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## Newspapers are Like People

The Victoria Dispatch says if there is anything in your home town worth talking about, your home newspaper is almost certain to have had a hand in putting it there.

This is, of course, pleasing to the newspaper, because after all the newspaper is almost human. It feels an interest in all good things and all good people. It always regrets to have to mention unpleasant things, even about bad people.

The newspaper is so much like folks that it is approached in just the same manner as they are, in a confidential way, with requests to say every good thing possible about folks, but never print anything bad about folks.

It becomes amusing to watch the procession of men, from the newspaper standpoint, and see how they try to multiply their good deeds and hide their shame when it comes to publicity.

They seem to forget that it is the newspapers' plain duty to print the truth about all happenings. It is proper that it should be done, because it tends to help the good and restrain the bad in men. Most people would be more particular about their actions if they could know at the time that all men were looking at them through the eyes of the newspaper.

The newspaper is always willing to boost all the lodges, all the churches, all the civic and business institutions. The newspaper does so for the sole purpose of trying to make a better surrounding for the people who dwell in the radius of its circulation.

It has the advantage of being able to do more such uplift than any citizen or agency.

The local newspaper may not always do all it should; the same can also be said of the individual who lets opportunities pass by daily that could be used to improve his section.

## Stop Talking Hard Times

If North Carolina would stop talking hard times, the old panic pains would be forgotten.

The State bank resources of North Carolina increased by \$34,965,531.29 from June 30, 1925 to June 30, 1926. The national banks of the State also made a proportional gain.

Although we are among the most extravagant people on the earth, yet we have laid up \$35,000,000 in a year. If we had used even reasonable econ-

omy it would have been twice that. It seems that while we are people with a big income we have a lot of demands on that income.

The main thing to do now is to hush "hollering" and catch our part of the prosperity that is easily in reach.

No one can doubt that old hard times is rapidly passing by and it is time for the folks to feel good again.

## "Forward" in Agriculture

"Forward," was the fine word used by Hon. W. A. Graham, commissioner of agriculture on a recent occasion when he was discussing the great question of agriculture.

Those who till the fields of North Carolina and feed the folks, and many more with the bountiful crops grown on our productive soil should take courage when they see a department of our State government given over to their interests. Especially should they rejoice when told to go forward. Those people who look deeply into things will not fail to see the great eastern section of North Carolina standing along way in the forefront of the business and civic affairs of our country and not too far in the distance.

There was a time when the farmer could only feel his way along. He had to experiment one year for the next and perhaps fail both times.

Now, we have the experience of millions of farmers with thousands of tests, at our command. They deal with every phase of farming, clearing the field, preparing the soil, fertilizing the land, selecting and planting the seed, cultivating and housing the crops. These things came about largely by cooperation.

It should sound good to the farmers to hear of the leader of their own State department saying, "Forward."

## Freedom of Faith

Freedom of faith is one of the cherished American principles.

There was a time when we were denied such privileges. Then it was that church and state were together. In

the northern colonies the church dominated the state, while in the south the conditions were somewhat different in power and the state had assumed the guardianship or leadership

of the state. The Mexican government would go a long way forward if they would adopt the resolution passed by the



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## CATCHING DISEASES

Diseases that are easily communicated from a sick to a well person are contagious ("catching") diseases. The most familiar of these, no doubt, are measles, mumps, whooping-cough, scarlet fever and diphtheria.

Nature is the most relentless and cruel of all tyrants. Her laws are inexorable. In all nature there is constant warfare. The weeds smother the cotton if the weeds themselves are not destroyed. In the pond, the big fish eat the little fish. The dogs catch the rabbits and the cats catch the mice. The partridges eat the insects and the robins eat the worms.

"Great fleas have little fleas  
Upon their backs to bite 'em,  
And little fleas have lesser fleas,  
And so—ad infinitum.  
And the great fleas themselves,  
In turn, have greater fleas to go on;  
While these again have greater still,  
And greater still and so on."

In the microscopic world there are bacteria that prey on each other and bacteria that prey on the human host. Human beings must fight these bacteria that prey on the human host. Human beings must fight these bacteria or be overcome by them. Human beings fight bacteria naturally by nature's laws and also human beings may use their superior human intellect to aid in combatting them.

When the virus causing smallpox gains entrance in the human body it immediately begins to grow and multiply and to eliminate the toxins which produce the symptoms called smallpox. When this happens nature at once sets to work to produce in the system a substance which will neutralize these poisons and also kill the virus. If nature is successful the patient gets well. If nature is unsuccessful, the patient dies. The fight is unto death. One or the other must be overcome.

Man's intelligence comes to the aid of nature by showing man how to aid nature to more efficiently prepare this antitoxin by means of vaccination. In some instances it is possible to prepare this antitoxin artificially outside of the human body.

All contagious or "catching" diseases are caused by some species of bacteria and they are contagious because these bacteria are communicated in some manner from the sick to the well.

In most cases when the individual has had one attack of the disease and gets well, the natural antitoxin produced in the system to counteract that infection remains permanent and such persons is not likely to have that disease again.

With the coming of Thomas Jefferson a new principle was born, and to him we owe the separation of church and state.

Prior to that time religious liberty was almost unknown. It was against the law not to go to church. It was a crime to bring Quakers to some of the colonies. The law provided for the burning of heretics at the stake, though it was not rigidly enforced. Witches were burned; Quakers were hung, and all the people had to pay tithes to maintain the church, regardless of their religious affiliation; and many who refused were thrown into prison.

Mexico is now undergoing something of the same ordeal that we emerged from 150 years ago. The state church is Catholic, and it has had similar dominion in that country that the state church did in the colonies prior to the Revolution. A contention over a principle so far reaching is perfectly natural. Yet if the Mexican president can rise to the same height of statesmanship as did Thomas Jefferson, the troubles in Mexico between church and State will soon be peaceably settled.

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## FOLLOWS EMANCIPATOR



Milton R. Moskow, twelve-year-old San Francisco schoolboy who since the age of five has patterned his life after that of Abraham Lincoln, aspires to occupy the White House some day as his hero did. He has been nominated as a candidate for the American Youth Award established by the directors of the Sesqui-Centennial International Exposition, held in Philadelphia from June 1 to December 1 in celebration of 150 years of American Independence. Under the plan of the American Youth Award and the American Teacher Award, each state will select a boy and a girl and a woman teacher who best represent American ideals, and they will be given trips to Philadelphia and to Washington, where they will receive medals from President Coolidge.

Virginia Assembly, as follows:

"We, the General Assembly of Virginia, do enact that no man shall be compelled to frequent or support any religious worship, place, or ministry whatsoever, nor shall be enforced, restrained, molested, or burdened in his body or goods or shall otherwise suffer on account of his religious opinions or beliefs; but that all men shall be free to profess and by arguments to maintain their opinions in matters of religion, and that the same shall in no wise diminish, enlarge, or effect their civic capacities.

The liberality and democracy of Thomas Jefferson caused him to be called an infidel, skeptic, and atheist.

Mexico needs to outgrow class domination, whether religious or political, and then Mexico will be a new and better nation.

## NOTICE OF SALE

North Carolina, Martin County.  
In the superior court, before the clerk.

In the Matter of May King Williams, F. E. Williams, and Mary Blanche Williams, by her guardian, May King Williams, Ex-Parte.

Pursuant to an order of the superior court made by R. J. Peel, clerk of the superior court of Martin County, in the above-entitled proceedings on the 19th day of July, 1926, and approved by Judge M. V. Barnhill, resident judge of the second judicial district, on the 22nd day of July, 1926, the undersigned commissioner will on Friday, the 27th day of August, 1926, at 12 o'clock m., in front of the hereinafter described premises in the town of Hamilton, North Carolina, offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash, the hereinafter described real estate, to wit:

Beginning at Pattie Sherrod's corner on Front Street in the town of Hamilton, North Carolina, and running along said street 20 feet to J. R. Williams heirs line, thence along said Williams heirs line a southerly direction 51 feet to F. L. Gladstone's line, thence along said Gladstone's line a westerly direction 20 feet to Pattie Sherrod's line, thence along Pattie Sherrod's line 51 feet to Front Street the beginning, containing 1,020 square feet.

This the 26th day of July, 1926.  
ELBERT S. PEEL,  
Commissioner.

## Things To Think About

By JAMES D. TAYLOR

### YOUR APPRECIATION

We too often take things for granted. We are prone to criticize when things are not to our liking. But we are sometimes too slow in telling of our appreciation when things are done to our liking.

We are ever ready to criticize out city, county, and State officials when their acts do not meet with our approval. But do we tell them of our appreciation when they do a good job?

You read your home-town paper and often you get a large part of your education from it. You find in its columns things that inspire you and you like the stand upon public questions. Do you write your paper and tell it of your sincere appreciation?

You know that your home demonstration agent is doing a good work in your community by helping others to help themselves. Do you tell her

of your appreciation? A word of encouragement and appreciation from you will help her to carry on. Do you appreciate her services? If you do, tell her so.

Are you grateful for what your mother and father have done for you? Tell them so. Do you ever express your appreciation for the helpfulness of your friends? Do you, from time to time, tell your pastor that you are grateful for the good work he is doing in your community in bringing about "peace on earth and good will toward men"? Are you glad of these things? If you are, express your appreciation.

### NOTICE OF PAROLE

Please take notice that application will be made to the Governor of North Carolina for parole of J. S. Williams, convicted in the Superior Court of Martin County and sentenced to fifteen (15) months on the roads.

Those having any protest to the granting of such parole will please forward same to Hon. Hoyle Sink, Commissioner of Pardons, Raleigh, North Carolina.

This the 14th day of July, 1926.  
H. L. SWAIN, Attorney for petitioner.

### SALE OF LAND FOR TAXES

I, H. T. Roberson, sheriff of Martin County, have this day levied on the following tracts or parcels of land, and will sell the same at public auction for cash before the courthouse door of Martin County on September 6, for taxes due and unpaid for the year 1925, unless the taxes and costs are paid on or before that date:

#### Williamston Township

	Taxes	Cost	Total
John L. Hassell, 3 stores on Main St., 1 residence	\$615.80	\$1.80	\$617.60
Calvin Hassell, 1-7 interest in Hassell home place	44.00	1.80	45.80

This the 4th day of August, 1926.

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H. T. ROBERSON, Sheriff.

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