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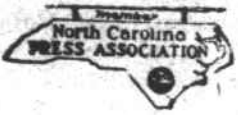
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Ahoskie Incident Unfortunate For State

The incident of the free Cadillac at Ahoskie going to a negro veteran, who was denied the car and a new drawing held, is unfortunate for North Carolina and the entire south.

The negro man had purchased a \$1.00 ticket to a Kiwanis club dance, which was supposed to make him eligible to win the car. His ticket had in printed words that he didn't have to be there to win.

A ghastly mistake was made when the sheriff and two lawyers went to his home and informed him that he was not eligible to win the car, that he should not have been sold a ticket, and gave him his dollar back instead of the \$3,200 Cadillac, which went to a retired doctor from Virginia, who already had a Cadillac, when the second drawing was held.

A newspaper man on the Raleigh News and Observer got the story out after a few weeks had elapsed and the incident gained nation-wide attention. Dr. Charlie Armstrong, of Salisbury, recently elected president of Kiwanis International, took a hand in the matter and the directors of the Ahoskie Kiwanis club quickly agreed to provide a new Cadillac for the negro.

The action on the part of Dr. Armstrong is typical of the integrity of Kiwanis International, one of the truly great civic organizations.

The main point involved was that the first action on the part of the Ahoskie sponsors was promoted entirely by racial discrimination. The matter of admission to the dance, and whether or not the negro should have been sold a ticket does not enter into the right or wrong of the problem. The fact remains that he had invested one dollar for a ticket and that unless his money was refunded before the drawing he still had his chance. If he had not won the car, the chances are one million to one that he would not have received his dollar back.

It is unfortunate for the state that the mistake was made. It is, however, fortunate that the mistake was uncovered and that a wrong was righted.

Retailing and Our Economic System

Gordon K. Creighton of the National Retail Dry Goods Association recently observed that one of the jobs of retailers is to emphasize the merits of the American free enterprise system to the people.

Stores represent the closest contact millions of people have with American business. Last year, the nation spent \$127,000,000,000 for goods and services—and \$96,000,000,000 of this amount was spent in stores of one kind or another. We turn to the retailer for our needs as naturally as we turn to a faucet for water.

Furthermore, American retailing in all its branches is a perfect example of the competitive system at work. This is true of chains, independents and all other types of merchandise outlets. Every kind of merchant is seeking new ways to attract trade—and to offer lower prices, better qualities, larger stocks and improved services.

Retailing's contribution to American living standards is tremendous. In no other country are consumers in small towns offered the same kind of goods at the

same prices as consumers in great cities. This, too, is a result of competition. Retailing, lastly, is an example of the fact that in this country anyone can go as far as his abilities and ambitions permit. All the big chain systems developed from the small stores started by people who were determined to get ahead. Opportunity such as that distinguishes our economic system from all others.

Borrowed Comment

BIG NEWS FROM MAC (Transylvania Times)

While diplomatic bickering in Europe has confused and retarded action, General Douglas MacArthur has really made progress in the Pacific.

In what was described as "one of the great state papers of modern history," it is gratifying to learn from the General's headquarters that Japan has been rendered incapable of rearming for modern warfare within a century.

"The transition stage of destroying those evil influences which misguided Japan's past has been virtually completed," MacArthur said, "and a course has been set upon which Japan is now embarking toward a peaceful, constructive future."

We do not doubt the General's statements and commend him for such speedy and effective action. At the same time, we do not want this nation to get the idea that it can pull out and stop policing those Japs.

Just to make sure they don't try anything for the next hundred years, let's keep an adequate guard on duty in that country.

"Propaganda from very high places" against high prices has introduced a disturbing note into the national economy, according to President Wilson of General Motors. Would it disturb the president to learn that we could get him plenty of propaganda against them from low places too?—Greensboro Daily News.

The Russian consulate is renting a house in New York City from Mrs. M. Hartley Dodge, niece of the late John D. Rockefeller, for \$30,000 a year. This sounds as if it were calculated to keep Mrs. Dodge a capitalist and keep the Russians communists.—Greensboro Daily News.

LIFE'S BETTER WAY WALTER E. ISENHOUR Hiddenite, N. C.

JESUS, GIVE ME PRECIOUS SOULS

For the life that I am living
In Thy services, day by day;
For the money I am giving
That I earn along the way;
For the truth that I am writing
That the love of God unfolds;
For the sins that I am smiting,
Jesus, give me precious souls.

For the time that I am spending
In the secret place of prayer;
For the lives I would be mending
Ere they sink into despair;
For the burdens that I carry
For those drifting to the shoals,
And the grace for which I tarry,
Jesus, give me precious souls.

Give me souls, O blessed Master,
That have missed salvation's plan,
Ere they plunge to hell's disaster
With the devil's fallen clan,
Where all hope of heaven's ended
As the age eternal rolls,
And no broken life is mended—
Jesus, give me precious souls.

For the bliss that is awaiting
Those who yield themselves to God,
Who are freed from angry hating
As life's rugged path they trod;
For the sake of heaven's Glory,
'Mid the blest angelic folds,
Where they sing redemption's story,
Jesus, give me precious souls.

Give me souls that are defeated
By the curse and blight of sin,
Whom the devil long has cheated
Out of pearls they all should win;
Give me souls among all classes
That are drifting from life's goals;
Give me souls among the masses,
Jesus, give me precious souls.

ABNORMAL ABSURDITIES

By
DWIGHT NICHOLS
et al

SUMMER BRIEFS—

The price of corn is running many commodities up. There are some who may turn up their silly noses at the thought of cornbread, but that fact still remains that corn has a direct bearing on many other foods.

Corn is the stable feed grain which produces meat, including beef, pork, poultry and a number of others. And whether or not you like corn bread, you are going to feel the effects of \$2.10 corn. If you have not been comfortable in the recent warm and wet weather, you can get a lot of consolation out of the fact that such weather is making a fine crop of over \$2 corn, and we're not talking about the liquid kind.

PARKING METERS—

We see by the papers that the town of Elkin is going to install parking meters. If there was one town with less parking space in the business section than North Wilkesboro it is Elkin.

Incidentally, the parking meters are not altogether unlike any other slot machine. The striking similarity is that they don't pay off.

And, on the subject of slot machines, it is interesting to note that slot machines have a way of cropping up here and there and operating in spite of the North

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

North Carolina, Wilkes County.
T. E. Story, Administrator of the Estate of James M. Brown, deceased, et al.

Clyde Brown, et al.
By virtue of an order signed by the Clerk of the Superior Court of Wilkes county in the above entitled proceedings, the undersigned commissioner, appointed by the Court, will offer for sale for cash to the highest bidder the tracts of land described below, belonging to the estate of the late James M. Brown, lying and being in North Wilkesboro township and adjacent to and just east of the County Home lands, at 11:30 a. m., August 9, 1947.

First Tract: Beginning on a pine corner of J. M. Brown land and the northeast corner of the Wilkes County Poor House land running south 68 deg. west 416 feet to the ridge road; then with the ridge road north 33 deg. 45 min. west 544 1/2 feet to a stake; then north 29 deg. west with the road 218 feet to a stake on the road in Lee Harris' line; thence with Lee Harris' line south 86 deg. 30 min. east 704 feet to Lee Harris' dogwood corner in W. H. Rowland line; then with Rowland's line south 19 deg. 45 min. east 445 1/2 ft. to a stake, James M. Brown's corner in said W. H. Rowland's line; thence with the Brown line south 68 deg. west 66 feet to the beginning, containing 7.4 acres, more or less. See deed from H. T. Blair to James M. Brown, 1912, recorded in book 78, at page 554.

Second Tract: Beginning at a stake on the north edge of Highway No. 268 and in the east line of the James M. Brown tract of land purchased from J. W. Whittington and wife in 1890, deed recorded in book 16, at page 226, and running north 19 deg. west 11 poles to a stake on the north bank of the branch and at the bend of the branch and about 6 feet north of a large maple tree; then south 56 deg. west 22 1/2 poles to a point between two locust posts at a fence; then south 33 deg. east 12 3/4 poles to a stake at old garvis tree corner on north bank of Highway No. 268; then north about 47 deg. east 6 poles to a stake on the bank of the highway; then north 45 deg. east 12 poles to the beginning, containing 1.6 acres, more or less.

Third Tract: Beginning at a persimmon tree on the north bank of the old road and running south 80 deg. east 4.34 poles to a rock corner on the north bank of the road; then north 80 deg. east 12 poles to a stake on the south bank of the old road, 19 feet past the corner of the Clementine. Swaim lot and almost in front of the house; then north 69 deg. east 6 poles to a stake on the bank of the old road; then north 12 deg. west 10.86 poles to a stake on the east bank of the old road; then north 2 deg. west 4.7 poles to a stake on the south bank of Highway No. 268 and in the east line of the James M. Brown tract and now dividing line between W. F. Gaddy and James M. Brown heirs; then south 45 deg. west along the south bank of Highway No. 268 12 poles to a stake; then south 47 deg. west along the south bank of the highway 6 poles to a stake; then south 16 deg. east 10 poles to a stake; then south 78 deg. west 4 poles to the beginning, containing 1.48 acres, more or less. This is part of the land sold to James M. Brown by J. W. Whittington, 1890, book 16, page 226.

This July 7, 1947.
C. G. GILREATH,
Commissioner

Carolina law which outlawed them in every form.

CAMOUFLAGE—

Pat: What's the idea, Clancy, of sitting there reading a letter aloud with Mike behind you holding your ears?

Clancy: Well, Mike got a letter from his girl. Seem' as how he can't read, he has me read it to him and stops me ears so I can't hear what she's writin' to him.—Copied.

WHAT A FLIVVER—

Her: Do you see that young man standing next to the flivver with golf pants on?

Him: I see the man, but I don't see the flivver with the golf pants on.—Copied.

SHE COULDN'T—

A rather stout schoolmistress was talking about birds and their habits. "Now," she said, "at home I have a canary, and it can do something I cannot do. I wonder if any of you know just what that thing is?"

Little Eric raised his hand. "I know, teacher," he said. "Take a bath in a saucer."—Kablegram.

ONE WAY OF TELLING—

He: How old are you?
She: Just turned 24.
He: Ah, I see. You mean 42.—Ex.

SUCH QUESTIONS—

Mr.: That boy will be the death of me.
Mrs.: What's wrong now?
Mr.: He wants to know what would happen if he mixed a bottle of ink eradiator with a bottle of ink.—Clipped.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

North Carolina, Wilkes County.
Having qualified as administrator of the estate of John W. Nichols, deceased, late of Wilkes county, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at North Wilkesboro, N. C., on or before the 14th day of July, 1948, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 14th day of July, 1947.
T. E. STORY,
Admr. of estate of John W. Nichols, dec'd.
8-18-47-M

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