

TODAY and TOMORROW

MARGINAL

questioned

We have been hearing a lot in late years about "marginal lands" and the folly of farming them.

Around my country home in the Berkshires there are plenty of farms which any economist would class as "marginal."

MINES swimming hole

Last Sunday I drove over to York State, past the remnants of a distinctly "marginal" enterprise.

The old Williams iron mine is full of water now. Local tradition has it that there is no bottom.

Unlike a marginal farm, nobody can get a living out of a marginal iron mine.

CHANGE Will Come

Any plan of social-economic planning which would fix everything as it is would be silly.

A mile from my farm is the old Freelyville marble quarry, which produced most of the fine building stone for the Eastern cities when I was a boy.

Up to five years ago we were shipping a quarter of a million dollars worth of lime every year.

One of the reasons why I have little faith in the permanency of any plan of building model towns around particular industries is that I have seen too many communities fall into decay when the march of progress moves in another direction.

MEN Some Marginal

I wonder if a good deal of world's troubles is not due so much to "marginal" agriculture and "marginal" industry, as to what might be called "marginal men."

I meet a lot of them. In a crowd they pass for average, intelligent human beings. Individually, there is something lacking.

PACIFISM Old Warrior

In my youth it was every American boy's ambition to be a soldier. We felt—we did not have to be taught—that the noblest purpose to which a citizen could devote his life was to fight for his native land and its ideals.

Today I am often aghast at the expressions of contempt for national honor and the duty of citizens to fight for it, which I hear from young men.

I have no particular respect for the national philosophies of Germany, Italy and Japan, but I believe their respective dictators have the right idea for the preservation of their countries, when they bring up every boy to be a soldier.

MALADY ATTACKS HORSES

Boise, Idaho.—Something like 500 horses in five counties have died from an epidemic brain disease within the past few weeks.

The Story of the Constitution

VII — THE SUPREME COURT AND ITS POWER

The need for a Federal Judiciary was apparent to all the delegates to the Convention of 1787. The earlier attempts at an effective Federation had been handicapped by the lack of any court having jurisdiction outside its own State.

The number of Justices of the Supreme Court is not fixed by the Constitution. Originally there were seven. The number was increased to nine in the administration of President Grant.

The power of the Federal Judiciary, in the language of the Constitution, extends "to all cases, in law and equity, arising under this Constitution, the laws of the United States, and treaties."

The great power of the Supreme Court derives from its duty of interpreting the Constitution. That it might exercise that power to declare an act of Congress unconstitutional was foreseen, and accepted as a matter of course, by the framers of the Constitution.

It has been largely through this power of interpretation by the Supreme Court that the power of the

Federal Government has grown from its early beginnings. Instead of constant amendment, to meet the inevitable social and economic changes brought about by the passage of time, the Constitution has been kept in mid-channel of the current of events through successive interpretations of its intent by the Supreme Court.

In the exercise of its duty to test all laws by the standard of the Constitution, the Supreme Court, in its 146 years of existence, has passed upon 24,016 public laws enacted by the Congress. In only 59 cases have laws been declared unconstitutional, and 27 of those decisions were unanimous.

The Supreme Court never acts on its own initiative. It passes only upon cases brought before it by litigants, generally on appeal from the lower courts. And when it decides that a law is unconstitutional its decision is, in effect, a declaration that Congress has tried to do something that runs contrary to the will of the people, as expressed in the document under which Congress, the President and the Court itself derive their powers.

The Supreme Court itself has no power to enforce its decision. They are, in effect, self-enforcing, for they are recognized by every court in the land, Federal or State, as by Congress and the Executive, as the final word on the question at issue. When the Supreme Court declares a law unconstitutional, that law ceases to exist.

Next Week — The Rights of the States.

SEMORA NEWS

Miss Lonla Thacker who is visiting Mrs. T. M. Allen spent the week-end with Mrs. J. J. Chandler of Blanche, N. C.

Miss Nan Owen spent the week-end with Miss Annie Mae Burton, Milton, Route 1.

Mrs. C. J. Owen had as her guest Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher McDonald and Mrs. Minzees of Reidsville and Miss Sarah Stonestreet of St. Leo's Hospital, in Greensboro, N. C.

Miss Claud Thomas and Mrs. Stonestreet and daughters, Misses Mary, Nellie, Martha and Myrtle Stonestreet, of Winston Salem. They had picnic dinner which was enjoyed by all.

Miss Onnie May Burton and Frances Chandler, were guests of Nan Owen Sunday.

Mrs. T. M. Allen, Blanche Owen, Gladys Barker and Hugh McAden-motored to Danville Monday.

C. G. Chandler, Jr., of Roxboro, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Chandler Sunday.

Misses Mary, Agnes and Maude Jones were joint hostess to a party of young people Thursday evening at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Jones. A Brunswick stew, apple roasting and watermelon feast was enjoyed. Contests and games were played, the merry crowd had a fine time and declared Misses Jones most delightful hostesses and hoped soon to have another such treat.

NEW RACKET

Oakland, Md.—Racketeers are already using the old age pension law to mulct the gullible. Officials are looking for two young men who collected \$2,000 from several persons on the promise to obtain old age pensions for them.

"WOMAN" SHOOT'S MARSHAL Rosalla, Washington.—When Town Marshal Bert Lemley attempted to apprehend robbers in the Bank of Rosalla, he was fatally shot from behind by a yegg disguised in woman's clothing.

NOTES AND COMMENTS

Going for mail that hasn't arrived is a tiresome process.

Many a man has been lucky to get a wife who doesn't like spinach.

The tragedy of the world, to small boys, is that the home team lost.

The man who does his work on time, all the time, has plenty of time.

A partisan is a man who thinks those who disagree with him are rogues.

Unless the world tells Mussolini where to head in he will go into Ethiopia.

Trade in Roxboro and you will be doing yourself an indirect favor.

A wise newspaper man knows that half of the "news" he gets is propaganda.

Looking ahead may be interesting but looking behind often more profitable.

Our idea of futility: Trying to dope out elections a year ahead of the voting.

The best way to get your share of the wealth of the country is to work hard for it.

So far as we know there are few veterans who do not favor liberal pensions for veterans.

According to Rear Admiral William S. Sims, Retired, the Navy is all wrong. Wonder if the Admiral couldn't tell the world what's the matter with it?

People who are now wondering whether to buy stocks or not might

take our advice and hang on to the coin.

Will Rogers deserves a wreath on account of the uniform cleanness of the things he said and the shows he was in.

Personally, we are sorry to see the nation divide along group or sectional lines but politics are that way, too often.

Correct this sentence: "When I was a young man the girls were crazy about me and I had a great time with them."

People usually pay for what they want and the assumption is that you don't want The Courier unless you pay for it.

Delinquent Tax Sale By The Town Of Roxboro 1933-34 Tax

On September 2nd, 1935, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the town office in Roxboro, N. C., the Town of Roxboro will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, the following described real property situated in said town for delinquent ad valorem taxes duly assessed and levied thereon for the fiscal year 1933-34; the amounts shown on the following list indicates the original amount of tax, to which will be added the penalties provided by law and the cost.

Table listing property owners and amounts for delinquent taxes, including entries for Old Corporation (White) and New Corporation (White).

Table listing property owners and amounts for delinquent taxes, including entries for O'Brian, Bettie A. 1 lot Depot St. 33.66, and others.

OLD CORPORATION (Colored)

Table listing property owners and amounts for delinquent taxes, including entries for Bailey, James, 1 lot Factory St. 9.56, and others.

NEW CORPORATION (White)

Table listing property owners and amounts for delinquent taxes, including entries for Barnett, Mrs. B.K. 1 lot Hwy 44 Brooks, 1.92, and others.

Table listing property owners and amounts for delinquent taxes, including entries for Winstead, S. G. 59 acres Satterfield place, 71.62, and others.

Advertisement for Zeeta Aching Feet Relief, featuring a woman's image and text: "Aching Feet Relief in 3 minutes or money refunded."

Large advertisement for Chesterfield cigarettes, featuring a woman's image and text: "Welding... the best way to make a perfect union of two pieces of metal is by welding them together. Chesterfield... the cigarette that's Milder. Chesterfield... the cigarette that TASTES BETTER."

Advertisement for Dan Valley Mills flour, featuring text: "'Your Daily Bread' It won't be long now until tobacco will be coming to market, and then will come the task and responsibility of purchasing supplies for winter. No more important on the list than the selection of the family flour. Many were disappointed in their purchases last winter. Cheap flour is always expensive. Money is never wasted in buying good flour. ASK FOR DeSoto Silver Leaf White Rose Try A Sack Before Buying Your Supply. All Guaranteed We Exchange Flour for wheat, but only to the farmer Dan Valley Mills Danville, Virginia"