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THE POVERTY OF THE SOUTH

(Charity and Children)

It is not in her material resources. It is not even in her actual possessions, for she has made wonderful advancement in all lines of business and is able at last to hold up her head with any other section of the United States but she is poor in her educational equipment and in the general culture of her people. Lynch law is more common in the south than elsewhere because of the ignorance of the masses. Intelligent people respect the law, but the ignorant can be easily inflamed, and sober reason is overwhelmed by the passion of the hour. Mobs are always ignorant. It is ridiculous to think of a cultured lynching party. If education were more generally diffused every other blessing would follow in its wake. The great masses of ignorance hold us down and give some reason for the criticisms of those none too friendly to this section of the country. Our common school system in this part of the country. Our common school system in this part of the country does not function as it should. We are too niggardly in our appropriations from the public treasury. We are too niggardly in our appropriations from the public treasury. We are amazingly liberal toward our higher institutions of learning, but state colleges will never touch the situation in the way of raising the general level of education to a higher plane. In fact the graduates of our State institutions, as a rule, are out of sympathy with the common schools, or at least, do not sympathize enough to help them. Have you heard of many graduates of the University engaging in the common school work of the State? Our denominational schools and colleges, for the most part, are poorly equipped and have most meagre and inadequate endowments. The Baptists of North Carolina have besides their colleges the high schools under denominational control. With few exceptions these schools limping along with the poorest facilities, including the buildings, that can be imagined. And where a school has a good building it has nothing else. The 75 million fund has helped, but it is wholly inadequate to meet the needs of these institutions. With the exception of Trinity College none of our higher institutions of learning are at all prepared to do their best work because of their poverty. What is true of North Carolina is no doubt true of the Southern States generally. Our Methodist brethren of the South are engaged in a campaign to raise thirty million dollars in the South for education. But what are thirty million dollars among so many? North Carolina will raise nearly twice that much for good roads. Good schools mean a great deal more than good roads, but we do not see it that way, and that is exactly why we are intellectually so poor. Bishop Ainsworth, in a recent address in Dallas, Texas, said: "Comparatively speaking, the entire South is so poor in educational facilities that its bones are sticking out through the skin. The Bishop went on to say that last year seventy-nine million dollars were given to educational institutions in this country but of this amount less than two million dollars went to southern colleges. We quote again from this vigorous address from the good Bishop: "Relatively the South falls far behind the procession each

ZORA, THE HUMAN PACK HORSE

A recent dispatch from Constantinople tells the following rather interesting story:

Zora, the human pack horse, who claims to be 147 years old and still can carry 200 pounds with ease, attributes his long life and health to hard work and proper diet. He has always been a carrier of heavy weights.

His rules of health are: Hard work, sleep, cold baths at night, no tobacco, no alcohol, no coffee, no meat, no oils, no butter, no drinking water, but plenty of hot tea, honey, sugar, cakes, bread and cheese, particularly butter-milk or clabber. Every five years he takes a three-months' rest in his native home in the country.

Whatever his age, Zora is a picture of health and physical vigor, mentally alert, and frequently blessing the curious American sailors who visit him at his favorite cafe on the Galata waterfront. He is five feet ten inches tall, deep breasted, face is long and covered with a shiny nut-brown skin.

His eyesight and memory are good and he recalls the days when the first steamship came to Constantinople. He says he worked as a peasant at Bitlis until the age of 27, when he came to Constantinople to work at the Turkish Arsenal and that he worked there for 80 years.

Zora has been married four times. All of his wives are dead and all but two of his children. His son, Osman, aged 97, being in poor health, recently returned to Bitlis. His daughter, Goulihanem, aged 60, is married and healthy. Zora's father died at the age of 76 and his mother at the age of 83. Zora isn't rich because of so many expenses in caring for his family. He lives in a Kurd khan where he pays a dollar and a half a month for a place to sleep and hot water to make his tea.

"What I want is work," declared Zora. "Idleness will ruin my health. I'll pray all my life for him who giveth me work. Health, happiness and wisdom come from work only."

Asked if he intended to join the Turkish Nationalist army, Zora smiled benevolently and shook his head. "I fought many times for my country and now I wish to end my life in praying for the prosperity of the Empire," he said.

Charles M. Schwab of New York, chairman of the board of directors of the Bethlehem Steel Corporation, and during the war director general of ship building, will visit Blowing Rock this summer.

The government is supplying the larger post offices with pistols and the postmasters at such offices are directed to arm all employees most exposed to attack by mail robbers.

The Fayetteville Observer, the oldest paper in North Carolina, has been purchased by David B. Lindsay of Marion, Indiana.

It will take more than an optometrist to remove the feminine knee from the public eye.—Nashville Banner.

year, and we are now further behind the North in educational equipment than we were ten years ago. We have already about as much machinery for making things as we can handle, but we are pitifully poor in facilities for making men."

THE PRAYER OF THE KNOCKER

Lord, please don't let this town grow. I've been here for thirty years and during that time I have fought every public improvement. I've knocked everything and everybody. I have done all I could to keep this town from growing and never have spoken a good word for it. I've knocked hard and often. I've put ashes on the children's slide and I've made the policeman make the boys stop playing ball on my vacant lot. Whenever I saw anyone prospering or enjoying himself, I have started a reform to kill the business or spoil the fun. I do not want the young folks to stay in this town and I will do all I can by law, rule and ordinance to drive them away. It pains me, O Lord, to see that in spite of my knocking this town is beginning to grow. Some day I fear I will be called on to put down sidewalks in front of my property, and who knows but I may have to help keep up the streets that run by my premises? This, Lord, would be more than I could bear. It would cost me money, though all I have made has been made right here in this town. Then, too, more people might come if the town begins to grow, which would cause me to lose some of my pull. I ask, therefore, to keep this town a standstill, that I may continue to be chief. Amen.—Exchange.

Tuberculosis Clinic to be Held in Boone.

Beginning June 20, a Specialist under the supervision of the State Board of Health, will be in Boone for four days. He can examine 16 persons each day. Every person in the county is entitled to examination by the specialist free of charge. If you have tuberculosis; if you think you have; or if you have been exposed within the past three years, this is your opportunity to obtain the advice of a specialist that otherwise you might find difficulty to reach.

Any one wishing to be examined should communicate with Miss McCartney or with me as soon as possible so that a definite appointment may be made; this will avoid disappointment and confusion in time of clinic.

We have not had this opportunity before in the county and we should make the very best possible use of it.

J. W. JONES, M. D.,
County Health Officer.

Eugene V. Debs, the most noted political prisoner, will probably soon be free by commutation of sentence.

Marconi is now working to perfect his wireless telephony and says people will be talking across the Atlantic soon.



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Franklin K. Lane, former Secretary of the Interior, died on the 18th at a hospital in Rochester, Minn. He had undergone an operation for gall stones and appendicitis, but was doing nicely when an attack of his heart proved fatal.

Chief Justice Edward Douglas White, of the United States Supreme Court is dead. For many years Judge White was the South's only representative on the Supreme Court bench.

Judge Edward Waddell, Jr. of Richmond, Virginia, succeeds the late Judge Jeter C. Pritchard as judge of the Fourth Circuit.

NOTICE

By virtue of the power vested in the undersigned by a certain mortgage deed which was executed by J P Mast deceased, on the 24 day of March 1917 to secure the payment of the balance of the purchase money on the lands hereinafter described, there still remaining due and unpaid the last note of \$275 with interest on same past due, and costs of sale, I will on the 6th day of June 1921, sell to the highest bidder for cash at the court house door in the town of Boone, Watauga County the following described land, viz: adjoining the lands of D H Mast, W O Bingham, M T Harman and others, and it being in Laurel Creek township, Watauga county, North Carolina, and bounded as follows: Beginning on a hickory on the top of a ridge in the James Harman old line and runs S 3 poles to a stake in Jas Thomas line then N 71 degrees E with Thomas line 14 poles to a stake on top of a ridge, thence S 70 degrees E with said line and top of the ridge 16 poles to a stake, thence N 40 degrees E 12 poles to a stake, thence E 14 poles to a stake, thence S 58 degrees E 28 poles to a stake, thence S 55 degrees E 17 poles to a stake thence S 60 degrees E 4 poles to a large chestnut, thence N 80 degrees E with Thomas' line and top of the ridge 8 poles to a stake, thence S 76 degrees W E 9 poles to a stake in D H Mast's line, then N 80 poles to a stake, thence N 55 degrees E 22 poles to a stake in D H Mast's line, thence N with Mast's line 11 poles to a stake in said line of the south bank of the branch near the foot of the hill, thence S 85 degrees W 6 poles to a stake, thence S 67 degrees W 5 poles to a cucumber marked for a corner, thence S 80 degrees W 5 poles to a stake, thence S 77 degrees W 4 poles to a stake, thence N 75 degrees W 18 poles to a stake on the bank of Cove Creek, then N one and one half poles to the middle of said creek, thence N 76 degrees W with the said creek 14 poles to a stake, thence N 65 degrees W with said creek 38 poles to a stake in M T Harman's line, thence S with said line 56 poles to a stake on top of the ridge thence S 10 degrees W with said line and top of the ridge 14 poles to a cucumber (now down), thence S 64 degrees W with said line 48 poles to the beginning and contains 46 acres and 62 sq. rds. more or less. And for a more complete description of said land reference is hereby made to Book 8 of Deeds in the register's office of Watauga county on page 531 of same as said mortgage was therein registered on the 23rd day of April 1917. This the 2nd day of May 1921.

BERTIE DAVIS,
By JOHN H. BINGHAM, Atty.

NOTICE OF SALE

North Carolina, Watauga County

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a mortgage deed, executed by L F Watson to R M Watson the 5th day of August 1920, the delinquent mortgagee will sell at the court house door in Boone, to the highest bidder for cash on the 6th DAY OF JUNE at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. the following described property, lying and being in county of Watauga, and bounded as follows: Beginning on a small poplar in branch, thence with the meanders of said branch 50 poles to the mouth, thence south 55 degrees east 13 poles to small sourwood, thence 23 poles E with the old roadway to the top of a ridge south 6 poles to a chestnut oak, thence south 10 poles to a chestnut with the main height or the ridge 47 poles to a Spanish oak and small white pine, thence west 48 poles to a spruce pine on top of the Katy Rock, thence north 20 poles to a chestnut oak, thence north 20 degrees west 36 poles to a blackgum on the top of a ridge, thence north 10 degrees with extreme top of ridge 38 poles to sourwood and locust, North 25 degrees west with the same 35 poles to a red oak at the edge of old field, north 48 degrees east 40 poles to a sugar tree, 12 poles more or less to a black oak Lot Green's corner, running east 65 poles south with said line 13 poles more or less to a stake, west 54 poles to a poplar the beginning corner, containing 71 1-2 acres more or less.

The said sale is made to satisfy and pay a note in the sum of \$1000.00, secured, together with interest and cost of the sale.

R. W. WATSON, Mortgagee.
This April 19, 1921.

Shoes and Lasts

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Hila Lawrence, deceased, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased, to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 12th day of May 1922, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement. This 12th day of May 1921.

SOLOMON EGGERS, Administrator

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION.

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of J H Lunsford deceased, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased, to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 22nd day of April, 1922 or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment. This the 22nd day of April '21.

WADE L. GREEN, Admr.

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