

LET HIM WITHOUT SIN CAST THE STONE

Judge Oliver Allen, at Fayetteville, has thrown the strong arm of the law around a young woman in that community who, harkening to the voice of the tempter, had strayed into the primrose by-ways of life. Judge Allen said in effect what the Naragene said to the crimson woman before him in the dawn of christianity: "Go thou, and sin no more." And the man in the case is required to pay the expenses of his victim during her impending troubles. Society is too prone to condemn and make an outcast of the woman in a case of this kind while shutting its eyes to the turpitude of her partner, and welcoming him back into the fold. It is not right that one should suffer while the other goes on his way rejoicing. It is not right that the eye of scorn be turned upon the girl, and the world, with its cloak of righteousness about it, pass her by on the other side, while the action of the man, more culpable, perhaps in condoned as a part of the wild oats that youth must sow, and he is forgiven the fault for which the other must suffer a life-long punishment. "Let him who is without sin among you cast the first stone at her" — which would mean that there would be no mightier sinners cast. For sin in this world is as numerous as the pebbles in the sands cast up by the sea, and women have been accorded no exclusive exemption therefrom.

THE WORKING MAN AND HIGH LIVING COSTS

Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, has arraigned congress. Attorney General Palmer, the department of justice and everybody in general, except the labor party, for the high cost of living. Some of his points are well taken, while again he seems to miss the mark. Mr. Gompers makes the statement that "thousands of American working people have had little or no increase in income since 1914. That being the case, they have actually been compelled to accept a reduction in real wages of approximately 50 percent." It is to be taken for granted that Mr. Gompers, being at the head of organized labor, is well informed as to the pay of labor, but it will be news to most people to learn that thousands of American workmen have received little or no increase in pay since high prices set in. It is the universal belief that every American workman is receiving considerably more pay for his work than he received in 1914.

Mr. Gompers advocates the demand by labor that "control of credit capital be taken from private financiers and placed in the hands of a public trust, to be administered upon principles voluntary and co-operative in character." We must confess that this declaration or demand is so involved that we are left to grope after its meaning, but we suppose Mr. Gompers means by "credit capital" capital to loan out, and that the labor party would have the money of banks and other financial institutions taken out of the hands of private individuals, to be handled by the government. He says that the people's money should be handled upon principles "voluntary and co-operative in character," whatever that phrase may mean.

Why should not there be a plain admission by everybody (Mr. Gompers and the labor union included) that there is something radically wrong, but what it is no fellow can find out, except that all classes and conditions are more or less to blame. As we mentioned the above, Mr. Gompers is disposed to blame everybody except the laboring men for the troubles of the present time. One reason that is generally accepted as having much to do with the high cost of living is "under-production." What is the cause of under-production? A lack of work, of course. Who are the producers? The men and women who do the manual labor. It is well known that the main cry of the labor unions is more pay and less work. So, getting down to the last analysis, it would appear that the American working classes, both organized and unorganized, are really much to blame for the unrest and high cost of living.

A careful reading of a recent editorial by Mr. Gompers in the American Federationist, reveals considerable egotism and a disposition to claim all the wisdom and all the ability to remedy the present condition of affairs. Here is a fair sample: "The labor movement in its reconstruction program adopted in June, 1919, and in its declaration of December 13, 1919, has laid before the country constructive proposals for relief with which congress is familiar. The congress of the United States cannot say that it has not had laid before it suggestions for effective action by plans for relief. It can say only that it would not listen and would not act. Against the congress of the United States there rests an indictment which an alert electorate will not overlook."

We wonder if Mr. Gompers and his party would really improve conditions if they had full control of affairs and could apply all their reconstruction proposals. It is much to be doubted.

WHERE DID SUCH AN IMPRESSION COME FROM?

Says The Wilmington Dispatch: "There seems to be an impression abroad in North Carolina that the State Highway Commission is obstructing progress in highway building, rather than pursuing a constructive program. How about it, gentlemen?" Why ask? Certainly the impression did not get abroad as the result of anything the Highway Commission has told any of those who are striving to keep the impression alive. Furthermore, would that part of the press which prefers to trust to "impressions" to an investigation of the fact in the case accept the Highway Commission's word for whether it is pursuing a constructive program?

If any roads have been constructed through federal aid in North Carolina, it has been because of Highway Commission and not in spite of it, as some who have lingered overlong at the bull-fests of those determined to bring North Carolina out of the mud would seem to believe.

There are counties and sections in which any sort of a program other than one of speechmaking is impossible; but the program of the Highway Commission already provides for the construction of more good roads than some of the more vociferous champions of the fifty million dollar bond issue have ever seen. Under construction or let to contract now are thirty-six gravel and topsoil roads, 369 miles in length, to cost \$3,285,500; nineteen surface roads of 98 1-2 miles, to cost \$3,155,200, and one bridge for Wayne County, to be built at a cost of \$40,000.

The total of fifty-six projects now being handled by the Highway Commission do not, of course, represent all the good roads North Carolina should or will have; but they are enough to keep the commission mulling busy on a "constructive program" calculated to produce more actual miles of good roads than all the whooping it up contributed by all the agitating aggregation, many of them wholly irresponsible, who seem to consider it to their own and the State's interest to foster the impression that the commission is composed of obstructionists.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE COMES TO END MONDAY

Methodists To Bring Inspirational And Beneficial Gathering To A Close

After having been in session since Tuesday, the district conference of the pastors and laymen of the Methodist churches in the NEW BERN district, which has been in progress at Centenary Methodist church, comes to a close this afternoon and the visiting brethren will return to their homes. The attendance at the conference has been large and the interest manifested has been greater than has ever before been seen, and pastors and others who have attended have declared that the meeting has been a most beneficial one.

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HON. ROBT. N. PAGE MAKES SPEECH HERE

Candidate For Governor's Office Addresses The Local Voters

Hon. Robert N. Page, candidate for the nomination as governor of North Carolina, came down to NEW BERN Wednesday afternoon, after making an address before a large number of Kingston's residents, and Wednesday evening at the court-house made an interesting address before a large number of local ladies and gentlemen. Mr. Page is basing his candidacy for the governorship upon the plea that the office should be conducted in a business-like manner, and he told his hearers during the evening that he was against giving the place to any man as a sort of political reward for some service he had done the party or the people.

As an orator Mr. Page showed up very well. He has his subject thoroughly in hand and is able to present this to his hearers in an able and forceful manner, holding the attention of all who heard him.

Hon. Cameron Morrison spoke here several days ago, and Hon. O. Max Gardner will be the next and last of the aspirants for that office who will make an address here, he coming to NEW BERN next Monday night.

GAS PLANT HERE IS NOW A MODERN ONE

The Management Adds Large Amount New Machinery— Giving Good Service

Many improvements have recently been made in the plant of the New Bern Gas and Fuel Company in this city, and while the service being rendered to local patrons at the present time is far better than has ever before been the case, Manager S. W. Brown states that the company is by no means through with its work, and will be constantly making improvements and additions to their plant.

In the course of the past few months, thousands of dollars worth of new machinery has been installed, new buildings have been erected, and the volume and quality of the product manufactured there has been increased and improved.

U. C. V. of North Carolina ROUND TRIP FARES

NORFOLK SOUTHERN R. R. Round trip tickets on sale on basis of two cents per mile in each direction, May 28-31. Final limit for return June 5, 1920. For information, apply to Norfolk Southern ticket agent, or write to J. F. DALTON, G. P. A., 25 to May 31 Norfolk, Va.

TERRIBLY SWOLLEN

uffering Described As Torture Relieved by Black-Draught.

Rossville, Ga.—Mrs. Kate Lee Able, of this place, writes: "My husband is an engineer, and once while lifting, he injured himself with a piece of heavy machinery, across the abdomen. He was so sore he could not bear to press on himself at all, on chest or abdomen. He weighed 165 lbs., and fell off until he weighed 110 lbs., in two weeks. He became constipated and it looked like he would die. We had three different doctors, yet with all their medicine, his bowels failed to act. He would turn up a ten-cent bottle of castor oil, and drink it two or three days in succession. He did this yet without result. We became desperate, he suffered so. He was swollen terribly. He told me his suffering could only be described as torture. I sent and bought Theford's Black-Draught. I made him take a big dose, and when it began to act he fainted, he was in such misery, but he got relief and began to mend at once. He got well, and we both feel he owes his life to Theford's Black-Draught. Theford's Black-Draught will help you to keep fit, ready for the day's work. Try it! NC-131

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NEW FARM SUPPLY STORE TO OPEN SOON

Management Announces July 1 As Date For Starting Operations

Mr. B. O. Jones, who is to be the manager of the NEW BERN Farmers Supply Store, stated today that the company would be in readiness to throw their place open to the public on or about July 1st, and that the stock of goods for this establishment were daily being received and will be placed in their new home, the former Hackburn stores, on Pollock street, in the course of the next two or three weeks.

REV. RAYMOND BROWNING PAYS CITY A BRIEF VISIT

Evangelist Well Known Here Comes To Attend Methodist District Conference

Rev. Raymond Browning, who is remembered as having assisted in a great revival meeting held in this city a few years ago, was among the visitors here on Wednesday, and addressed the Methodists attending the conference at Centenary Methodist church.

Dr. Browning is conducting a revival meeting at Trenton and this is proving of much interest to the people of that place and the surrounding section.

NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain deed of trust executed by Hilliard Morton to Z. Z. Grantham, trustee, bearing date of February 7th, 1918, recorded in book No. 220, folio 188, of the public records in office of register of deeds for Craven county, defunct, being made in the payment of the debt thereby secured and the owner thereof having requested that said deed of trust be foreclosed for the purpose of paying said debt. Now therefore, in compliance with the terms and stipulations of said contract as aforesaid, the undersigned will expose for sale at public vendue, to the highest bidder for cash, at the court house door in the city of New Bern, Craven county, North Carolina, on Monday, the 1st day of June, 1920, at the hour of 12 o'clock p. m., all the following described real estate, to-wit: A one-sixth undivided interest in and to the following land, to-wit: All that certain tract or parcel of land lying and being situated in the county of Craven, North Carolina, adjoining the lands formerly belonging to Gaston Wetherington, died, Hilliamme and others, bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the run of Swift creek, on Butler's Ford road, and runs towards Piney Neck road, the various courses of Butler Ford road, 185 poles to a ditch, thence N. 74 west with the said ditch 13 poles to a gum; thence south 72 west 12 poles to a stake on a ditch; thence north 2, west 5 poles to Dogwood, the beginning corner of Gaston Wetherington's land; thence south 55 west 5 poles to a pine stump; thence south 76 2-4 east 41 poles to a stake; thence 54 2-4 east to the run of Swift creek; thence up the run of the said creek with the various courses to the beginning, containing 32 1-2 acres, more or less. It being the same land conveyed by Susan Martin alias Susan Moton to said Hilliard Morton et al, by deed bearing date of March 1st, 1918, and recorded in the public records in office of register of deeds for said Craven county in book No. 219, folio 111, to which reference is hereby made. This 8th day of May, 1920. R. O'HARA, Attorney. 5-6-one month.

GARDNER STANDS FOR ALL PEOPLE



O. MAX GARDNER WILL GIVE BETTER SERVICE

Hon. George A. Holderness, Tarboro, chairman of the appropriations committee of the State Senate, farmer, leading live stock raiser, banker and broad-visioned citizen, says:

"After deliberate consideration of the claims of the candidates for the Democratic nomination for governor, and adverted to the claims of other candidates, I am firmly convinced that Hon. O. Max Gardner will give North Carolina better service as governor than any other candidate—therefore I am supporting Max Gardner for governor. Max Gardner has made a record, in youth, in college, in private life and in public life that commends not only my support, but that of every voter.

"Gardner combines the rare qualities of a scientific and practical farmer, sound business judgment and seasoned legislative experience. His record in both private and public life appeals to me and should appeal to me and should appeal to every voter. I am firmly convinced that if North Carolina voters desire—

- "A governor who is a progressive farmer—
"A governor who is a successful business man—
"A governor who has vision—
"A governor who has courage—
"A governor who has initiative—
"A governor who will serve all the people—
"Then—every voter in the State should cast his ballot for O. Max Gardner for governor."

Vote for O. Max Gardner for Governor "Equipped for the Office"

HEAR HIM AT THE COURT HOUSE MONDAY, MAY 31, AT 8 P. M.

ATTENTION DEMOCRATS! Public Speaking Hon. O. Max Gardner OF SHELBY, N. C. Democratic Candidate for Governor will address the Democracy of Pamlico County at the Court House Bayboro, N. C. MONDAY MAY 31st. AT 11 O'CLOCK A. M. Barbecue, Basket Pic-nic ORIENTAL BRASS BAND Bring the Ladies, The Children, Your Neighbors C. L. SPENCER & SON (Inc.) PHONE 150