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Ford's Billion Dollar Offer

A flat offer of one billion dollars made Henry Ford for the Ford Motor company since Christmas.

That is some money, almost beyond the comprehension of the human mind to calculate. If it was all in one dollar bills, placed end to end, it would girdle the earth five times.

For the country's sake, let Ford keep his Ford. As it now stands,

there are only two automobile manufacturers in this country, Ford and the General Motors with its allied connections.

It has not been given out who made the offer. Yet, it is almost certain that if Ford sells, there will be only one great dominating automobile business in this country.

Manufacturers Not Shunning This State

Figures don't justify the statement that manufacturers are shunning North Carolina as has been claimed by various parties, especially H. S. Richardson, of the Vack Chemical company. As an evidence we see from the tobacco manufacturing tax paid in 1926 that North Carolina gained more than all other states put together, our gain being \$21,000,000. Only five States showed a gain. All other states lost, some of them heavily in the manufacture of tobacco.

When we see manufacturing leaving the Trust State of New Jersey and the much talked-of "no tax" State of Florida, we are convinced that it is only tax dodgers who are squealing against North Carolina taxes.

Tax dodging citizens never make a prosperous section, and if North Carolina has got to give more to a citizen than it gets out of that citizen it will be better off without him.

If our legislature would give its attention to the problem of placing an equal burden on every class and piece of property in the State and then say to all people who are unwilling to live under such a system of taxation go to any retired corner of the earth that is bidding for the tax dodging wealth, it would be doing a manly and an honest service.

It is proposterous to talk about the low tax in Florida when as a matter of fact the low tax only applies to the man with millions, while the man with the farm is living under a heavy tax burden.

Of course, it is possible to get along without paying taxes, but if we do that we will soon be just where we were when we whipped the Indians

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain deed of trust executed on the 4th day of May, 1921, by John T. Chance and wife, Annie Chance, and of record in the public registry of Martin County in book R-2, at page 326; said deed of trust being given to secure the payment of certain notes of even date and tenor therewith, and the stipulations in said deed of trust not having been complied with, and at the request of the parties interested, the undersigned trustee will on the 28th day of February, 1927, at 12 o'clock p. m., at the courthouse door in the town of Williamston, N. C., offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash at public auction the following tracts of land, to wit:

Being lots numbers 108, 109, 19, and 20 in the town of Parmele, N. C., as described in a certain map made by F. W. Secrest, C. E., which map is registered in the register of deeds office of Martin County in book 7, at page 412, reference to which is hereby made for further description.

This the 27th day of January, 1927.
 D. A. JAMES,
 Trustee.
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 Robert L. Coburn, attorney.

Why a Bigger Navy

It looks as if three big new cruisers will be added to the United States Navy before the present Congress adjourns. And we are the nation that boasts as being the one that is teaching the world how to live.

The big-gun way may frighten them into obedience, but it is not what we ought to teach.

When we give people the same consideration that we do property, we will have less need for expensive battle cruisers.

Can't Get Any Worse

Testimony in the Browning case is now ended and Charlie Chaplin has been allowed to draw his money out of the bank for temporary purposes. Now, why shouldn't we go to war with China and Mexico? It would not shock our morals any worse than the tinted scenes in those court proceedings? And then there are so many of those poor Chinamen. What difference does it make if we do try out our guns on them?

NOTICE: TRUSTEE'S SALE OF LAND

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain deed of trust executed by R. C. Bailey and wife, Iceline Bailey, on the 15th day of February, 1924, and of record in Martin County public registry of said county, in book N-2, at page 445, and the stipulations therein contained not having been complied with, and upon the demand of the owner of said mortgage, the undersigned will on Monday, 28th day of February, 1927, at 12:00 o'clock noon, in front of Planters & Merchants Bank in town of Everetts, N. C., Martin County, dispose to the highest bidder for cash the following described lands, to wit: Being that certain tract of land where the said R. C. Bailey now lives and also another tract of land known as the Rawls land and bounded as follows:

First tract: Bounded on south by W. A. Bailey, on the east and north by Edmond Harris, on the west by Bear Grass road, and containing 30 acres, more or less.

Second tract: Bounded as follows:

On the east by Eason Rogerson heirs, or west by Edmond Harris, on north by W. A. Bailey, on south by C. C. Cowin, and containing thirty acres, more or less.

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This 24th day of January, 1927.
 J. S. AYERS,
 Trustee.

NOTICE FOR TAX DEED

To Nathan Harrington, or to any other person or persons interested in the following land:

You will take notice that H. T. Roberson, sheriff and tax collector for Martin County, sold at the courthouse door of Martin County on Monday, the 7th day in June, 1926, "2 acres of Simpson land listed in Jamesville Township by Nathan Harrington," for taxes for the year 1925, and at said sale I was the highest bidder for said land and the said sheriff issued me a certificate of said sale.

You will take further notice hereunder, that unless you redeem said certificate, I shall demand a deed for said land on or after June 7, 1927.

January 21st, 1927.
 C. G. GURKIN.

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