

The Drag-Weight On The Country Children

(From The Greensboro Daily News)
 That drag-weight which the State of North Carolina clamps around the shoulders of its boys and girls who live in country was described in plain figures the other day by State Superintendent of Public Instruction Allen to the teachers at North Carolina College.

"There is too wide a gap between urban and rural school districts," Mr. Allen said. He is not worrying about the city schools. They have far to go before they reach the position where they can perform the work which they ought to perform and want to perform but in the main they are headed right and they have the strength behind them. Each year marks improvement when the State superintendent visits the country schools he finds these fearful disadvantages all along the line. The city school children go to school eight and nine months; the country children in spots have an eight month term, but the great majority are bound by a meager six months. Of the 600,000 in the rural districts 72 per cent, some 432,000 have less than eight months. That is white and negro boys and girls. Of the white alone, some 400,000 in the rural schools, about 38 per cent, have eight months, and some 62 per cent or about 248,000, have less.

So long as the status quo remains the gap widens; the city children are enabled to go to school longer and consequently to progress faster each year. The country children drop farther and farther behind their city cousins each year.

Nor is that all. The city school children have better buildings, better facilities, better libraries, better teachers. They lose annually in quantity; they lose annually in quality. Mr. Allen said that 24 cities in the State are spending \$201 in buildings for each child. And 25 counties are spending only some \$40 in buildings for each child. It is easier to show by figures the quantitative advantage of the city children, but in the long run it is probable that the qualitative factor ranges as high. City school teachers, taken as a group, rate higher by every test than country school teachers, and the ones who suffer are the country school children.

The Allen argument leads inevitably to the eight-month school term for all North Carolina. That is sure to come. It has been blocked and checked and hindered and sneered at by political leaders over the State. They lack the courage. But the ground swell of public opinion grows over North Carolina; it can not be held much longer in check. There is no justification in moral right or common sense in maintaining and adding to the drag-weight which the State has clamped on the shoulders of its boys and girls who live in the country districts.

Guilford will answer that question for itself last spring. While the State hesitates and shoves off the inevitable this county is asked to take the step Guilford has blazed the trail for North Carolina before. The county has a splendid opportunity to do it again.

NOTICE

To Keys & Ellis and B. A. Critcher, their heirs, assigns, and all other persons claiming under, through, or by them:

You are hereby notified that the County of Martin purchased 50 acres of Griffin Ellis and Heath land in Jamesville Township, listed by you, on the first Monday in June, 1924, at a sheriff's sale for taxes due for the year 1923.

You are further notified that unless you redeem the certificate of sale within one year from this date the Martin County Board of Commissioners will demand a deed from the said tax collector for the said 50 acres of Griffin Ellis and Heath land.

This 2nd day of March, 1925.
 H. T. ROBERSON,
 m13 4tw Sheriff, Martin County.

NOTICE

To Leah Francis, her heirs, assigns, and all other persons claiming under, through, or by her:

You are hereby notified that the County of Martin purchased 40 acres of the Davis land in Jamesville Township, listed by you, on the first Monday in June, 1924, at a sheriff's sale for taxes due for the year 1923.

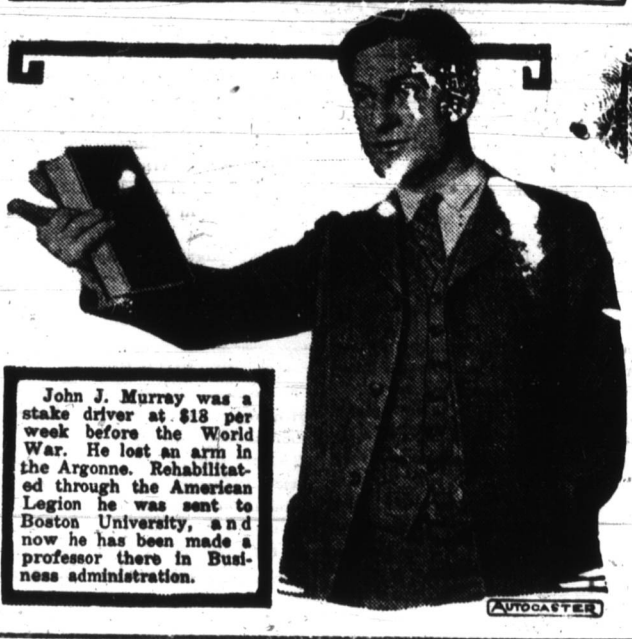
You are further notified that unless you redeem the certificate of sale within one year from this date the Martin County Board of Commissioners will demand a deed from the said tax collector for the said 40 acres of Davis land.

This 2nd day of March, 1925.
 H. T. ROBERSON,
 m13 4tw Sheriff, Martin County.

NOTICE

North Carolina, Martin County. Under and by virtue of the order of M. V. Barnhill, judge signed on the 6th day of March, 1925, in the case of the Corporation Commission of North Carolina vs. Martin County Savings & Trust Co., notice is hereby given to the stockholders, directors, depositors, creditors, and all other parties interested in said bank that on the date above mentioned the undersigned was appointed temporary receiver for the Martin County Savings and Trust Company, and notice

Soldier Loses Arm, but--



John J. Murray was a stake driver at \$18 per week before the World War. He lost an arm in the Argonne. Rehabilitated through the American Legion he was sent to Boston University, and now he has been made a professor there in Business Administration.

is further given that the order to show cause why this temporary receivership should not be made permanent will be heard before N. A. Sinclair, judge, at Williamston, N. C., on Wednesday, the 18th day of March, 1925.

This the 9th day of March, 1925.
 C. D. CARSTARPHEN,
 Temporary receiver, Martin County Savings & Trust Co.

NOTICE

To Noah Mobry, his heirs, assigns, and all other persons claiming under, through, or by him:

You are hereby notified that I purchased 1 residence listed by you in Williamston Township on the first Monday in June, 1924, at a sheriff's sale for taxes due for the year 1923.

You are further notified that unless you redeem the certificate of sale within one year from this date I shall demand a deed from the said tax collector for the said residence.

This 7th day of March, 1925.
 m13 4tw D. G. MATTHEWS.

NOTICE

To Herman Hodges, his heirs, assigns, and all other persons claiming under, through, or by him:

You are hereby notified that I purchased 28 acres, residence, listed by you in Williamston Township on the first Monday in June, 1924, at a sheriff's sale for taxes due for the year 1923.

You are further notified that unless you redeem the certificate of sale within one year from this date I shall demand a deed from the said tax collector for the said 28 acres, residence.

This 7th day of March, 1925.
 m13 4tw D. G. MATTHEWS.

NOTICE

To Sam H. Williams, his heirs, assigns, and all other persons claiming under, through, or by him:

You are hereby notified that I purchased 1 residence listed by you in Williamston Township, on the first Monday in June, 1924, at a sheriff's sale for taxes due for the year 1923.

You are further notified that unless you redeem the certificate of sale within one year from this date I shall demand a deed from the said tax collector for the said residence.

This 7th day of March, 1925.
 m13 4tw D. G. MATTHEWS.

NOTICE

To James Rogers, his heirs, assigns, and all other persons claiming under, through, or by him:

You are hereby notified that I purchased 3 acres, residence, listed by you in Williamston Township on the first Monday in June, 1924, at a sheriff's sale for taxes due for the year 1923.

You are further notified that unless you redeem the certificate of sale within one year from this date I shall demand a deed from the said tax collector for the said three acres.

This 7th day of March, 1925.
 m13 4tw D. G. MATTHEWS.

NOTICE OF RESALE

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a deed of trust executed by Claude Burnett and wife, Lester, on the 9th day of March, 1919, the same recorded in Martin County record book J-1, page 587. The same having been sold on the 9th day of March, 1925, after due advertisement and the highest bid at said sale having been raised and a resale ordered.

I will sell to the highest bidder for cash on Monday, March 30, 1925, at noon in front of the Bank of Hamilton, the following land:

One tract of land I now live on, containing 57 acres, more or less, adjoining the land of Fon Everett known as the Brown land and the Lake Burnett land, being 7 miles from Hamilton on the county road leading to Plymouth, N. C.

This the 14th day of March, 1925.
 F. L. HAINSLIP,
 m20 Trustee.

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust executed to me by T. M. Mills and wife Cherry Mills, on the 1st day of December, 1920 and of record in the Martin County Public Register in book

G-2 page 36 securing a certain bond of even date, and tenor therewith and the stipulations therein not having been complied with, and at the request of the holder of said bond I will on the 24th day of April, 1925, at 12:00 o'clock noon in front of the Court House door of Martin County offer at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the following described land:

Bounded on the East by the lands of J. H. Cross, on the West by the land of Esson Biggs and Tobe Page, on the North by the lands of Sam Winburn on the South by the lands of John Bowen and being same land bought of H. O. Cowan and known as the Mack Mobley old homestead.

This the 23rd day of March, 1925.
 R. G. HARRISON,
 m27 4tw Trustee

NOTICE

The undersigned administrator of the estate of Mrs. J. S. Peel, deceased will on Monday, the 6th day of April, 1925, at 11 o'clock, a. m. at the home-stand of the late J. S. Peel, deceased offer for cash, to the highest bidder, the following described personal property, to wit:

- One horse,
- One buggy and harness,
- One bag of peanuts,
- About 10 barrels of corn,
- One lot of hay,
- One lot of chickens
- Six feather beds,
- Six bedsteads and mattresses, sheet bedding, and pillows and bolsters
- Three bureaus,
- Two wash stands,
- Two wardrobes,
- One lounge,
- Four tables,
- All cooking utensils,
- Two wash pots
- One clothes boiler,
- Two kitchen safes
- Twenty-six chairs,
- Two tubs,
- One sewing machine,
- Rugs, carpets, etc.
- Two clocks,
- One saw,
- One stalk cutter, one cart and wheels.

And all other personal property not mentioned that may be found belonging to said Mrs. J. S. Peel, deceased.

This the 16th day of March, 1925.
 ELI GURGANUS,
 Administrator of the estate of Mrs. J. S. Peel, deceased. m24

NOTICE OF EXECUTION SALE

North Carolina, Martin County; In the superior court.

J. W. and A. Anderson and W. H. Crawford, trading as Anderson, Crawford, and Company, vs. Henry Moore.

By virtue of an execution directed to the undersigned from the superior court of Martin County in the above entitled action

I will on Monday, the 6th day of April, 1925, at 12 o'clock m., in front of the courthouse door in the town of Williamston, sell to the highest bidder for cash to satisfy said execution the following described real estate, to wit:

Beginning at a lightwood stub on the road, thence running 73 yards south to a lightwood stub; a corner; thence east to a stub, a corner; thence north to the old road; thence across the said road at the end of a ditch, thence along said ditch nearly north to a tagged pine, a corner; thence along the line of chopped trees nearly east to two large short-trunked pines, a corner; thence along the line of chopped trees nearly north to a sweet gum in a small drain, thence nearly northwest with a line of chopped trees to a maple on the main run of Keepers Branch, thence down the various courses of said branch to the mouth of Flag Pond Branch, thence up said branch to the Noah Godard line, thence with said Godard line of old chopped trees to the aforesaid old road, thence along said old road to the beginning, said to contain 51 acres more or less. Being the same land deeded to the Bank of Jamesville by Henry Moore and wife, Sadie Moore, by deed dated February 27th, 1922, and recorded in book E-2, at page 655.

This the 6th day of March, 1925.
 H. T. ROBERSON,
 m13 4tw Sheriff of Martin County.

4th Grade Reading for 8th Grade Children

To impress the people with the importance of books in the home life of the children, the State Library Commission of New Jersey made an experiment which is described in Home Education Circular No. 6, recently issued by the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Education. Fifty books were placed in the eighth grade of a school which had no library and no supplementary reading. The books were chosen from eighth-grade lists usually found in libraries.

Ninety-five per cent of the boys and girls who read the books were unable to write or talk inelligently about any of them. The children were then given seventh-grade books, and only a third of the children could write understandingly of the books. Moving down grade by grade it was found that these eighth-grade children average fourth grade in their reading habits.

When these facts were pointed out to the parents through the parent teacher association, they began to realize the importance of the use and understanding of books, and a plan was worked out to make books a part of everyday life. This resulted eventually in the establishment of a system of supplying books to the small town and rural communities.

NOTICE

North Carolina, Martin County, in the Superior Court.
 Farmers & Merchants Bank vs. W. M. Sitterson

Notice of Execution Sale

By virtue of an execution directed to the undersigned from the superior court of Martin County, in the above entitled action, I will on Monday, the 6th day of April, 1925, at 12 o'clock p., at the courthouse 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. M. Sitterson, defendant, has in the following described real estate to wit:

Situated on the McCaskey Road, adjoining the lands of Nicholson and others, and known as the Joe Sitterson Farm, containing 140 acres.

H. T. ROBERSON,
 Sheriff.

ATTACHMENT

North Carolina, Martin County. In the Superior Court.

Farmers & Merchants Bank, a corporation, vs. J. L. Wynne, Maggie Wynne, J. G. Godard, and the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Co.

Eleven hundred and thirty (\$1,130) with interest from Jan. 1, 1925, due by note. Warrant of attachment against the property of the defendant, Maggie Wynne, returnable before R. J. Peel, clerk of the superior court of Martin County, at his office in the town of Williamston, North Carolina, on the 23rd day of March, 1925, when and where the defendant Maggie Wynne is required to appear and answer or demur to the complaint.

Dated this the 20th day of February, 1925.

R. J. PEEL,
 Clerk Superior Court.

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust executed to me by Mrs. Elizabeth J. Heath, on the 23rd day of

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May, 1924 and of record in Martin County Public Register in book S-2 page 7 securing a certain bond of even date, and tenor therewith and the stipulations therein not having been complied with, and at the request of the holder of said bond I will on the 24th day of April, 1925 at 12:00 o'clock noon in front of the Court House door of Mar in County offer at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the following described land:

Commencing in the edge of Pocosin Branch, Dennis Simmons Lumber Co. corner in the Jamesville and Washington road, thence South with said road to George Roberson line, thence with said line to the New or Godard road, thence down said road to the Godard line, thence along said line to C. C.

Coltrain and Dennis Simmons Lumber Co. corner, thence down the Dennis Simmons Lumber Co. line to the beginning. Containing Fifty (50) acres more or less, and being the same land deeded to W. L. Heath by Elizabeth J.

Heath and by T. L. Heath back to Elizabeth Heath by Deed dated September 21st 1917.

This the 23rd day of March, 1925.
 R. G. HARRISON,
 m27 4tw Trustee

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