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BACKSTOPPING FOR THE LEGISLATURE

(Editorial in the Greensboro News) Legislative bodies follow lines of least resistance. The legislatures that provided the money for road building and for the educational and eleemosynary institutions went forward because the resistance, or pressure, was from behind.

At that pressure, in behalf of both the roads and the institutions, was organized. The members of the general assembly could not escape the knowledge that an impressive number of people throughout the state had made up their minds that these things ought to be done. They were organized minorities; but these minorities were active in behalf of measures to which the majority gave the consent of silence. All the things, both road and aid, that are being accomplished in legislation, are due to the activities of organized minorities; but if a thing is proposed which is unwise, or seems to be unwise, the minority that is proposing it will be met by another organized minority opposing it.

What the general assembly does with the transportation committee report will depend very largely upon the sentiment of groups of people about over the state who take the trouble to inform themselves about the business sufficiently to reach a conclusion as to what ought to be done, and express themselves on the subject. And there is no statewide organization that is committed even to a study of the proposals. What the road-construction program of the North Carolina Good Roads society has had, and what the higher education enterprise had, the transportation development scheme lacks.

Nevertheless there are various organizations that exist for general rather than for the specific purpose in every community in North Carolina, and if they realize the opportunity for state service that is presented whenever such a matter as this is proposed, they can and will serve the cause of commercial progress in much the same manner, and perhaps as effectually, as it would be served by some state-wide association committed to advancing the state's interests in this particular.

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In Greensboro we have rather unusual advantages for getting at the merits of the business, and for making up minds on it.

We have A. M. Scales, in whom the people have confidence: a statesman of broad vision, a man of good, hard common sense. He is a member of the transportation commission, one of the authors of the report, to which 14 months of work was given, and he tells us that in this there is a great opportunity for the state. That means a great deal to our people. We lay claim to General Glenn as a native son, and we respect his judgment and ability, and we know that the opinion which he gives, that here is a great opportunity for the state, is a wolly disinterested opinion. One of our civic clubs has made the report the topic of one of its meetings, and this body asks the inter-club council and the chamber of commerce to sponsor a public meeting so that citizens in general may bring their composite judgment to bear on the question; and if most of us find that we think alike in favor of the report, the general assembly will be surprised in a way that can not be misunderstood as to where Greensboro stands. If similar bodies throughout the state, even at this late date, will only bring their forces to bear on the question, the general assembly will be given something very valuable on which to take a position conformable with the position of a considerable number of the people.

In eastern North Carolina, they have a body of broad respect, the Commercial Organizations of Eastern North Carolina, with a transportation bureau which appears to be endeavoring to inform and develop public opinion on this subject; they had a conference of business men at Goldsboro on the 22nd of July. We have no doubt that as much of their public attention as they give to the state.

The business men of the state do not manage to demonstrate their general assembly that they are conscious of their great responsibility, a selfish and narrow-mindedness to put it that way, it will be left in the hands of the politicians, and their special interests, and they will have any difficulty in getting together. Mr. Scales said yesterday, addressing the Rotary club, that North Carolina has made a creditable progress in agriculture, notwithstanding handicaps, numerous and heavy, and has made great progress in manufacturing, and some in commerce. In that, the state is still Rip Van Winking. Nothing has been done for North Carolina to get men to do it, to pass judgment on this enterprise, this proposed transportation commission, as a business of commercial progress, and if it looks good, tell the legislature. It looks good.

Perhaps nearly every Rotary, Kiwanis, Civitan, and Lions club in the state, and other similar organizations, could find someone to address a meeting, before the assembly convenes, who has made a study of the report. Their senators and representatives certainly may be presumed to have done so, and most of them would at least be willing to attend meetings for discussion of the subject. These forces, in which men have combined for public service, could hardly find anything more appropriate for their meetings in the next week or two; and it is at least probable that herein lies the opportunity of great service to the

state. This is a good month for people to change their plans for the fall of 1924.

We naturally move along somewhat in the same groove, expecting to buy about the same thing we did last season, have the same good time we had last year and pay all debts and be happy.

A review of the crop reports for this section at once convinces us that we will not be able to meet our expectations and carry out prospective plans. The most conservative estimates say we cannot hope for more than 50 per cent of a normal crop.

If the estimate is correct, then why will we not be forced to reduce our expectation by one-half?

It is a fact that in former years, people pledged their credit and plodded on, but we now have to admit that most of the tangible credit is already up and no more to please. Some financial experts have said that we pay half of our income for things we need and the other half for things we do not need. If they are correct, we can still exist. We are, however, confronted with the alternate of spending wisely and living, or foolishly spending and landing on the rocks.

DAVID & BRYAN

"John W. Davis is nominated" was the news that came at last—a joyful cry that welled up out of the bitterness of many days and nights. A roaring shout—a great sigh of relief blasted its way through the famous convention hall and out into the Nation to tell what had happened—that a decision had been made and our 1924 standard bearers named.

Blown about by winds of division and tales of division, riding the rascals' currents of a hopeless deadlock, the Convention that will live in political history forever at last sighted that great personality, that man of experience, matchless ability and fine character—John W. Davis.

It was a weary wait, by day and by night—long hours of "watchful waiting" to the millions of anxious Democrats. But the glorious news was worth it all—and more. Davis' success in November will mean more than a mere party victory. Right from the beginning, in his short convention talk, he raised a banner of friendship for humanity. He will serve the people. In a few well chosen words he championed their cause, and closed thusly: "There can be no compromise with reaction. Liberal principles must and will prevail. This is the mandate of the hour and I shall obey it."

It is well with the Democratic party, the American people in particular and the nation in general that John W. Davis and Charles W. Bryan are our standard bearers. —Hornet.

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Some cars will run at the rate of fifty miles per hour and at the same time meet other drivers just as foolish. Perhaps one of the strangest things about an automobile is that it does not take much intelligence to drive a car. The less one knows often times the better driver he is, because driving a car calls for but one line of thought.

If it really took much brain power to operate an automobile the race would soon become also extinct.

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NOTICE

Commissioners held at the Mayor's Office on the 7th, day of July, I was ordered to collect all outstanding taxes at once in order to make my settlement with the town of Williamston, N. C.

All persons owing taxes to the town of Williamston will take due notice and pay their taxes at once as I will be compelled to advertise all taxes not paid by August 1st. J. O. MANNING, Tax Collector. July 7th, 1924.

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this day levied on the following tracts of land and will sell the same at public auction for cash, before the Bank of Hamilton at Hamilton, N. C. on Monday the 14th day of July 1924 at 12 M. for the unpaid taxes and cost due for the year 1923.

WHITE. J. W. Crisp, 160 acres Johnston Land, taxes \$22.70, cost \$1.80. Horne and Daughtry, 349 acres Fleming land, taxes \$50.00, cost \$1.80. Mrs. Jim Thomas, 20 acres Hyman land, taxes \$7.41, cost \$1.80.

COLORED. J. A. Bennett, 25 acres Sherrod land, taxes \$8.34, cost \$1.80.

TRUSTEE SALE OF LAND

By virtue of authority vested in me by a certain Deed of Trust executed by Hilliard Hyman to the undersigned as Trustee, which said Deed of Trust is registered in Book A-2, page 561, Martin County Register of Deeds where the conditions of said Deed of Trust not having been complied with and the holder of the obligation demanded a sale thereof, I shall sell to the highest bidder for cash ON MONDAY THE 4TH DAY OF AUGUST, AT 12 O'CLOCK NOON AT THE COURTHOUSE DOOR IN WILLIAMSTON, N. C. the following described tract of land:

Being all of that piece or parcel of land lying and being in the town of Oak City, N. C., Lot No. 13 in plan of Everett and Daniel land division recorded in the public registry of Martin County, in Land Division Book 1—page 428.

This June the 28th, 1924. S. J. EVERETT, Trustee. 7-4-24

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Special lot of Men's Summer Suits that will surprise you sale price \$5.62
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