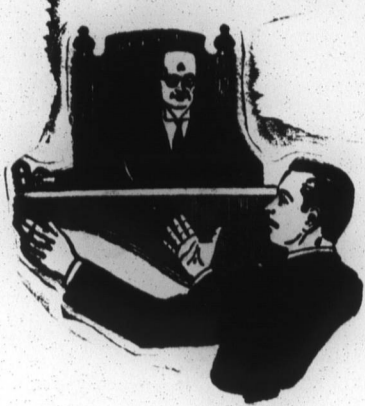


# This is the Law



BY CHARLES W. DANIEL  
(For N. C. Bar Association)

### Agricultural Liens

Now that tobacco-setting and general planting time is at hand again, the importance of laws relating to agriculture is spot-lighted.

Since a good part of North Carolina farming is conducted on a credit basis from year to year, the law of agricultural liens for supplies and money advanced to the tenant or farmer is particularly important.

All advances of money or supplies to the farmer on crops to be grown in any one year are governed by statutes in North Carolina. Before any advance is made—if the lender wants a good "crop lien"—he and the farmer MUST enter a written agreement, telling the amount of the credit, or setting a top limit on it.

### Must Be Recorded

Now, this agreement MUST be registered with the Register of Deeds in the county where the land is located (if it is to have effect against others who have also given credit to the farmer). As between the lender or creditor and the farmer, the written agreement is good without registration.

This agreement does not have to be in any particular form. If it sets out what most folks would understand to be an agreement for credit against a crop of any particular year, it is all right. In actual practice, the agreement is usually in the form of a chattel mortgage. To avoid possible later trouble, the agreement should be carefully and expertly drawn.

This agreement is limited to cover only the "crop (s) made within one year of the date of the agreement." It can continue to be good against crops grown in that year but harvested later. The recorded agreement gives the creditor a "lien" on the farmers' crops which comes ahead of all other claims EXCEPT pay to labor and the land owner's rent.

For example, if the farmer gave a chattel mortgage on his crops for some other debt which he owed, the lien of a properly recorded agreement for advances would have to be paid FIRST out of money from those crops.

The land on which the crops are to be grown must be identified so that a person reading the agreement would know what land was covered. One agreement said "a field or farm in possession" of the borrower, and the North Carolina Supreme Court declared such a description to be all right. The Court also said the following was a sufficient description: "... upon Opossum Quarter tract of land in Warren County ... or any other land he may cultivate during the present year."

### Landlord's Lien

The North Carolina landlord, by law, has the TOP, or first, lien on ALL crops raised on leased land until rent and other assistance toward making and saving the crops are paid. The landlord does NOT need to have any kind of written agreement to enforce his lien for rent and help to the man renting the land. The law takes care of this for him.

The North Carolina law seeks to protect the tenant or borrower from overcharges by a landlord or lender.

It says that the landlord or lender may charge for supplies "a price not more than 10 per cent over the retail cash price" for such supplies.

This certainly seems to give the lender plenty of return for his advances in view of the fact legal interest rates can not otherwise be more than eight per cent.

### May Be Transferred

The lender is an agreement for advances on crops may sell or transfer his lien to another person. The second person then would become the lender and the borrowing farmer would be obligated to him.

If the tenant or borrower refuses to pay when due or is about to do away with the crops under lien, the lender can, by affidavit before the Clerk of Superior Court, have the crops taken by the sheriff and sold so that the lender can get his money.

## HAYSEED

By UN. E. SAM

### CALVARY

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life" John 3:16.

Many of the so called churches of this day are cold, weak, careless and powerless. They only have a name to live. There are many spiritual anemics. Too many instead of having a glowing burning Christian experience only have a pale experience. The pulse of modern religion is running very low. What the churches need is a blood transfusion from Calvary.

Jesus Christ is either divine or he was an imposter. He either has all power or he did not have the power which he claimed. His blood has power to atone for sins or else it had no more power than the blood of bulls, rams and goats. Souls must be saved through the atoning power of the blood of Christ or they cannot be saved at all.

Calvary is the road to a victorious life and heaven or there is no road. Every soul is born into the world a bankrupt and a pauper. There is no earthly way for any person to redeem themselves through and by their own goodness. It would be just as possible for a person to lift themselves up by their own boot-straps.

Calvary is the focal point of all time. It is the death sentence to sin. It is the gateway through which man may enter into his rightful state.

"For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord" Romans 6:23.



## 60 - SECOND SERMONS

—By—  
FRED DODGE

TEXT: "Let the measure of time be spiritual, not mechanical."—Emerson.

Vacationing in a small fishing village hotel, we were up early one morning just to smell the salt air and to watch the sun wrench itself free from the ocean. We sat in the tiny hotel lobby when two fishermen ambled over to speak to the weather-beaten desk clerk.

"Sam," one asked, "Which way is the wind?"

On being told, they expressed satisfaction and left.

To the fisherman, the hour of the day or night has no meaning. When the wind is right, he fishes; when it isn't right, he doesn't fish. Living by the clock is wasteful. The minutes we spent yesterday are robbing today's minutes. The problems of the next hour confuse us in this hour.

Ideas, ideals and purposes are not clock-bound. They are timeless. They are not measured by hours, but by the ages. Those who time their lives by these standards never worry about the clock. When the wind is right, they will enrich us and our world.

### Optometrists Will Meet In Charlotte April 25-28

North Carolina school teachers will be invited to attend a special lecture on "Vision problems in the schools" when optometrists from ten states meet April 25-28 in Charlotte for the 30th annual Southeastern Educational Congress of Optometry.

Dr. Cary B. Tourjee of Reidsville, program chairman, said that three nationally prominent optometrists would lecture on the themes that will be stressed at the Congress. The themes are "School Vision," "Vision Training" and "Analytical Refraction."

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Miss Sarah Jones ..... Registrar  
Mr. Walter Wilkins ..... Judge  
Mr. Floyd Cayton ..... Judge

### WEST EDENTON PRECINCT—(Municipal Bldg.)

Mrs. George C. Hoskins ..... Registrar  
Mr. George S. Twiddy ..... Judge  
Mr. M. A. Hughes ..... Judge

### ROCKY HOCK—(Henry Bunch's Store)

Mr. W. H. Pearce ..... Registrar  
Mr. W. H. Saunders ..... Judge  
Mr. M. J. Tynch ..... Judge

### CENTER HILL—(Elliott Belch's Office)

Mr. Ralph Goodwin ..... Registrar  
Mr. R. H. Hollowell ..... Judge  
Mr. E. D. Byrum ..... Judge

### WARDVILLE PRECINCT—(Herbert Peele's Store)

Mr. T. A. Berryman ..... Registrar  
Mr. Herbert Peele ..... Judge  
Mr. Melvin Copeland ..... Judge

### YEOPIM PRECINCT—(Harry Perry's Store)

Mr. T. J. Hoskins, Sr. .... Registrar  
Mr. T. J. Hoskins, Jr. .... Judge  
Mr. J. A. Webb, Jr. .... Judge

Registrars will sit at Precinct polling places:  
May 1st, 8th and 15th—9:00 A. M., until sunset to register voters.

Registrars will sit at Precinct polling places:  
May 22nd—9:00 A. M., until 3:00 P. M., for challenge of any elector.

PRIMARY DAY — MAY 29, 1954.

Polls Open at 6:30 A. M., and Close at 6:30 P. M.

## Chowan County Board of Elections

L. S. BYRUM, Chairman

### ANOTHER MILK RECORD

Milk production on North Carolina farms during March of 1954 amounted to 144 million pounds. This amount sets another record for the month of March. Production during March of 1953 was placed at 130 million pounds and at 122 million during March of 1952. Average monthly production per cow in North Carolina herds was estimated at 368 pounds or 8 per cent above the average production rate of 342 pounds during March of 1953.

### There's A Limit

Many years ago at a prayer meeting, a man prayed: "Lord give every poor family a barrel of flour," and some member replied "Amen." A barrel of sugar brought another amen and a barrel of salt another amen.

Then followed a barrel of pepper and one man, noted for his profanity said: "Oh, hell, that's too much pepper."

### CANDIDATE FOR

### County Commissioner

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