

North Carolina 1923 fire loss was \$7,212,342 as compared with \$8,144,721 in 1922 according to the annual report on losses made by Stacey W. Wade, State Insurance commissioner. This total was made up of 1,846 fires.

Ten days after the announcement of the retirement of Congressman Hallett S. Ward at the end of his present term have brought five men into the field to contend for his mantle in the coming Democratic primary.

Pledges secured Feb. 15 on the campus of the North Carolina college for Women in Greensboro toward a \$25,000 fund out of \$250,000 sought for an alumnae-student totalled \$8,761.

Following up several conferences last week North Carolina Baptists this week take up in spirited fashion the campaign to sell \$750,000 of building bonds for the construction of New Meredith.

Precious stones are said to have distinctive odors and everybody knows that a diamond smells like money.

Radio in the schools is a good thing, but it is of small help in getting a double-Nelson on the multiplication table.

1871 in book "R" page 45, record of Columbus county.

Third Tract—Beginning at a stake, the fifth corner of a nineteen acre tract and runs north 25, west 22 1-2 chains to a stake; thence south 68, east 11 1-4 chains to a stake; thence south 25, west 22 1-2 chains to a stake in Raccoon Bay; then north 68 west to the beginning.

The above described tracts of land being the lands conveyed by Helen Powers to J. W. Ransom by deeds dated November 14th, 1910, and November 26th, 1913, recorded in books C-2, page 4, and book O-2, page 87, registry of Columbus county, N. C.

This the 19th day of Feb. 1924. E. M. JOHNSON, Trustee. Johnson, Johnson & McLeod, Lumberton, N. C., Attorneys for the trustee. (out Mar. 20)

Announcement was made February 15 that C. C. Rich will be a candidate for the general assembly in the Democratic primary June 7.

The Spanish-Italian union may have the ulterior motive of trying to resurrect the Latin language.

The annual encampment of the American Legion will be held in Asheville August 26-27.

The worried world has always thought that morals are worse when they are only growing different.

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NOTICE OF BIDS

Whiteville, Columbus county, North Carolina.

The Board of county commissioners of Columbus county will receive sealed bids up to 2 o'clock p. m., Monday, the 3rd day of March, 1924, at the office of said board in the town of Whiteville, North Carolina, for fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) Tatum's Township school bonds; said bonds are to be in the denomination of one thousand dollars (1,000) each, are serial bonds, in forms, dated January 1, 1924, bearing interest at lowest rate offered and maturing one thousand dollars (\$1,000) on January 1, in each of the years, 1926 to 1931, inclusive; two thousand dollars (2,000) on January 1, in each of the years 1932 to 1933, inclusive; said bonds shall have interest coupons attached and are registerable as to both principal and interest.

Bidders are invited to name rate of interest, bonds are to bear. Bidders must present with their bids a certified check upon an incorporated bank or trust company payable to the order of A. W. Baldwin, county auditor, in an amount equal to two per cent of the face amount of the bonds bid for as security against any loss resulting from a failure of the bidder to comply with the terms of his bid.

Said Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

This the 11th day of Feb., 1924. A. W. BALDWIN, Clerk. County Board of Commissioners, Columbus County. (Out Feb. 28)

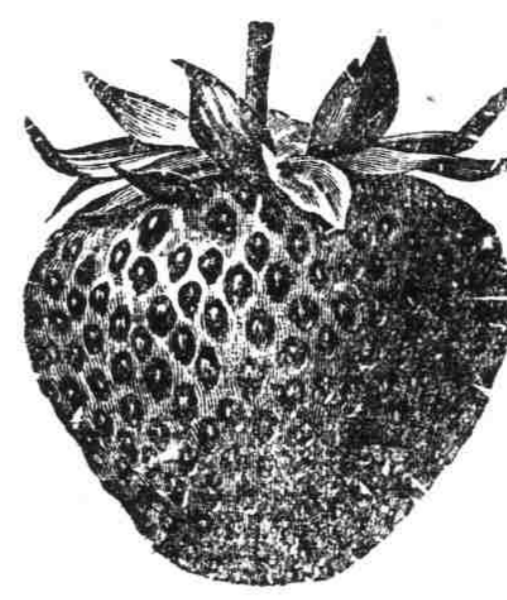
TRUSTEE'S SALE OF LAND.

Under and by virtue of the power and authority conferred in a certain deed of trust, bearing date of April 3rd, 1920, executed by J. W. Ransom and wife, Tressa Ransom, same being registered in book K-2, page 450, public registry of Columbus county, (default having been made in the payment of the obligations secured thereby) the undersigned trustee, will on Saturday, the

22ND DAY MARCH, 1924, offer or sale at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, at the court house door in the town of Whiteville, N. C., the following described lands and premises, to-wit:

In the county of Columbus, State of North Carolina. First Tract: Two certain tracts of land, containing six acres, beginning at a large dead pine, George S. Brown's corner and runs with his line about north 25 east 22 1-2 chains to a stake in the east edge of a branch with a white bay and black gum pointers; then south 25 west 22 1-2 chains to a stake; thence north 68 west to George S. Brown's line; then with that line to the beginning.

Second Tract—Containing nineteen acres, beginning at a stake, the fourth corner of a six acre tract and runs north 25, east 22 1-2 chains to a stake with white bay black gum pointers; thence south 59, east 2 1-2 chains to a pine; thence south 68 east about five chains and ninety five links to a stake; thence south 25 west 22 1-2 chains to a stake; thence north 68 west to the beginning—description of land from H. T. Williams and Mary A. Williams to Helen Powers, deed dated August 4th, 1871, recorded Sept. 23rd,



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