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Town Commissioners Wake-Up

For some years it has been too often demonstrated that Williamston could never stand the very expensive light plant that we are maintaining. We, of course, have a safe light system, able to run all the time, but the steam cost to run the engines is of the rankest extravagance, and while it is too late to kick now, it is nevertheless true that the selection of such a plant was through gross ignorance, and now is the time to correct it before the town goes bankrupt.

It is reported that the board has passed a resolution to discard the present plant, which is only running at one-third its full capacity, to a crude oil plant, which will cost less than half the full charge as the present steam plant costs.

We congratulate the commissioners for the proposed change, and hope they will soon be able to effect it.

THE BLANCHARD MUTILATION CASE

The Blanchard mutilation case which occurred on the 13th of September, near Monroe, in Union County, was called a mystery until recently when the victim gave the whole story away.

He stated to the officials of the county that the mutilation was done by his 15-year-old step-daughter, the statement being confirmed by both his wife and the daughter.

The incident seems to indicate a degree of depravity somewhat unsuspected or undreamed of by enlightened people.

It is easier to imagine the rashness of a mob than the performance of such a deed by a mother and daughter on a husband.

The human family is hard to guess. They are liable to do anything.

COURT WEEK LOSES HALF OF ITS ATTRACTIONS

Court week has lost half of its attractions.

In the old days of slow travel, court officers, jurors, witnesses, and hundreds of the rabble would assemble beginning Saturday, Sunday, and Monday morning until every hotel, rooming house, homes, and other available space would be full of folks, apparently full of interest in the court. The horse traders, medicine men, and other fakirs would line the streets to pull from the pockets of the

moving crowd the spare change they might have along. Some magic soap, unfailing liniment, possibly some brass gold would be the items given in exchange for their cash. By next court the gold would be faded, the pains the magic man had guaranteed to cure would still exist, and the crowd would forget and come again, only for another fleecing.

Now we see things are different. It is hard to tell court week until the bell rings. Lawyers, jurors, witnesses and others eat late breakfast at home, jump in the Ford and come down to court in a gentlemanly way.

Courts are like everything else. They seem to have changed until we hardly know them.

Yet things are better than of old. We sometimes wish for the old days back again. However, if we put the old and new side by side most of us would choose the new.

A GREAT INDUSTRY

The American people spend annually \$8,000,000,000 for the purchase and upkeep of automobiles, of which there are more than 17,500,000 in the United States. That's how greatly the automobile business has grown in a quarter of a century in this country, which turns out more cars in ten days than England turns out in a whole year.

If this business were to suspend operations today, millions of workers would be thrown out of employment and the oil industry would go to the pot.

steel companies would be seriously affected, and the copper, rubber, leather, lumber, glass and scores of other businesses would be badly crippled. Even many farms would be demoralized.

NOTICE

North Carolina, Martin County.

The undersigned, having qualified as Administrator of the estate of J. L. Harrell, deceased, all persons having claims against said estate are notified to exhibit same to him on or before the 5th day of August, 1926, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This the 5th day of August, 1925.
B. A. CRITCHER, Adm.

TRUSTEE'S SALE

By virtue of the authority conferred in me by a "deed of trust" executed to me by B. R. Barnhill and Susan E. Barnhill, on the 23d day of August, 1918, and duly recorded in the regis-

ter of deed's office in Martin County, in book O-1, page 334, to secure the payment of a certain bond bearing even date therewith, and the stipulations in said deed of trust not having been complied with, I shall expose at public auction for cash on Thursday, the 8th day of October, 1925, at 12 o'clock at the courthouse, Williamston, N. C., in Martin County, the following property:

All the interest of B. R. Barnhill and Susan E. Barnhill in that farm in Williamston Township, Martin County, known as Eli Taylor farm and home place, adjoining the lands of Joe Lilley, Will Taylor, C. H. Godwin, J. G. Staton, H. D. Taylor, and others, containing 500 acres, more or less, and being the same land described in the will of Nancy Rogerson, said will being of record in public registry

of Martin County, in will book No. 4, at page 416.
This the 8th day of September, 1925.
J. E. POPE, Trustee.

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain deed of trust executed to the undersigned trustee, on the 12th day of January, 1922, and of record in the Martin County Public Registry, in book G-2, page 411, securing a certain bond of even date therewith, and the stipulations not having been complied with, and at the request of the holder of

said bond the undersigned trustee will, on the 14th day of October, 1925, at 12 o'clock noon, in front of the courthouse door of Martin County, offer at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described tract of land:

Beginning at a black gum at the Calet Mizelle line and James A. Rodger corner, thence westwardly along James A. Rodger line to a ditch knoll along said ditch to a long leaf pine, thence along Sophie Rogers line to a lightwood stop; thence east along a line of marked trees to a black gum and pine in Calet Mizelle's line, thence

along Calet Mizelle's line to the beginning, containing 50 acres, more or less.

This 14th of September, 1925.
W. A. BAILEY, Trustee.

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SEE ME FOR ALL KINDS OF CEMETERY SUPPLIES

--MONUMENTS--

It pays to advertise and push material and work of the highest class, rather than get a larger or longer profit by selling a cheap production. It means much to us to put out a piece of work which will give you satisfaction; it is a monument to our credit as well as yours.

For over 20 years we have met the needs of those who desired the best material and workmanship.
Call and see our stock and designs.
Monuments bought of us will be delivered and erected free.

DEES MONUMENT WORKS
GREENVILLE, N. C.

Ladies First

Ladies first has been the watchword of every crew that has sailed a vessel since the days of Columbus up to now, when palatial steamers cross the mighty Atlantic in five days.

A member of a crew who would attempt to save himself FIRST in times of storms would be shot on the spot. This is the law governing all ships, and is a just law. The passengers MUST be cared for first.

The crew has certain rights as well as certain responsibilities. They are suppose to have comfortable quarters, nourishing food, just wages, BUT in times of danger the passengers, and especially the women and children come FIRST.

Every passenger who boards a ship knows this law. They place themselves in the hands of the officers and crew with confidence, believing their lives will be protected at all costs by the officers and crew.

This Same Principle Should Prevail In The Banking World

DEPOSITORS FIRST SHOULD BE THE WATCHWORD OF EVERY BANK OFFICER

The officers of banks have certain rights, as well as certain responsibilities. The officer of a bank who would desert his bank in times of storm and get ahead of his depositors is unworthy of the confidence and respect of his depositors.

The borrowers have certain rights and certain responsibilities. They have the right to borrow upon good security and Provided they carry a balance to justify the loan. And they should treat the bank with fair play and either Pay, Renew, or Curtail their notes on the day they come due. Past due notes are a curse to safe, sound, sensible banking.

BUT THE DEPOSITORS SHOULD COME FIRST

The stockholders of a bank have certain rights and responsibilities. They invest their money in the bank's stock and if the bank makes any profit are entitled to their pro rata share.

But The DEPOSITORS Should Come First

THE DEPOSITORS OF THIS BANK HAVE ALWAYS COME FIRST. MONEY DEPOSITED IN THIS BANK IS SAFE BECAUSE OF THIS FACT

WE INVITE THE CLOSEST INSPECTION OF OUR WAY OF TAKING CARE OF OUR DEPOSITORS

Farmers & Merchants Bank
Williamston, N. C.

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