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A Foolish Argument

We are unable to understand a good many things, but the one causing us so much concern now is the mathematical calculations some people make in supporting their belief that the landowners will get no relief from a sales tax. If half of the people own the property, and the property tax is lifted, and the same amount of tax is paid by all the people on the things they buy, everybody knows the landowner is obliged to save half of his present taxes. Some of our good friends fail to see the point.

If a lawyer or doctor makes \$3,000 a year and most of them do, their tax, if they are married is \$25 unless they have property. If the owner of town property or farm land gets an income of \$3,000 a year, he will, on an average, pay more than \$100 in taxes. Now when the tax is shifted from the ad valorem to the purchase system, then the doctors, farmers and lawyers will pay alike. It is folly to argue that a sales tax will not lower the taxes on property and owners of property who are now paying it all, and leave half the burden on them and carry the other half over to those who are now not paying but very little if any at all.

Remorse

"Remorse" is one of the most horrible words written in any language. It signifies more than fear, or pain; it carries with it regret and shame, a sense of guilt. Remorse caused Absalom to hang himself for the thought of his unfaithfulness to his father's trust was too great. The young prodigal later became filled with the knowledge of unfaithfulness and hanged himself. Remorse has caused men in past ages to fall on the points of their sharp swords that their conscience might be quieted.

We hope no such degree of remorse will come to any of our legislators. Yet, there seems to be some indication that some are beginning to think. According to the *Hertford County Herald*, Hon. Lloyd Lawrence has at least reached the stage where he

was forced to tell his people that they know not what they need, although they have pleaded with him to stand for them.

When a man gets to the point that he has to go to explaining away things it is nearly always evidence of remorse, though it may be only to a small degree.

Of course, the question as to whether Mr. Lawrence or his people are right is only a matter of opinion. The people think that those who are making money should be taxed on their money-making trades or institutions as well as the man who has a little farm or hut he calls home.

Remorse may be too strong a word to use in ordinary cases, but one thing is certain and that is when a man gets to the point where he has to explain everything and try to pacify his homefolks, he is surely unhappy.

Forsaken His People

Attorney A. P. Godwin, of Gatesville, perhaps pierced the heart of Senator Lloyd Lawrence deeper than has any other of the Senator's constituents, when he wrote to him and asked why he had forsaken the people and violated his (Lawrence's) promise.

Lawrence's actions may produce him a greater income, but one thing is evident and that is his chances for office in the coming years will be poor. And how sad it is not to be trusted.

Deserve Better Support

The Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce and its secretary, Mr. N. G. Bartlett, are due a better support from the people than they have received. The organization is entitled to the undivided thanks of all the taxpayers of the State who want a fair distribution of the tax burden upon the shoulders of those able to bear it. Because of the unflinching agitation and efforts made by that organization, a real tax fight resulted in the present General Assembly. The work of the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce has not been limited there however; it has done many things of great value for this part of the State.

Unfortunately, the members and friends of the organization have fallen down on the job. They have not given Mr. Bartlett proper financial support. They have embarrassed him in his efforts by not providing necessary funds with which to carry forward worth-while and valuable plans. A new drive should be made in an effort to increase the membership that the needs of the section might be studied and plans effected for bettering the existing conditions in our section of the State.

A Great Newspaper

And now we hear a loud cry coming from around Burlington, charging the common man's friend, *The News and Observer*, with trying to run the General Assembly. The paper has, more than any other one agency, attempted to plead the poor man's cause before the members of the law-making body that they might legislate fairly. As far as dictating, no one agency or many agencies, could compete with the right lobbyists who have crowded the hotels and even the very halls of the Assembly during these past few months.

Prunes Sold Cooperatively

Seven-tenths of the prune crop of Washington is marketed cooperatively.

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE
Having this day qualified as administratrix of the estate of W. A. Burroughs, deceased, late of Martin County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons holding claims against the estate of said deceased to present them to the undersigned for payment on or before the 23rd day of March, 1932, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of any recovery thereon. Persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 23rd day of March, 1931.
Mrs. W. A. BURROUGHS,
Administratrix.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE AND SALE OF LAND
State of North Carolina, County of Martin.
The Federal Land Bank of Columbia, Plaintiff, vs. H. A. Early, Administrator of Joseph Early, Et Al, Defendants.

Pursuant to a judgment entered in above entitled civil action of the 6th day of April, 1931, in the Superior Court of said county by the clerk, I will, on the 11th day of May, 1931, at 12 o'clock m., at the county courthouse door in said county sell at public auction to the highest bidder therefor the following described lands, situate in said county and State in Goose Nest Township, comprising 244.7 acres, more or less, and bounded and described as follows:

All that tract or parcel of land in Martin County, Goose Nest Township, North Carolina, adjoining the Hamilton and Palmyra road on the north-east, the Joseph Early land on the east, the Pippen land on the south and west, and the Tyler land on the north, containing 294 acres, and being the same land conveyed to Joseph Early by Dennis Simmons, by deed dated March 30, 1896, and of record in the public registry of Martin County, in book XX, page 16; and by John D. Biggs and Dennis Biggs, executors of the estate of Dennis Simmons, dated April 22, 1902, and of record in the book JJJ, page 218, and being describ-

ed by metes and bounds and distances by a map on file with the Federal Land Bank of Columbia, said map being made by T. Jones Taylor, surveyor, April, 1919.

The terms of sale are as follows: One-fifth cash and the remainder payable in seven equal annual installments with interest at 6 per cent per annum.

All bids will be received subject to rejection or confirmation by the clerk of said superior court, and no bid will be accepted or reported unless its maker shall deposit with said clerk at the close of the bidding the sum of

Two Hundred Fifty (\$250.00) Dollars, as a forfeit and guaranty of compliance with his bid, the same to be credited on his bid when accepted.

Notice is now given that said lands will be resold at the same place and upon the same terms at 2 o'clock p. m. of the same day unless said deposit is sooner made.

Every deposit not forfeited or accepted will be promptly returned to maker.

This 6th day of April, 1931.
B. A. CRITCHER,
Commissioner.

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We wish to thank the many kind friends for their kindness and sympathy shown us during the illness and death of our daughter and sister, also for the beautiful floral tribute.
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Dr. F. STANLEY WHITAKER, M. D.
GENERAL PRACTICE
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Office Hours: 9 to 11 A. M.; 2 to 4 P. M.; 7 to 9 P. M.

NOTICE OF RESALE
Under and by virtue of an order of resale and authority given me in a deed of trust executed to me as Trustee by W. D. Wynn and wife, Mamie Wynn, on the 14th day of February, 1924, which deed of trust is recorded in Book N-2, page 447, of the Public Registry of Martin County, the terms of sale not having been complied with, and at the request of the owner of the bond secured by the said deed of trust, I will resell at the courthouse door of Martin County in the Town of Williamston, N. C., on the 28th day of April, 1931, at 12 o'clock noon, at public auction for cash the following described lands:

Being a tract of land in Hamilton Township, Martin County, and bounded on the north by Weaver and the Keel land, on the west by R. H. Weaver, on the South by Leon Wilson and Gray Barnhill, and on the west by Martha Gainer, containing 50 acres, more or less. The successful bidder at the sale will be required to deposit 10 per cent of the amount bid at the time of the sale. This 12th day of April, 1931.
F. L. HATSLIP,
Trustee.

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