles were involved. Said one of the laymen to the clergyman, "Parson you had better stick to your preaching and let us hard-headed business men handle this." And the parson replied, "Yes, and look at what a mess you hard-headed business men have made of things."

As the bubble was at that time bursting all around them, the parson scolded. They could not deny the truth of his remark. And the depression came about because we accepted and practised a materialistic philosophy, ignoring the spiritual values and laws of life. The return of idealism and the practice of Christian principles in our social and economic life are necessary if we are to recover, and go on with renewed life.

No amount of juggery with things and statistics can save us; it must be a matter of the spirit. We must substitute a sense of human values for our undue emphasis upon the values of things which has characterized us for the past score of years.

What has been happening is a revolt of the spirit against a deadening materialism. A business, institution, or an entire social order which grows up through the sacrifice of human values is bound to fail. Eventually the spirit will revolt and the structure of will crumble. Rebuilding on a changed heart is the only road to recovery.

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NOTICE OF EXECUTION SALE North Carolina, Macon County.

In the Superior Court, T. S. Munday vs. F. H. Higdon and W. C. Cunningham

By virtue of an execution directed to the undersigned from the Superior Court of Macon County in the above entitled action, I will, on Monday, the 4th day of June, 1934, at 12 o'clock noon at the Court House door of said County, sell to the highest bidder for cash, to satisfy said execution, all the right, title, and interest which the said W. C. Cunningham, defendant, has in the following described land, to-wit:

One-half interest in all the lands described in a deed from R. D. Sisk, Trustee, to Sam L. Franks and W. C. Cunningham, dated September 19, 1927, and recorded in the Office of Register of Deeds for Macon County, in Book of Deeds P-4, page 355.

This 12th day of April, 1934. A. B. SLAGLE, Sheriff. M10-4c-J&J-M31

ENTRY NOTICE

No. 15011

Earnest Roper enters and claims 10 acres of land more or less in Burnington Township, Macon County, on the waters of Burnington creek, described as follows:

Beginning on the government and Jud Rowland's corner, then southwest with Jud Rowland's line to Tom Bryant's chestnut corner, then in various directions so as to include all vacant land in said boundary.

This May 14th, 1934. ALEX MOORE, E. T. M10-4c-M31

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as administrator of J. A. Porter, deceased, late of Macon County, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 26th day of April, 1935, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement. This 26th day of April, 1934. R. S. JONES, Administrator. M3-6c-J&J-17

NOTICE OF SUMMONS

North Carolina, Macon County. In the Superior Court Fred R. Jones vs. Thelma Jones

The defendant, Thelma Jones will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Macon County, North Carolina, for the purpose of obtaining a divorce from the bonds of matrimony now existing between the plaintiff and defendant.

And said defendant will further take notice that she is required to appear before the Clerk of the Superior Court of Macon County, at his Office in Franklin, North Carolina, on or before the 18th day of June 1934, and answer or demur to the complaint of the plaintiff.

This 19th day of April 1934. FRANK L. MURRAY, Clerk Superior Court. A26-4p-M17

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NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF HIGHLANDS BANK

TO ALL STOCKHOLDERS AND CREDITORS OF HIGHLANDS BANK, AND ANY OTHER PERSONS WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Notice is hereby given that at a duly called meeting of the stockholders of Highlands Bank, on Tuesday, March 20, 1934, the stockholders of said Bank adopted a resolution that the said Bank be voluntarily dissolved and liquidated and that it surrender its charter and franchise as a corporation.

Notice is further given that said action and resolution of the stockholders of said Highlands Bank has been duly approved by Gurney P. Hood, Commissioner of Banks of the State of North Carolina, subject, however, to his retention of supervision of said Bank until all provisions of law applicable have been fully complied with and all creditors and depositors paid in full.

Notice is further given that all persons claiming to be depositors of said Bank and any and all other creditors of said Highlands Bank are required to present their claims to said Bank or to F. H. Potts, Assistant Cashier of said Bank, at its office in Highlands, North Carolina, within sixty days from the first publication of this notice, to-wit: Within sixty days from the 26th day of April, 1934, or forever be barred from presenting or collecting any claim against said Bank.

Notice is further given that at the end of said above-mentioned sixty days period the said Bank will apply to said Commissioner of Banks for an order approving the final dissolution of said Bank and surrender its franchise in accordance with the provisions of Consolidated Statutes Section 218 (a). This 26th day of April, 1934. HIGHLANDS BANK. By F. H. Potts, Asst. Cashier. A26-4c-HB-M17

NOTICE OF SALE

North Carolina, Macon County.

Under and by virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of Macon County, made in the special proceeding entitled "R. S. Jones, Administrator of Sam L. Franks, deceased, vs. Eloise G. Franks, et al," the undersigned commissioner will, on Monday, the eleventh day of June, 1934, at 12:00 o'clock noon at the Court House door in Franklin, North Carolina, offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash the following tracts of land:

TRACT A: Lot No. 16 in the subdivision of the P. C. and M. A. Gaston lands, lying and being on the North side of West Main Street extension, on the Murphy Highway adjoining the lands of Jess Ray, George Bulgin, and others, as shown by a plat or map of same made by J. M. Furr, Jr., which map is now on file in the Office of Register of Deeds for Macon County, North Carolina, in Map Book No. 1, page 1, said lot containing 1 1-10 acres, more or less.

TRACT B: All the lands described in a deed from R. D. Sisk to S. L. Franks, said deed bearing date of 19th day of September, 1927, and registered in the Office of Register of Deeds for Macon County, in Book P-4, page 355, and more particularly described as follows: A tract or lot of land being and lying in Macon County, Cowee Township, bounded on the North by the lands of J. L. West heirs, on the East by the land of Mark Raby heirs and J. H. Dalton; on the South by the lands of Shepherd Brothers and Laura Love, and on the West by the lands of J. L. Bryson heirs, containing 90 acres, more or less.

TRACT C: All the lands described in a deed from W. L. Ledford to S. L. Franks, said deed bearing date of September 22, 1924, and registered in Office of Register of Deeds for Macon County in Book K-4, of Deeds, page 224, and more particularly described as follows: It being Lot No. 17 in the subdivision of the P. C. and M. A. Gaston estate lands, lying and being on the North side of West Main Street extension on the Murphy Highway, adjoining the lands of George Bulgin and others as shown by a plat or map of same made by J. M. Furr, Jr., which map is now on file in the Office of Register of Deeds for Macon County, in Plat Book No. 1, page 1, said lot containing 1.17 acres, more or less.

TRACT D: All the lands described in a deed from Sam Corn to S. L. Franks, said deed bearing date of April 23, 1927, and registered in the Office of Register of Deeds for Macon County, in Book O-4 of Deeds, page 92, and more particularly described as follows: Lot No. 5 in a tract of land known as the Carriss subdivision, as surveyed and platted by E. L. Allen, said plat being recorded in Plat Book No. 1, page 7, records of Macon County.

TRACT E: All the right, title, and interest of which the said Sam L. Franks died seized and possessed in the following described tracts of land:

TRACT One: All the lands described in a deed from E. H. Franks to Sam L. Franks, said deed bearing date of Jan. 14, 1920, and registered in the Office of Register of Deeds for Macon County, in Book E-4 of Deeds, page 240, and described more particularly as follows: In the Town of Franklin, State of North Carolina. Beginning at an iron rod, West side of Harrison Avenue, and runs with the North side of said street South 52 East 5 poles to an iron rod; then North 42 East passing the Southwest corner of the negro church lot at 20 links 4 poles and 20 links to an iron rod, the North-west corner of the negro church lot; then North 48 East 2 poles and 17 links to an iron rod, I. J. Ashes' Southwest corner; then North 27 East 7 poles to an iron rod, I. J. Ashes' Northwest corner; then North 1-2 West 9 poles to an iron rod; then North 10 West 16 poles to beginning, containing one acre.

TRACT Two: All the land described in a deed from Estena G. Bidwell to Sam L. Franks, said deed bearing date of Jan. 12, 1920 and registered in the Office of Register of Deeds for Macon County, in Book E-4 of Deeds, page 236, and more particularly described as follows: In Franklin Township, Beginning at a black oak, the beginning corner of the Love and Poin-dexter land, and runs S 73 deg. 30' W 30 poles to a stake, corner of the Love land; then S 67 deg. 30' E 17 3-4 poles to a white oak, running with the Mann line; then still with the Mann line S 3 deg. 45' E 21 poles and 15 links to a Spanish oak, corner of the Mann tract. Said corner being witnessed by a small butted white oak; then still with the Mann line S 9 deg. 30' W 29 3-4 poles to a stake on the North side of Harrison Avenue; then with the North side of said street S 52 E 5 poles and 5 links to Sam L. Franks' Southwest corner; then with his line N 10 E 16 poles to a stake, Franks' corner; then S 81 E 9 poles to a stake, Franks' corner; then N 1 E 54 3-4 poles to the beginning. Containing 4 acres, more or less.

Excepting therefrom such parts of tracts one and two as may have been conveyed by the said Sam L. Franks under the following deeds: Deed from E. H. Franks and wife, Ellen Franks, and Sam L. Franks and wife, Eloise Franks, to James W. Roper, dated January 17, 1922, and registered in the Office of Register of Deeds for Macon County in Book G-4, page 198; Deed from E. H. Franks and wife, Ellen Franks, and Sam L. Franks and wife, Eloise Franks, to W. H. Higgins, said deed bearing date of March 8, 1921, and registered in the Office of Register of Deeds for Macon County in Book F-4, page 531; And any and all other parts of said land which may have been conveyed by the said Sam L. Franks.

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TRACT E: All the right, title, and interest which the said Sam L. Franks may have owned at the time of his death in any equity in and to a tract of land in Cowee Township, consisting of 312 acres, and known as the Hall Farm, and described in a deed from Eliza Hall McConnell to S. L. Franks, said deed bearing date of January 22, 1926, and registered in the Office of Register of Deeds for Macon County in Book L-4 of Deeds, page 565.

Also all the right, title, and interest which the said Sam L. Franks may have owned in any equity in and to a tract of land consisting of approximately 80 acres, in Cowee Township, known as the Downs Farm, and being more particularly described in a deed from Henry G. Robertson, Trustee, to R. S. Jones, said deed bearing date of May 6, 1931, and registered in the Office of Register of Deeds for Macon County in Book T-4, page 21.

Each bid must be accompanied by a deposit of 10% of the amount of the bid in cash pending report of sale and confirmation.

The terms of sale are for cash. All bids will be received subject to rejection or confirmation by the Clerk of said Superior Court, and no bid will be accepted or reported unless its maker shall deposit with said Clerk at the close of the bidding the sum of Two Hundred (\$200.00) Dollars, as a forfeit and guaranty of compliance with his bid, the same to be credited on his bid when accepted. Notice is now given that said lands will be resold at the same place and upon the same terms at 2 o'clock P. M. of the same day unless said deposit is sooner made. Every deposit not forfeited or accepted will be promptly returned to the maker. This 9th day of May, 1934. R. S. JONES, Commissioner. M17-4c-17

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This seventh day of May, 1934. GILMER A. JONES, Commissioner. M17-4c-J&J-17

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE OF LAND

North Carolina, Macon County. In the Superior Court Atlantic Joint Stock Land Bank of Raleigh, a corporation vs. R. A. Patton, Mamie Patton, Sarah A. Patton, Olivé Patton, et al.

Pursuant to a judgment entered in the above entitled civil action by his Honor Felix E. Alley, I will, on Monday, the 11th day of June, 1934, at 12:00 o'clock noon, at the County Courthouse door of said County, sell at public auction to the highest bidder therefor the following described lands, situated in said County and State in Franklin Township, comprising Two Hundred sixty-one acres (201), more or less, and bounded and described as follows:

All that certain piece, parcel or tract of land containing 261 acres, more or less, situate, lying and being on the Patton Road about 3 1-2 miles Southwest of the Town of Franklin, Macon County, North Carolina, the same being known as the George R. Patton Home Place, and being bounded on the North by the Cartoogechaye Creek and lands of the J. T. Patton heirs; on the East by the lands of the Erwin Patton heirs, F. D. Hughes, Chas. Blaine and Lawrence Blaine; on the South by the lands of the Erwin Patton heirs, F. D. Hughes, Chas. Blaine and Lawrence Blaine, and on the West by the lands of Alex Waldrop and the J. T. Patton heirs, and being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at an apple tree on the South bank of the Cartoogechaye Creek, runs S 21 W 38 poles to a stake; then N 53 W 12 poles to a stake; then S 51 W 8 poles to a stake; then S 22 W 8 poles to a stake; then S 4 1-2 E 28 poles to a stake; then N 72 W 23 poles to a stake; then S 19 W 52 1-2 poles to an apple tree; then S 9 1-2 W 40 poles to a stake; then W 48 poles to a stake; then S 106 poles to a Spanish oak; then S 2 W 18 poles to a stake; then S 67 W 38 poles to a stake; then S 28 W 36 poles to a stake; then N 84 W 17 poles to a white oak; then S 31 W 80 poles to a maple; then S 75 W 44 poles to a stake; then S 43 W 35 poles to a stake; then S 70 W 8 poles to an Ash; then N 2 E 110 poles to a stake; then N 88 W 22 poles to a Spanish oak; then N 2 E 40 poles to a hickory; then S 47 E 12 poles to a black oak; then S 73 E 24 poles to a stake; then N 75 E 8 poles to a black oak; then N 36 E 16 poles to a mountain oak; then N 11 E 49 poles to a black jack; then N 16 poles to a pine; then N 35 W 12 poles to a stake; then N 25 E 12 poles to a chestnut; then N 20 poles to a black oak; then N 60 W 57 poles to a white oak stump; then E 202 poles to a post oak; then N 30 poles to a maple; then N 67 E 16 poles to a maple; then N 53 E 20 poles to a stake; then N 25 E 42 poles to a cherry; then N 9 E 13 poles to a stake; then N 20 W 13 poles to a stake; then N 80 E 16 poles to a stake; then S 82 E 7 poles to a stake; then N 48 E 13 poles to a stake on the South bank of Cartoogechaye Creek; then down the creek with its meanders to the point of beginning. And being the lands inherited by R. A. Patton from his father, Geo. R. Patton, deceased, and described in deed from Olive Patton to R. A. Patton, dated Jan. 18, 1917, and recorded in Book B-4, page 135, Macon County Registry.

The terms of sale are for cash. All bids will be received subject to rejection or confirmation by the Clerk of said Superior Court, and no bid will be accepted or reported unless its maker shall deposit with said Clerk at the close of the bidding the sum of Two Hundred (\$200.00) Dollars, as a forfeit and guaranty of compliance with his bid, the same to be credited on his bid when accepted. Notice is now given that said lands will be resold at the same place and upon the same terms at 2 o'clock P. M. of the same day unless said deposit is sooner made. Every deposit not forfeited or accepted will be promptly returned to the maker. This 9th day of May, 1934. R. S. JONES, Commissioner. M17-4c-17

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