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NEW YEAR APPEAL BY LAYMEN FOR PRAYER IN WORLD'S CRISIS

These are troubled times. Every thoughtful person faces the New Year with deep concern. The world outlook is deemed gravest by those who know international conditions. Our own favored America fronts many-sided problems that will tax our every resource. We are surely in the midst of days of destiny.

The realm of the vital life the times are testing our soul-stuff. Business men are carrying burdens that fairly break hearts. Many working men and their families are already experiencing the bitter pinch of real want. The weight of the world's woes is pressing heavily upon us all. Human spirits everywhere are hungry for comfort and guidance.

What shall we do about it all? For do something we must; the hour is too critical for drifting. The laymen who sign and issue this paper do so because of a deep conviction that only by spiritual forces may our civilization be saved from the unprecedented perils that beset it. The only way out is the way up.

Holding no ecclesiastical positions, and representing quite unorthodoxly various branches of the Christian Church, we take this unusual step of appealing directly, through the public press, to men and women of all faiths, who believe in an Omnipotent God and in the power of prayer, to join us in a common and concerted and continuous exercise of intercession, to the end that humanity everywhere, torn as it is by disension, and suffering many kinds of ill effects of the world-war, may turn to the patient Father in Heaven for new mercies and guidance and succor.

Our world will never get right itself until it gets right with God. Only spiritual remedies can cure the present ills of mankind.

Therefore we call upon all who believe that the living God hears and answers prayer to offer daily petitions in behalf of our troubled world—all its international strife and jealousies and self-seeking, with its universal unrest, its social and political anarchy, and its moral and spiritual decay. We beseech the King of Heaven to send His blessing. Then a better things result may be added unto us, as promised by our Lord Jesus Christ.

You have to make lives and for our time a revival of the sense of the reality of God, and of our dependence upon Him, and of a spirit of loyalty to Him.

Because of the extraordinary part He must take in the affairs of our world at this critical time, we also ask that due effect of the United States, that he may be thanked and sustained for his trying tasks by the very power of the Holy Spirit.

As says the Apostle: "I exhort, therefore, first of all, that supplications, prayers, intercessions, thanksgivings, be made for all men; for kings and all that are in high place; that we may lead a tranquil and quiet life in all godliness and gravity."

Nor can we forget our stricken President, for whom we would also tenderly pray.

By way of the throne of a prayer-answering God, even the least of us may wield a power for patriotism and for universal good will beyond all human calculation.

"Pray for me soul. More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of. Wherefore let thy voice be like a fountain for me night and day.

For what are men better than sheep or goats? That nourish a blind life within the

STRAND THEATRE

MONDAY - ETHEL CLAYTON in "YOUNG MRS. WINTHROP"

TUESDAY - MARION DAVIES in "APRIL FOLLY"

WEDNESDAY - A Six Reel Feature and a Big Comedy - "PARCEL POST HUSBAND"

Show Starts tonight (Friday) at 7:15 on account of Basketball game between Greenville and Williamston.

SHALL WE HAVE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHWAYS?

All people seem to favor good roads but they differ widely as to the kind of roads and how best to get them. One question has become so well understood by all folk that we no longer expect good roads without a heavy cost.

The proposed plan now being discussed in the Legislature is to build roads under State control and with state funds, connecting all county seats and large towns in the state. This seems to come nearer meeting the general approval of everybody than any other plan yet devised. It should give an even distribution of the State Road Fund among all the counties and would not give the small rich counties any more advantage than the large poor ones. Under this system it would be possible to travel all over the state without being blocked by bad roads in some particular county that felt itself too poor to build good roads. With this plan the state would be responsible for the entire system and no conflict in management would occur.

For our own country we should have about eighty miles of state road which is about one fifth of the entire mileage of the public road of the county and if the State takes over the highways the county would have to take care of the other roads under such plans as we might desire, either under the township system or county unit.

Don't fail to attend the Farmer Meeting at the Court House January 26th at 1:30 P. M. Tell your neighbor farmers about it and persuade them to attend.

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Some complaint has been made about the scarcity of money but that need not hinder you from taking your home paper as anything raised on the farm is a "legal tender" at our office, whether it be potatoes, turnips, hams, eggs, peas or beans. Send your renewal and get your friends to subscribe.

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of the authority conferred in the power of sale contained in a certain deed of trust executed to me the undersigned trustee by John Williams, on the 19th day of October, 1916. Said deed of trust being of record in Martin county registry in book M-1, page 257, and the stipulation therein not having been complied with and at the request of the parties interested, I will expose to public auction in front of the court house door, in Williamston, North Carolina, at 12 o'clock M. on the 29th day of January, 1921, the following described tract of land:

Being one house and lot situated in the town of Williamston, North Carolina, and adjoining the land of Robert Johnson, Hanson Red-lick Annie Hescow and others. Containing one-half (1-2) acre more or less. This the 29th day of December, 1920.

B. DUKE CRITCHER, Trustee

brain, If, knowing God, they lift not hands of prayer

Both for themselves and those who call them friend?

For so the whole round earth is every way Bound by gold chains about the feet of God."

So we entreat all spiritually-minded persons, in whatever ways and at whatever times individual judgment may suggest, to engage, privately or publicly, in daily prayer, that the very gravity of present world conditions may drive us all to the Eternal God who is our refuge, and who is the only Light in our darkness. In Him we shall find peace and good will, and power for the task of remaking the world.

"All things, whatever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive." -The Living Church.

WHAT SHOULD BE DONE IN JANUARY

If you are not already doing so, begin now keeping a farm account. When the fall comes we will know which crops and stock we made a success and those which caused us loss. Those who do not keep farm accounts can't realize what it means to keep in touch with all expenditures. Do you ever ponder over the purchase of one day till you account for the last dime spent? How much more care should be exercised over the purchases and sales of a whole year; then lets don't fail to keep a record.

The first work on the farm should be clearing fences, hedges and water drains. Then to the garden and orchard. Start an early garden, prune, cut back and spray the fruit trees, line the orchard, use wood ashes or barn yard manure or commercial fertilizer if the orchard is not already in good tith. Separate applications should be made with lime and manure.

A garden full of vegetables. And an orchard full of fruits. Make all of us agreeable. For sure there's pies and soup; No matter what the task is; How long or short it be. All's well with us you know. And so might it be.

All will sanction me in this I am sure; that our happiness and our sorrows are caused by our deeds. This being so why not cast our lots for happy homes and healthy strong bodies by arranging a variety of work, variety of diet and variety of recreation. Where does this lead us? Who? The farmers of course. Well, I'll take this guess. That is leads us to diversified gardening, farming, eating and exercise. I wonder if non-diversification is the cause of some of the financial sickness at present. If so lets work out the remedy. Of necessity raise more, buy less, eat meat eggs, butter, fruit and vegetables with the bread and potatoes we grow, drink milk and pure water and 1922 will smile on you and me.

J. L. HOLLIDAY

REGULARITY OF EMPLOYMENT

People who contemplate leaving steady work in the country for city jobs should reflect on the irregularity of most of the factory trades. While the flush times of the war were on, the factory workers had all they could do. But in ordinary periods most shops have periods of shut downs or half time, when board money and household expenses go on just the same, but the pay envelope is very thin.

A job in the country, or cultivating a good farm, gives steady work in good times and bad. Most people who have tried both, say that the country job gives a man the better bank account at the end of a period of years.

LAND SALE

Under and by virtue of a Deed of Trust executed by Henry Cherry to the undersigned, recorded in Book F. 2, Page 55, of the Martin County Registry, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness therein secured, at the request of the beneficiary, I will on Monday, February 7th, 1921, at 2 P. M. at the court house door in Williamston, N. C., sell at public auction for cash, the following described realty:

Situate in Goose Nest Township, Martin County, State of North Carolina, adjoining the lands of Geo. Harrell, George Harrell, Dick Jones heirs and others beginning at a pine Joa. Harrell's corner running thence an Easterly course 60 poles to a chopped gum, thence Northwly 228 poles to Dick Jones' corner and Jerry Brown's line, thence a westerly course along Brown's and Galpin's line to the old original front line, thence down said front line to John Harrell's line, thence back along Harrell's line an Easterly course to the beginning, containing 235 acres, more or less, and being the tract of land shown whereon Naham Knight and wife once resided, and described in a Deed to said Nathan Knight from John P. Boyle, recorded in Book 000, Page 149, of the Martin Registry, to which reference is hereby made; also being the identical tract of land conveyed in the following deeds:

Nathan Knight and wife, Fannie Knight, to W. S. Clark and Sons; Book K. 1, Page 276, W. S. Clark & Sons to Frank Andrews and Matilda Cherry, Book ... Page dated Nov. 15th, 1918, Henry Cherry and wife, Matilda Cherry, Frank Andrews and wife, Isabella Andrews, to Nan G. Clark, Trustee, Book C. 2, Page 174, Martin Co. Public Registry, and which was conveyed to the said Henry Cherry by Nan G. Clark, Trustee, to which deed reference is hereby made.

This Jan. 8, 1921. NAN G. CLARK Trustee.

Local News and Personal Mention

Dr. John D. Biggs has returned from a business trip to Richmond and New York.

Dr. W. H. Harrell is in Norfolk this week.

Don't forget the Farmers Meeting Saturday, January 26th, 1:30 o'clock.

Capt. and Mrs. J. C. Rhem went to Weldon Tuesday afternoon to visit relatives.

Capt. Rhem will go from there to Raleigh to attend to some business connected with the local convicts.

Mrs. R. L. Smith of Robersonville spent Tuesday afternoon with her sister, Mrs. K. Dunning.

Mr. John C. Chitty of Murfreesboro is a business visitor this week.

Mrs. Bettie E. Pope has been visiting her son Mr. Herbert Pope in Koonsville.

Messrs. S. W. Manning and A. J. Manning of Middlesex are visiting relatives in the county.

Mr. J. A. Izelle of Robersonville was in town yesterday.

Mrs. J. J. McLaughlin and children of St. Albans, West Virginia is visiting the former's sister Mrs. Madam Watkins.

Mr. Turner Grimes of Robersonville was a business visitor here yesterday.

Mr. Theodore Hassell of Nashville was in town this week visiting relatives.

Miss. Manie Taylor of Everett's has been the guest of Mrs. Lusy Robinson for the last several days.

Messrs. John A. and Octavius Manning are receiving their stock of goods rapidly now and will be open for business at the new cash grocery store, soon.

Mr. A. D. Mizelle of Tarboro is in town today.

Mrs. Elbert Peel spent last night in Plymouth in the interest of the Williamston Telephone Co.

Friends of Rev. L. C. Larkin regret to learn of the death of his mother Monday. She was buried at her old home in Carthage, N. C.

Dr. B. E. Long of Hamilton is in town today attending the special session of the Board of County Commissioners.

After the past cold flurry the sun shine is indeed welcome this morning. Business looks better too through a stronger light.

Mr. Frank Wooten of Greenville was a business visitor yesterday.

Don't forget the basket ball game tonight at the Brick Warehouse between the High Schools of Williamston and Greenville. Game starts at 8:50 o'clock.

Mr. George R. Roebuck of Robersonville was in town Thursday.

Messrs. Steton Bailey and J. R. Bullock of Route No. 2 were welcome visitors at our office this morning.

Mr. John Martin of Hamilton was in town this morning.

The Star Cafe operated by Mr. Louis Manning in the building owned by Mr. J. Lass Wynne is dividing the old ball room into bedrooms and sleeping compartments.

The Farmers Meeting to be held at the Court House Wednesday, January, 26th at 1:30 P. M. should be attended by every farmer who can possibly do so. Farmers like all other people should have their organization for the purpose of promoting their interests.

MRS. A. T. CRAWFORD HOSTESS - Mrs. Ass T. Crawford very graciously entertained The Ladies Embroidery Club Tuesday afternoon at the home of her mother, Mrs. Fannie S. Biggs in New Town. Besides the regular club members were Mesdames: Alonzo Hassell, Warren Biggs, Oscar Anderson, P. F. Apfel, W. J. Hodges and Arthur Anderson. After the club program salad and sandwiches were served.

Two Carloads Wire Fencing at C. D. Carstarphen's cheap for cash.

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THE PEANUT MARKET MAKES GOOD GAINS

Peanuts have made a net gain of one-half to one cent a pound within the past two weeks on the local market, while Spanish peanuts are being quoted one-half cent higher by Southern mills. Not only has there been an advance in price, but there is a marked increase in the demand for peanuts on the part of the trade. The cleaning plants are now busier than they have been at any time in the peanut season. Good grades of North Carolina bunch and Virginia runners are now readily bringing five cents on Suffolk basis, and jumbos are from six to six and one-half cents. Spanish No. 1 shelled are quoted by local brokers at six and one-half cents F. O. B. Suffolk, which is equivalent to five and three-fourths cents F. O. B. Southern points. These prices for shelled goods mean about \$60 per ton for farmers' stock of good grade. The buyers are very active in buying and in some instances are paying above these prices for extra good quality.

This increase in demand is attributed in part to the general belief that the tariff agitation is resulting in lessening the arrivals of Oriental peanuts and that therefore the trade will have to depend largely upon American grown peanuts to meet its near-by needs. This improved condition also reflects the better business tone that now prevails as compared with a month ago. There is a general feeling that peanuts will make further advances in the near future.

RURAL "INFERIORITY"

In former years many country people have had a feeling of inferiority. They felt abashed and behind the cities when they met city folks.

In any country people still feel that way, they should get it right in city life. It is not mental, since it has so little to do with people's intelligence as to see some one else do things. They do one thing over and over again until they can't get any more out of it. Country life gives people a chance to develop their own resources and originality, both in its work and its play. City people who come out in these progressive times, should try behind the game, as they see how the wide awake country folks keep in touch with modern life and go a head in all directions.

BABY DEAD

Maurice, the four months old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Lucian Harbison died Wednesday morning, of pneumonia, whooping cough, measles and meningitis. The little fellow was buried the same afternoon in the Harbison cemetery.

SERVICES AT BAPTIST CHURCH

A. V. Joyner, Pastor Sunday School, 9:15 A. M., Dr. E. B. Cone, Supt. Classes well organized and taught by good teachers. Sermon by the pastor, H. A. J. Subject: "The Challenge of Our Modern Resources". Sermon by the pastor, J. P. M. Subject: "Life Building". Prayer Meeting 7:30 P. M., Wednesday evening.

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of the authority conferred in the power of sale contained in a certain deed of trust executed to me the undersigned trustee by R. T. Taylor and Wife Susan on the 3rd day of April, 1906, Sale deed of trust being of record in Martin County Registry, in Book 22 page 68, and the stipulations therein not having been complied with and at the request of the parties interested, I will expose to public auction in front of the court house door in Williamston, North Carolina at 12 o'clock M. on the 28th day of January, 1921, the following described tract of land:

Being a certain tract of land known as the Warner Taylor tract. Bounded by the lands of J. E. Robertson, Hyman Warren, J. D. Wynne and others. Containing 260 acres more or less and being the same tract of land formerly occupied by the said R. T. Taylor and wife Susan Taylor.

This the 23rd day of December, 1920.

DUKE CRITCHER Trustee.

CABBAGE PLANTS FOR SALE

Wood's Early Jersey Wakefield, 20 per hundred, \$1.50 per thousand. August Williams, R. F. D. 1, Robersonville, N. C. J 11 Imo

WANTED TO BUY: FIVE HOGS,

weighing about 100 lbs. each, dressed, at once. Address S. Collins Peel, Williamston, N. C. J 21 tf

HIGH SCHOOLS ALL OVER THE STATE JOINING DEBATING UNION

LOCAL BANK DECLARES A 6 PER CENT DIVIDEND

At a meeting of the Directors of the Farmers and Merchants Bank last Thursday a six percent dividend was declared on the capital stock of the bank and ordered paid to the stockholders on the 1st and the stock owners of this bank were the happy recipients of their check on Saturday. This is unusual in these strenuous times, so the bank has been able to make so very little money during the past year. The Farmers and Merchants Bank has always been a backer of the farming and the general business of the community and we rejoice in the showing of this bank.

MISS KNIGHT ENTERTAINS 20TH CENTURY CLUB

Miss Frances Knight entertained the Twentieth Century Club Wednesday night at her home on East Main street. The program was as follows: Duets; Barcarolle-Tales from Hoffman - Mrs. J. S. Rhodes and Miss Mildred Andrews.

Reading: The Anti-Slavery Movement and The Northern Spirit in The War - Mrs. J. W. Andrews.

Piano Solo - Mrs. J. W. Manning. Reading: From Thomas Nelson Page's "The Old South" - Mrs. Barnes.

Current Events - Miss Penelope Biggs.

Vocal Solo; Hunting Memories - Miss Vella Andrews.

Miss Knight had a very large number of her friends besides the club members present on this occasion. The lovely home lighted by pink shaded lamps and filled with green and cut flowers made a picturesque background for the lovely women present. Miss Knight served her guests with salad pickles, dainty sandwiches and hot chocolate.

MOVING TO ADJUST TAX QUESTION

The Legislature is trying to adjust the tax question. Some job. If they succeed so their will be no murmuring, then the Gates of Heaven will swing back and we can all walk in. Yet it may be possible to correct some errors if there are any and it is very certain that there are some. All any one should demand is for all property to bear an equal burden.

ABOUT REPRESENTATION

Congress seems determined to increase the number of representative based upon the census. If the representation had been increased North Carolina would have gained two members but the number is now large enough and it looks like Congress is doing the right thing not to increase.

STOCK LAW NOTICE

This is to notify all persons living in Goose Nest, Hamilton, Robersonville and Cross Roads Townships, the districts recently voting on the Stock Law question, which was carried, that the law affecting stock law territories will go into effect March 1st, 1921, and this notice is given to notify all persons of same, so that they might abide by the law.

This the 20th day of January, 1921. By order of the Board of County Commissioners. S. S. BROWN, Clerk.

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of the authority in a certain deed of trust executed on the 29th day of August, 1918 by J. A. Jones and wife, Mollie Jones and registered in the public registry of Martin County in Book A-2, page 84 to secure certain notes of even date therewith; and the stipulations contained in said deed of trust not having been complied with and at the request of the owner of said notes, I will on Monday, 7th day of Feb. 1921, at 12 o'clock M. at the courthouse door in the town of Williamston, North Carolina offer for sale to the highest bidder at public auction for cash the following described real estate:

Being part of J. W. Briley Farm in Cross Roads Township, Martin County, North Carolina, and being farms No's 2 & 3 of said division as made by J. L. Moye, C. E., said division of plat being of record in the public registry of Martin County in Land Division Book No. 1- at page 418 and being the same land this day conveyed to said J. A. Jones by A. L. Raynor and wife.

This the 3rd day of Jan. 1921. WHEELER MARTIN Trustee.

WANTED TO BUY: FIVE HOGS, weighing about 100 lbs. each, dressed, at once. Address S. Collins Peel, Williamston, N. C. J 21 tf

Chapel Hill, N. C., Jan. 20—High schools all over North Carolina are joining the high school debating union and are preparing for the ninth state wide debate in March. Thus far 224 schools have already announced their intention of participating, according to E. R. Rankin, secretary of the union, and others are expected to join in the next few weeks.

The debate will center on the question of collective bargaining. "If any cynic feels that our school students are not interested in urgent problems of the times", said one of the leading newspapers of the state editorially "he should consider the dauntless manner in which our public school pupils are addressing themselves to a discussion of this overshadowing question".

The actual query reads "Resolved, That the policy of collective bargaining through trade unions should prevail in American industry. An interpretation of the query says that "it is understood that this query affirms that in these main lines of American industry, viz, mining, manufacturing building, and transportation, it should be the policy of the employers to recognize trade unions and to make collective bargains with their employees through accredited representatives of the trade unions".

All high schools in the state are eligible for the contest. As in former years the schools will have two teams and each school will debate two other schools. Those winning both preliminary debates will send their teams to the University for the eliminating rounds, and the last two teams will contest for the state championship and the Aycock Memorial Cup.

If the small towns of North Carolina, towns with less than 2500 inhabitants, want to survive and grow, they must do one of two things, according to Roy M. Brown, of Watauga county speaking before the North Carolina Club, which is this year studying the state from an urban and industrial point of view. These small towns must either move forward into the class of manufacturing centers, which a few of them have been able to do; or they must by community effort become attractive local trade, high school and residence center.

Mr. Brown cited figures showing that the small towns of North Carolina were not only increasing in population, but that 93 of them in the past decade actually dwindled in size and 40 of them surrendered their charters of incorporation and quietly faded from the map, disappeared, lay down and died.

He thinks the same facts is coming to others unless they do something to prevent. Country people leaving their farms do not stop in these little towns, he said, unless they are especially attracted to them and see in them a chance for themselves and their children. They jump over them and go to the larger cities.

"Here is the great place for chambers of Commerce or other community bodies", said Mr. Brown. "Membership activities of such bodies should extend throughout the trade area of the town. In predominantly rural counties the chambers should be county-wide".

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of the authority contained in a certain deed of trust to the undersigned trustee executed by Nelson Mason and wife, Mittie Mason, dated 22nd day of Nov. 1913 and of record in the public registry of Martin County in Book D-1 at page 468, to secure the payment of said note of even date and tenor therewith; and the stipulations in said deed of trust not having been complied with and the undersigned having been substituted as trustee under and by virtue of a judgment dated 6th day of Jan. 1921 and at the request of the parties interested, I will on Monday the 7th day of Feb. 1921, at 12 o'clock M. in front of the courthouse door in the town of Williamston, North Carolina offer at public sale to the highest bidder for cash the following described real estate:

Beginning at the intersection of Critcher Street and the Washington Road, a stub; thence along Critcher Street to J. R. Mobley's corner on the lot commonly known as the Ben Spruill lot; thence at right angles and along J. R. Mobley's line 80 feet to a stub; thence at right angles with the last named line parallel with Critcher Street to Washington road; thence along Washington road to the beginning at Critcher St. and containing one-half acre more or less and being that lot bought from Peter Davis and wife by Nettie Cowen on the 10th day of Nov. 1918 and of record in the public registry of Martin County in Book E-1 at page 300.

This the 6th day of January 1921. WHEELER MARTIN, Jr. Trustee.