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Not Interference

When business recognizes the lasting possibilities through governmental regulation and stops howling about interference, then the nation will have taken a forward step toward recovery.

The efforts of the present administration in Washington have been branded as interference when the government was merely trying to help business, large and small. It has been the attitude of some that if they could not have all the cake and a free-eating range, they would not play the game with the millions of others who want to live.

There are some criminals who regard the law with contempt and who earnestly believe that when an officer steps in to hold up law and order he is only interfering with their business and threatening their rights.

Much of this talk about free enterprise is unfounded. The talkers are not interested in free enterprise for everyone; they merely want a free license to destroy any thing that gets into their path.

Possibly much of the regulation now experienced by business was invited by business itself through shady but legal practices.

Enforcing the Law

It has been the custom during long centuries to pass laws and turn the job of enforcing them to the comparatively few officers. The difficulty of the officers' task can be more readily recognized once one turns the spotlight on the comparatively new law requiring immunization of all babies under twelve months of age as well as all children entering school for the first time.

In a single hospital twenty-eight diphtheria patients were treated within a 90-day period. Nine of them required tracheotomy and three of them died. That's the report from one North Carolina hospital. A complete report for the entire State would present a dark picture, no doubt. In this county there were 20 cases of diphtheria last year, the disease claiming at least two lives.

Isn't a spirit of censoring those who fail to have their children immunized against diphtheria that the record is called to attention, but to point out how difficult law enforcement really is. It is true that none, at least, none in this county, has been prosecuted for not having their babies immunized, but why should prosecution be necessary? It is no more than reasonable to believe that the added safety of a little child should be sufficient reason for every parent to want to obey the law.

But for one reason or another we half-heartedly recognize the law and continue on our way ignoring the warning signs as we go along. In short, if a matter of life and death does not prompt observance of the law, how can we expect a handful of officers to effect its observance?

Better Marriage Laws

The value of better marriage laws is being recognized by more states as less importance is centered on the marriage bureau as a source of revenue. Virginia is now advocating a marriage law requiring its subjects to submit to certain health tests before marriage receives the legal blessing of the state.

It is quite apparent that a marked decrease in the number of marriages has followed the passage of a health law in this State almost a year ago. Couples have jumped across state lines and helped defeat the purpose of the law, possibly in some cases defeating their own welfare. With Virginia recognizing the common welfare rather than worshipping the almighty dollar, another step is being taken to save thoughtless people from themselves.

Trapped Like Rats

Pathetic news seeped from the bottom of a black pit out in the heart of the West Virginia mining district a few days ago when scores of human beings were trapped like rats deep in the bowels of the earth.

Ready to recognize there have been errors

made by it and that some of its methods advanced toward accomplishing a certain end are due harsh criticism, one can't help but send up a shout in behalf of the CIO for its work in relieving thousands of men who have been led around as the rat in a maze deep down in the earth. The catastrophe out in West Virginia a few days ago is indeed unfortunate, but not so long ago mine owners are credited with actually contributing to the conditions that led to the certain death of miners at frequent intervals. Explosions and cave-ins at one time were recognized as an element of nature, the mine owners, the records show, in most cases refusing to accept any responsibility in the burial of the victim or in the care of the loved ones left behind by the victim. As much as some hate to admit it, the CIO has helped to improve the deplorable conditions that once existed in the coal pit.

It has been several days since the scores of men were trapped in the Hartley mine, but as far as it can be learned not a single industrialist has lifted his voice in behalf of other miners who are subject to similar fate just as certain as they enter the mine shaft in the morning. News of the explosion and its costly toll have appeared on the front pages, but we say, "It is bad," and soon forget all about it.

If the miner is due harsh criticism for attempting to organize his strength, he is also due some consideration when danger expresses itself in such an uncertain manner.

And while attention is focused on the coal mine that old question bobs up again: "Who in the heck owned the coal mines back yonder, and who owns them now, and how did the present owners get them?"

Criminal Class

News And Observer.

Is there a criminal class? Many of us certainly think of such a class as growing out of poverty and slums, mental incapacity and ignorance. It is disturbing therefore to hear from Dr. Edwin H. Sutherland, president of the American Sociological Society, that the worse criminal class may move in the best-fed and most respected circles.

Speaking at a joint session of that society, the American Economic Association and the Rural Sociological Society, Dr. Sutherland described present-day white collar criminals as "more suave and deceptive" than last century's "robber barons" and asserted that "in many periods more important crime news may be found on the financial pages of newspapers than on the front pages."

Using for his basis what he declared was the high incidence of crime in business and the professions, Dr. Sutherland denied that crime was "closely correlated with poverty or with the psychopathic and sociopathic conditions associated with poverty."

"The conventional explanations are invalid, principally because they are derived from biased samples," he said, "samples that have not included vast areas of criminal behavior of persons not in the lower class."

Dr. Sutherland stated that white collar criminality flourished at points "where powerful business and professional men come in contact with persons who are weak," and added:

"In this respect it is similar to stealing candy from a baby. Many of the crimes of the lower class, on the other hand, are committed against persons of wealth and power in the form of burglary and robbery. For that reason the laws which apply to the lower class have been implemented much more efficiently than those which apply to the upper class."

The sociologist said that white-collar crimes in business and the professions consisted chiefly in "violation of delegated or implied trust" and might be reduced to two categories, "misrepresentation of asset values and duplicity in the manipulation of money."

"The financial cost of white-collar crime," Dr. Sutherland went on, "is probably several times as great as the financial cost of the crimes which are customarily regarded as the crime problem. An officer of a chain grocery store in one year embezzled \$600,000, which was six times as much as the annual losses from 500 burglaries and robberies of the stores in that chain."

But the financial loss, great as it was, he said, was less important "than the damage to social relations" resulting from white-collar crime, because this form of crime "violates trust and therefore creates distrust, which lowers social morale and produces social disorganization on a large scale."

This is disturbing doctrine though undoubtedly there is truth in it. There have always been great villains in high places as well as rogues in low places. But we have put great faith in the years behind us in the idea that an educated citizenship would be a good citizenship. Now we hope that the elimination of slums and the alleviation of poverty will eliminate crime. Yet the sad truth remains that there is crime where there is no pressure of poverty. There is crime in the learned professions as well as among the vagabonds. The best dressed gentlemen may be the most sneaking thieves.

But such a realization is not basis for despair. It is, indeed, the only basis for a sound dealing with crime. Of course, there is a criminal class: it is composed of the criminals. Honest men will begin to triumph over them when they are willing to deal with them on that basis and that basis alone, regardless of their clothes or their addresses, their friends or their bank accounts. Crooks are distinguished by their crookedness, not by the difference between white collars and no collars at all.

NOTE OF APPRECIATION

To the Editor: Through the columns of the Enterprise, I wish to take this opportunity to express my appreciation for the excellent cooperation and friendly associations during 1939 from the people of Martin County, the Board of Health, and your paper. Only through such conditions could we, as the staff of the health department, have made such strides in promoting such healthful facilities as you will find in our annual report. I am sincere in wishing for the people a continuing health consciousness with a full realization of its advantages, and I hope that you will give my successor as health officer the same encouragement and cooperation that you have given me. Yours Sincerely, F. E. Wilson, M. D.

Tarboro, N. C. January 11, 1940.

Sweet Potatoes Should Be Treated Before Planting

Seed sweet potatoes should be treated before planting in the hotbed to destroy any surface borne disease organisms that might be present on the potato. A mercuric chloride 1-1000 solution (1 ounce to 8 gallons of water) should be used for fifteen minutes before bedding. Do not wash the potatoes. The solution should be warm or about 100 degrees F. for the most effective control of organisms carried on the seed potato. Seed already diseased cannot be cured by seed treatment.

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain deed of trust executed to the undersigned by W. G. Cowan, Mary Jane Cowan and John H. Cowan, dated February 15, 1938, and being of record in the Register of Deeds office in Martin County in Book P-3, at page 469; default having been made in the payment thereof in the manner therein stipulated, and due demands having been made upon me by the holder of the obligation thereby secured, I will on February 15, 1940, for cash offer for sale the following personal property, at the establishment of J. H. Ayers in Oak City, N. C., at 11 o'clock A. M. the following described personal property:

- 1 Giant fertilizer sower
- 1 Chattanooga Turning Plow
- 1 Ayers Peanut Planter
- 1 section harrow
- 1 cart wheels and axle.
- 1 Climax cotton plow
- 2 horse collars
- 1 black horse
- 1 black mare

The foregoing personal property may be inspected at the above named establishment. On February 15, 1940, at 12 o'clock noon at the court house door in Williamston, N. C., for cash, I will offer for sale the following real estate: Adjoining the lands of G. H. Harrison, Mattie Harrison, Sidney Beacham, etals and further described as follows: Beginning at Jasper Rogers and Mary Jane Cowan's corner in H. G. Harrison's line running a West court with H. G. Harrison's line to the run of Leggett's Mill Pond, thence a North course up run of said pond to Sidney Beacham's corner, thence an East course with Sidney Beacham's line to Mattie Harrison's corner; thence with Mattie Harrison's line to the beginning and being all of same tract of land deeded to Mary Jane Harrison, recorded in Land Division Book No. 1, at page 13, Martin County Public Registry, containing 42 1-2 acres, more or less.

Sale will be made subject to taxes and a deposit of ten per cent (10%) will be required to be deposited with the clerk by the bidder buying the real estate.

EARL WARD, Trustee. j16-4t Paul R. Waters, Atty.

NOTICE OF SALE Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust dated October 27, 1937, signed by S. A. Martin and recorded in the Public Registry of Martin County in Book P-3, at page 389 and to secure certain notes of even date therewith and the stipulations in said Deed of Trust not hav-

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ing been complied with and at the request of the holder of said notes, the undersigned Trustee will on the 29th day of January, 1940, at 12:00 o'clock Noon in front of the Court House Door in the Town of Williamston, N. C., offer for sale to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described real property:

That certain tract or parcel of land lying in Bear Grass Township, Martin County and in Washington Township, Beaufort County, bounded on the North by J. W. Harris, on the East H. L. Britton, on the South by H. L. Britton, and on the West by Lewis Taylor, and being the same land willed to S. A. Martin by Emily Martin, dated November 18th, 1921, recorded in Book 6, at Page 55, of the Martin County Public Registry. This the 28th day of December, 1939.

GARLAND WHITLEY, Trustee. j2-4t

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION Eastern Bond and Mortgage Co. C. H. Godwin and Julius S. Peel, trading in partnership as Eastern Bond & Mortgage Co., have this day dissolved partnership. The assets and liabilities of this company have been taken over by Eastern Bond & Mortgage Co., Incorporated. January 8, 1940. C. H. GODWIN, JULIUS S. PEEL. j9-3t

NOTICE OF SALE North Carolina, Martin County.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain deed of trust to the undersigned Trustee by T. W. Holliday and wife, Nona Holliday, on the 21st day of December, 1927, and of record in the public registry of Martin County in Book Y-1 page 366. Said deed of trust having been given for the purpose of securing a certain note of even date and tenor therewith, default having been made in the payment of said note, the stipulations contained in said deed of trust not having been complied with and at the request of the holder of said note, the undersigned trustee will, on Thursday, February 1st, 1940, at 12 o'clock noon, in front of the courthouse door in the town of Williamston, offer for sale, at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described real estate:

1st Tract: The B. N. Holliday tract of land, containing 57 acres more or less and being the second tract of land described in a deed of trust

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from T. W. Holliday and R. B. Holliday and their wives to Wheeler Martin, Trustee, dated November 5, 1921 and of record in the public registry of Martin County in Book H-2, page 437.

2nd Tract: Beginning at the Southwestern corner of the Geo. W. Holliday tract of land on the Poplar Chapel Road, thence S 13 E 35 poles, S 89 E 7 poles, N 53 E 19 poles to the said road, thence along the said road to the beginning and being 2 acres of land and a part of the T. H. Davis tract of land.

3rd Tract: Bounded on the North by the lands of R. B. and T. J. Holliday, on the East by the lands of R. B. and T. W. Holliday, on the South

by the road leading from Jordan Thick Road to Washington Road and on the West by the same road, containing 57 1-2 acres more or less and being the Geo. W. Holliday home place.

This the 30th day of December, 1939. ELBERT S. PEEL, Trustee. j2-4t

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