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Put Children in School—Not in Cotton Field

The best way to solve the price of cotton is to put the children who are producing the oversupply of cotton in school.

The South works her children in the cotton field too much and keeps them in school too little.

Those children who are entitled to go to school and who are kept out to raise more cotton evidently swell the crop 20 per cent every year. In other words, the South is producing three and a half million bales of cotton this year by sacrificing the opportunities of its school children, and the big crop we have will not sell for as much as the smaller crop would have brought.

In our own county, according to the best figures and estimates obtainable, our 10,000 bales of cotton will actually cost \$875,000 for production; and it will not sell for more than \$600,000, a net loss of \$275,000—a sum larger than our entire county taxes. Experts, and everybody else, tell us the trouble is too much cotton.

When the Southern boys and girls are taken out of the cotton field, and thereby reduced the production, we will get more money for our crop and be able to pay the difference.

The solution of the question can come in no other way than through education. We may say that we must have the children to work, but it is not true; it is only a system of slavery from which they can never emerge—ignorance will keep any man on his knees as long as he lives.

It is a harsh statement to make—yet it is true—that the rank and file of cotton farmers in the South are losing for want of intelligence.

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Under and by virtue of the power and authority contained in a certain deed of trust executed to the undersigned trustee by A. O. Brown and wife, Agnes Brown, on the 21st day of June, 1924, and of record in the public registry of Martin County in book Q-2, at page 143, 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 holders of the said notes the undersigned trustee will on Saturday, the 6th day of November, 1926, at 12 o'clock m., in front of the courthouse door in the town of Williamston, North Carolina, offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash the following described real estate, to wit:

First tract: A one-half undivided interest in the following described land, lying and being in the town of Williamston on Washington Street, bounded on the north by S. S. Hadley and the colored Masonic Lodge, on the west by Elm Street, and on the south and southeast by Washington Street, and containing 1-2 acre more or less and being the same land deeded to J. D. Slade and A. O. Brown by Ellis William, and others by deed dated January 26th, 1919, and of record in the public registry of Martin County in book B-2, at page 113. Saving and excepting from the operation of this deed that part of said land heretofore deeded to W. S. Faulk, B. S. Courtney, and the Williamston Realty & Improvement Co. Said deeds being of record in the public registry of Martin County in book D-2, at page 157, book E-2, at page 274, book D-2, at page 159, and book E-2, at page 60.

Second tract: Being the house and lot and vacant lot on Pearl Street in the town of Williamston, N. C., where Ida Slade formerly resided and being

Another Great Prison Reform

The greatest of all reforms, as well as the most striking piece of economy, ever invented or introduced in North Carolina has just been set in motion at our State penitentiary. To Governor Angus W. McLean and the Hon. George Ross Pugh go the honors for this splendid piece of economy. It seems that there happens to be two printers in the penitentiary. Of course the crime charged against them was for speaking the truth—so far as we know, that is the only law violation ever committed by either editor or printer in this State. So our officials conceived the idea that the State should go into the printing business, and the penitentiary is the spot from whence this work comes. Of course, the whole State is very proud of its printing plant.

But perhaps the governor and the superintendent of the prison forgot to study the statistics before they made a big investment for expensive printing machinery; for if they had, they would have found that there is not a printer sent to the penitentiary on an average of but one each 90 years, and they would have seen at once that as soon as the two now there are pardoned there will not be a soul there who can set type or lock up a form. Then we will have a bunch of machinery on our hands to rust out.

But it is all right. Perhaps the gentlemen in their anxiety to make the prisoners happy have decided to put everybody to work.

It is expected that the next step will be to discharge the attorney general, the State solicitors, and other legal employees, and let the lawyers in the penitentiary do the State's practice. You see there are a goodly number of lawyers there. They could save heavy legal fees, which the State is called upon annually to pay out for legal advice. The corporation commission, the University, and the State College at Raleigh all have tangles, requiring lawyers to unravel them. When this reform is put into motion, all that saving will help the State prison pay its expenses.

Another reform can easily be made, just let some of the doctors in the "pen" roll the pills and discharge the prison physicians. What a saving that would be!

They may also be able to do away with the prison chaplain. Doubtless

they have some preaching material that might be worked up to take the job. Then it may be that the prison will soon organize a line of chain stores for the purpose of furnishing groceries, etc., to itself and the public. That would probably save the State a few dimes and not interfere with private business very much. The State has heretofore adhered to a policy of non-competitive operations in the prison, but now it seems that it proposes to enter all fields where a penny can be saved. But will it pay in the end?

FOR SALE: SECOND-HAND IRON safe for sale cheap. \$50.00 See J. Rogers & Bro., Bear Grass. 019 4t

"Apples for Health, Inc."

Apples for Health, Inc., is an organization formed and incorporated at a recent meeting of American apple growers held in Chicago. It has been said for ages that most people need to eat fruit for health. The old adage, "An apple a day keeps the doctor away" is doubtless true.

The apple growers believe in advertising; they believe that to make people eat more apples, in order that they may have a better market for their product, they must make the general public see the need to eat apples. For that reason, they are making a real campaign in advertising apples for health.

Our country's apple growers are putting about 350,000 barrels of ap-

ples on the market each day now. They see the need to teach people the importance of using them to avoid glutting the market. The power to suggest and make the people think to eat apples will make a much larger demand.

The grower pays a half a cent a bushel for a fund to be used in an advertising campaign. This scheme will insure a stronger market for apples for years to come.

Unfortunately, the cotton farmer

makes no effort to increase the demand for cotton.

If he would convince the women of the world that their legs look as pretty with cotton as with silk hose, it would absorb a good portion of our big surplus crop, yet, so far as we know, the cotton farmer has made no effort along this or any other line.

FOR SALE: ONE BREAKFAST set; one 4-burner stove (Florence automatic); one coal stove (seating); one kitchen cabinet, one refrigerator, several other articles. Cheap for quick sale. K. P. Lindsay.

N-O-T-I-C-E OF TAXES

The tax books of the Town of Williamston are now open. A discount of one per cent will be given on all taxes paid in the months of October and November. On all taxes paid during the month of January, after the first day of that month, a penalty of one per cent per month shall be charged. On all taxes paid during the month of February, after the first day of that month, a penalty of two per cent shall be added. On all taxes paid after the month of February, an additional penalty of one per cent for each additional month of delay in settlement shall be charged.

This the 8th day of October, 1926.

W. B. DANIEL, Tax Collector,
For Town of Williamston.

Democratic Meetings

The candidates of the Democratic party will hold meetings in Martin County at the following places at 8 o'clock p. m., on dates mentioned below.

All citizens are cordially invited to attend the meetings.

- Tuesday Night, Oct. 19th—Sandy Ridge Schoolhouse and Hassells
- Wednesday Night, Oct. 20th—Cross Roads and Farm Life School
- Thursday Night, October 21st—Oak City
- Friday Night, October 22nd—Dardens and Gold Point
- Monday Night, October 25th—Lilleys Hall and Parmele
- Tuesday Night, October 26th—Robersonville
- Wednesday Night, October 27th—Jamesville
- Thursday Night, October 28th—Hamilton
- Friday Night, October 29th—Bear Grass
- Saturday Night, October 30th—Mills Schoolhouse and Fairview
- Monday Night, November 1st—Everetts

Clayton Moore

Chairman Executive Committee

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