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UNENFORCEABLE LAWS.

Every municipality must have a code of laws, by which its citizens are to be governed, and hardly a single municipality but which has laws that are not enforced, than it has laws which are put into faithful execution upon offenders, regardless of their social or financial status in the community.

The unenforceable law may be termed the law which could legally be put into effect, but which an acquiescent public sentiment deems shall not be enforced and every Mayor, Chief of Police, and even the policeman on duty, knows exactly the local sentiment, and passes by those who may violate these laws, of the non-enforceable character, and it does not need any public announcement in the local newspaper to give notice what these non-enforceable laws are.

But while every municipality has such laws, there is no cessation in creating new laws and ordinances, which in turn will fall dead immediately after their enactment. These laws which may be for the restriction, amelioration, or the absolute removal of some local abuse or offense against public morals and decency, arouse many workers for their enactment, yet these same workers once they have secured the passage of the law, are the people who will sit quietly by and see the law become an unenforceable one, because of a lax sense of public sentiment, which for some reason has become indifferent on the matter, for which the very law was passed to govern and control.

The public sentiment which dislikes the stringent enforcement of every local enactment is not peculiar to any one municipality, it is to be found everywhere, in a degree, yet the growth of this sentiment which excuses so easily the non-enforcement of the law in special instances, is a most dangerous growth, as it leads to the escape of guilty persons who deserve the full sentence of the law, yet escape because of the previous and growing laxity of the enforcement of just laws in minor cases.

GOOD ROADS AN EDUCATIONAL FEATURE.

The fact that the commissioners of Craven county see fit to neglect the roads of this county, and the city of New Bern accepts from its tax payers five or six thousands dollars yearly, which is spent in filling up old holes, that make new ones, and throw out thousands upon thousands of bushels of oyster shells, which are ground into powder, made into mud by rains, and then carted away to give place to another layer of shells, proves that the people in this neighborhood of county and city, do not recognize that good roads are as much a local educational feature, as are good schools.

Several thousand dollars were spent a few years ago in building a stretch of roadway some three miles in length; leading from this city towards Bellair, a section over which a good deal of country produce enters this city.

This road lies neglected today, while the commissioners send the convicts from this county to work on roads of other counties. Why could not these convicts be kept and put to work keeping up this piece of roadway, already constructed, and so have at least this much of good roads in the county?

As for the city, every tax payer knows that the money now expended on this city's streets, is so much money uselessly and wastefully thrown into the street, yet there is no effort made to spend this money effectively, that is, build a road each year that will stand, and so accumulate in a few years, miles of good roads, which will be kept up, and be first class highways.

When the people of Craven county, and the city of New Bern learn the educational value of good roads, and then construct such roads, there will be a great advance in the prosperity of this community, an advance in property and material values, far exceeding the money or time that may be spent in the work of getting the roads.

WHAT STANDS FOR A LOCAL PUBLIC SENTIMENT?

Public sentiment is capricious. It is not only so as expressed on the street corners, but it is equally so at the ballot box, and never more capricious than in local affairs.

The election in New Bern this spring proves this, if the publicly expressed criticism locally and abroad, is to be judged as indicative of this sentiment.

The election at the primary in April, and the regular election in May, 1905, were in a milder degree run upon those principles which carried for prohibition in July, 1904, and the reversal of the vote shows a corresponding laxity or indifference on the part of the voters of this city, as to the strict carrying out of the principles of prohibition, which so large a number voted for last year.

That this is so, was immediately seen on the night of the April primary, in this city, when the result of the vote was known. "Why, New Bern goes wet," was the exclamation. And yet this in no way reflects upon the character of a single representative who was named for public office in this city for the next two years.

To assert that Mayor Patterson and the present aldermen, favor liquor selling, or liquor drinking as it may be secured, would be a gross injustice to these gentlemen, for to assert, with the present local laws governing liquor traffic, would make these public officials willful violators of their oath of office, and not a citizen could think, let alone express such a charge.

Then it may be asked, why the expression quoted above, as being applicable to New Bern, under the present city administration? Is it not the change in public sentiment, which has so radically changed since the election last July? or is it the poorly concealed hope, that a change of administration might mean a less strict ruling upon laws, which the public does not want enforced?

If this be the sentiment of a majority of the citizens of New Bern, why not be honest in the matter. Why not openly declare for a wet town, for so-called "wide open" conditions and permit those in authority to so act in the matter, instead of placing them in authority with laws to be enforced, which their oaths of office demand they shall fulfill and so handicap their every official act. The law declares for such action, but public sentiment says it is not important to construe the law literally, perhaps not at all.

The citizens of New Bern have declared for prohibition, and the law is in force. Is the local public sentiment so capricious that it refuses to faithfully adhere to its vote of a few months ago, and is it willing to stigmatize its present city administration as being knowingly against the law?

Terrific Race With Death.

"Death was fast approaching," writes Ralph F. Fernandez, of Pampa, Fla., describing his fearful race with death, "as a result of liver trouble and heart disease, which had robbed me of sleep and of all interest in life. I had tried many different doctors and several medicines, but got no benefit, until I began to use Electric Bitters, until I began to feel like a new man, and today I am cured of all my troubles." Guaranteed by all druggists; price 5c.

The strike situation in Chicago seems to be growing worse and troops may be ordered out.

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VERDICT AGAINST S. A. I.

In Burning To Death Case at Hamlet.

Case Tried Under Amended Charter. Wet Board at Hillsboro. Arrested For Emigrating Negroes. Arrested For House Burning.

Raleigh, May 5.—The jury returned a verdict for \$5,000 damages against the Seaboard Air Line this evening in the case of Pegrum vs Seaboard Air Line for the burning to death of Jno. H. Wilson in the Hamlet cotton compress fire in 1902. The suit was for \$35,000 and on the ground that a fire started from sparks thrown by a wood burning engine during the coal strike period that wood burners were used on the main line of the Seaboard. The Seaboard has won two previous damage suits, one by the insurance companies, already affirmed in the Seaboard's favor by the Supreme court and Cunningham and Hinshaw of Liverpool, England vs Seaboard, for \$27,000 worth of cotton burned. This latter is still pending on appeal.

Governor Glenn appoints R. N. Haelt of Wilkesboro state's proxy and director of the Wilkesboro-Jefferson Turnpike Co. to succeed Col. P. M. Pearsall, resigned. The governor says the turnpike, which is between Wilkesboro and Jefferson is within four miles of the top of the Blue Ridge mountain, now and the work is being pushed rapidly. A well financed syndicate, he says has been looking over the road recently with a view to purchasing it and constructing in connection with it a good electric line both for passengers and for developing the lumber interests which are among the finest in the country.

The very first case that was tried in the new police justice court, just established under the amended city charter is to constitute a test case to determine the constitutionality of the new court, the contention being that the police justice is given unconstitutional authority in the trial of misdemeanors John Duffy was fined \$25 for selling wine. Heretofore the mayor has had to bind such offenders over to superior court but in this case the police justice imposed the fine and the defendant has given an appeal bond.

Superintendent Boone of the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville is spending the day here and says there are now three hundred children being cared for in the institution. There is not a case of sickness.

Hillsboro has just elected a "wet" board of aldermen who announce their intention to license two saloons. The former board would not grant licenses and made the town dry.

Michael Freeman, the emigration agent who was arrested here for employing negro laborers to carry them out of the State without having State and county license, the tax being \$200, is still in jail here unable to give the \$500 bond that is required before he will be released on bail. A warrant has been received from Johnston county on a similar charge and should he give the bond here he would be immediately re-arrested on the Johnston warrant. It develops that he has engaged 150 or more negroes.

Saved By Dynamite.

Sometimes, a flaming city is saved by dynamiting a space that the fire can't cross. Sometimes, a cough hangs on so long, you feel as if nothing but dynamite would cure it. Z. T. Gray, of Calhoun, Ga., writes: "My wife had a very aggravated cough, which kept her awake nights. Two physicians could not help her; so she took Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, which eased her cough, gave her sleep, and finally cured her." Strictly scientific cure for bronchitis and La Grippe. At all drug stores, price 50c and \$1.00; guaranteed. Trial bottle free.

Gallilee.

Farm work is being pushed very rapidly now. The frost did a lot of damage here.

Mr. R. C. Wayne is working at Goose Creek on the railroad.

Miss Lilla Wayne stuck a reed in her foot which has been giving her a good deal of trouble. She can just take a step on it now.

The Sunday school will have a Children's Day sometime in June.

Rev. T. W. Tyndal filed his regular appointment here Sunday.

We have had a protracted meeting, conducted by Revs. Tyndal, Outlaw, and Mosburn. Brother Tyndal was compelled to leave on account of sickness, after preaching a sermon on trust. The meeting lasted two weeks.

Mr. G. A. Everington, who has been quite sick, is improving.

Mr. Alfred Gaskins, and two daughters passed through here Sunday.

Mr. C. L. Wayne went to Olympia Monday.

Mr. J. W. Everington had five swarms of bees last Sunday morning. The Sunday School Convention will sit at Gallilee church next Sunday morning at ten o'clock.

Punta Gorda Florida.

May 2. May came in lovely, all that one could ask for so far as pretty weather is concerned. Today is fair and warm, wind northwesterly.

Punta Gorda is booming onward slowly but surely. We believe in the near future she will double her population. Several new parties have moved here lately, bought property and settled. The last one is a Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Robins and family from Ohio.

Though the big hotel is closed for the season visitors from the north and west continue to come and go.

Several fine pleasure steam yachts from the north are in our waters, the parties are yet engaged in the Tarpon fishing, many ladies are among the parties. They hunt and fish and have great sport. Some of the ladies are expert hunters and fishers. One lady from Ohio hooked a large Tarpon last Thursday and after half an hour hard pull succeeded in landing the king, which weighed 112 lb. Another lady shot a bald eagle on the wing with a Spencer rifle. She brought Mr. Eagle to the dust and seemed as unconcerned as a goose barefooted.

The trucking season is nearly over for this season, though a few are yet shipping vegetables.

The only drawback now is the scarcity of fish. Very few have been found in these waters in the last two months. Last and this week the mullets seem to be coming in again. Capt. Dan Ward caught and brought in yesterday 1800 mullets which he sold for 3c each. Mr. Edgar Morton and crew brought in 450 lbs Pompano at same time, the first Pompano caught lately. The cause is the late cool spring and easterly winds. Some of the fishermen have quit fishing and gone to work at other work.

Mr. Sol Garner, Johnny Adams, Henry Caston, Rigdon Weeks, and some other "Tar Heels" are working at the carpenter trade now.

We saw a Capt. Adams last week just from the Isthmus of Panama where he had been to carry a load of cross ties from his state, Maine. He said hundreds of Americans were weekly landed there to work on canal and railroad across the Isthmus. The work was progressing fast, they had, when he left 3 weeks ago, dug 128,000 cubic yards for the canal and were laying a double track railroad across, distance 39 miles. The Capt. said they paid him 18c each freight, for cross ties and the wages paid to men was from .125 to .45 per day. He said they had in operation now 8 steam shovels and were going to get 100 more soon.

The new depot here is completed and one new artesian well is finished, another is to be dug soon. Depth of this one 278 ft. The depot is a daisy and a credit to Punta Gorda.

Ye scribbles is still grunting and hobbling about on three legs. Guess he will be more particular in the future how he feels with young kids.

There was a sad death here yesterday morning in the death of Mrs. W. H. Underhill, a young woman of note aged 25 years, leaving an infant 2 weeks old. She was a prominent lady had been married about 2 years. Her husband is a lively stable keeper here. This makes 5 deaths in Punta Gorda in 2 months past, more than in 3 years before. Two died from child birth, one from old age general debility one from blood poison and the other a child 10 months old from bowel trouble.

The first water melons ripe came in market yesterday May 1st. They sold for 6c per pound. The largest weighed 23 lbs.

Some green corn roasting ears are seen on the market today, selling for 7c per doz. ears. New Irish potatoes retail from stores at 50c per pk. Beets 5c lb, Squash 30c doz, as to size, Tomatoes 20c basket of half gallon, cucumbers 10c doz, Onions 2c lb, Strawberries 20c qt, Egg Plant 50c doz, sweet potatoes 1 qt per bushel, Okra 10c qt, Pepper 30c pk, Oranges 25c doz, Grape Fruit 50c doz, Langerine like oranges, Pineapple 5c lb, Celery 20c bunch, about 4 in bunch, Eggs 20c doz, chickens from 25c to 75c each, fresh hog meat 15c lb, Beef 13c lb. Beans green 10c qt, and so on. Guess we'll stop wishing much success to the Journal and hoping to see all the force before we are twice more married, as we expect to come to N. C. soon. Kind regards to all our friends in New Bern. C. B.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature on each box 25c.

Vice-President Tarbell of the Equitable Assurance Society, denied the report that he was to resign from the society and organize a new company with \$10,000,000 capital.

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Tuscarora.

May 4th. The weather is warm enough now and crops are growing and looking fine. Cotton chopping will start in a few days.

There was a union meeting held at Gethsemane church, beginning last Friday and lasting until Sunday. With a large attendance, and several preachers. Rev. W. W. Lewis of Beaufort addressed the meeting Sunday.

Mr. Joseph Smith of Morehead City, spent last week with his sister, Mrs. W. A. Adams of this place.

Mrs. Celia Wetherington of New Bern has been here several days visiting friends.

Fishing is the favorite sport now in this neighborhood.

Mr. John Atkins went fishing Monday and caught fifteen cat fish and three rockfish, and it is said that one of them weighed twenty-seven pounds. [Oh, my!]

Mr. James Ellis lost a fine bird dog this week. He had been sick some time and it was feared that the animal was going mad, but it turned out to be a cancer of the mouth.

Honey Dew.

Brick Kiln. May 3rd. We are having a little rain today, which is nice for the plants. Our farmers are right well up with their work. Some have finished planting cotton and have commenced chopping corn.

Messrs Amos Bell and Stephen Howard spent Sunday at Little Hill, but returned home all safe.

Mr. Fields Humphrey visited at Loco Sunday. There must be some special attraction over there for him as he was "all smiles" when he returned.

We learn that one of our boys intended visiting at Deppe Sunday, but tried to go a near way and got on the wrong road and went to "Oak Ridge" and had to turn back. X.

Wards Mill.

May 3. We are writing from Swansboro. Miss Lillian Bender, Mrs. Tobie Wynn Mrs. Minnie Baggett and our worthy self are taking in the Sunday School and Baptist Conventions, all to the Methodist series of meetings.

Messrs. Lewis Fonville and Sammie Farnell came back from the convention at Swansboro Saturday.

Mr. Julian Bender of Pollockville was a welcome visitor in this section lately.

Miss Lillian Bender has a very pretty conservatory, full of the most beautiful roses and other flowers.

Mr. B. F. Willis, who has been sick is improving.

Swansboro is all right, beautifully located, and at this time overflowing with female loveliness. Many people are here now and what with sails and naphtha launch rides, ice cream, lemonade and good eatings, it is doubtful whether your Wards Mill correspondent ever returns to his home again or not. GEN.

Olivers.

May 4. We are having some very rainy weather now.

All crops are nice, farmers are having a fine time to set out tobacco and they are taking advantage of the weather.

There is a good deal of sickness in our neighborhood. Measles are raging, school has stopped on account of them. Miss Lulu Maidis, the school teacher, and Master Joe Duval has the disease at this writing.

There was a picnic at Olivers Landing last week or rather a fish fry. Some report a good time and a plenty to eat. Among them were Messrs. J. C. Parker, Huiry Pollock, Alex McDaniel and others.

Messrs. B. R. and B. F. Henderson made a flying trip to Trenton yesterday to hear from the election. They say good roads by a majority.

Best wishes to the Journal. STAR.

Communicated.

LaGrange, N. C., May 1st.

Perhaps these few words will be appreciated by some of the readers of the "Dear Old Journal." Today is a day of much importance to some of our townsmen, as it is election day here and some one will surely be elected, whether the right one be elected or not, I am unable to say, sorry to hear of so much sickness at and near Harlowe, as it was once the home of the writer. Glad to see a few lines penned by the writer at Winthrop Mills, as I have spent many pleasant hours there. I extend my best wishes to all my friends at the Mill and community at large. There are any amount of other actions there for me, though I don't see them very often. I would ever enjoy a mail on the grand old "Nessee."

This is the month of flowers. Almost everything is now robed in either red, yellow, white or orange. How well nature does its duty, while we poor insignificant creatures dread to perform our domestic duties.

Pean, potatoes and strawberries are in prime now, with small cabbage to change the diet of we people. The recent cold did not do a great deal of damage here. For amusements, we have a picnic every Saturday. They promise a good show and fry, but the show very skillfully evades the picnic. A good idea for the fish.

I suppose as the columns will be full without this, as with best wishes for all, I will close.

C. L. E.

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