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THE NEXT LEGISLATURE AND THE BIG CORPORATIONS

"North Carolina, Incorporated" is a subject recently discussed by J. W. Bailey, attorney of Raleigh, and former Democratic candidate for governor, with the corporation clerk in the office of the Secretary of State. Mr. Bailey complaining that such a name should have been given to any private corporation. The corporation clerk denied that any such certificate of incorporation had been issued in this State.

It now seems apparent that Mr. Bailey was forecasting and saying that title for the next North Carolina General Assembly, which will, if as many candidates representing the big corporations of the State, succeed in the coming election, pretty nearly be "North Carolina, Incorporated."

The percentage of legislative candidates that are allied and tied up with the public service corporations or the big private corporations is sufficient notice to the public that they are marshalling their forces for some purpose which can be nothing more nor less than to take to themselves some advantages. It may be lower the taxes on the big and raise them on the little. The corporate growth in North Carolina has been so rapid in recent years that they cover every nook and corner of the State. There are railroad attorneys, power attorneys, telephone attorneys, tobacco attorneys, chain-store attorneys, moving picture attorneys in every county; and, strange to say, they are always trying to butt in on the legislature.

They can do it. They are paid by the year, work or play, and are more useful to their masters in the legislative halls than in any other place. The lawyer who has to depend on straight practice can not afford to leave his business to serve in the legislature.

What is the result when Mr. High-Paid Corporation Lawyer gets to Raleigh—and sometimes to Washington? He is confronted with business affecting both the people and the corporations. They are in part, sometimes different. Now the poor fellow is in a tight place. The people back home, out of sight, don't know much about the question. They have no particular leader, but are hopefully and trustfully depending on their legislators to take care of their interests, because they are paying them \$4 a day to have him do it. On the other hand, there stands Mr. Corporation, his employer, who pays him big fees and big retainers. He is in full force, first with his expert politicians, whose business it is to add political honors to the already paid attorney legislator. Now, you have the big corporation money and honor, which has made kings and princes fall.

These lobbying politicians are always surrounded by a bunch of experts who hang around the legislature for the purpose of giving out information that their employers may wish to pass to the otherwise wise legislators.

There is no one to represent the people. They are good; they will forgive, so the corporation lawyer takes sides with the big fellow and takes chances of explaining to the little fellow at home. He knows he can not make any such explanation to the big fellow.

If we have a real peril confronting us, it is the unequal laws governing the classes of men, and the center of the evil lies in the fact that laws are made to protect money rather than men.

Mr. J. W. Bailey was not so far wrong when he said "North Carolina, Incorporated."

Look on the next legislature, which we have already been told is to be the most important one in many years.

WHY DO MEN CRAVE PUBLIC OFFICE?

Why do men crave public office is a mystery that is hard to understand. The scramble for the job of W. A. Hart, road commissioner, long before the flowers had been placed on his grave, is something of an index of the appetite some people have for office. In this case the office pays the sum of \$10 per day when on actual duty, and it is very likely that no job in the State is beset with more trouble and criticism than that of road commissioner. Why, then, should men plunge so wildly for a job that is poor in pay and full of trouble? Can it be that men feel they have something so valuable they must give it to the public? If they do have such knowledge and power in store then they are statesmen. But if it is simply that spirit of hungering and thirsting for office, then such should not be honored. Again, if a man seeks such a job in order that he may give his or some other section some special favors, then he is the most of all unfitted for such a position.

NOTICE OF CANDIDACY

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Solicitor of the County Recorder's Court of Martin County, subject to the action of the Democratic primary, and solicit the votes of the good men and women voters of the county.

This the 1st day of March, 1926.
HUGH G. HORTON.

NOTICE

In the superior court, before the clerk, State of North Carolina; County of Martin.
C. B. McKeel, Plaintiff, vs. Sadie McKeel, Defendant

The defendant, Sadie McKeel, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the superior court of Martin County, to obtain a divorce, a vinculo matrimonii,



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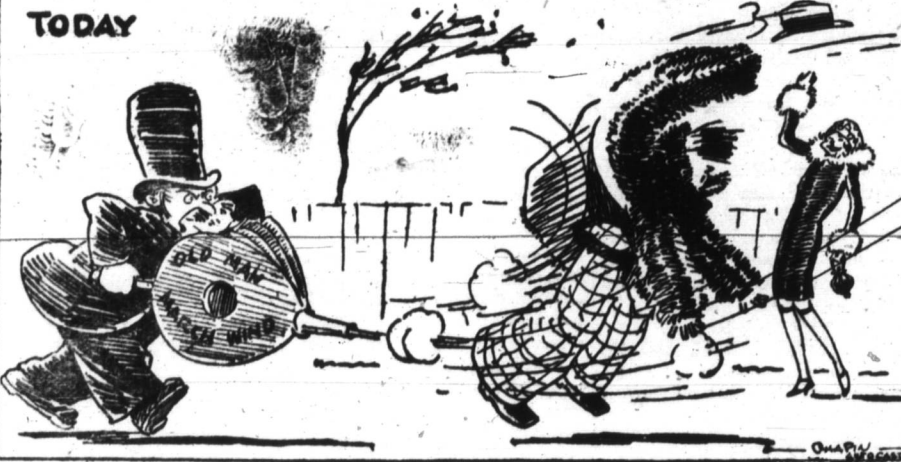
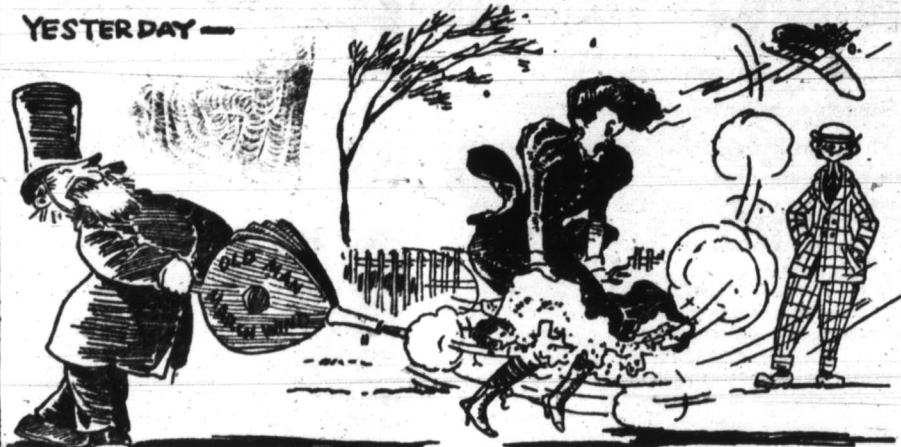
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By A. B. CHAPIN



and the said defendant will further take notice that she is required to appear at the office of the superior court at the courthouse in Williamston, N. C., on the 12th day of March, 1926, and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This 12th day of February, 1926.
R. J. PEEL,
Clerk Superior Court.

NOTICE

Under and by virtue of an order of sale made by the clerk of the superior court in the special proceedings entitled "Maybelle Mae Johnson vs. Lillian A. Laughinghouse, et als," the undersigned commissioners will, on the 5th day of April, 1926, at 12 o'clock noon, in front of the courthouse door of Martin County, offer at public sale to the highest bidder for cash the following described tract of land:

That certain tract or parcel of land that was conveyed to the said Henry T. Stallings by deed of Seth Hardison and wife, dated October 6, 1906, and of record in the office of the register of deeds for Martin County, North Carolina, in deed book 000, at page 687; said property being more fully described as follows: Lying and being in Jamesville Township, or district, Martin County. Beginning in Poplar Branch at the road in a black gum; thence south up said branch to Thos. Bembridge corner or avenue; thence along said avenue by Charlie Bembridge place to his west corner; then south along his line to his corner in J. W. Griffin's line, being the John Hardison patent line; thence west to a dead pine, Griffin and Washington Coltrain's corner; thence north to the old patent line to the road; thence easterly against said road to the beginning. Containing one hundred and fifty acres, more or less.

This the 2nd day of March, 1926.
B. A. CRITCHER,
GUY T. HORNER,
Commissioners.

NOTICE OF SALE

By virtue of the power and authority vested in the undersigned trustee by the terms and conditions of a deed of trust executed by Joseph Yarrell and wife, Fannie Yarrell, to O. S. Anderson, trustee, of record in the office of the register of deeds for Martin County, in book H-2, page 113, he will on Monday, April 26, 1926, at 12 o'clock m., at the courthouse door of Martin County, in the town of Williamston, N. C., sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following real es-

tate, in Martin County, North Carolina to wit:

A certain tract of land bounded on the north by Paul Smithwick, on the east by the J. E. Moore estate, on the south by Wiltz Veneer Company, and Leggett lands, and on the west by Lawrence James, and containing thirty (30) acres, more or less, and being the same land conveyed by W. C. Manning, trustee, to J. B. Knight, dated January 10, 1907.

This March 22, 1926.
O. S. ANDERSON,
Trustee.
Gilliam & Davenport, Attorneys.

NOTICE OF SALE

By virtue of the power and authority vested in the undersigned trustee, by the terms and conditions of a certain trust deed executed and delivered by Woodley Thompson to O. S. Anderson, trustee, of record in the office of the register of deeds for Martin County in book G-2, page 221, he will on Monday, April 27, 1926, at 12 o'clock m., at the courthouse door of Martin County, in the town of Williamston, N. C., expose to public sale to the highest bidder for cash, the following real estate, in Martin County, North Carolina, to wit:

A certain tract of land beginning on the north by the run of Concho Creek; on the east by the lands in possession of John Chesson and the Concho public road; on the south and on the west by W. R. Whitley, running the agreed line that was agreed to by and between William R. Whitley, sr., and John D. Biggs & Co., reference to said settlement and line is hereby referred to and being the same land sold by John D. Biggs & Co. to R. P. Satterter to N. S. Peele, and N. S. Peele to Woodley Thompson, containing three hundred (300) acres, more or less.

This March 22nd, 1926.
O. S. ANDERSON,
Trustee.
Gilliam & Davenport, Attorneys.

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of an order of the superior court of Martin County entitled "B. A. Critcher, administrator, against Mrs. Byra Ballard, and others," the undersigned appointed commissioner by the court in said proceedings will on the 17th day of April, 1926, in front of the courthouse of Williamston, N. C., at 12 o'clock noon, sell to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described property:

Same being a house and lot in the town of Williamston, N. C., being located on Main Street and adjoining

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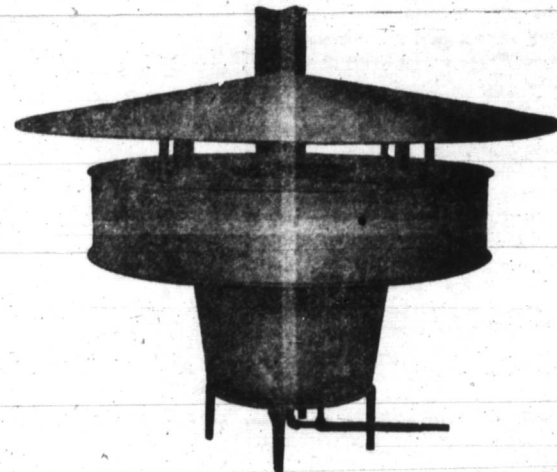
By virtue of the power and authority vested in the undersigned trustee, by the terms and conditions of a deed of trust executed and delivered by Ned Williams and wife, Malvine Williams to O. S. Anderson, trustee, of record in the office of the register of deeds for Martin County, in book G-2, page 295, he will on Monday, April 26, 1926, at 12 o'clock m., at the courthouse door of Martin County, in the town of Williamston, N. C., sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following real estate in the county of Martin, and State of North Carolina, to wit:

Beginning at an oak on the Ballard road between Ned Williams and Jordan Williams, running thence along an easterly course along said road, Jordan Williams line, to a red oak, J. R. Ballard's line, thence along J. R. Ballard's line to a poplar on Gilliam Ridge, M. W. Ballard's line, thence along said M. W. Ballard's line, to the said Ballard road, thence along said Ballard road toward Poplar Point, to the place of beginning, containing fifteen (15) acres, more or less, same being whole of the tract of land where Ned Williams now lives.

This March 22nd, 1926.
O. S. ANDERSON,
Trustee.
Gilliam & Davenport, attorneys.

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Notice To Tax Payers

By order of the Board of County Commissioners, I will be forced to levy on all real and personal property April 1st if taxes are not paid on or before that date. Therefore, I will thank those that have not paid their 1925 taxes to pay same and save the cost and embarrassment of advertising.

Thanking you, I am,

Respectfully yours,

H. T. Roberson
Sheriff Martin County

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