



The FAT MAN has promised the Editor that he will make this corner the brightest and happiest spot in the whole paper.

Any baby boy might be president of the United States when he grows up but he stands more chance of becoming a senator's husband.

"The only man poor old Jenkins ever told the truth to was a bootlegger."

"What did he tell him?" "He said: 'This is my last drink.'"

Lightning knocked a man out of bed, out in western Kansas the other day. The first words he murmured were: "All right, dear, I'll get up in a minute."

"Mother, may I go out to swim?" "Yes, my darling Lillian, wear a suit both tight and thin and vamp a man with a million."

Ethel: "Does he always drive with one hand?" Clara: "Oh, no; sometimes we have a quarrel."

We can remember when upon seeing a respectable person buying raisins and yeast, we'd assume that his wife was going to bake raisin bread.

Sammy, aged eight, returned from school the other day with a grievance. "Mother," he said, "the teacher won't let me sing any more, and I'm the fastest singer in the school, too!"

Mr. Knott: "I see by the statistics given here that every third child born into the world is a Chinese." Mrs. Knott: "Thank goodness, we had only one child."

Following the line of least resistance is what makes rivers and men crooked.

Congressman turns over to prohibition commissioner "bootlegger list." (news item.) Will the house kindly join the senate in singing, "Is my name written there?"

God Almighty first planted a garden; and indeed it is the purest of human pleasures; it is the greatest refreshment to the spirit of man.

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE TAXATION OF PUBLIC DANCES IN THE TOWN OF WILLIAMSTON, N. C.

Be it ordained by the board of commissioners of the town of Williamston, N. C.:

That on and after February 8th, 1923, all public dances given in the corporate limits of the town of Williamston where an admission fee is charged, shall pay to the tax collector a privilege tax of fifty dollars for each and every dance.

HUGH HORTON, Mayor. GEO. H. HARRISON, 2-9-23 Clerk.

NOTICE

Under and by virtue of the authority contained in a certain deed of trust executed on the 28th day of January, 1920, by L. H. Davenport and wife, Cassie M. Davenport and of record in the public registry of Martin county in book A-2, page 471, to secure the payment of a certain bond of even date therein and the stipulations in the deed of trust not having been complied with, and at the request of the holder of the said bonds the undersigned trustee, will on March 5th, 1923, at 2:00 o'clock, p. m., at the court house door of Martin county, offer at public sale to the highest bidder for cash the following described land:

Bounded on the north by E. M. Whitehurst and Concho creek; on the south by J. J. Long; on the east by L. H. Hux; and on the west by the lands of the late B. S. Council, deceased, containing 95 acres, more or less, and being the same land deeded to L. H. Davenport of recent date by Council and wife, Alma Council, and B. A. Critcher, commissioner.

At the same time and place of the sale of the above land by Duke Critcher, trustee, the said W. F. Haislip, the owner of said bonds secured by the aforesaid deed of trust will offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash, the following notes and deeds of trust which were placed with the said W. F. Haislip as additional security to the bonds secured by the aforesaid deed of trust to wit:

Five notes of W. T. Hyman in the sum of \$2,000.00, each dated December 29, 1912, and secured by deed of trust.

One note of Hines and Havel for \$42.50, dated February 8, 1912, said note has a credit of \$200.00.

One note secured by deed of trust of Will Bryant, dated June 22, 1921, in the sum of \$662.24, with a credit of \$125.00.

One note and mortgage of Hiliard Hixson, in the sum of 129.50. This, the first day of February, 1923.

B. DUKE CRITCHER, Trustee. W. F. HAI SLIP

TOWN OF WILLIAMSTON NORTH CAROLINA

General Fund-Receipts and Disbursements

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1922.

Balance July 1, 1921. Farmers and Merchants Bank \$11,120.39 Peoples Bank 8,154.96 Martin County Savings & Trust Company 2,744.47 Total \$22,019.82

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND PROFIT AND LOSS WATER AND LIGHT DEPARTMENTS:

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 1922. NET SALES Gross sales, light consumers \$12,228.38 Less allowance and rebates 48.60 \$12,179.78

RECEIPTS

C. F. Page, tax collector \$33,436.92 Opera house rentals 382.50 Building and Loan Association tax 119.53 Light consumers, regular 11,653.03 Light consumers, miscellaneous 91.60 Water consumers, regular 2,197.10 Water consumers, mis. 117.60 Interest on deposits 521.17 Interest payment refunded 55.66 Freight claims collected 134.91 Sale of supplies 1.35 Miscellaneous refunds .75 \$48,712.12 Total \$70,731.94

Gross sales, water consumers \$3,249.25 Less allowance and rebates 93.40 \$3,155.85 Total net sales \$15,335.63

OPERATING EXPENSES

Superintendence \$ 2,400.00 Miscellaneous expense 11,996.34 Maintenance and supplies 718.55 \$15,114.89 Net operating income \$220.74

NON-OPERATING INCOME

Cut off charges, lights \$13.00 Cut off charges, water 11.00 \$24.00 \$244.74

DISBURSEMENTS

Town salaries \$ 5,111.62 M. S. Mizelle, advance 115.41 Interest on current loans and bonds 19,685.14 Police department salaries 2,512.60 Street department expense 1,946.16 Sanitary department expense 1,025.07 Town hall repairs 63.37 Opera house repairs 48.10 Insurance 751.50 Stationery and printing 222.27 Light maintenance and supplies 719.90 Light department operation 9,415.68 Water department operation 2,668.16 Water department improvements 4,204.69 Light department improvements 25.63 Power house improvements 187.92 Sewer department improvements 281.64 New machinery 10,028.49 J. L. McGehee, construction 1,173.43 Fire apparatus 1,535.39 Automobile truck 84.85 Furniture and fixtures 16.35 Redemption of bonds 3,000.00 Sinking fund 2,000.00 Miscellaneous 256.85 \$67,080.22

WORTHLESS ACCOUNTS CHARGED OFF

Light consumers \$103.80 Water consumers 15.50 \$ 119.30 Net income for year \$125.44

FIXED PROPERTIES

September 30, 1922, Renumerative and Realizable

LIGHT PLANT

Land \$ 3,000.00 Original construction 29,701.76 New Machinery 60,626.96 \$93,328.72

WATER PLANT

Land and buildings \$ 14,966.62 Improvements and extensions 112,470.60 \$127,437.22 Town hall and market house \$13,500.00 \$234,265.94

NON-REMUNERATIVE BUT REALIZABLE

Furniture and fixtures \$ 601.77 Fire apparatus 3,941.00 Automobile truck 459.85 \$5,002.62

NON-REMUNERATIVE AND UNREALIZABLE

Sewer system \$66,631.57 Spur track 698.01 \$67,329.58 Total fixed properties \$306,598.14

Richard Lloyd Jones Says About A House Of Cards

EVERY schoolboy knows the story of the two women of the American Revolution who, seated behind a rock, mimicked so well with life and drum the approach of soldiers that the hostile red coats took fright and fled.

poem by UNCLE JOHN

There wouldn't be no troubles, if the people didn't tell 'em, but some ain't satisfied, unless they speak of what's befell 'em. You ketch a chimney-corner full of weather-bound commuters, and, nineteen out of twenty, you would class as trouble-shooters.

HOMIE PHILOSOPHY for 1923

DOWN with the pain killers. Away with the crowd that would make life just a sweet indolent song. These fellows pose as our friends, and yet they'd strip us of protection, and leave us victims of the stealthy and insidious approach of evil and disease.