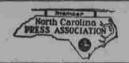
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A TAX PROGRAM

MACON County, along with many other local government units in North Carolina, faces a perplexing financial To the Editor:problem. Tax delinquencies are mounting at an alarming rate with the consequence that the county has been forced Burningtown brethren are still band of people elected and installed use it should be dark brown and the water. The nuts should reto default on its bonds.

If the county attempts to force the collection of back tion went off. I think we should solemnly promise this church, each taxes by public sale, it will have to bid in much of the about it. Hoover is not to blame to be true to Christ in all things. deep located in a well ventilated iches deep in rich, well drained in property, thereby removing it from the tax books. On the for this oppression, neither can We promise that we shall protect basement, cellar or out-building. soil. other hand, if the county continues to allow back taxes to Roosevelt better it. Sin has caused this church against false doctrines, Do not let a draft blow across pile up year after year, there will be little liklihood of ever the would practice the Gold-trines and covenant of this church be kept at about 55 degrees durcollecting them, and bond arrearages will continue to in- en Rule, that would bring things at all times. We further promise ing the growing and bearing period. Answer: There is no way to de the crease. Postponement of tax sales only means piling up right. "Do unto all men as we that we will not stand for leaders Spread the spawn over the beds termining quality in baby chicks. after more trouble for another evil day. Delay is an evasion, not will make things right. a solution.

If the county continues to default on its bonds, it most Franklin, N. C., certainly will lose its credit, thereby closing the door to any refinancing plan. Such a policy eventually would place us at the mercy of our creditors, the bondholders.

A constructive program of dealing with the county's tax predicament is sorely needed. Such a program necessarily must embrace a plan by which unfortunate delinguents may redeem tax surrendered property.

In this connection it is interesting to note that such a plan is proposed by the State Tax Commission in its recent from Albany in The Sun this mornreport to Governor Gardner.

"We submit for consideration of the General Assembly," the Commission states, "the recommendation that the original owner be permitted to redeem property already sold for taxes and bid in by counties or municipalities upon an amortization basis, that is by partial payments distributed over a period of five years, and conditioned upon the payment of the annual current tax plus the annual instalment with interest on back taxes. We believe that a general plan can be worked out on this basis which will not encourage further delinquency, but which will encourage and facilitate redemption of surrenreded properties.'

Such a plan, we believe, would be eminently fair, both to the tax delinquent and to the individual who has paid his but Mr. Harding and Mr. Coolidge taxes. As the situation now stands, Macon County taxes are unfairly burdensome on those who can and do pay and prohibitive for those who would like to but cannot pay. The county's recent financial report showed \$155,121,91 in uncollected taxes through 1931. If this money could be collected, taxes could be greatly reduced for all. If old inchoate body as Congress ever will delinquents are permitted to continue, the tax burden will be correspondingly increased.

WE MAKE A RESOLUTION

T IS the policy of this newspaper not to reprint unsigned communications, but due to the circumstances in this instance the editor reproduces the following letter by way of acknowledgement:

> Franklin, N. C. December 30, 1933.

Dear Sirs:-

-Whether due to the weak minds of your corresondents or the inability of your office workmen there have been several mistakes in your PERSONAL column. See if you can correct those.

(Someone who sees a NEED of improvement in THE FRANKLIN PRESS.)

It pains us as much as it does our readers to see mistakes in our favorite weekly newspaper. What is even more discomforting is our inability to think up a good ex- to interfere with him

Anyhow, a new year is here and we firmly resolve to do better.

PLEASE MAKE IT SHORT

TORTH Carolina's General Assembly again is in session and before it are problems even weightier than those which confronted that body two years ago. The 1931 Legislature remained in session nearly six months and its record for endurance was about its only notable accomplishment Most folks felt that it would have done better to have called it quits in sixty days.

It would be nothing less than disastrous for the lawmakers now sitting to emulate their predecessors of two years ago. Even if they make a few mistakes, it would be far better for them to handle the state's affairs expeditiousand call it a day. But, in our humble opinion, mistakes n a short, orderly, business-like session than

ed, disorderly, unbusiness-like semion.

Letter-Press

WHY MR. DEAN GOT HET UP

To the Editor:-As I am the man that Mr. Dean charges with voting illegally in Burningtown, I will just tell the a place here in October, 1931, and tendance in all departments. had no other home. I was in the Macon County) I had bought.

Mr. Dean did challenge my vote, cordially invited. as he stated, but when Mr. Byrd The B. Y. P. U.'s will meet at said just let them both vote. What 7:45. The subject for the eve- material. man (the Republican) voted Demo- Judgment.

and always will.

W. R. ROWLAND. January 2, 1933.

SIDELINE COMMENT

I see in three or four issues of the following pledge of office: The Press that some of our t all and we are to be blamed.

J. J. SMITH.

RESPONSIBILITY

talking of a plan to vest authority er and for the lost world that it in the President for a reorganiza- may be redeemed by the Blood of tion of the Government with the Jesus Christ, elimination of needless and expensive bureaus and the firing of useless job-holders. And a dispatch ng says Mr. Roosevelt has

indicated his readiness to assume complete responsibility for drastic reductions.

We have no information about the details of the reorganization contemplated, therefore no opinion upon it. But the declaration that Mr. Roosevelt is ready to assume omplete responsibility is a cheering note.

For there is no doubt that we greatly need somebody in Washington who is willing to assume responsibility. This matter of reorganization of the Government, for example is one that has been And led it straight to a waiting churches on circuit except at Salem hanging fire for a dozen years Everyone admits its desirability, decided that this somewhat difficult and dangerous work is not properly tional functions, and Mr. Hoover's proposals were characteristically postponed until just before the end of his term. Certainly no such effect reorganization without leadership. Some President will have to stretch the bounds of his authority if anything ever is done. The fact is the really big Presidents have always stretched the bounds of their authority. "Who will be responsible?" asked the shivering Cabinet when the matter of the removal of the deposits from was under discussion; and Andrew Jackson's answer: "I will assume the responsibility," sealed the doom of the bank. Lincoln's assumption of responsibility for relieving Sumter sealed the doom of secession. Wilson's assumption of the responsibility of severing diplomatic relations and recommending war sealed the doom of the Kaiser. And each of them got away with . Indeed, the mere fact that a President says: "It is my baby," and proceeds to act, usually delights the people to such an extent that they will permit nobody

Reorganization of the Government s important in that it ought to save a lot of money. But if we are to have a President who assumes responsibility, that is infinitely more important than any number of reorganizations.-THE BALTIMORE EVENING SUN

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends, reighbors, doctors and nurses for their help and many deeds of kindness shown us during the sickness and death of our mother. Also for the beautiful offerings.

MR. PIERCE DEAL, ALEX DEAL WILLIAM DEAL, MISS ELIZABETH DEAL, MISS CALLIE DEAL, MISS ANGIE DEAL. MRS. F. R. FULLBRIGHT MRS. WEAVER LANDRUM

Baptist Church Notes

BY REV. EUGENE R. ELLER

and one-half months, but I did throughout the week. The Sun not take up permanent residence day School will meet at 9:45. We here until January 14, 1932, and have been off just a little in atwhen I registered I told the regis- tendance. Let each teacher and trar just how it was. I had bought pupil work for an increased at-

house with my son (in Georgia) eleven o'clock. The pastor will tions which prospective growers until I could get the place (in preach on, John's Question and Jesus' Answer. The public is most in careful preparation of the com-

made John mad was that the other ning sermon will be, The Final

I am 67 years old and have al- service will be Wednesday evening dall. "Make the compost pile in ways voted the Democratic ticket at 7:30. This is a most important a well drained place where the from freshening date. ed by a large number.

The officers of the church and worship service.

growling about the way the elec- by this church as its leaders; that we will be true to the doc- the bed. The temperature should We further promise that we shall the New Testament of Christian church. We promise that we shall Certain members of Congress are pray for this church, for each oth-

Muse's Corner

COSTLY BIRD

(Miss Elizabeth Rice turned to verse as an appropriate medium for reporting the following recent event in High-

Down the street in the misty murk Wandered a strutting Christmas a. m.; Salem, 2:30 p. m.; Bethel,

She was met with glee by a couple Who took each wing of the tur- 7:30 p. m. key hen

Then off they rode to their homes at 1:30 p. m.

If reports be true they dined in With never a thought for the "after while."

Then quoth the turk's owner, with rightful ire, "Now you pulled a boner, and 'tis my desire

That you pay the cost,-'twill be

1933.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Highlands Auto Service takes this opportunity to

Gasoline will be sold on a strict cash basis at this

We have for sale an Oldsmobile, 1926 model, for

We are the Highlands agency for the Anderson

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and Welding

garage beginning with the new year. We have found

this step to be necessary and hope it will incon-

an extremely low price. It is in good condition.

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HIGHLANDS AUTO SERVICE

J. A. HINES

and we will have them cleaned for you.

venience none of our customers.

Come in and look it over.

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Specialty

thank you for your patronage during 1932 with the

hope that you will continue to let us serve you during

Your Farm - How to Mal It Pay

THERE is a possibility of profit in the culture of mushrooms adjacent to each town in North readers how it all happened. This There will be regular services Carolina and in some cases an eshas been my home for fourteen at the Baptist church Sunday and tablished business may be built up by one who is interested in this form of plant growth,

Glenn O. Randall, floriculturist at State College, has studied this question of mushroom culture and The worship service will be at will be glad to answer any quespost pile, a properly ventilated basement or cellar, small beds and day after freshening. A mixture it to challenged a Republican Mr. Dean 6:30 and the evening worship at use of the right spawn or seed

"Best results come from using manure in which there is plenty lar milking ration on the sixth The regular mid-week prayer of straw bedding," says Mr. Ran- day. The animal should be brought service and should be well attend- ground has been cleared and pulverized quick lime has been spread over the area where the pile is to all its organizations were installed be built. Some growers use cot-Care must be exercised to see The installation service came to that the compost does not heat.

moist but not wet."

spawning.

The Farmer's Question Box

Timely Questions Answered by N. C. State College Experts

Question: How should I feed my

Answer: A reasonable amount W of legume hay and a small amount san may ask. The essentials consist of silage can be fed at all times, hoel but the grain feed should be restricted to bran mash the first of equal parts of wheat and bran pru and ground oats can be fed for bales the next four days with the reguto full feed in about three weeks cres

Question: How can black wal- li nuts be kept for spring planting? of Answer: After the nuts are profor 1933 in the Sunday evening tonseed meal with the manure, thoroughly cured they should be placed in a pit below the frost stall line Place a layer of sand and est a close with all the officers in a After the pile has been formed, then a layer of nuts until the pit circle, hands joined and repeating it should be thoroughly forked is filled to one foot of the top fo it should be thoroughly forked is filled to one or two weeks. Cover the pit with earth and dig together over in about one or two weeks. The pit with earth and dig together over the pit with earth and d Relying upon Divine help, We a When the compost is ready for a trench around it to keep out main in this pit until late March th3, Place the compost in small beds or February when they are rebe satisfied and not be howling other, and God that we shall strive about two feet wide and 15 inches moved and planted about 2 ot 3 cuf

Ouestion: How can I select bawould have them do unto us." That to be retained in this church who and in two weeks, when the white In buying baby chicks get them after live in worldliness and thus de-mold-like growth appears, sift a from a local hatchery that uses duct stroy the influence of this church light loamy soil over the spawn quality, blood tested eggs. A few size to the depth of from 1 to 11/2 cents premium paid for these chicks amount stand for a regenerated church inches deep and tamp this with the will pay big dividends when they term membership and strive to promote back of a shovel. Keep the sur-come into production. If possible, by face moist but not wet. The bed consult the county farm agent for fruit experience and conduct in this will come into bearing in about advice as to where the best chicks heavi six to ten weeks from the time of may be obtained that are guar- will anteed as to breed and strain,

the

ket.

G must be considered ntial part of the orchard nt and a big factor in nical production of mar-

w of course, that prun aces the shape of the and aids in the deof a well-balanced top produce uniform fruit." R. Niswonger, extension rist at State College, Afessary to continue light top and to even the disof fruit spurs or the area. Pruning also inne size and color of aprees that are too thick

ests may be secured by Carolina experiment s contrasting heavy and it does not pay to prune ly after the shape of the been formed. The light sists largely of a light the branches with a heading back. Heavy and excessive thinin an abundance of its, delays the forma-

the free circulation of

air. The better control

buds and reduces the onger says, therefore, ost color and size, a ring is needed. This the tree becoming a

LOAN STOCK

Franklin Circuit Notices

REV. G. N. DULIN, PASTOR

First Sunday-Bethel, 11 a. m., Salem, 2:30 p m.; Clark's Chapel :30 p. m.

Second Sunday-Snow Hill, 1 a. m.; Rivervie Iotla, 7:30 p. m. Riverview, 2:30 Third Sunday-Clark's Chapel, 11

7:30 p. m. Fourth Sunday-Iotla, 11 a. m.; Oakdale, 2:30 p. m.; Snow Hill,

Sunday school at 10 a. m. at all Church, where Sunday school opens

The small mutual exchange operated by poultry farmers of the Valdese community in Burke county did a thirty thousand dollar business during the past year.

The Klondyke Guernsey herd in Surry County averaged 448 pounds of fat per cow for the past year, reports county agent J. W. Crawford. This record includes dry And learn to return stray turkeys cows as well as those in produc-

Now Is the Tire to Start

SERIES OF BUILDINA NOW OPE

THE Macon County Building and Loan Association opened its 32nd. Series f installment

bought on three different plans: 1.-By paying 121/2c each weel you can ac-

stock on January 1, 1933. This tock may be

cumulate \$100 in about eleven year. 2.—By paying 25 cents each wek you can accumulate \$100 in six years and for months.

3.-By paying 50 cents each wer you can accumulate \$100 in three years and x months.

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