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THE POOR MAN'S PROTECTION

Moneyed interests, aided by several influential newspapers, are seeking the passage of an eight per cent interest law at the present session of the General Assembly...

In reality, money is already costing from seven to ten per cent, so to increase the legal rate to eight per cent would mean a corresponding increase in the rates now demanded...

When the legal rate was eight per cent in this state, the money-lenders exacted twelve per cent, and we have no hesitancy in stating that the rate would again be exceeded if the Legislature should be so unwise as to yield to the pressure of the moneyed-interests.

The argument that the eight per cent law would bring more capital into the state can also be questioned. Some concerns have been paying nine per cent to Wall Street banks, but are apparently unable to secure anything like the amount they can use.

It has taken many years to drive out high interest rates, rates that sapped the life-blood of an industrious people, that took the roof off the heads of thousands, and that ruined many good business men...

SAVE THE RECORDER'S COURT

The drive to abolish the Recorder's court is on. Two or three lawyers who have fought this popular court ever since its establishment...

Manufacturers:

A MEETING OF ALL MANUFACTURERS, EVERY BRANCH OF THE INDUSTRY.—COTTON, WOOD, ICE, ICE CREAM, BOTTLED DRINKS, FLOUR, FEEDSTUFFS, AND COTTON OIL.—IN AND AROUND MONROE IS CALLED FOR TONIGHT AT EIGHT O'CLOCK AT THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. COME AND SEE WHAT IT IS ALL ABOUT.

FOR SEWING call 397-R. Dresses a specialty.

SOLUTION OF PARDON PROBLEM

Senator Swain, the blind member of the General Assembly from Rockingham county, has introduced a bill providing for the creation of a pardon board to be composed of the Governor, the Secretary of State, and the Attorney-General.

This a good solution of the pardon problem, and the blind Senator from Rockingham is to be commended for the good judgment he has displayed. Liberal-minded people have always maintained that the pardon power is too great a responsibility to be invested in one man...

PROTECTING COTTON

"Why is it," asked a well-known Union county farmer, "that the average farmer will provide shelter for his compost heap, yet exposes his cotton to all sorts of weather?" His question is yet to be answered.

"NOVUS HOMO" REPLIES TO SENATOR J. N. PRICE

Says That Although He Pays No Tax to State, His Tribute to Landlord is \$5 an Acre.

HE HAS GIVEN UP THE GHOST

To the Editor of The Journal:—Mr. Price seems to me to be unduly excited over the question he himself has raised over the new tax law he admits helping to enact.

As for the amount of taxes shown on the sheriff's books, paid by men like myself who own no land, we will confess that they are not large, but the tax books in the sheriff's office do not show the "renter's tax."

If one-half of this tax is for land and the other half for buildings and improvements, then the land is still paying a five per cent dividend on \$100.00, and if valued at forty dollars per acre, under a rate of sixty cents, the owner is paying 24 cents per acre while the renter is paying five dollars per acre for the land and five dollars additional per acre for the use of the buildings.

In other words the owner is paying the state twenty-four cents per acre for the privilege of collecting ten dollars per acre from the man who must use it. Under such a regime, it seems to me that the renter is the one to do the howling and not the owner, yet Mr. Price seems to argue that unless a man owns land and pays taxes on said lands to the sheriff of his county that such a man has no right to open his mouth...

I think my position on the tax question has been made plain enough in The Journal for most anyone who has become acquainted with it to thoroughly understand it. I have said on one or more occasions that the revaluation act was only giving the old taxing system more rope with which to hang itself, and for that reason I have been in sympathy with it, because it was opening up to view of the general public the inequalities and corruption wrapped up therein.

I was somewhat surprised to know that only men of wealth had a voice in a country professedly under republican, or as Mr. Price would say, under a democratic form of government. Since when have we fallen from the boasted heights of freedom of speech and press? Have we, since "making the world safe for democracy," founded on the rocks of imperialism and set up an aristocracy of wealth? That the question is vital to all citizens we admit, and for that reason should, we think, be discussed by all, but since only land owners have this right, according to Mr. Price, we throw up our hands.—Novus Homo.

REDWINE DENIES MONROE GROCERS ARE PROFITERS

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The least compensation of any business known.

Those Who Buy in Atlanta.

It was just a little over a year ago that some men in Monroe thought the retail grocermen were getting rich on them and decided they would put up a store of their own and divide the profits.

It is true there are people in Monroe who buy groceries in Atlanta. These same people will go to some store there that carries a very small stock in order to evade paying any tax and buy what they want, then they will pay cash for it and carry it to the depot, then have the Seaboard railway bring it to Monroe free of charge, then carry it home, while we Monroe merchants are taxed with a high freight rate in order to pay their profiteering salaries.

The same applies to Charlotte. You can see people get off the trains here with their arms full of bundles that they have paid cash for and don't mind carrying, while if a Monroe merchant insists on cash and asks them to carry their packages, they take it as an insult.

I dare say, if you have put in as much time at work for the past five years as the retail grocerman has, namely: 310 days a year, 12 to 15 hours a day, you have accumulated more than any retail grocerman in Monroe. But maybe you belong to the loafing class and will drive your car to a drug store on charged gasoline and then blow your horn until you are served a Coca-Cola on a silver platter by a high salaried clerk, then go home and order one pound of lard by telephone and have same delivered at your home, then expect your merchant to wait until it suits you to pay for it, if it suits you at all.

"The Notorious Miss Lisle." Katherine MacDonald, famed as the most beautiful woman in America, supported by a well known cast including Nigel Barrie, Dorothy Cummings, Ernest Joy, Margaret Campbell, and William Clifford, is the star of the latest First National attraction which comes to the Strand Theatre for one day Tuesday, entitled "The Notorious Miss Lisle."

Those who have read the book will delight in watching beautiful Katherine MacDonald realistically depict the romance of a girl who with a poignant past, marries a man who knew nothing of her notoriety.

FOUND — A Wrist watch, gold. The owner can get it by paying for this ad and by giving reward.—Lydia Laney, colored, 508 Gordon St.

Under the skillful direction of James Young, this human story is even more appealing on the screen than on the printed pages, from which it was pictured.

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Pasteurized MILK

Our milk, after being pasteurized, is free from deadly typhoid and tubercular germs. No milk inspector needed to verify this statement. Come yourself, and see the milk go through the pasteurization process.

Protect your child by using Hawn's milk. It costs no more than the other kind.

Quart 17c
Pint - 9c

DELIVERIES DAILY.

HAWN Ice Cream Co.

Special Notices

One cent a word each insertion.

KODAK FINISHING—What about those pictures you took during holidays? Now's a good time to have them developed. They will remind you of many pleasant moments. We give high quality, quick, reasonably priced service.—The Speed Cranks, Charlotte, N. C.

WANTED—To buy some good fresh milk cows, with the cash.—Helms & Williams, at R. C. Griffin & Brother's stable.

FOR SALE—No. 1 timothy hay, Goose Creek timothy, stover and cotton seed meal.—Helms & Williams, at R. C. Griffin and Bro.'s stable.

FOR SALE—Good six-room house in Wintate, near one of the best schools in the state; two-acre lot, barn, well, garage, granary, orchard, etc. Will sell this property for less than the improvements can be put on the land.

JUST RECEIVED—Fresh shipment good sound tobacco, 50 cents lb. retail, less by the box.—T. P. Redwine.

PIANO TUNING—We have many jobs ahead yet, but our tuners are nearer caught up with the tuning than they have been for the past two years; so they will be ready to serve you soon. We rebuild, tune and regulate pianos and players. Work guaranteed. Prices reasonable. Leave orders at Holloway's Music House, Monroe, N. C.

CONTRACT TO LET—On Thursday morning at 10 o'clock, Jan 27, we, the undersigned committee, will let the contract to the lowest bidder for the construction of the Mount Pleasant church. Plans and specifications are posted on the church grounds.—T. B. Davis, J. C. Broom, E. A. Knight, J. E. Davis, and H. E. Walden.

WANTED—A pair computing scales.—Monroe Garage & Mercantile Co.

WANTED—A lot of shelled corn—will not buy unless it is good and sound.—Smith-Lee Co.

NOTICE OF SALE—I will, on Friday, the 11th day of Feb., 1921, at 12 o'clock M., at the courthouse door in Monroe, offer for sale at public auction, one Chandler Club Roadster, 1917 model. This sale is made for the purpose of satisfying a lien on said car for repairs, the same being the property of W. E. Bailey; provided said lien is not satisfied before day of sale. This Jan. 21, 1921.—R. Sans.

BRICK FOR SALE—Phone 495-J.—E. C. Ingram.

BELK BROS

Cheapest Store on Earth

34 years in business

We have what we advertise and sell it for less every day

BAKER'S CASH STORE has changed hands again—To Mr. A. R. Deese, who has bought the store building, goods and fixtures. He will deal in dry goods, notions and general merchandise and produce under the firm name of A. R. Deese.

FOR SALE—Two good 1000-lb mare mules and practically new two-horse wagon. Terms to suit purchaser.—H. T. Benton.

FOR SALE—A 20 acre farm just outside the corporate limits of Monroe, in a high state of cultivation, 300 loads stable manure put on the place. Also 5-room house. Would exchange for other land.—Fowler & Lee.

FOR SALE—Good Jersey cow, to be fresh in few days.—F. D. Pressley, Unionville Route 2.

FOR RENT—Good two horse farm. Good pasture, orchard and meadows. Four miles east of Matthews in Sustar neighborhood. If interested, see me at Renfrow's Garage, Matthews, N. C.—H. T. Benton.

TAX NOTICE—All city tax past due, and if not paid by February 1st, 1 per cent per month will be added. Call early and oblige, yours very truly.—James McNeely, City Tax Collector.

SPRAY YOUR FRUIT TREES

THE AUTO-SPRAY NO. 1 HAS BEEN STANDARD FOR 17 YEARS AND OVER 450,000 ARE IN USE WITH EXPERIMENT STATIONS AND HORTICULTURISTS ALL OVER THE WORLD.

CONSTRUCTION: It consists of a solution tank holding about four gallons. The tank is made of galvanized steel or heavy sheet brass, as ordered. WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND THE BRASS BECAUSE IT WILL NOT CORRODE WITH STRONG SOLUTIONS AND WILL LAST INDEFINITELY.)

A brass air pump is located inside the solution tank protected from injury and is provided with our cam locking device which closes the filler opening air tight with a half turn of the wrist. The entire machine is made without screws or bolts and no tools of any kind are required to take it apart. The valves and washers resist oil and other solutions that attack rubber.

TO OPERATE: Remove pump with a half turn, fill tank two-thirds full of solution, replace pump and with a few stroke compress air on solution.

THEN DIRECT THE SPRAY.

Two pumpings will discharge contents.

USES: For spraying trees, shrubs, vines, field crops, green houses and poultry houses; for applying Paris Green, arsenate of lead, bordeaux, lime and sulphur emulsions, disinfectants, cattle-fly oil, whitewash, cold water paints, etc.

PRUNNING SAWS PRUNNING KNIVES

MONROE HARDWARE CO. WHOLESALE AND RETAIL PHONE No. 11

