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SUGGESTIONS TO OUR REPRESENTATIVE AT RALEIGH.

Dear Mr. Fagg:

Please give us an act amending the act which makes it a misdemeanor to set the woods on fire. Let it be a felony. The scoundrel who maliciously or mischievously sticks a lighted match to the dead leaves deserves all the punishment of him who fires his neighbor's barn. Last fall after a long drought, when the forest was dry and highly inflammable, and a strong wind was blowing, some scamp did the torch act near the Cutter place. Thousands of dollars in timber and wood were destroyed, and for several days many dwelling houses, much stored tobacco and other valuable property were seriously threatened. We are up against this thing every year. Let the accidental or negligent offense be punished with heavy fine, and let the malicious or mischievous offender be a subject for a long term in the State prison.

Throwing rocks into the public road: This should always get into the courts. The rights of the public are superior to the rights of the individual. Any farmer who is too lazy or careless to pile up the boulders on his land, but who throws them into the public highways to the damage of vehicles, and the hindrance of travel, ought to pay for it. Our roads are bad enough without this unmitigated nuisance.

We notice a bill providing for an appropriation of \$2,500 by the State in each county that raises a like sum for a farm life school, and also for equipping school. We would like for you to vote for this bill, Mr. Fagg, and then come home after the legislature adjourns and help us secure the necessary appropriation by our county. Farm life is the basis of our future, and everything we can do to further its progress is imperative. The world is moving on. We must keep up with the procession or be left. State Superintendent Joyner is for the bill, the Farmers' Union endorses it, and it is a good thing.

There is some agitation abroad for more courts and more judges. Stokes county needs three courts a year. It is a great trouble, vexation and expense to wait six months for the settlement of a costly suit. There should be speedier remedy, quicker justice. Let a poor devil be charged with stealing a pair of shoes in October, worth \$1.25, and the county has to feed him \$48.00 worth of rations before it can be proved that he is innocent or guilty. The courts are too wide apart, Mr. Fagg, and to make matters still worse, each of our terms fall on a time when the farmers are busiest. Can anything be done?

THE START--HELP IT ON.

There is a move on foot to get up a bill to start the work of building better roads in Stokes county. The plan is to give the commissioners the power to levy a special tax for the building of one mile of first-class sand-clay road in each township, each township bearing its own expense. It is suggested that a mile of the worst road in the township be taken, graded according to scientific methods, and sanded. The cost will vary from \$500 to \$1,500, owing to the degree of grade, etc. This will be a starting point and the beginning of the era of good roads. Now, don't throw cold water on the scheme. It is not claimed to be ideal. The ideal way would be to issue a million dollars bonds and pave all our roads with rock, taking care to run close to every man's door. If we can't get what we want let us take what we can get.

Any person who will oppose some means to better our roads is lacking in patriotism—he is not warmed by the love of home and county. Our roads are our disgrace, and we had all just as well admit it.

BEAUTIFUL HOMES.

Speaking of handsome houses, one of the prettiest places we have seen in a many a day is that of the Pitzers near Red Shoals. Here is a beautiful structure recently built anew and appropriately painted, surrounded with the broad acres of one of the best farms of the county. The Dan slides along in full view, and you have mountain, water, hill and woods—a sight pleasing to the eye.

A little further on up the road you come to the new home of the Adkinsons, now approaching completion. It is large and roomy, and stately looking, commanding a fine prospect from the knoll on which it stands. The old Adkins place was always the centre of plenty and hospitality, good cheer, right living and Christian welcome. May the new household, which will shelter some of the best people our county can afford, still be all that its predecessor was, which was home.

LET US TELL YOUR TALE.

Remember when you have anything to sell, whether it is shoes, a cow, land, or what not—the Reporter can sell it for you. An ad in this paper is read by the thousands. It goes every week into hundreds of firesides that you have never warmed at, and is rustled in thousands of hands that you have never shaken.

Printer's ink is the most effective way to make wants known that has ever been discovered, while at the same time it is the cheapest.

THE DANBURY REPORTER.

Better meet Sheriff Jones on his tax round and pay your taxes this time; if you want to keep out of hot water. The Sheriff is looking at you out of the left hand corner of his "optical delusions," and this situation indicates acute disturbance of his ensemble.

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Tact is the finest attribute of the human mind. The hatchet-faced fellow who has no better sense than to always say something that makes you feel bad, or which puts you in embarrassing quarters with some of the company present, ought to be locked up, but we suffer him, knowing that he means no harm. You would have to reconstruct him and build his head wider to make anything else out of him than what he is.

Have you ever seen a person who leads everybody to feel at ease in his presence? He is not only a gentleman, but he has that rare quality known as tact—that happy faculty of appreciating any situation, and coping successfully with any emergency. It is a combination of kind heart and horse sense. If the conversation borders on anything which might prove embarrassing to anybody in the crowd, with unerring acumen he sees it, and with astute generalship he turns the talk into another channel, and he does it easily—so natural no one notices the wherefore of the change.

Tact is not always the heritage of the college man. The person referred to above has never seen inside the walls of an institution of learning. He is a graduate of the University of Hard Knocks. And he measures three inches between the eyes.

WHERE DO YOU COME IN?

The chicken and egg industry in Stokes county is vastly more money-making than our tobacco crop. We mean in net profits, not gross receipts. You may receive \$298.50 for your tobacco, but if the cost of raising it was \$279.65, the old hen has got it on you. You may get a healthy-looking check from the warehouseman, but somehow every fall it gives you the grand slip, and you are left with only an all-gone feeling.

If thine eye offend thee cut it out. If thy tobacco crop costs more than it comes to, cut it out also.

When your feet are wet and cold, and your body chilled through and through from exposure, take a big dose of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, bathe your feet in hot water before going to bed, and you are almost certain to ward off a severe cold. For sale by all dealers.

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Representative Fagg has very kindly consented to help us in the matter of roads. Let us meet him half way, and acting all together, do something to improve a situation which needs medicine.

Winston Tobacco Market

SALES LAST WEEK

1228927 Pounds For \$12017475 Average \$9.77
Other houses sold 799386 pounds for \$76788.14-ave. 9.60
Brown's sold 429 541 pounds for 4338661-ave. 10.10
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