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**Preparation the Key to Success**

Just as the millions of school children are leaving the schools of the country, the big question is asked, "What shall I do? Go to work or pursue my school work for another year?" Certainly, the student, the boy or girl, have had no experience to guide them in the better way to take.

Yet there can be but one answer, and that is prepare for the tasks of life. For, be assured, you are going to meet other men all along the way who are prepared, who have laid a deep foundation of thought, and who will be able to summarize and grasp a situation quickly when it presents itself. The best opportunities will go to the best prepared.

The doctor and the lawyer are required to make better preparation than ever before. The same will have to apply to the merchant, the farmer, and any other class of men.

The immediate need has always allured man to sacrifice his better opportunities rather than wait.

A boy in the seventh grade may think rather than take up the hard task of the next four years of high school he had better go to work. He may have a job that pays \$2 or \$3 a day. But he should remember that if he goes to school he can earn much more during his life. It can be shown that for every day a boy or girl attends high school he reaps a reward of about \$10 for each day attended. This, spread out in after life, is found to be of great value.

Don't be the boy or girl to sell your birthright for a mess of pottage and later on wake up to see how far behind you are. Go to school and prepare to take care of yourself and your own business. For nobody else will do it for you satisfactorily.

We are rapidly heading toward a new era of competition, in which only two things will count, knowledge (education) and perseverance. Neither one will win alone.

**From a "Flying Fool" to a National Hero**

Now, how sorry lots of us are that we were not "the flying fool," Lindbergh, when he left New York Friday morning alone in an airplane to fly across the Atlantic Ocean with Paris as the first stop. All the papers said in big headlines "The flying fool hopped off this morning." On Saturday evening the same papers ran big headlines, "Hurrah for the American Hero." It is wonderful that a man can translate from a fool to a hero in a day and a quarter, yet we must admit that the Friday headlines did seem reasonable. For when any man sets out alone when he must be on the alert for a day and a night then another day, with nothing in sight most of the time except the deep blue ocean, it really is daring.

It is, however, no greater achievement than Columbus performed four centuries ago, nor is he any more a hero, and he, too, will be forgotten a thousand times before Columbus is forgotten. Not one person in ten remembers the year nor the names of the first two persons that flew across the Atlantic Ocean; and though it has been but eight years since Alcock and Brown flew from St. John, New Foundland to a point in Ireland it has almost faded from the minds of the people. In that case, the flight was only half as far as that made by Lindbergh. While we are doing wonders today, we forget them tomorrow, for we are always rushing on to find something new.

Science has done wonders in this age, and it has gone to such an extent that we fear to doubt that man will yet do many more wonders, if he observes the laws of God's nature.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE**

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Mrs. Lucy E. Burnette, deceased, late of Martin County, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Williamston, N. C., on or before the 25th day of April, 1928, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment. This 25th day of April, 1927.  
J. W. BAILEY,  
Administrator.  
Mrs. Lucy E. Burnette Estate.

**Things To Think About**  
By JAMES D. TAYLOR

**REGENERATION**

Until my friend moved to another State, we spent most of our spare time together. But when we were together, there were no spare hours. We both tried to live the Christian life, so, of course, we were happy. The creed of his church was somewhat different from mine. But I believed in the kind of life he lived, and I know he believed in the kind I tried to live. He went with me to my church, and the next Sunday I would accompany him to his. It did not matter what kind of Bibles or prayer books were used. We were not the least concerned in the local name of the church or its doctrines. Whether we stood to pray or knelt did not concern us. But we were interested in getting closer to Jesus and thanking Him for His goodness and seeking His continued good will. We knew that this could be done in any church, regardless of its doctrine. Jesus is interested in souls, not creeds. Jesus makes a study of the heart, not the doctrine.

Those who are trying to follow in the footsteps of the Master are not only offering peace but everlasting life, through Jesus; not only faith but a lasting love. They are not interested in any doctrine with justification alone but regeneration. That's the thing, my friends, regeneration.

We do not have to study and examine the doctrines and creeds of the various branches of the House of God to find the one in which Jesus will be found. Most of the branches are good, and if they are trying to obey Him they are good. May they all grow big. May they all continue to compete, and may this grow keener with the years. Jesus is interested in all of those that claim Him as the head. Every one that loveth is born of God, and every one that is born of God is Christ. It is so simple. Jesus is so easily found. In all churches, in the home, the office, the street, everywhere. "Whoso shall receive a little child in My name receiveth Me." You can receive Jesus anywhere you like. And when you receive Him you will grow more like Him, and you will be patient and humble and generous and unselfish and kind, and courteous. And then any church will be God's church.

**NOTICE**

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain deed of trust executed to the undersigned trustee on the 7th day of May, 1919, and of record in Martin County registry in book A-2, page 146, securing certain bonds of even date therewith, and the stipulations not having been complied with, and at the request of the holder of said bonds, the undersigned trustee will, on the 31st day of May, 1927, at 12 o'clock noon, offer for sale to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described property:

Beginning on the north by the run of Conoho Creek, on the east by the lands in possession of John Chesson and the Conoho Public Road; on the south and west by W. R. Whitley, running the agreed line that was agreed to by and between William I. Whitley, sr., and John D. Biggs & Co., reference of said settlement of line is hereby referred to; and being the same land sold by John D. Biggs & Co., to R. P. Satterwhite to N. S. Peel, and N. S. Peel to Woodley Thompson, containing 300 acres, more or less.

This 29th day of April, 1927.  
J. C. ANDERSON,  
Trustee.  
Wheeler Martin, Attorney.

Having qualified as executrix of the estate of Mary H. Ward, deceased, late of Martin County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit same to the undersigned at Williamston on or before the 12th day of May, 1928, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 12th day of May, 1927.  
Mrs. EMMA THOMPSON,  
Executrix.

fer for sale to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described property:

Beginning on the north by the run of Conoho Creek, on the east by the lands in possession of John Chesson and the Conoho Public Road; on the south and west by W. R. Whitley, running the agreed line that was agreed to by and between William I. Whitley, sr., and John D. Biggs & Co., reference of said settlement of line is hereby referred to; and being the same land sold by John D. Biggs & Co., to R. P. Satterwhite to N. S. Peel, and N. S. Peel to Woodley Thompson, containing 300 acres, more or less.

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Mrs. EMMA THOMPSON,  
Executrix.

**ACHED ALL OVER**  
Was Suffering Dreadfully, Just "Wasting Away." Book Cardui, and Says It Helped Her.

Arlington, Texas.—A resident of this town for many years, Mrs. J. H. Jackson, says:

"I had suffered dreadfully with an aching all over my body. At times my head would give me so much trouble I could hardly stand it. I had been in bed for weeks and it looked like I was just wasting away. I took 9 bottles of Cardui and my strength began to slowly return. Since that time I have used this medicine a good many times and it has always helped me."

"At one time I took Cardui for several months regularly. I would be afflicted with sudden spells of dizziness when I could not stand on my feet. Everything would turn black before my eyes and I would feel as if I were going to faint. At times I would be quite nauseated. I turned at once to Cardui and took it till I was safely through."

Cardui is a mild, medicinal tonic, made from purely vegetable ingredients. It has been in use for over 60 years and in that time thousands of women have written that Cardui helped them back to good health. Sold by all druggists. NC-182

**Take CARDUI VEGETABLE TONIC**

**SALE OF LAND FOR TAXES**  
I, Luther Peel, Tax Collector for the Williamston graded school, have this day levied on the following tracts or parcels of land and will sell same at public auction, for cash, in front of the Court House door of Martin County on June 6th, 1927 at 12 o'clock M. for taxes due and unpaid for the year 1924, unless the taxes and cost are paid on or before that date.

Mrs. Annie Biggs, 1 res.	\$ 3.50	\$1.80	\$ 5.30
Mrs. Nancy Cherry, 1 lot	2.40	1.80	4.20
Mrs. B. D. Critcher, 1 res.	11.90	1.80	13.70
Mrs. B. A. Critcher, 1 res.	15.92	1.80	17.72
Critcher & Critcher, 1 res.	12.60	1.80	14.40
J. G. Godard, 1 res. and store	91.14	1.80	92.94
Mrs. E. L. Godwin, 1 res.	56.73	1.80	58.53
Mrs. C. H. Godwin, 1 res.	19.31	1.80	21.11
A. J. Manning, 125 acres Watts	25.83	1.80	27.63
Williamston Land Imp. Co., 640 acres Biggs Land	98.00	1.80	99.80
Mrs. L. Williams, 1 res. Main St.	12.25	1.80	14.05
<b>Colored</b>			
Elijah Baker, 1 res.	3.15	1.80	4.95
Elijah Brown, 1 lot	2.30	1.80	4.10
Burdgers Heirs, 1 lot	2.35	1.80	4.15
Sarah Clemmons, 1 res.	2.45	1.80	4.25
Henry Gurganus, 1 lot	1.85	1.80	3.65
Gertrude Hassell, 1 res.	2.89	1.80	4.69
Elijah Moore, 1 res.	5.25	1.80	7.05
Caesar Purvis, 1 res.	2.10	1.80	3.90
Tabbe Purvis, 1 lot	1.05	1.80	2.85
Whit Ruffin, 1 lot	1.25	1.80	3.05
J. R. Ruffin, 1 res.	8.84	1.80	10.64
Joe Wilson, 1 res.	2.63	1.80	4.43
Carolina Williams, 1 res.	2.10	1.80	3.90

day of May, 1926, and of record in Martin County Registry in Book Q-2 page 568, securing certain bonds of even date therewith, and the stipulations not having been complied with and at the request of the holder of said bond, the undersigned Trustee, will, on the 6th day of June, 1927, at 12 o'clock, Noon, at the courthouse door of Martin County, offer at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described tract of land:

A certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in Jamesville Township, Martin County, adjoining the lands of J. H. Davenport, C. L. Simpson, the Jamesville and Plymouth Road and about one mile from Dardens, N. C. towards Plymouth, and bounded as follows: Beginning at an iron axle on the Jamesville and Plymouth Road to a telephone post, J. H. Davenport's corner; thence in a N direction along J. H. Davenport's line to an iron post in Beasley Branch J. H. Davenport's SE corner; thence along the run of Beasley Branch to a stake and cyprus, C. L. Simpson's line at an iron axle, the beginning of the Jamesville and Plymouth Road. Containing 117 acres, more or less. This 6th of May, 1927.

B. A. CRITCHER,  
Trustee.

**NOTICE OF A SPECIAL TAX ELECTION**

On 5th day of July, 1927, Smithwick School District, Martin County, North Carolina

In compliance with the wishes of petition signed by a necessary number of qualified voters of Smithwick School District, which was duly approved by the board of education of Martin County, and in accordance with the provision of Article 17 of the New School Code of 1923. Notice is hereby given that the election will be held in the Old Smithwick Schoolhouse on the 6th day of July, in said Smithwick School District, which is described hereinafter for the purpose of ascertaining the will of the qualified voters of said district as to whether a majority of such voters favor the levying and collecting annually of a special tax with which to supplement the funds of six-months public school appropriated by the board of education, the rate of said special tax not to exceed a maximum of 15 cents on the \$100.00 valuation of all property, real and personal, within the bounds of the district, described as follows:

Beginning at Gardner bridge up the creek to the W. W. Roberson mill, up the mill pond to Cypress Branch; thence along C. C. Keys line to the Tartleton road; thence along said road to Deep Run, down Deep Run to Mulberry Branch; thence up Mulberry Branch to the Jones Road; thence up said road to the colored Baptist Church, St. James; thence a straight line to Wiltz Siding; thence along the said road to the Jamesville and Williamston Road; thence along the old boundaries to Devils Gut, Swain's Landing; thence across Devil Gut to Kader's Eddy; thence down Roanoke River to Jamesville School District line; thence along said line to Gardner's Bridge, the beginning.

At said election those who are in favor of the levy and collection annually of a special tax of not more than fifteen cents on the \$100.00 valuation, in said district, as aforesaid; shall vote a ticket on which shall be written or printed the words, "For Local Tax," and those who oppose the levy and collection

annually of a special tax of not more than 15 cents on the \$100.00 valuation of all property in said district, as aforesaid, shall vote a ticket on which shall be written or printed the words, "Against a Local Tax."

That J. A. Gardner be and is hereby appointed registrar, and W. C. Griffin and Roy Moore are hereby appointed poll holders for said election.

That a new registration is hereby ordered and that the registration books will be open for such purpose beginning with 24th day of May, and will continue open until the 25th day of June. The registrar will be at his residence during the above date for the purpose of registering all those qualified to vote in said district. Done this 19th day of May 1927, by order of the board of county commissioners of Martin County.  
By: J. G. BARNHILL, Chairman.  
Attest: J. SAM GETSINGER, registrar of deeds and ex-officio clerk to the board of county commissioners.

**Travelers Inn**  
Home of Good Eats, reopened under new Management Always Welcome  
**J. F. Stalls, Prop.**  
Bethel, N. C.

**NOTICE TO HORSE and MULE OWNERS OF MARTIN and ADJOINING COUNTIES**  
I am now prepared with a horse-shoeing shop, on wheels, to meet you at any point in these counties, to do shoeing or trimming of feet. No team should be plowed with long feet. They are subject to split and hold fifth, which creates sand gravel and thrush. Sand gravel will not enter a short sound foot. As I could not afford to drive ten or twelve miles to trim two or three sets of feet, see your neighbors and get them to cooperate with you. Set a day when convenient and notify me, and I will meet you at any place you select. Sincerely,  
I Will Be At Dr. Thigpen's Stables on Tuesdays and Fridays  
**C. MADRIN**  
Phone No. 334-W - GREENVILLE, N. C. Post Office Box 179

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**Culpepper Hardware Co.**  
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**SHOULD WILLIAMSTON BUY NEW OIL ENGINES NOW?**  
The Williamston power plant is well loaded, but has a big auxiliary steam plant that can be used. It can buy a new oil engine or it can wait and tie up with a high-power company later.  
**WHAT WILL BE THE BEST THING TO DO FOR THE PEOPLE OVER THE COMING 30-YEAR PERIOD?**  
The condition forces us to act, and we need all the information available on this subject.  
RESPECTFULLY,  
**LIGHT USER AND TAXPAYER**