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"Both Ends Against the Middle"

As a further evidence of the farmers' prosperity, the Associated Press reports a further drop in the price of wheat and declines occur in cotton prices. These reports are given out by Chicago grain dealers and New York cotton gamblers.

Both the western wheat grower and the southern cotton farmer thought prices were already too low, so low, in fact, that they were covered in rags and burdened with debt, and now comes the announcement of greater poverty and more hunger, brought on by lower prices.

The greatest problem is what the farmer can do to help himself. First of all, he should take time to find who he is dealing with; that is, who handles his cotton, wheat, tobacco, peanuts, etc., and note carefully how he has been treated in the past. If the producer is faring as well as the dealer, there is nothing he can say; but if the producer finds that he is growing poorer each day on account of low prices, and the consumer is being charged excessive prices for the same products after they are manufactured, then it is time indeed to "play both ends against the middle."

When the producers and consumers in this country get their heads together and demand honest treatment, a lot of speculators and gamblers are going to think they are between the upper and nether millstone. Nothing else will give this country a permanent and healthy prosperity.

The farmer must have more of the consumer's dollar for his crops, and the consumer must have more of the farmer's goods for his dollar. The middle man is now getting too much from each side.

Men Or Machines?

General Parsons says our civilization must go unless new sources of power come from some—for the present unknown—source.

Of course, he ought to know. Yet when we think for a moment that almost all the power in the world has been developed within the past 100 years, there seems to be grounds to doubt his statement.

The statement that "man shall eat bread by the sweat of his brow" is being challenged by scientists and inventors, who are saying "Let the machine do it."

It is quite possible that we may try to build a civilization on machines, when God really designed man and his power as the proper basis of human progress and material development.

Christmas

Christmas, the world's greatest holiday, comes again, bringing the cheer of Santa Claus to the children, to the young the spirit of hope, and to the aged a realization that time is swiftly passing and that another milestone has passed and that the road is growing shorter.

With all the different scenes and the mingling of joys and sorrows, we ourselves could devise nothing so good as Christmas, where every element of society can come near together in spirit and be cheered by the same faith and hope for better things in the future.

After all, the Creator of the Universe has given us a season for celebration that makes us better because it increases our sympathies and makes us better friends.

May we never lose the Christmas spirit.

Thus Endeth Another Lesson

Twelve Yancey County jurors have said that it is no crime for eight deputy sheriffs to shoot down six men and wound 18 others as they were running away from them.

There are about three million other people in North Carolina who think that if it was not murder, it was one of the most horrible deeds ever committed in our State.

The fact that the deputies were being paid by the mills rather than by McDowell County—in which the killings occurred—makes the case worse. It shows the warring attitude between mill workers and mill owners, with the odds greatly in favor of the mill owner.

Thus endeth another chapter in the history of industrial strife in North Carolina, which tends to teach indeed that property is more highly regarded by our present system of justice than is the lives of men. Capital has been victorious in every court battle so far, while the workers have been the victims of practically every lawless act that has occurred. There must be something wrong with any system under which such conditions can exist.

NOTICE OF RESALE

A resale of the following described lands having been ordered, the undersigned will, by virtue thereof, and under and by virtue of the powers contained in a certain deed of trust executed by Mr. G. Roberson and wife, Willie Robertson, to the undersigned trustee for the Platters and Merchants Bank, which deed of trust is dated April 13, 1925, and is of record in the public registry of Martin County in book S-2, at page 69, default having been made in the payments therein secured, the undersigned will, on the 8th day of January, 1930, at 12 o'clock noon, expose for sale at the courthouse door in Williamston, N. C., the following described real estate, to wit:

Lying and being in Cross Roads Township, Martin County, North Carolina, adjoining the lands of Mrs. L. C. James, W. H. Britton, and others, bounded as follows: Beginning at a pine stump in the run of Cypress Branch, the corner of Mrs. L. C. James, and running along the line of Mrs. L. C. James, S. 700 E. 30.00 chains to a pine stump in the edge of a ditch, the corner of John Mobley, thence S. 83.00 E. 13.25 chains to a water oak in the Long pond, Gus Clark's corner, thence along the line of Gus Clark N. 9 30 W. 4.55 chains, thence along the lines of Gus Clark and J. O. Peel, N. 4 45 W. 16.75 chains to the bend of the road, W. H. Britton's corner, thence along the center line of the road, N. 17 30 W. 3.75 chains to the bend of the road in front of the residence of W. H. Britton, thence still along the center line of the road, Britton's line S. 83 45 W. 1.65 chains to Britton's corner opposite to a ditch, thence along the ditch, Britton's line N. 5 15 W. 3.40 chains, thence N. 71 30 E. 1.40 chains, thence still along the line of Britton, N. 9 30 W. 9.35 chains to a dead maple in the center of the run of Cypress branch, Britton's corner, thence down the center line of said branch, the line of Mrs. L. C. James 13.25 chains, more or less, to the beginning. Containing 43 1/2 acres, more or less.

Terms of sale: CASH. This the 23rd day of December, 1929. B. DUKE CRITCHER, Trustee. Jos. W. Bailey, attorney.

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of a judgment in the superior court of Martin County, in an action entitled "D. G. Matthews vs. J. L. Wynn, et al.," the undersigned commissioner will, on the 20th day of January, 1930, in front of the courthouse door of Martin County, at 12 o'clock noon, offer for sale

to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described property: Same being a tract of land in Poplar Point Township, Martin County, North Carolina, adjoining Ballard Road, Conoho Creek, land now owned by the Mark Ballard land, and being lots by J. G. Statton, and being a part of Nos. 13, 14, and 15, as shown by map of the Ballard farm in land division book No. 1, page 487, to which reference may be had for a full and complete description, and the description as shown by said map is made a part of this description. Containing 152 acres, more or less. This 20th day of December, 1929. B. A. CRITCHER, Commissioner.

NOTICE

Under and by virtue of the authority contained in that certain deed of trust, executed to the undersigned trustee, by A. R. White and wife, on the 20th day of November, 1923, and so recorded in the public registry of Martin County in book H-2, at page 372, said deed of trust given to secure certain note of even date and tenor therewith, and the stipulations therein contained not having been complied with, at the request of the parties therein interested, the undersigned trustee, on Monday, January the 18th, 1930, at 12 o'clock noon, in front of the courthouse door, in the town of Williamston, North Carolina, will offer to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described property: All our right, title, and interest in and to, the house and lot in the town of Williamston, North Carolina, on the north side of Main Street in said town, adjoining the lands of E. F. Aptel on the north, the lands of T. C. Cook on the east, Main Street on the south, and the lands of J. B. Waters on the west, and being the house and lot in the town of Williamston, formerly owned by W. R. White, which he died seized and possessed of. Dated this the 5th day of December, 1929. WHEELER MARTIN, Trustee.

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of a power of sale contained in that certain deed of trust executed by L. H. Gurganus, et al., to the undersigned trustee, dated the 28th day of September, 1921, and recorded in book J-2, at page 313 of the public registry of Martin County, the terms and conditions of said deed of trust not having been complied with, and at the request of the owner thereof, the undersigned trustee will, on Saturday, the 25th day of January, 1930, at 12 o'clock noon, at the courthouse

door of Martin County, at Williamston, North Carolina, offer at public sale, to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described real estate, to wit:

A tract of land on the south side of Church Street upon which two tenant houses are located, adjoining Church Street on the north, Eli Gurganus on the east, H. M. Burras on the south, and Layena Williams on the west. This 19th day of December, 1929. WHEELER MARTIN, Trustee.

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain deed of trust of record in book C, page 33, executed to the undersigned trustee, and been complied with, and at the request of the holder of said bond, the undersigned trustee will, on 6th day of January, 1930, at 12 o'clock noon in front of the courthouse door of Martin County sell, to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described land: Same being two houses and lots in the town of Hamilton, N. C., located on highway No. 125, and adjoining the lands of Henry Gaskin, Odd Fellows Hall, William Sykes, Emma Jones, Tom Bennett and Harry Waldo. This 5th day of December, 1929. E. S. PEEL, Trustee.

BILIIOUS, DIZZY

Lady Says She Suffered Much Discomfort Until She Tried Black-Draught; Found It Brought Relief.

Townville, S. C.—"I had a bilious spell. I would get very dizzy and have such a bad taste in my mouth," says Mrs. Bertha Whitfield, of this place.

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EXPENSIVE MERCY

Ordinarily I do not think of mercy as being expensive, but when I consider the loss of lives and the money it costs the United States yearly when it is used unwisely in dealing with murderers and other desperate criminals, I find the phrase quite obvious.

In my opinion there is no question, no problem or public cause that faces the chief executor of any state which requires more superb reasoning, sound judgment and careful consideration than is required in dealing with criminals.

When any man living among us becomes so possessed with the devil that he is forever getting himself into trouble, having no respect for the laws of the state and society, and is finally convicted of a capital crime, he should pay the extreme penalty.

I know nothing about prison life or the character of prisoners as a whole, other than what I have read. But I am convinced that the majority of criminals in our state prisons today are there because of either ignorance, lack of will power to resist temptation to do wrong or have a natural inclination to do so. There is not fit place on earth to keep the sort I mentioned in the above paragraph. To commute the death sentence of a character of this kind to life imprisonment, and to place him in our prisons with others, is first like throwing a handful of saw dust into a nest of wasps. Surely if he was not contented unless all time causing trouble which at liberty we can expect no little amount of trouble instigated by him among other prisoners. Why not? He does not stand in fear of the law any more, and a life time in prison seems so hopeless. To

instigate a riot would probably mean his freedom. There were three prison revolts in the State of New York this year, resulting in the death of at least a dozen men, including prisoners, guards and keepers, there was a large loss by fire as a result of these riots. On each occasion, the leaders and instigators were "lifers" and "long-termers," probably having been convicted of capital crimes and later shown consideration. Hence the price of mercy.

L. A. PETE BAGGETT.

NOTICE OF LAND SALE

Under and by virtue of a certain deed of trust executed by J. W. Crisp and wife, Ida Crisp, dated November 20th, 1920, and duly recorded in book J-1, page 617, of the Martin County Registry, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness there- upon having been made upon the undersigned, I will, on Tuesday, the 7th day of January, 1930, offer for sale in front of the courthouse door in Williamston, N. C., to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described tracts or parcels of land, to wit:

First tract: Being certain parcels or lots of land in the town of Hassells, Martin County, described as follows: Being a part of lots Nos. 7 and 8 in block A as laid out in the official map of the Town of Hassells, and being the northern halves of said lots, being the property where J. W. Crisp now resides and which he purchased from J. W. Eubanks, evidenced by deed in book Y-1, page 371, of the Martin County Registry.

Second tract: Being also in the town of Hassells and being all of Lot No. 9, west half of Lot No. 8 and the west half of Lot No. 7 in block A as shown on plan of town of Hassells, recorded in book 1, page 421, of the Martin County, public registry.

Third tract: Also in the town of Hassells, being all of lot No. 2, block C, as shown on plan of Town of Hassells, recorded in book 1, page 421, of the Martin County Registry.

Fourth tract: This tract also being in the town of Hassells, and being all of lot No. 1, block G, as shown on the aforesaid plan of the town of Hassells.

Fifth tract: Being in Hamilton Township, Martin County, adjoining the lands of Laura Etheridge and others and described as follows, viz: Beginning at a cypress in Conoho Creek, Mosella Lilly line; thence along a line of marked trees to a ditch, thence along said ditch to the Laura Etheridge line; thence along said line to the run of said creek; thence along the run of said creek to the beginning, containing 150 acres, more or less. (One acre being reserved for a grave yard.) Said tract being well known as the Maniz Johnson land having been conveyed to her by Dennis Rawls by deed dated June 2nd, 1863. For a further description reference is hereby made to deed H. J. Haislip to J. W. Crisp, recorded in book D-2, page 97, of the Martin County Registry. This December 4th, 1929. H. B. WHITLARK, Trustee.

NOTICE

North Carolina, Martin County, in Superior Court.

D. G. Matthews vs. Charlie Jones Estate and Henrietta Staton

The defendants above named and all parties interested in the subject matter will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the superior court of Martin County, for the purpose of foreclosing tax certificate of sale covering the following tract of land: A house and lot in the town of Parmele, North Carolina, adjoining L. Lloyd, J. S. Riddick, Elijah Jones, Carrie Mayo, and being the same house and lot now occupied by Minnie Humphrey, and that said defendants are to take notice that they are required to appear before the clerk of superior court at his office in Williamston, N. C., within thirty days after service of summons and answer or demurr to the complaint, or the relief asked for will be demanded.

It is further ordered that all persons claiming an interest in the subject matter are required to appear and defend their respective claims within six months after this notice, otherwise they will be forever barred or foreclosed of any and all claims in and to said property or the proceeds received from the sale thereof.

This 19th day of December, 1929. R. J. PEEL, Clerk of Superior Court.

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of a judgment of the superior court in an action entitled "D. G. Matthews vs. D. W. Downs and wife," the undersigned commissioner will, on the 6th day of January, 1930, in front of the courthouse door of Martin County, at 12 o'clock noon, offer at public sale, to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described land:

Being 600 acres of land located in Goose Nest Township, Martin County, North Carolina, and known as the Hatch land, adjoining the lands of Salsbury, John Bell lands, and the Lynch lands.

This 5th day of December, 1929. B. A. CRITCHER, Commissioner.

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