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Dearly Bought Experience

Will farmers get a lesson from this year's experience, or will they try to make money again next year? who have gone in strongest for the big money crops are in the worst shape.

Potatoes, cotton, and tobacco have done more to impoverish Easter North Carolina farmers than any other three crops. They have brought farmers big money some years, made spendthrifts of them, and the next year the prices would shoot down, leaving

It has been many years since the rank and file of people were as dependent as they now are, and those them stranded, and now many of them are facing the winter with no money and nothing to eat.

The farmer who grows his own food and feed crops is now, and always will be, the best off.

Why the Jury System Falls Down

The jury system has been much discussed and criticized recently, and justly so. Not because of the ideals of such a system of administering justice but because of the practices followed.

Money and influence are great hindrances in getting justice at the hands of a jury. The courts too often exalt the sacredness of the jury, when, as a matter of fact, they are selected because of their dishonor, opposition to certain laws, indifference to justice, and prejudices.

The two necessary qualifications for a jurymen are a disposition to do right and sufficient intelligence to understand the case. It is a hard thing to find a panel of 12 jurors that measure up to each of these requirements, especially in complicated cases.

It is alleged that in many prominent cases, the names of certain jurors are passed by on account of their known tendency to fairness. It is sometimes alleged that after jurors are drawn, and before they

are called for service, special interests approach them, and in some cases even after they are empaneled it is said that they are approached in various ways.

The jury system will certainly have to be revised if justice is to be administered by the courts. There is too much ignorance admitted to the jury box at present, as well as too many corrupt people.

Few important cases are called but that one side or the other seeks jurors who are totally incompetent to understand either the testimony of the witness or the instructions of the court, leaving the juror to decide the case according to the pleading of his favorite lawyer, by whom he may have been treated to a drink at some previous time.

Our Responsibility for the Orphans

How much will Martin County contribute to orphan homes during this Thanksgiving and Christmas season?

One man has already said that the Lord had cut off his crops and impoverished him and that he was going to pass his hard luck on to the orphans and let them look out for themselves.

Doubtless very few people will be so frank in expressing themselves in words. Nobody should express this spirit by their actions.

The large number of orphan homes in the State say that if every person in the State will give one day's income to them that they can live. This is not only a challenge to the strong manhood of the State, but it is a golden opportunity to do good.

The Peanut Situation

The present low price of peanuts means great financial loss to the farmers of this section of the State. According to the Government report, we will have a large production.

Generally, we refuse to doubt the crop reports of our Government, because they usually have a good system of getting information. This time we refuse to believe the report as to the production in North Carolina. Even if the acreage is increased, there will be a big falling off in the production per acre. A rainy season always means a short crop of peanuts, and this has been a very rainy one.

Farmers will doubtless do well not to rush their crop on the present low market. No peanuts can be brought into this country without paying 4 1-2 cents a pound duty. Certainly our crop should sell for as much as the duty on foreign peanuts.

A Popular Law

The game-law is doubtless the most "sacred" law on our statute books today, with more folks ready to enforce it than almost any of our laws, murder excepted, of course.

The life of a 'coon is held more sacred than the peace and prosperity of a wife and children. If a man gets drunk, spends all of his substance in riotous living, for whisky, or in other unlawful ways, goes home, beats up his wife and children, the neighbors will stand by and let him repeat it for years and let his family go in rags and in hunger and say nothing, but if he happens to shoot a bird or a 'coon everybody wants to "jack him up."

We are not opposed to the game laws and want them enforced promptly, but what we really want to see is a desire on the part of all people to enforce all laws.

THE LETTER BOX

AN OPEN LETTER TO J. B. ALLEN

J. B. Allen, Dear Sir:

I notice your letter in The Enterprise. I thought the best thing to do perhaps was to take no notice of it, considering from whence it came. But Solomon's proverb came to my mind, "Answer a fool according to his folly," so decided to write a few lines to you.

I will pass over the first part of your letter, which seems to be a jumble of Scripture quotations and misquotations and your own foggy ideas, all mixed together, and come to the preacher who refused to preach some one's funeral in a Methodist church. It was not me, though I think some one in your community did circulate such a thing about me five or six years ago, but I can say in the sight of God there was no truth in it—not that I suppose you have any more respect for the truth than the rest of your company. I want to tell you now something I have heard about you. I do not know if it is true or not. I have heard that on one occasion since you have been a member of the church you got drunk and fell in the creek with a jug of liquor. Now, as I say, I don't know if it is true, and I am quite sure I don't care, but if it is true, I propose that you write an article for The Enterprise relating your experience with the liquor and the creek, what you said when you fell in, and what you said when you got out, etc. Such an article would be vastly more entertaining to the majority of folks than the nonsense you write about religion.

The next item is "about the State farm and convicts, but you or the printer have mixed it up so that I can not understand, but will just say in passing that I know a lot of people who have always worn citizen's clothes but their character and general reputation is much more streaked than any clothes worn by a convict, and do you know some of these kind of people have joined the Primitive Baptist Church.

The next item of interest in your letter is the lynching of Elder Harrison. I did not know they were going to lynch him. I think several

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churches have declared non-fellowship for him, and I expect others will do the same, so that you will soon be able to have him all to yourselves; but if he does not change his preaching to suit your crowd, you will soon have had enough of it, as he preaches altogether too much election and predestination for people like you. I expect it will make you sick on the stomach.

Now, of course, there are a lot of nice things in your letter, and I hate that I really haven't got time to notice them all. Here is one, "We show whether we love him or not by the things we do." Well, you have been circulating lies privately and publicly. Is this your way of showing how much you love him? Do you think this is an evidence of the Spirit of Christ. I think you are a long, long way off the track.

Well, I will now bring this writing to a close. There are a lot more things I could say, but after all, it is very little use shooting cannon balls at snowbirds. The game doesn't pay for the ammunition.

E. C. STONE.

Williamston, N. C., Nov. 12, 1929.

NOTICE

North Carolina, Martin County. In Superior Court. R. W. and P. L. Salsbury, Trading as R. W. Salsbury and Bro., vs. Henry Jordan and wife, Mrs. Henry Jordan. An action has been begun in the superior court of Martin County, North Carolina, entitled as above, to foreclose certain tax certificates of the land described as follows: A tract of land in

Goose Nest Township, on the road leading from Hamilton to Palmyra, adjoining the lands of General Williams, William and Claud Lynch, and known as the Henry Jordan home place, containing 22 acres, more or less, and being the same land listed for taxes for the years 1926, 7, and 8, by Henry Jordan.

Now, all persons claiming an interest in the subject matter in the above entitled action are required to appear, present, and defend their respective claims within six months from the date of this notice, otherwise they shall be forever barred and foreclosed of any and all interest or claim in and to the property or the proceeds derived from the sale thereof.

This 7th day of November, 1929. R. J. PEEL, Clerk Superior Court.

NOTICE

North Carolina, Martin County. In the Superior Court. D. G. Matthews vs. J. G. Godard, Jr., and Wife. An action has been begun in the superior court of Martin County, North Carolina, entitled as above, to foreclose said tax certificates of sale covering the following described tracts of land: First tract: One house and lot in the town of Williamston, North Carolina, adjoining the Williamston and Hamilton road, Highway No. 125, and road leading from said highway by the Mary Cherry farm, M. D. Wilson land and the Mary Cherry farm and others, containing 136 acres, more or less, and known as the Mistle land. Second tract: One house and lot in the town of Williamston, North Carolina, adjoining Smithwick Street, Leggett's Lane, Houghton Street Extended, Cherry Brothers, Redrying Plant property, Brick Warehouse, and others. Third tract: Two houses and lots on

Smithwick Street in the town of Williamston, North Carolina, and known as the Bagley property, adjoining the railroad, McGowan property, Mrs. Irene Smith, and others.

Fourth tract: Being seven lots located in the town of Williamston and known as the Crawford lots.

And, being the same lands listed for taxes by delinquents for the year 1927. Now, all persons claiming an interest in the subject matter in the above-entitled cause are required to appear, present, and defend their respective claims within six months from the date of this notice, otherwise they shall be forever barred and foreclosed of any and all interests in and to said property or the proceeds received from the sale thereof.

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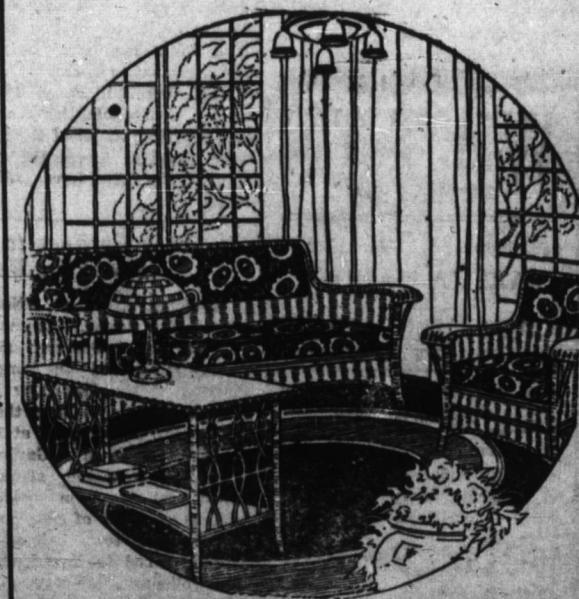
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