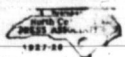


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Share Burden or Get Out

A few timid folks are saying don't tax the rich folks, for if you do they will leave the State. We certainly don't want them to go, but if they are not willing to help bear the burden of supporting the State, what good are they to our State.

The strange idea that some folks have that if they hire a man to do their work and make a good profit on his labor all the favor went to the hiring, that he owes them his sincere thanks and they owe him nothing, and that they owe him nothing, is very false in principle. There is not a single big business in our State that was not built on the combined labor of many wage earners, who, in many instances, made more clear profits for their employer each day than they received in wages.

While we don't want anybody to leave the State, we are frank in saying that we like the folks who are too poor to leave and who have nothing to tax. If the masses are to become poorer that the classes might become more rich, it won't hurt the State if those who don't want to pay their part of the State those who don't want to help support the State.

Too Much Diplomacy

Even at the risk of a court martial, we are taking the liberty to say we are with General Butler.

Too much of our business is diplomatic. It is hard to say which is the worst, "diplomacy" or "senatorial courtesy."

The general assumption that the fool folks should not know anything has been practiced too long already. If Mussolini drives too fast, there is no reason why the world should not know it. If he runs over a child and fails to stop, then he is not a proper ruler, and the world is entitled to know it.

It might be a good thing to make every public official in America tell all he knows about every mean thing he has ever seen or heard about.

Danger In Too Many Comics

Is the newspaper of today using too much comic material in its make-up? There seems to be some danger that the newspapers are being oversold on the comic idea. They are becoming comical. In fact, the readers are becoming comical in many cases.

The mind is neglecting solid matter and is rushing to the "funny."

When the great masses are following their fun and neglecting weightier matters, they should remember that somebody is thinking for them and leading them on.

Things To Think About

By James D. Taylor

Farms—

This morning I spent an hour or so on two small farms. I did not enjoy my visit to the first one because I dislike to come in contact with lazy people. The gates were about to fall due to the need of a few nails in the hinges and the porch steps were badly in need of new support. On the outside and inside of the house there was evidence of neglect. Other buildings, once substantial were becoming dilapidated due to lack of care. The garden was anything but pleasing. A once beautiful and valuable grapevine needed attention but was trying vainly to carry on.

Limbs from a tree or so, long since fallen to the ground, were still there. Heavy rains and stale water found a nearby ditch of little use. The farm from one end to the other told all who might look that those who lived here had that destructive disease called laziness.

The second farm told a different story. How proud it must be of its

owner and his family. All of the building on the place, though small, met the requirements and were kept in good condition and attractive too. No neglect here. Anything needing attention was attended to now. One could take a look at any part of the entire farm and know without being told that worthwhile people lived there. They make good use of their time when there is no work to be done in the field or when it can't be done due to the condition of the soil. They don't waste away precious hours on the highway with the Ford or hanging around town.

People of this type don't require alcoholic liquor to pep them up and seldom require doctors to keep them healthy. Its folks like this that are helping to make this country a cleaner and consequently a healthier place in which to live.

The Right Direction

When I was just a lad, living in Martin County, North Carolina, my father and others took me with them one afternoon to pick huckleberries. The place they selected was in a very thick woods. In my search for better pastures I wandered away from the others and soon became lost. I knew I was not very far from a place on a nearby road where a man was killed years before. The story of the

tragedy on that lonely road left a very unpleasant impression on my childish mind and I was always afraid when I passed that particular spot. I thought about this and also the alarming fact that I was lost in, to my way of thinking, perhaps the world's thickest woods. Night was coming on and I had heard of people becoming lost and wandering around for hours before finding any clearing. I was never so afraid in all my life. After ages, it seemed to me, following my calling to the others, I heard my father's voice but I was going towards him and he was coming towards me. Then he led me to the road and towards home.

As we wander through life's forest often the darkness gathers too heavy and we lose our way. If we would but listen we could feel the touch of His hand leading us to the road towards understanding.

B. W. Weeks, tobacco grower of the Holly Springs section of Wake County reports a sale of \$3,906.75 worth of tobacco clear of all warehouse charges, from 12 acres grown according to recommendations made by E. Y. Floyd, tobacco specialist at State College.

M. G. and B. R. Daniel, successful poultrymen of Pelham have opened the first poultry hatchery to be started in Caswell County.

The Greatest Political Battle

North Carolina is having its greatest political battle. The line is formed with men on one side and money on the other. The issue is not one of politics because the law-making body is almost all on one side.

The question is shall the laws be shaped so they shall bear equally upon all whether they be rich or poor or shall they be so shaped that a dollar is safer than a soul.

It is now conceded that in times past, cash money or general favoritism blinded the eyes legislators to such an extent that they failed to see the poor man in the ditch. Now, however, the very blood of poverty is crying against such discrimination, and our law-makers hear and see. The cries have also gone up to the temples of wealth, frightening their owners. Now is the time to fight, a time when the kings of wealth are staring at the handwriting on the wall. The people must keep up the fight. Call on your representative, your senator and your governor and urge them to stand firm and ring true for the people. Now is the time to shift the tax burden so it will bear equally on all people according to their ability to bear it.

Deserting Their People

It now looks as if a few Eastern senators are going to face political divorce proceedings, charged by their home folks.

The charge will be adultery and corporate wealth will be the correspondent in the case.

It is deplorable when one deserts his friends and their interests and tries to point out to them why their ideas are unsound and uphold the ideas of the rich fellow as just and right.

To criticize is one of the worst things we can do when to do so is unjust, but it is one of the greatest necessities when public officials desert the people who trust them, and when one fails the trust of the people he should never be trusted again.

Should Have a Sales Tax

North Carolina should have a sales tax.

While the merchants association has referred to it as a nuisance tax, we can't see why a law requiring a man who drinks a Coca-Cola to pay something to keep up the government is any more of a nuisance than the law that requires a man to pay a tax on his home and if he does not pay it, his home is sold.

The bread that goes into a child's mouth to preserve life should not be taxed to the same extent that the cigarette is.

Strange as it is, we still see some people who think it better to tax the necessary things of life than to tax luxuries.

Taxpayers of all kinds should stand together for luxury tax which will reduce tax on land and merchandise.

The Young Offender

The most compelling factor of the underlying cause for the increasing number of youthful criminals entering reformatories, jails and penitentiaries today lies at the door of society in the neglect to provide for the moral training of boys, especially underprivileged boys, declares William Edwin Hall, member of the New York State Crime Commission.

"Not long ago I viewed the lineup at police headquarters in New York," he says. "I was shocked to see that a very large number of those who had been arrested were boys under twenty-one years of age. The other day I stood within the gray walls of Sing Sing prison and saw one hundred of the most recent arrivals and was struck by the fact that these newly arrived convicts were practically all mere boys."

Month after month there is a continuous stream of youth into the jails and penitentiaries. The average of the criminal is getting younger and younger. Official records prove that criminals are not made overnight, but evolve from juvenile delinquents. The young offender is a grave social problem. Proper moral training, at home and in the schools, is the only solution.—Washington Daily News.

NOTICE OF SALE

North Carolina, Martin County —In the Superior Court.

Having this day qualified as administrator of the estate of Eli Gardner, deceased, this is to notify all persons having claims against the said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before Jan. 26th, 1932 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to the said estate will please make immediate payment.

This the 26th day of Jan. 1931.
C. D. CARSTARPHEN,
Administrator of the estate of Eli Gardner J-27-4t

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of the authority contained in that certain deed of trust, executed to the undersigned trustee, by C. B. Godwin and wife

Miriam Godwin, on the 9th day of January, 1929, and of record in the Public Registry of Martin County in Book Y-2, at page 329, said deed of trust given to secure certain note of even date and tenor therewith, and the stipulations therein contained not having been complied with, at the request of the parties therein interested, the undersigned trustee will, on Friday the 26th day of February, 1931, at 12 o'clock M. in front of the Court House door in the Town of Williamston, North Carolina, offer to the highest bidder for cash the following described property:

A tract of land on the south side of Simmons Avenue, in the Town of Williamston, North Carolina, Martin County, and beginning at a stake, Leaman Barnhill's line to a stake 106 feet, C. A. Harrison's line, thence along C. A. Harrison's line and J. D. Woolard's line, being a line parallel

with Simmons Avenue, 76 feet to a stake, thence a line at right angles with the last named line, 106 feet to a stake on Simmons Avenue, thence along Simmons Avenue 76 feet to a stake, Leaman Barnhill's corner, the point of beginning.

Dated, this the 19th day of January, 1931.

WHEELER MARTIN,
J-20-4t Trustee.

NOTICE OF SALE
North Carolina, Martin County —In the Superior Court.

L. E. and Eva Harrison, surviving partners of the firm of Harrison Bros. and Company vs. Mack Woolard, Gus Woolard, Alex Woolard and others.

Pursuant to an order of R. J. Peel, Clerk of the Superior Court of Martin County signed on the 12th day of January 1931 the undersigned com-

missioner will on Saturday the 14th day of February 1931 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:

It being the land bought by King Woolard from J. A. Lilley bounded on the North by the lands of Daniel Lilley heirs, on the East by A. F. and S. W. Manning, on the South by Kader Lilley and on the West by Stabbs Lilley and being the same land occupied by King Woolard and wife at the time of their death.

Saving and excepting 8 and 1-3 acres deeded by King Woolard and wife to Golius Godard and 8 acres deeded by King Woolard and wife to W. A. Woolard.

This the 12th day of Jan. 1931.
ELBERT S. PEEL,
J-20-4t Commissioner.

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