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One of the most valuable discoveries about so-called big men is that under the skin they are just ordinary little men.

There is plenty of money in the country but not in the hands of the people ready to spend it.

Hard work, we hastily chronicle, is good for the average person—but there are too many below average.

Workers who gave extra service rarely lost their jobs, even in the past few years of hard times.

One of the few things that parents should try to do for their children is to teach them to talk plainly.

One of the mysteries of human nature is why men and women fail to learn by the experiences of others.

Personally, this is the time of the year we feel sorry for the man who started a garden in the early spring.

### Oxford Public Ledger.

The North Carolina public welfare institute was told in its Chapel Hill meeting that recreational facilities to provide outlet for excess energy is the best way to prevent juvenile delinquency. This statement goes home here in Granville county where a county committee is concerned with a county-wide program of recreation. It shows that Granville county is keeping abreast of the times in social needs.

### Brains In Government

President Roosevelt in a Recent Speech. While there has been a certain amount of comment about the use of brains in the national government, it seems to be a pretty good practice—a practice which will continue—this practice of calling on trained people for tasks that require trained people. Today more than ever before in our public life it is true that we are calling on the teaching profession, on the graduates of scientific schools and other school, and I think it is also true that, in the conduct of government, there has been no period in our history where what we call in the wrong sense politics and in the wrong sense politicians enter less than they do today in the conduct of government.

### Bridge Business

News and Observer. There is, as Governor Ehringhaus said in his letter to R. W. Cordon, manager of Atlantic Beach, "little encouragement to the State to improve conditions of travel to and from a resort if it is to be handicapped" by charges for bathing in the ocean. The Governor's statement is true, but the amazing thing about the situation at Morehead is not that the beach company is charging a bathing fee for swimming on the beach which it owns and maintains, but that the State should have invested \$50,000 of the people's money in buying from a resort a bridge to that resort without having some understanding as to what would happen to the people whom is carried to it and to no other place. The best time for a State to ask questions is before investing money and not after.

### Recent Bond Sales

Winston-Salem Journal. Advocates of the present tax system in North Carolina boast that as a result of it the State is able to sell its bonds at the low interest rate of 3.76 per cent. But on June 29, according to The New York Times, the State of New York sold \$30,000,000 worth of bonds at an interest rate of 1.83 per cent. The issue was bid for by small groups. It was the lowest interest rate at which New York bonds were ever sold. They were sold at a premium, bringing 100.911. It will be observed that the interest rate was less than one-half of that at which North Carolina recently sold its bonds. A few days ago we made reference to a recent bond sale by the State of Missouri, which sold \$5,000,000 worth of bonds at an interest rate of 3 per cent, and at a premium, the bonds being sold for 101.169. It was the lowest rate in the history of the state. On June 28 the city of Boston sold \$3,000,000 of bonds, bearing interest of 1.32 per cent. On the same date, Sioux City, Iowa, sold \$467,500 of bonds, carrying interest rate of 3 and 3-1-4 per cent. At about the same time the city of Cambridge, Mass., sold \$200,000 of bonds at 2 1-2 per cent. Apparently something besides a sales tax is affecting the interest rate on bonds. New York did have a sales tax but repealed it sometime ago.

From the Oxford Public Ledger, Friday, July 13, 1934.

The executive secretary of the North Carolina Department of Revenue, Dr. M. C. S. Noble, continues his reorganization process by clipping from the payroll division heads who have seen long terms of service, giving as his reason, "for the sake of economy." If this is true, God-speed him, but at this distance it looks mighty like the stakes are being set for a political organization similar to that which long ago was set up in the State Prison and Highway Departments. The little man over the state who knows little more than he reads in the newspapers already is looking askance at Raleigh.

Extract from the Biblical Recorder of Wednesday, July 4, 1934.

"We do not like the New Constitution chiefly because it gives our governors and legislatures too free a hand. The Constitution should define in precise terms the duties and rights of our constitutional elective officers. It is not enough to say that the present Constitution does not do so and the new is as good as he old in this respect. Why make a change for nothing better? The fact seems to be that the makers of the new Constitution purposely left the Legislature free to make our constitutional State officers figureheads with the expectation that the legislature would create other appointive officers to take over all the duties of the constitutional officers. This was an indirect way of conforming to the recommendation of the 'experts' of the Brookings Institute, a slipping in of the short ballot by indirection. Here was the opportunity for the makers of the new Constitution to correct the abuse that has grown up even to the extent of allowing the State Treasurer to audit his own account, an abuse which had been noised abroad and which must have been in the minds of the men to whom was intrusted the writing of the new Constitution. They could have submitted an article stating definitely what are the duties and prerogatives of our State Auditor, Treasurer, Attorney General, Secretary of State and Secretary of Agriculture, but they evidently preferred not to do it, but chose rather to leave this matter to the Legislature. In our view this is a serious defect and we are not ready to see the Legislature given such power especially as it is the Short Ballot by costly indirection. This is one reason why we shall vote against the new Constitution."

### Somebody Blundered

Hertford County Herald. Study of the statistics reveals that a majority of the 765,500 automobile accidents in the United States in 1933 occurred on straight, dry roads in clear weather, and involved cars in good condition driven by persons with a year or more of experience. Over 75 per cent of these drivers were persons of mature age—from 25 to 64. The majority of the 30,000 deaths and 850,000 injuries must be attributed to blunders. A recent analysis of the National Bureau of Casualty and Surety Underwriters shows what the blunders were. There are eight in all. 1. Drove too fast for conditions—this accounted for approximately three-fourths of all mishaps in 1933 assigned to driving blunders. 2. Failed to slow down at intersections. 3. Failed to keep to the right. 4. Tried to pass another car going in the same direction when view was obstructed. 5. Failed to slow down on approaching pedestrians. 6. Passed on the right of a preceding vehicle. 7. Ignored important traffic control devices. 8. Parked at dangerous spots. If drivers will obey the eight common sense rules suggested by these violations, the annual accident record can be reduced to a negligible figure.

### The Pure And Wise

Mr. John W. Davis, who, being the attorney for the House of Morgan, has no reason to complain of the Old Order, at Charlottesville last week undertook to damn the New Deal in Thomas Jefferson's name. "In his opinion," said Morgan Attorney Davis, "no government has ever proved wise or pure or unselfish enough to plan and regulate the details of men's daily lives without degenerating into tyranny." Sound Doctrine has been quoted before in support of an unsound cause. In the first place there has been no effort on the part of the government to plan "the details of men's daily lives." There has been only effort to regulate such vast power as that exerted over the lives of Americans by such concentrated financial powers as the House of Morgan represents, on the grounds that not even Mr. Morgan, Mr. Davis, Mr. Gifford and other powers of the Old Order were either "wise or pure or unselfish enough to plan and regulate" the economic order without adequate regulation. Mr. Davis is quite right. No man or group of men ought to have unrestricted power over men's lives and the primary purpose of the New Deal is to take away such power from those who managed the economic order in America but who failed to be "wise or pure or unselfish enough" to keep it going in terms of either economic success or economic justice. The profit motive is not bad if it is coupled with the Christian motive, but it plays havoc when it is dominated by greed.

## Public Forum

### FOR WHAT PURPOSE?

To the Editor: I note these headlines in The News and Observer: "State Bought a Bridge, Not Beach It Goes To."

Investment of State funds, \$50,000. For what purpose? Will the editor or someone else please advise the taxpayers of the State for what purpose this bridge was purchased and for whom? It looks like there is a nigger in the woodpile. In your article of today it seems that the bridge in question was privately-owned by New York interests. Now this bridge is bought and paid for, what will the State use it for? To promote the special interest of the owners in New York? It seems from the article the people of the State have no interest whatever in the beach unless to pay a fee to the owners in New York 50 cents for a bath, and they can get that elsewhere without the cost of 50 cents and the \$50,000 donation to the private company in New York. It would be well for the next Legislature to pass a law to set up a censor board in this State to pass on such projects as purchasing privately-owned bridges to privately-owned beaches. This bridge will be salvaged in a very short while and not worth one penny to the State of North Carolina. I think the people at large, after reading the editorial of today, would be very much interested to know who is responsible for the \$50,000 purchase with State money?

C. M. HOBBS.

Raleigh, N. C.

### 160,000 FOR CAMPS

Something like 70,000 men were dropped from C. C. Camps this month, having completed the one year to which they are limited. However, 160,000 new men are now being enrolled, 40,000 to replace those dropped recently and 50,000 additional provided for in the plans to relieve the drought area.

Home economist holds wife-ruled homes are least happy.

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Most of the potatoes came from the Wilmington district of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad and were shipped directly through Rocky Mount en route to northern points. Petersburg, Va., is a distribution point for the north and west, and most of the potatoes were billed to jobbers in the Virginia city.

Practically all of the potatoes came from the Aurora section, with a few coming from the Mt. Olive territory.

## R. C. DOZIER TO OPPOSE WARREN FOR CONGRESS

Elizabeth City, July 14.—R. C. Dozier, Souths Mills attorney, today said he would seek election this fall as Republican Congressman from this district and named as a plank in his platform advocacy of a constitutional amendment taking from the states their operation of common schools and placing the schools under federal control.

He proposed that the schools be operated by a one per cent sales tax on manufacturers. He also advocates payment of the bonus.

Opposing Dozier is Lindsay Warren of Washington, Democratic nominee.

Wheat yields in Stanly county are from one-fourth to one-third under the yields secured last season. The grain is chaffy.

## SOME TAXES

London.—The estate of the late Viscount Tredegar, amounting to \$11,000,000, paid the British Government \$5,900,000 in taxes.

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