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Just Taxation

Occasionally bobbing to the top through a thick covering of endless words about the political campaign and the king's affair over in England are the proposed amendments to North Carolina's constitution, which we are prone to maintain in its antiquated form while we would change the U. S. document to include the three A's and several other New Deal measures.

Attention is apparently centering on the proposals to make possible the classification of property and allow a homestead exemption up to \$1,000. The constitution says that all property is to be taxed equally, but is it being done, and can it be done, under the present constitution and laws? The man with an extra \$1,000 or so is invited by his government to invest it in tax-exempt bonds. Money invested in certain foreign stocks escapes taxation. With these loopholes always available, the owner of such intangible wealth can hardly be censured for investing it in tax-free securities, especially when the tax would more than offset income should be depend on interest to pay the tax. Probably a small tax would invite the owner of money to keept it at home, list it for taxes and allow him to make a small profit and at the same time help local industry.

There are probably fewer loans advanced locally on farms and homes in this section than in years, those possessing money choosing to place it in government bonds and foreign stocks rather than lend it at home subject to a tax rate that would devour the profit. If there were no loopholes and money and all classes of intangible property could be placed on the tax books, then there would be no justification for a classification as proposed in amendment number three to the constitution of our state.

While the taxing authorities are opposing the proposed homestead exemption amendment, the proposal is directed in behalf of those who need relief probably more than any othr class. The taxing laws have driven hundreds from their humble huts, and a casual review of the records clearly prove that the small property owner is paying far more than his proportionate share of the tax burden. The larger the piece of property, the smaller the valuation is in proportion to small lots of property. A \$50,000 piece of property hardly gets on the tax books for one-half of its value, and the average will run nearer \$15,000 or \$20,000. The \$1,000 piece of property, even if it is listed at one-half its true value, enjoys freedom on the extent of \$25,00. But the general rule, one will find, is to list small parcels of property higher in proportion to big chunks of property.

That the \$1,000 proposed exemption-and there is no reason to believe that the maximum will be allowed the first year-will raise taxes is not altogether certain. Each year the towns and counties have unpaid taxes amounting to thousands of dollars. Most of these unpaid accounts are due from those who have real estate valued at less than \$1,000. If these taxes aren't paid, or if the taxing units take over the property, the money for running the governments must come from other taxpayers, for it is apparent that the taxing authorities allow for uncollected taxes in making up their tax rates.

Surely the town or county would not upset financial equilibruim by assuring small owners the continued right to live in their own homes, for once these people are driven out they become public charges and sooner or later constitute a greater burden on the county than they would if their homes were exempt of taxation up to \$1,000

As it is now, the wage earner is paying a sales tax almost equal that of the rich man, and in proportion to his property holdings he is paying a considerably higher property tax. All this is being done while the constitution says that all property is to be taxed

The proposed amendments may not better the situation, but they certainly cannot make the taxation system worse than it is today, especially for the class owning small lots of property.

Costly Neglect

Unless they meet certain requirements this week, a group of Martin County farmers will lose several d dollars in soil-conservation payments. Over 1,400 farmers in the county decreased their crops in nce with the program, but more than 100 failed to plant the necessary acreage to soil-conserv-

ing crops, and they will not receive the full amount under the agricultural program.

The county agent's office has notified each of the farmers, explaining that certain requirements have not been met, but still there are many who have ignored the warnings. Soil-conserving payments will start pouring into the agricultural sections shortly, and those farmers who have failed to meet the contract terms will no doubt be disappointed when they are penalized. Doubless some of them will even attack the program and consider it unfair. It is up to the farmer himself, and if he neglects to meet the requirements, he will find the neglect a bit costly.

Lest We Forget

The Watauga Democrat.

Do you remember February, 1933?

All over North Carolina, all through the nation, there was fear. Hunger was almost as widespread.

"The banks are going to close," men whispered to each other.

"No help wanted," was the answer to men whose children were crying for food.

"No more credit, I'm broke myself," said the merchant to the farmer in his "Hoovercart."

Terror gripped the entire nation. In cities mounted policemen rode down men, women and even children who were rioting for food. National Guard units were ordered to stand by for trouble. The Federal Government was paralyzed. America looked frantically for a leader

Do you remember the first of March, 1933?

Housekeepers were boarding food.

Men worked feverishly in the darkness to bury what money they had.

Banks crashed, checks bounced.

Credit was wiped away. Neither a man's word nor his bond was worth anything.

Movie theatres were vacant. The streets were filled with vacant stores. Towering stacks stood grim and gaunt against a smokeless sky. Machinery stood idle and rusting. An ominous silence spread over a nation of 120,000,000 frightened people.

From the depths of their dire agony Americans cried: "Save us!"

Then, from the City of Washington, came the voice that spoke in the night. It sped through the air lanes to the firesides of a million homes. Its vibrant ring permeated every section of a broken nation.

Calm, confident, courageous, Franklin Delano Roosevelt spoke to the people of the United States! Here, at last, was the leader who could lead. Here,

at last, was the man America had been waiting for. No president, no king, or emperor, or czar, ever faced a more fateful challenge. Here was chaos in its most dreaful form. Here was blinding and paralyzing fear. Here was a place where one false move would be fatal. And yet the desperateness of the situation cried for action-instant, clean-cut action.

Franklin Roosevelt gave America action in its greatest hour of need. With incredible swiftness, and inspired wisdom, he hushed the hysteria of a panicky people. Within one week after his memorable inauguration hope returned to the United States!

The "hard beginning" was hard, indeed .

Now, look at America as we find it in the fall of

The great American industrial machine is humming an old-time tune. Farmers not only are safe for the present but have a future brighter than at any time in our history. These United States have come back. Confidence and optimism are paving the way for a new and greater happiness.

A large number of unemployed remain to keep alive a bitter memory and to remind this country that the job is not completed yet. Franklin Roosevelt has brought us far along the way-and victory is in sight.

There are no food riots and bank crashes and money hoarding and paralyzing fear now.

This is an America punished for its sins and fearless for the future. This is an America moving rapidly toward a higher conception of human rights and social responsibility. This is an America buying priceless progress for a nominal fee.

Better a debt and a people restored to pay it than no debt and hunger-no debt and revolution.

How have the New Deal millions been spent? They have been invested in the safest stock on earth-the rugged stock of American wanhood. To call this a waste of money is to call the American people a failure and to hold the future as hopeless.

A desperate and beaten people in 1932; a confident and conquering people in 1936. What driving force brought all this?

The answer-FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT.

Taking the Profits Out of War

France is beginning a system that will stop profiteering in arms and munitions of war. That nation proposes to take over the big manufacturing plants and manufacture their own arms and ammunition

In time of war, our government claims the right to "press" or conscript a man into the service of its army or navy, regardless of whether he is willing to go or not. But when it comes to "pressing" or conscripting the property of our big manufacturers into the business of making arms and munitions, they call a halt to the government's right to do such a thing. They say it is illegal, that they have made special preparations to manufacture arms and ammunition and to make big profits in that business.

And in former times the manufacturer has always carried his point because he has invested in private business, and he must be protected; while the man who has prepared himself to make a home and become a useful, honorable citizens has to surrender his aims, desires, and rights and bare his breast to the bullets made by the manufacturers for profit,

Pursuant to and by virtue of judg ent of the Superior Court in the use of Tiner Biggs et als vs. Paul case of Ther Biggs et als vs. Paul Rogers, the undersigned commissioner of the court will offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash at the courthouse door of Martin County on the first Monday in November (it being November 2, 1936), at 12 o'clock m., the following real estate, and described as follows:

Beginning at the corner of the lot now occupied by Joe Peel on the Washington-Williamston highway and running thence westwardly a-

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Rogers, thence running along a fer and Paul Rogers line southwardly Martin's line, thence eastwardly Martin's line, thence eastwardly along a fence and the Martin, Mary Rogers, and Robert Simmons line to the Washington-Williamston highway, thence northwardly along the said highway in the head in the house of the land of the head of t said highway to the beginning. Remember the time is Novembe 2, 1936, and the hour is 12 o'cloc

NOTICE OF LAND SALE FOR TAXES

I, W. B. Daniel, tax collector for the town of Williamston, County of Martin, State of North Carolina, have this day levied on the following tracts of land, and will sell same at public auction, for cash, at the courthouse door in Williamston, North Carolina, on Monday, November 9, 1936, at 12 o'clock noon, for taxes due and unpaid for the year 1935, unless said taxes, penalty and costs are paid on or before that date. A penalty of 4 per cent and a charge of \$1.50 to care for costs in handling the sale are to be added to each of the amounts shown, which represents taxes only. This the 8th day of October, 1936.

W. B. DANIEL, Tax Collector, 1936.

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Town of Williamsto
White
Fannie Biggs Anderson, 1 Main Street residence
J. Ben Andrews, 1 Main St service station
Mrs. Fannie Carstarphen, 1 Main St res
Central Investment Corp., 1 Smithwick St tenant
J. B. Cherry, 1 Main St store, 6 Haughton tenants
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J. B. Cherry, 1 Main St bank bldg
Mrs. Stacy S. Cox, 1 Main St property
Asa T. Crawford Estate, 1 Church St lot, (gully)
Mrs. B. A. Critcher, 1 Watts St res
Mrs. Maggie L. Daniel, 1 Pine St res
Von Eberstein & Rhodes, 1 Wash Rd service station
C. A. Forrester, 1 Williams St lot
Mrs. Mary B. Gurganus, 1 Watts St res
Eli Gurganus Est., 1 part Cherry lot, 1 Pearl St prop
Mrs. L. H. Gurganus, 1 Watts St res
Walter Halbertstadt, 1 Church St res
Hand Made Furniture Co., 1 Wash St shop
Henry D. Harrison, 1 Simmons Ave res
W. J. Hunter, 1 Williams St. vacant
C. D. Lamm, 1 Smithwick St res
W. H. Leggett Est., Hatton St property
Mrs. C. A. Martin Est., 1 Main St office, 1 Lanier tenant
Lucy Modlin Est., 1 Church St tenant
Geo. E. Moore, 1 Main St res
M. J. Norton, 1 Mill Site, river
Mrs. H. D. Peel Estate, 1 Haughton St res.
Ray & Bennett, 1 Hatton St lot
Mrs. Helen Rhodes, 6 acres and res
Mrs. Eli Roberson, 1 Main St res
Mrs. Allie Rose, 1-2 interest in hotel
K. G. Strawbridge, 1 Main St store, 1 Rhodes St res
Van G. Taylor, - Pearl St lot
W. L. Taylor, 1 Pearl St lot
W. T. Alexander Estate, 1 Hyman St res, 2 Hyman vac

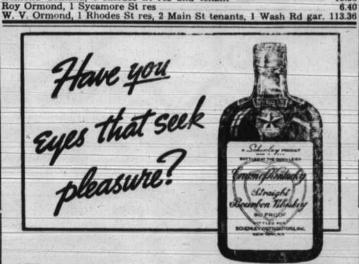
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Hill farm
B. B. Williams, 1 ACL RR St res

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Moses Alexander Estate, 1 Hyman St res, 2 Hyman vac
W. T. Alexander, 1 Garrett St res.
Olivia Andrews, 1 Wash St vacant
Ruth Andrews, 1 Wash Road res
S. L. Andrews, 1 Elm St res, 1 Elm vacant
Lucy Bagby, 1 Rhodes St res
Elijah Baker, 1 Hatton St res
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Eddie Watts Brown, 1 Wash St shop
Lucy Bryant, 1 Huff lot
Lou Bryant, 1 ACL RR St res
Elisha Clemmons, 1 Sycamore St res
Gus Coburn, 1 White St res
Annanias Davis, 1 Jamesville St. res
Robert B. Davis Est., 1 ACL RR St res
Adline Duggins, 1 Main St res
Gertrude Everett, 1 Rhodes St property
Henry F. Everett, 1 Rhodes St property
Henry F. Everett, 1 ACL RR St res
Ida Faulk, 1 Elm St res
Bryant Gainor, Est., 1 ACL RR St res
Lenora Giles, 1 Elm St res
Bryant Gainor, Est., 1 ACL RR St res
Lenora Giles, 1 Elm St res
Lenora Giles, 1 Vacant lot
E. J. Hayes, 1 Wash Rd res
G. T. Hill, 1 Martin vacant
Nina Hodges, 1 Wash St res
L. C. Hoggard, 1 Wash and Haughton
Harry Murt Howard, 1 Wash St res
Mary E. Huff, 1 Wash St res
Mary Hyman, 1 Wilson St res
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Rebecca Hyman, 2 Race St St res
Mary Hyman, 1 Wilson St res 3.48 7.16 13.50 7.05 13.37 6.40 7.29 14.14 4.59 17.96 7.29 5.40 1.89 10.80 12.55 Mary Hyman, 1 Wilson St res
Rebecca Hyman, 1 Broad St lot
Rebecca Hyman & Alice Harrison, 1 Hyman and Martin St prop
Augustus James, 1 Pearl St res
Elijah Johnson, 1 Hyman St lot
Ben Jones, 1 ACL RR St res
Henry Jones, 1 Sycamore St res
Naomi Jones, 1 ACL RR res
O. C. Joyner, 1 Wash Road res
Claud Matthews, 1 Main St res
Isolene Meeks, 1 White St lot
W. B. Mizelle, 1 Elm St res
Eliza Moore Estate, Main St property Eliza Moore Estate, Main St property Blake, Moore, 1 Main St lot Edmond Ormond, 1 Rhodes St res and tenant



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Bruce Peyton, 1 Wash St property	8.
Sudie Price, 1 Wash St property	8.
W. H. Price, 1 Hyman St tenant	11.
Alice Purvis, 1 Center St res	7.
Caesar Purvis, 1 Broad St vacant	3.
Dora Purvis, 1 Broad St res	10.
George T. Purvis, 1 Hatton St res	7.
Lizzie Purvis, 1 Main St lot	
Mittie Purvis, 1 Hyman St res	7.
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solomon Riddick Est., 1 Riddick St tenant	12
Frances Respass, 1 Elm St res	7.
Millie Respass Est., 1 Elm St res	12
Lula Respass, 1 Sycamore St vacant	1
John Rhodes Esta., 1 Main St property	10.
Jane Rice, 1 Broad St res	
Shepard Rice, 1 Sycamore St res	10.
Beulah Roberson, 1 Blount St lot	12
Rosa Roberson, 1 Broad St res	1
Smith Roberson, 1 Blount St lot	7.
Cordelia Rogers, 1 Sycamore St res	1
Rosa Rogers, 1 Pearl St res	16.
David W. Doggers, 1 Week D.J.	10.
Paul W. Rogers, 1 Wash Rd res	12
William M. Rogers, 1 Hatton St res and lot	9.
Fannie Ruffin, 1 Main St res	9.
Whit Ruffin, I Elm St res and tenant	12
W. M. Ruffin, 1 Reddick St res	13.
Bessie Scott, 1 Church St tenant	6.
Lizzie Slade, 1 ACL switch res	5.
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M. D. Slade, 1 White St res	11.
Mittie Slade, 1 Elm St res	9.
Sarah Slade, 1 Martin St res	9.
furner Slade, 1 White St lot	5.
Adron Smith, 1 Wash St res	13.
hillis Smith, 1 Main St res	9.
Colfax Speller, 1 Main St res	
Mattie B. Speiler, I White St res, I Wash Rd store	13.
Abe Spruill, 1 White St res	20.
Annie Staton, 1 Rhodes St. 1 Church St res	9.
Wilson Staton, 1 White St res	5.
Charlie Stokes, 1 Pearl St vacant	5.
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William Stokes, 1 Wash St property	6.
John Levy Estate, 1 Sycamore St lot	1.
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sabelle Williams, 1 Wilson St lot	1.
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