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The recent results of the games of basket ball between the various schools of the county have been most interesting. The victories of certain schools have aroused a spirit among the towns-people that has never been touched before. A spirit, that, in the long run, has to do with the progressive steps of any school. This in itself is worth all the time and trouble put forth by those in charge. And as the season goes on, one finds the students of one school inquiring after those of another, and picking out the best features of the leaders and using them as a goal of their own. In this case athletics are to be encouraged.

But, upon recalling an incident of not long ago, we almost have our opinion of athletics torn asunder. That everlasting and ever-will-be, it seems, argumentative stuff has to seep in and destroy all. A game winner should be a game loser. If one team is weak, don't blame the strong one when it beats you; try and better the weak instead. Spirit among the students is necessary but discontent among the coach, the principal is not.

We have been watching very closely for a county basket ball schedule, but have failed to see one thus far. The county has an athletic organization, but no definite plans have been announced. Probably this being the first year of such an organization in the county, plans are difficult to formulate, but wouldn't it be great to see a regular county basket ball schedule posted in the various schools and towns, announcing the game between the home-town team and that of a neighboring town?

**THE NEW NORTH CAROLINA**

The story of the new North Carolina as told by French Strother in The World's Work draws the imagination like a magnet, so fascinating are his pictures of the progress of its people in the last quarter of a century. Many a man looking at a map of North Carolina, with Pamlico Sound

and the Atlantic Ocean on the east and the towering Appalachian range in the west, so that it is blessed with every climate of the temperate zone, has envied its inhabitants their natural advantages. What a State to be torn in and to work and play in, where the Summer heats can always be escaped by hieing to the mountain forests, where the Winters are mild and short, and where the soil yields of its abundance and the sea and its lagoons of their teeming fish and game! But to North Carolina's natural wealth the energy and industry of its people have added taxable material wealth, with the result that cities have sprung up from backwoods settlements, straggling villages have become handsome towns, modern highways have been constructed from sea to mountains, and where were poverty and privation not many years ago are now plenty and luxury. In brief, North Carolina has risen from the ruins of the Civil War to an almost incredible prosperity. Her people owe much to the inspired leadership of Charles B. Aycock who served them as Governor and died full of honors twelve years ago. He had been "a plowboy on a red-clay farm, his family of no consequence." His first passion when he grew to manhood was schools. He "dropped dead in the middle of a sentence in a famous speech on 'universal education'."

Mr. Strother speaks of Aycock as perhaps the greatest orator North Carolina has produced, as well as one of its sweetest spirits and bravest men. "No man's epigrams were more stimulating. He declared that "a democracy cannot be built on the backs of ignorant men." Others who helped North Carolina to see "her dreams come true" were Edwin A. Alderman and Walter Hines Page. The latter's inspirational speech on "The Forgotten Man" was read and is treasured by thousands of North Carolinians. Well known also is his book "The Building of Old Commonwealth." Such cultivators of natural resources as the Dukes contributed powerfully to the progress of the State. The road builders brought the people of the highlands and the plains into such intimate touch that no farmer now lives far from a metal highway. There are no more isolated mountain towns. The poor white as a type has vanished.

The further North Carolina goes on the road of progress the faster she

seems to move. Seven years ago she spent \$1,000,000 a year on school maintenance. Last year the amount was \$23,000,000. In 1910 the value of her school buildings was \$1,000,000. Today it is \$48,000,000. In three years she has spent \$76,000,000 on concrete and macadam roads to connect the seats of her 100 counties. Her wealth has been multiplied by ten in twenty years. In 1900 her bank deposits were \$16,000,000. By 1923 they had risen to \$345,000,000. She has practically no immigration. Her fortunes have been piled up by the brains and sinews of a native stock that is not afraid of work. So she has become one of the richest per capita States in the Union. Her death rate is "the lowest in the country."—New York Times.

**IS THE AMERICAN HOME LOSING ITS SANCTITY?**

The above seems to be a question demanding the serious consideration of every one.

In our State for the year ending July 1st, there were 366 homicide cases tried. Of course hundreds of people were killed and the murderer never apprehended and brought to trial. When we think that in a state like our own where we claim so much perfection, there is a murder trial staged most every day of the year, we must confess there is something wrong either in the heart or the mind.

However bad we may picture the various court scenes, the one that pulls us down the most is divorce. In ten years we have doubled our divorces compared to marriages. In 1913 North Carolina had one divorce for every 32 marriages and in 1923 one for every 16 marriages.

One of the reasons for this large increase is the change in the divorce law, which makes it much easier than formerly was to get a divorce.

Our laws years ago only gave divorces on biblical grounds, but they have gradually been modified until we have almost reached the same stage of many of the northern and western states, in some of which the only ground required is to like another man or woman better than your husband or wife and go in court with a few affidavits and a little money.

Martin county stands a little above the average as we have about 24 marriages for each divorce. The average for Washington county is 22;

for Beaufort, 19; for Edgecombe, 12, for Halifax, 12, for Pitt, 10; and for Bertie 6.6. Cherokee county stands at the extreme end of the list with more than one-fourth of its marriages set aside by the courts.

One of the main troubles with the divorce law, especially in its administration, is the fact that it is looked upon as something funny and as something that attracts the rabble because it lets loose the ugly family secrets and bursts asunder the vows which were so sacredly taken.

If the North Carolina home has lowered itself, it is because it has not been properly sustained by our civic bodies, churches and legislatures.

**NOTICE OF RESALE OF REAL ESTATE**

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain deed of trust executed to the undersigned trustee by H. A. Gray on the 27th day of Nov. 1919 which said deed of trust is of record in the public registry of Martin County in Book B-2 at page 464, said deed of trust having been given to secure certain notes of even date and tenor therewith and default having been made in the payment of the said notes and the stipulations contained in the said deed of trust not having been complied with and at the request of the holder of the said notes the said land hereinafter described having been advertised and sold on the 11th day of Nov. 1924 and the bid on the said land having been raised within the time allowed by law and in a manner prescribed by law, the undersigned trustee will on the 10th day of Dec. 1924 at 12 M. in front of the courthouse door in the town of Williamston, N. C. offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash the following described real estate, to-wit:

Situate in said town of the North side of North R. R. Street and bound on the North by the land of H. A. Gray and East by land of Parmele Manufacturing and Motor Co. of South by said street and on West by lands of S. Bane and being lot of land this day conveyed to said Gray by said Roebuck and wife.

This the 22nd day of Nov. 1924.  
J. A. MIZELLE, Trustee  
Martin and Peel,  
Attorneys at Law.

**WREATHS FOR HOME AND CEMETERY.** Fresh Galax leaves, bronze or green, 10 cts. bunch of 25. Give us your order early.—Mrs. Jno. Pope, Mrs. W. H. Biggs. 5-41

**FOUND ON WASHINGTON** AND Williamston Road, a pair of glasses with E. J. Miller written in case, also Waterman fountain pen. Apply at this office.

**PAYS BIG DIVIDENDS**

**QUARTER OF MILLION DOLLAR INVESTMENT IN TUBERCULOSIS CHRISTMAS SEALS IN TEN YEARS PAYS DIVIDENDS OF \$131,000.00.**

The North Carolina Tuberculosis Association in asking citizens to purchase our quota of fifteen million of the familiar penny Seals, is basing its campaign upon actual results as measured in years of life and in dollars saved.

In the past eleven years the death rate from tuberculosis has been cut in half in North Carolina, which means in this State alone a saving of 16,498 lives, and a money saving of \$131,000,000—a result attributed mainly to the campaign of education, prevention, and treatment financed largely by the Christmas Seal fund.

The North Carolina Association is the pioneer organization in preventive tuberculosis work in this State, and from the time of its reorganization in 1913 until this time has shown a steady growth in the scope of work done and the support given by the people. From a total Seal Sale of \$5,253.07 in 1913, donations increased to \$50,635.71 by 1923. For the ten years since 1913 a total of \$265,169.42 has been invested in this work. Of this amount, \$138,996.98 has been retained by local chairmen for use in the community in which it was raised. These funds have sent patients to sanatoria, where they have been restored to health and usefulness; they have provided medical and material relief when it was impossible for the patient to leave home. They have been used to employ public health nurses and nurses for the tuberculous sick; for the organization and operation of clinics; for health work in the schools and for educational work as to the nature, treatment, and prevention of tuberculosis.

During the past ten years the State Association has received from North Carolina a total of \$126,172.44. Of this amount \$18,231.51 has been sent the National Tuberculosis Association for nation-wide work in the campaign against tuberculosis, and the State Association has used the balance for the following purposes:

Furnished X-ray laboratory at the State Sanatorium in order that more accurate diagnosis could be made.

Furnished milk-bottling plant at the State Sanatorium.

Paid \$7,000.00 for the treatment of ex-service men before Uncle Sam was ready to function.

Established tuberculosis clinics, where over 10,000 patients were examined.

Inaugurated and sponsors the Modern Health Crusade in the schools of North Carolina.

Has been doing health educational work among the negroes for five years. Conducts a campaign of health education throughout the State.

Established public health nursing in North Carolina.

Holds annual conference on tuberculosis.

Organizes county tuberculosis associations and creates active interest in construction of county tuberculosis sanatoriums.

Every dollar invested in Christmas Seals in North Carolina has paid a dividend of \$500.00 to the State.

**LOST: ONE SAMPLE CASE, FULL** of caps, between Williamston and Dardens on Sunday November 30th. Reward to finder. W. L. Phelps 214 Main street, Elizabeth City, N. C. 5-1

**THIS NIGHT**

may convince you  
Sallow skin is more than skin deep. For that tired, worn out, listless feeling, keep your stomach, liver and bowels free from indigestion, biliousness and constipation.

**Chamberlain's Tablets** will keep you clean inside. Take two tonight. They will not make you sick and you will feel good tomorrow. 60 for 25 cents. Sold everywhere.

**NOTICE OF RESALE OF REAL ESTATE**

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain deed of trust executed to the undersigned trustee by C. V. Carson and wife, Lula Carson on the 1st day of Jan. 1921 which said deed of trust is of record in the public registry of Martin County in Book G-2 at page 167, said deed of trust having been given to secure certain notes of even date and tenor therewith and default having been given to secure certain notes of even date and tenor therewith and default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness and the stipulations contained in the said deed of trust having been complied with and at the request of the holder of the said notes the said land having been advertised and sold on the 11th day of Nov. 1924 and the bid having been raised in a manner and within the time prescribed by law, the undersigned trustee will on Wednesday the 10th day of Dec. 1924 resell to the highest bidder for cash at 12 o'clock M. in front of the courthouse door in the town of Williamston, North Carolina, the following described real estate, to-wit:

Being one lot situate in the town of Parmele, N. C.  
Beginning at an iron stob in Railroad street, Roebuck's corner,

thence Southwardly with Roebuck's line 150 feet to an iron stake in said Roebuck's and J. D. Williams' corner, thence Westwardly with Williams' line 77 feet to a stake, Roebuck's corner, thence Northwardly with Roebuck's line 150 feet to a stake in Railroad street Roebuck's corner, thence Eastwardly with Railroad street 77 feet to the beginning.

Known as the house and lot conveyed to J. L. Whitthurst by J. T. Stokes, later conveyed by Whitthurst to L. D. Roebuck being the identical property conveyed in a deed from L. D. Roebuck and wife to said C. V. Carson and wife Lula Carson, dated on the 25th day of Nov. 1920. And this deed of trust is treated for the purpose of securing the payment of a part of the purchase price mentioned as consideration in said deed.

This the 22nd day of Nov. 1924.  
T. JONES TAYLOR, Trustee.  
Martin and Peel,  
Attorney at Law.

**Rheumatic?**



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**FOR SALE**

Farm on hard surface road, four miles from Williamston. Farm has good house, good tobacco barn, 45 acres cleared, and is suitable for the growing of tobacco, peanuts and all other general crops.

Price and terms cheap and easy.

See, W. C. MANNING,  
WILLIAMSTON, N. C.



**Notice**

I will sell at my home, near Everetts, on  
**Thursday Dec. 18th.**  
**-10:30 A. M.-**

all my farming implements consisting of plows, hoes, cultivators, disks, fertilizer distributors, planters, tobacco transplanter, mowing machine and rake, wagon, cart, tobacco trucks and one good mule with corn and hay.

**Jesse Keel**

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