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A Good Divorce Law

The first good divorce law passed in our State in a decade is now about to become a law. It makes involuntary separation, by being sent to the penitentiary, for a term of five years grounds for divorce. It has been possible for married people who chose to, to separate for five years and procure a divorce, and many separations came for no other purpose. Yet if a married man or woman committed a felonious crime and was sent to prison for life, it was not ground for the other to procure divorce. Now, if a husband or wife commits any crime and is convicted and sentenced to prison for more than 5 years, it is ground upon which the other party may procure divorce. No man or woman should be tied for life to an imprisoned criminal.

United Effort Needed

Will Williamston pave, or continue to muddle, is the question which the people are sometimes talking about now. Most of the folks are strong for paving, but they are not saying anything, they are just talking. If those favoring paving will put half their talk into work, the proposal will go over with a whoop. It may cost something, but it will be worth all and more than the cost. It will be an investment that will last for ages.

Representative McLean's Bill

A. D. McLean, the representative from Beaufort County, has introduced the most important and the best bill that has come before the North Carolina legislature for many sessions. It calls for a uniform State-wide eight-months school term, which is the only hope for our democracy—because no democracy can live when some are trained and others are untrained. No community can prosper when it has to depend on some other community to do its thinking. Any business that a man may have that requires nothing but labor can not prosper. It is the thinking business that thrives. Those who are fighting the proposed eight-months school term claim that the child on the farm and in the factory must work to produce the family living. This is untrue, because we are overproducing and breaking the markets on cotton, tobacco, peanuts, and cotton goods, all because we are raising and producing such quantities with child labor. The bill should be passed because the State is responsible for its citizenship, and it should educate all alike, because it guarantees each citizen the right to trade with every other citizen on an equal basis. Then it has no right to give one the long end of the yoke and the other the short end, by giving one a six and the other an eight months school. The cost will, of course, be one of the things to consider, and of course it will cost more to run an eight-months school than it does a six-months school, but when we consider that we now have an eight-months term in three-fourths of the State, we will see that the aggregate increase will be small for the State at large, while it will be less in most counties than it now is. The proposed bill taxes the property of the State

uniformly 40 cents on each \$100 property valuation, which is 19 cents less than Martin County is now paying. This would be a considerable saving on a valuation of \$15,000,000. The difference would be taken care of by the proposed \$10,000,000 equalization fund, which is to come from the wealth of the country. Here comes the tug-of-war, because many wealthy people are unwilling to pay taxes to educate poor people and will do what they can to prevent increasing the equalization fund. This is wrong in principle, because no man is entitled to prosper on the ignorance of his neighbor. Yet there are still a few who think that all the education the other fellow needs is enough to write and sign mortgages. If the proposition fails, it will be because the few wealthy people fight it because they do not like to help pay for it, joined with those who are too ignorant to know they need it. Now is the time for our North Carolina citizenship to stop bragging and go into a real fight for redemption from that awful enemy—illiteracy.

Fair Election Law Needed

Why should the legislature hesitate to pass the proposed Australian ballot law? Is there a fear in the would-be office holder that the proposed law would not permit him to get the full vote of all his friends? Or is the real trouble because somebody hopes to count on the other fellow's friends? So far as we know, no one denies that the proposed bill gives every elector the free opportunity to vote as they wish without fear or favor. Can any party hope to live with an intelligent electorate without providing a fair system by which that electorate may express itself? Now is the time for our legislature to pass a fair election law, and we have no right to go to the voters with any other but a fair and just law.

Why Money Is Scarce

A few folks are complaining about all the money being gone. Of course, that is an old and a common thing with many of us. One of the reasons that there seems to be so little money stirring is that the South is sending all its money to New York for the gamblers. Most of the Southern banks are carrying big balances with their New York correspondents, who in turn are loaning it out at high interest rates for stock speculators to use. When New York gamblers are paying a much higher rate than merchants and farmers can pay, it naturally makes business a little tight here. The stock folks are doing exactly the same foolish thing the farmers and land buyers did just ten years ago. When they got their property too high, they borrowed money, so much it broke many people. Stocks may go too high and somebody else will go broke, too, especially if they borrow money to buy them.

Paper From Cornstalks

What is said to have been the first edition of any newspaper in the world to be printed on paper made from corn stalks was issued by the Commercial-News, of Danville, Ill., one day last month. And it was an edition of 116 pages at that, using 25 tons of newspaper. The paper was produced in Danville by the Corn Products Company, which has expended \$750,000 in the erection of a plant and research laboratory. The process employed is based on that originated by Dr. Bela Borner, a Hungarian, with suitable modifications, resulting from the labors of Dr. J. E. Jackson, an American industrial chemist. While further research and experiments will be necessary to bring production of cornstalk paper to the level of that from wood pulp in cost, the technical problems have been practically solved and fear of a future paper famine through depletion of forests has been eliminated. How this new industry will benefit farmers of the corn belt is forecast by one of the men interested in the new process, who said: "We can visualize in the years to come innumerable small pulp mills scattered throughout the corn belt making pulp from cornstalks grown on millions of acres now non-producing." Commenting on the matter, Secretary Jardine declared that with the rapid progress being made in technical and commercial procedures a new day is at hand when many agricultural wastes will become sources of profit, not only to the farmer, but to the country at large.

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NOTICE OF SALE
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Situate in Jamesville Township, Martin County, North Carolina, adjoining the lands of Francis Lightfoot and others, and beginning at a stub in the Mill Road beyond where Joseph B. Jones lives, known as the corner of that part of tract of land sold by H. W. Mizelle to Francis Lightfoot; thence running said Lightfoot's line to the Moore Mill Run; thence up said run to the line that divides the Freeman Bailey land from the lands whereon Joseph B. Jones now lives; thence with the Freeman Bailey line to the said Mill Road; thence with said Mill Road to the beginning; containing 45 acres, more or less, and being the same premises described in a deed of record in book JJ, at page 593. Dated this 21st day of January, 1929. A. R. DUNNING, Trustee.

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL PROPERTY
 Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain deed of trust executed to the undersigned trustee by L. W. Mizelle and wife, Mary F. Mizelle, on the 14th day of December, 1927, and of record in the public registry of Martin County, in book P-2, at page 270, said deed of trust having been given for the purpose of securing a certain note of even date and tenor therewith, and default having been made in the payment of the said note, and the stipulations contained in the said deed of trust not having been complied with, and at the request of the holder of the said note the undersigned trustee will on Saturday, February 9th, 1929, at 12 o'clock noon and wife to Jesse Mizelle, dated January 7th, A. D. 1861, containing 67 acres, more or less, and bounded as follows, to wit: m., in front of the courthouse door in Williamston, N. C., offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash the following described real estate, to wit: Beginning in Thin Branch at Holly and Gum, North 47 1-2 West 118 poles to the back line, thence north 20 east 78 poles to the Swinson's line, thence east 56 poles along Swinson's line.

NOTICE OF SALE UNDER DEED OF TRUST
 By virtue of the authority vested in me under and by the terms and conditions in a certain deed of trust made to me by A. H. Griffin and wife, Bettie A. Griffin, on the 19th of March, 1919, which is duly recorded in book A-2, page 55, Martin County records, I will sell at public auction for cash at the courthouse door of Martin County, on Monday, the 18th day of February, 1929, at 12 m., the following land: Bounded on the north by Jim Henry Biggs, on the east by Walter Hassell, on the south by the public road leading from Williamston to Bear Grass, and on the west by the lands of A. H. and Bettie A. Griffin, being the same premises given to Bettie A. Griffin, under the will of her father, Thomas Cullifer. This 18th day of January, 1929. A. R. DUNNING, Trustee.

SALE OF VALUABLE FARM PROPERTY
 Under and by virtue of the authority conferred upon us in a deed of trust executed by W. R. Roebuck and wife, Dora Roebuck, on the 30th day of April, 1923, and recorded in book O-2, page 345, we will, on Saturday, the 2nd day of February, 1929, at 12 o'clock noon, at the courthouse door in Williamston, Martin County, sell at public auction, for cash, to the highest bidder, the following land, to wit: All that certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in Bear Grass Township, Martin County, N. C., containing 152.8 acres, more or less, and bounded on the north by the lands of W. R. Roebuck, on the east by the lands of W. R. Roebuck, and on the west by the lands of McD. Leggett, N. 66 1-2 W. 36 poles, N. 4 W. 38 gett and W. R. Roebuck, and more particularly described and bounded as follows, to wit: Beginning at McD. Leggett's corner poles, N. 48 E. 21 poles, N. 84 1-2 E. 14 poles, N. 69 1-2 E. 10 1-2 poles, N. 81 1-2 E. 20 poles, N. 88 3-4 E. 22 poles, S. 25 W. 17 1-2 poles, S. 52 1-2 E. 9 poles, N. 38 E. 32 1-2 poles, S. 86 3-4 E. 26 poles, N. 40 1-2 E. 16 1-2 poles, N. 65 E. 38 poles, S. 75 1-2 E. 27 1-2 poles, S. 36 1-4 E. 10 poles, S. 71 1-2 E. 8 poles, S. 87 1-2 E. 5 poles, S. 4 1-2 E. 86 poles, due W. 34 poles, S. 25 W. 13 1-2 poles, S. 10 1-2 E. 18 1-2 poles, S. 15 E. 16 poles.

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