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The Speculative Nature

We are beginning to hear some people explain the cause of the long spell of dry weather. Others have been heard to predict no rain in three years, and still others refer to the situation as the beginning of the millennium. Such explanations and predictions are obliged to be unfounded, and show the speculative nature of the human mind as to the creation and government of our earth and its kindred planets. They apparently forget that the creator not only formed these wonderful things, but that He also, at the same time and with the same marvelous power, created an order in which these things are worked and by which they are to be governed.

We have various seasons—hot, cold, wet dry and intermediate,—and why kick against these things is hard for one to understand. We can hardly reason out why some people can always point out what they call faults in nature and never mention its wondrous features that are good.

Costly Associations

Big Bill Thompson, Chicago's mayor, has been so closely associated with the gangsters of that great city that they became acquainted with his wife and proceeded to take \$20,000 in cash and jewelry off of her. The unusual part about the theft was the guarding service put at the disposal of Mrs. Thompson. A special policeman, on guard over the money and jewelry, was disarmed by the bandits who took his fire arms and badge away with them.

The theft is good enough for Big Bill; for he had no business being so friendly with the underworld in his city. Of course, it must be humiliating to Mrs. Thompson to lose her beautiful jewelry and the large amount of cash.

If the mayor's wife can't be protected, by special police, apparently there is very little protection, if any, for the common run of citizens in that great city. It is clear that Chicago needs another mayor and a better police force.

Expecting Transportation Question

Congress is already planning for a big fight during the short session opening in December. One of the major problems will be the regulation of bus lines. Undoubtedly, the railroads are pushing the fight in an effort to cripple or curtail bus service. Naturally, we all feel sorry for the railroads in a way, because of their loss of business. However, why not allow the law, "survival of the fittest," to operate in their case as well as in the case of machine and factory hand? The human hand loses its power and should cause more alarm than a resulting change in the realm of machinery.

Progress With Us Always

More than 100,000,000 people in America have been disappointed this fall. They have been looking over the hill where prosperity disappeared a few years ago, apparently expecting to see it, steady-like, come galloping back. In this they have failed to observe every law of nature. They forget that yesterday never returns or that the mill never grinds with the water that has passed. We are foolish to gaze our eyes out, looking down the road where our great wave of prosperity recently traveled. It is time to about face and look for the coming tide which will surely come. Of course the wave will not be like the great tidal one brought about by the war which was the most unnatural as well as the most unsafe prosperity we ever had, but we will see peace, prosperity and happiness, the kind that is limited to our actual needs.

Let us then turn our faces from the passing day, and look cheerfully towards the rising sun which will surely bring us light, life and glory.

No prosperity such as we once had, passes a generation but once, but progress is always with us when we push.

Widening the Doors

East Carolina Teachers' College has widened its doors and is now admitting young men to study at the institution. The modern trend has been toward the mixed school and now it is difficult to find an exclusive school either male or female. However, the question has not been settled as to which is the best. It is generally conceded that schools have been put on the mixed basis more because of expediency than because it is really better for young men and women.

Dangerous Wires

Wires may all look alike, but they are not. To a family in the western part of the State, a high-powered line was just an ordinary wire, and installing a radio, two members of the group threw the aerial over the charged wire. They never knew what killed them.

The schools would do well to teach the danger there may be in wires.

Bootleggers Against Cannon

Every bootlegger in the United States is hoping that Bishop Cannon will be crucified. They would perhaps go further and want to see the Methodist and all other churches renounce sobriety, because drunkenness and partial drunkenness is the soul of the liquor dealer's business.

Why Cursing and Growling?

We know of nothing more unfair than to hear a man cursing the government for low prices when, at the same time, he refuses to accept the favors of the government. Only a few days ago a certain farmer was complaining at the low price of tobacco and held the government responsible. At that moment, the government had a man on the warehouse floor to assist him in grading his crop so that he would not be totally unable to have anything to say about his grades. Neither did he know that the government had sent a man here to tell the farmers that the government would gladly lend them all the money they actually needed at 4 per cent interest to enable them to hold their tobacco and demand a better price.

Both the grading system and financing plan have been highly endorsed and have helped millions of people. Yet, our farmers refuse to accept these favors, apparently preferring to curse the government and growl at everything. We need not expect governmental favors until we cooperate and try to help ourselves. As long as we pile our tobacco on the markets and make no effort to try and fix a price on it, just so long will the buyer take it at his own price. And from a strictly business standpoint, is the buyer to be blamed?

What can the government do for us when we refuse any of its proposals to help us. The sad thing about the whole situation is that we seem to be making no progress whatever towards establishing a market for ourselves.

Selecting Names for Teams

One of the big objections to ball teams both football and baseball is their nick-names, although these names may be appropriate. One team is known as "Wild Cats," and another as "Blue Devils," and so on. Just think of such names for church college teams. They have gone to the woods and to perdition to find names for their teams. The name of the school would seem sufficient to distinguish the several teams.

ADVISES SOWING OATS AND RYE

By C. H. RABON

Much thought and effort has been given to put across what is called the "Live-at-Home" program and it does seem that anyone who is farming should make enough food and feed crops for his own use and also to have a surplus for sale.

This fall due to the very low prices of what are considered as cash crops such as cotton and tobacco, and due to the severe drought in many sections of the country, it seems very desirable to put in extra acreage of feed crops such as oats and rye. In sowing these crops the land should be well prepared and good seed of varieties adapted to the soil and climatic conditions of the community should be used. These crops should also be liberally fertilized.

It has been proven many times over that per unit of any crop, the cost of producing the crop is reduced when fertilized properly. The following amounts of fertilizer and analyses are suggested:

For sandy soils of the Coastal Plain 30 to 500 pounds of a fertilizer analyzing 8 per cent phosphoric acid; 5 per

cent nitrogen and 5 per cent potash. For soils that are in a very high state of cultivation, there should be used from 300 to 400 pounds of 16 per cent acid phosphate.

High analysis fertilizers may be used in all cases in place of the above recommendations.

SALT WATER FISH IN THE ROANOKE

Crabs, Menhaden Are Seen In River This Week At Plymouth

Not in the memory of Plymouth's oldest inhabitants have crabs and menhaden been seen in Roanoke River, or has the stream ever before been known to be brackish or salty. Crabs and menhaden have been seen in large quantities during the past several days, and the river water which as far back as citizens can recall has been of a murky, yellow hue, is now a bright green changing at times to a deep blue.

The long drought which has almost emptied creeks which flow into the river and left swamps dry and dusty, accompanied by a northeast wind which has not changed for about two weeks, is thought to have forced water from Albemarle Sound up Roanoke River and even beyond Plymouth, thus bringing salty water, crabs and menhaden up the stream. From a reliable source it comes that one colored man threw a brick at a school of menhaden and killed two with the single throw.

Seventy-five bales of cotton from 85 acres is the yield expected by E. J. Ezzell of the Waxhaw community of Union county due largely to protecting the field from boll weevil by early poisoning.

Cloud, wet weather in Madison County is injuring the crop of burley tobacco. Much of the tobacco is late and slow in ripening.

The 32 beautiful girls above will appear nightly at North Carolina State Fair, in Raleigh, October 13-18, in the "Sensations of 1930," the feature presented in front of the grandstand. Other features of the night program will be a fireworks display, and eight other big acts.

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF LAND

By virtue of power vested in me by that certain deed of trust executed to me on the 28th day of December, 1925, by Mrs. Blount Harrell, H. L. Eberly, Mrs. Mary Mitchell Casper and T.

H. Johnson, doing business under the firm name and style of W. J. Johnson and Company, which deed is of record in the Register of Deeds office for Martin County in Book X-2, Pages 218 and 219, to which reference may be had, I will, on Thursday, the 9th day of October, 1930, between the hours of eleven and twelve o'clock A. M., in the town of Oak City, North Carolina, in front of what was formerly the Bank of Oak City, sell at public auction, for cash, to the highest bidder, the following described lots, tracts or parcels of land, lying, being and situate in the County of Martin, State of North Carolina, and more particularly described as follows:

All those certain pieces, parcels or lots of land, situate, lying and being in the town of Oak City, being all of Lot No. Three (3) and the South half of Lot No. Two (2), in Block "C", as shown on blueprint of the said town of Oak City, on which lots there is located a store and hotel, said lots being the same which were conveyed to J. C. Ross on the 1st day of April, 1916, by THE EAST CAROLINA LAND AND IMPROVEMENT COMPANY, by deed of record in the Register of Deeds Office for said County of Martin and State of North Carolina in Book N-1, Page 596, and being the same land conveyed on the 28th day of December, 1925, to the said W. J. Johnson & Company by S. A. Dunn, Trustee.

This the 8th day of September, 1930.

S. A. DUNN, Trustee.

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL PROPERTY

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain deed of trust executed to the undersigned by Theodore Roberson and wife, Ludie Roberson, on the 25th day of March, 1921, and of record in the public registry for Martin County in book G-2, at page 214, said deed of trust having been given for the purpose of securing 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

deed of trust not having been complied with, and at the request of the holder of the said notes the undersigned trustee will on Wednesday, October 22nd, 1930, at 12 o'clock m., in front of the courthouse door in the town of Williamston, N. C., offer for sale to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described real estate, to wit:

Bounded on the east by the lands of Ben Gray, bounded on the south by the lands of Gus Lenier, bounded on the west by our high land, bounded on the north by the lands of A. E. Williams, containing 60 acres, more or less, and being all of our lower land below the swamp leading to Gus Lenier land.

This the 22nd day of September, 1930.

R. G. HARRISON, Trustee.

Elbert S. Peel, Attorney.

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of the power of sale executed to the undersigned trustee by W. R. Little and wife, dated 7th day of January, 1925, and of record in the Register of Deeds' Office in book Q-2, page 257, and the stipulations not having been complied with, and at the request of the holder of said bond, the

undersigned trustee, will, on the 29th day of October, 1930, at 12 o'clock noon in front of the courthouse door of Martin County, offer for sale, to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described land:

Adjoining Ross Mizelle on the north, the J. R. Swain land on the east, the lands of Church Roberson and E. Roberson on the south, and the lands of Warren Whitfield on the west, and being the Larry Chance tract of land near the J. Albert Robuck place. Containing eighty (80) acres, more or less.

This 29th day of September, 1930.

B. DUKE CRITCHER, Trustee.

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of the authority in me vested to advertise and make sale, in that certain deed of trust executed on the 10th day of December, 1929, by J. F. Power and wife, B. A. Power, which deed of trust is duly recorded in the Martin County record in book S-2, at page 318.

The terms of said deed of trust not having been complied with, and at the request of the holder of the notes secured thereby, I will offer for sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, at the courthouse door of

Martin County, on Saturday, the 25th day of October, 1930, at 12 o'clock m., the following lot or parcel of land:

Beginning at the highway running north with J. F. Barnhill's land to the A. C. L. railroad; thence with the railroad westerly to the Purvis heirs' corner, thence south with the Purvis heirs' line and the Harry Everett land to the highway; thence east with the highway to Barnhill's corner, the beginning, containing by estimation 1 1/2 acres, and being the same land that J. S. Ayers bought from Harry Everett, and for further description, i. e., being the present homestead of A. G. Wynn.

This September 24, 1930.

C. B. CLARK, Trustee.

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