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## EVERYBODY HATES THEM

One of the things that all New Bernians share a hearty dislike for is this business of waiting in line. We have to do it at the bank, the post office, and a lot of other places, but we aren't at all happy about it.

Never, anywhere else, do the minutes pass as slowly and your patience wear threadbare as quickly. Standing back of the other fellow while he gets waited on is immediately frustrating, and frustration mounts into a state of infuriation if he takes longer than you think he ought to.

Likely as not, you'll consume twice as much time yourself when you finally arrive at the window, and show even less concern for the folks who are standing in line behind you.

It isn't always that we're in a hurry, or suffering from aching feet. The simple unadulterated truth is we resent having to wait our turn. Most of us have enough sense and enough decency to keep this inner churning to ourselves, although a close observer is apt to read it on our faces.

A few sorry samples of humanity will crash the line, if they think they can get by with it. Such people deserve to be floored with a stiff uppercut, although a head as hard as that would probably require not one but two good pokes on the jaw.

Rudeness while delayed in line isn't restricted to mortals who happen to be standing up. As a matter of fact, motorists are even more insulting in their demands for special privileges. That's because an automobile is something of a haven, and offers a measure of protection from the party you are insulting.

All of us are familiar with the arrogant individual who toots his horn with the slightest provocation, or with no provocation at all. If you stop momentarily, or don't step on the gas as the light is turning green he acts for all the world like you've committed an unpardonable crime.

Alas, some of us happen to be that arrogant and inconsiderate individual, at least part of the time.

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## Historical Gleanings

—By—  
ELIZABETH MOORE

In obedience to an order directed from the Superior Court of Law, Craven County, the undersigned commissioners having been summoned and sworn by John Neale, Esq., a deputy acting under Elijah Clark, Sheriff for Craven County, have made partition of real estate of Benners Vail, deceased, between his heirs Frances M. wife of Thomas J. Emery, and Sarah B. Vail.

The lands divided in equal parts as follows: To Frances M. Emery, wife of Thomas J. Emery, one tract of 340 acres patented by John Benners, one tract of 100 acres patented by John Benners, 300 acres bought by Benners Vail from John Howard, 380 acres patented by Booth and afterward patented by John Benners, 112 acres patented by Benners Vail; 340 acres bought by Benners Vail from William Thomas, 720 acres bought by Benners Vail from Joseph Physioc; 300 acres in Carteret County on Bogue Banks bought by Benners Vail from Francis Mace. All of which lands lying on or near Clubfoot's Creek, except the tract in Carteret County, together with the improvements on the plantation where Benners Vail formerly lived, containing in all 2592 acres, and the following property in or near New Bern: Lot No. 2 East Front Street; lot improved on Broad Street, 25 feet, 414½ feet on Change Street, deduct Mrs. Vail's life estate, valued at \$1800.00; 6 lots in Dryborough, 24, 25, 26, 38, 39, 40; containing 3 acres valued at \$300.00, total \$2100.00.

To Sarah Vail the following lands on Long Creek, 50 acres bought by Benners Vail from G. Perkins; 400 acres bought from William George, 100 acres bought from Peter Physioc; 100 acres bought from Samuel Cook, 193 acres bought from Christopher Neale, 200 acres bought from Stephen Mahains, 120 acres patented by James Reed; 2 tracts of 196 acres patented by John Benners; 80 acres bought from James Bell, together with 500 acres on Cahooky Creek, also the milles and other improvements lying on Long Creek, containing in all 1939 acres; also to Sarah B. Vail, the following property in New Bern; Lot No. 410 E. Front

## Village Verses

### SELDOM SILENT

Once before there was a Martha,  
Still remembered to this day;  
Her husband George was President  
Of the brand new U. S. A.  
History gave a place to her  
In the annals of our nation,  
Every school child knows her name,  
Such is her fame and station.  
Now, there's another Martha,  
And along Potomac's shore  
She is getting bigger headlines  
Than M. W. in years of yore.  
Will history books make mention  
Of what M. M. had to say,  
Probably not, but for ahile  
Her tongue has sure held sway.  
—JGMCD.

Street and Change Street, together with improvements \$2500.00, deduct Mrs. Vail's life estate \$400.00, leaving balance of \$2100.00. Signed by James T. Jones, Abner Neale, Lucas Benners, Gideon Jones, Joseph Physioc. Witnessed by John Neale, Deputy Sheriff.

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The widow of Benners Vail, Elizabeth Vail was allotted dower in Lot No. 410 and improvements in New Bern, at corner of Front and Change Streets, wherein said Benners Vail last dwelt, purchased of Asa King, extending on Change street, 50 feet. June 17, 1817. Signed by: William Lawrence, Francis LaMotte, Gabriel M. Rains, Elijah Scott, W. Hancock, Elijah Clerk, Samuel Oliver, William Ward, Joseph Oliver, Jr., J. Ringgold, Silvester Brown, Hardy Whitford. Thomas H. Daves, Sheriff.

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Records of Craven County—  
Estates Vail

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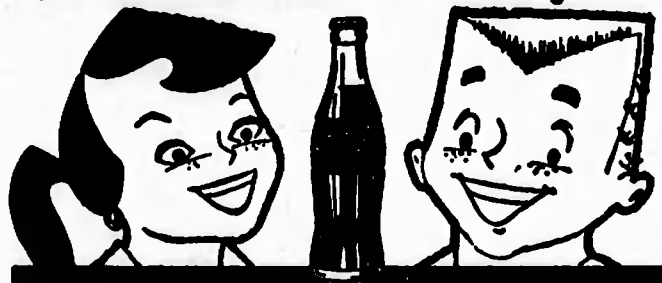
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