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Cooperation Is Needed

It is a fine spirit in the counties to turn over all of their road machinery to the State. On the other hand, it is a rather far-reaching assumption for the State in demanding and passing a law forcing the counties and townships to turn over their road equipment to the State.

While the law was passed by lawyers, it is rather peculiar law that permits the State to take property from any other subdivision that has as much right to own property as the State has.

What will be the State's attitude in a case where a county owes debts and has property? Will it be so unkind as to take the property and leave the debts on the county? Or will the State say we will take both your good and your bad?

Doubtless if any county kicks, it will raise a new question, one that the State will probably not be able to sustain.

Yet cooperation is the thing we need, and it will be a fine thing for all the counties and townships to help the State in handling the biggest job it has ever tackled.

Trading Enthusiasms

One North Carolina town wants to trade its baseball enthusiasm for a tobacco market enthusiasm. The chances are that it will not be able to trade.

The thing that will block them is that running a baseball is all play, while building a tobacco market is all work.

The cost is about the same in each case. Editor Parker, in the *Bertie Ledger-Advance*, states:

If Windsor could have got as enthusiastic over creating and maintaining a growing tobacco market as it evidently is over its baseball team, we would have seen people coming from miles around with loads of tobacco on September 1 to be sold on the local market; just as now we have visitors from other communities coming here to watch our winning ball club perform.

Too Many Paroles?

We do not complain, yet it is just a bit amusing to see our governmental procedure, in so far as it relates to our criminal code.

First, the people demand personal and property rights, and to accomplish such rights, they elect lawmakers to formulate statutes which define crime and grade it into its several definite classes. Then all the forces of government are charged with the responsibility of detecting crime and bringing perpetrators to

the bar of justice, where all of both sides of the question are heard by those who know the laws and who are endowed with the qualities of mercy. The question of guilt or innocence is settled, and if guilty, all the forces of sympathy are presented to the court, from legal reason to weeping tears. The sentence is pronounced on that basis, and in the presence of each other.

Then the scene changes, and new forces are put into motion. A lot of sympathetic women, who are perhaps more theoretical than safe, begin to agitate for a parole. Some lawyer is employed. The matter of punishment again comes up. The principle of giving the unfortunate another chance is nearly always uppermost with all good men. The lawyer presses for the pardon, the reprieve, or the parole, and the prisoner is freed again, at least in part.

While we do not object to mercy, we do wonder if the various branches of our government are keeping faith with each other, and if human rights are safely guarded when we have too many paroles.

Half of the Year Is Gone

The year is just now passing the half-way turn, and we will soon be passing down the closing stretch of 1931.

Have we all done our duty toward banishing hard times? We fear there are still too many loafers and whiners roaming around, hoping and expecting good seats in the bread line next winter. To all such, a warning should be given that work will be scarce and jobs few during the coming winter.

Our country will still take care of its sick and unfortunate, regardless of what happens. But the big loafer will find it different. The eyes of his neighbor are on him, and he need not expect to be a fruitful beggar again when cold weather comes. He should remember it is his duty to do like most people are doing—strive to lay up a little something for emergencies.

There is plenty of land in this country to feed all the folks, and the easiest thing to do to make sure of success is to find a little piece and raise something to eat.

Remember, the work-dodger will not be a popular man in the bread line.

The Ocean Narrows

When Lindbergh flew the ocean alone in his plane, "The Spirit of St. Louis," the world marveled, and it was wonderful enough to make the cold chills creep up and down a fellow's back to think of the millions of dangers that he faced.

Now, we are getting to the point where we no longer look at the ocean as being so dark, wide, and deep as we did when Lindbergh made the first flight, and folks are dashing across frequently, with apparently little dread. And it is quite possible that in a few short years we may be going across in flocks, just as birds are now flying across narrow rivers.

But will it all pay? We are throwing away billions trying to get to places quickly, and then doing nothing after we get there. It would be a grand and glorious thing if the human mind could steady itself and lead us in quiet, sober paths, where our nerves could rest a while, and our hands find time to work, rather than keep us in a wild, mad rush that costs much and pays little.

It looks like we are fools enough to destroy happiness trying to find it.

A Nation of Superlatives

America has more money, more wheat, more cotton, more tobacco, more corn, more hogs, horses and cows, more railroads, more electric power, more coal, more iron, and more hunger than any other nation. This is because we have more greed than any other country. We also have more boasting and less shame than we should.

OLD FORT TAKES CARE OF NEEDY BY COOPERATION

Back in February, 1931, workers in the industrial section of Old Fort, up in McDowell County, were out of work, in want, and in many cases were on the verge of starvation, due to the financial depression, the closing down of industries in their vicinity, and the drought and low prices and wages. In fact, the situation was very serious and getting beyond the capacity of local relief workers.

Today, all of that has been changed. These people are happy, at work, full of optimism and on the way to a real come-back. They have plenty of food, gardens spot the town in every direction; and every one is planning to can, preserve, and dry vegetables and fruits during this summer and fall so that, regardless of whether the industries of Old Fort operate on full or part time or close up, nobody will lack for food. They have taken the "live-at-home" program seriously and have executed it to the full.

When leaders in that community saw that they were unable to cope longer with the situation, the Red Cross and workers of the Governor's Council on Unemployment and Relief were called in. Local committees were organized and the work was extended and increased in scope. Mrs. Mary Camp Sprinkle, of the Governor's Council, paid the town a visit, suggested certain methods, including the immediate survey of the whole community. Possible employers of labor in and about that section of the State were contacted. And a few short weeks later, the whole situation had changed.

Groups of town women were organized, under the supervision of a local committee of business men and women, and these groups made a detailed survey of the situation in a very short time. S. P. Smithy, superintendent of schools and chairman of the local Red Cross committee, headed this work. The survey showed that the tannery and tanic acid plant had begun to lay off workers on November 1st and by January 30th had closed down completely. Local agencies had strained their resources in an attempt to relieve suffering and want. Officials and supervisors in the industries of the town had helped as much as they could from personal funds, until these moneys were exhausted. Coal and wood were supplied for some families by the tannery management. But as wages had been low, many families had been unable to build up any money reserve for such a situation. Insurance and small savings had been spent; many families were without any food and could not get credit at grocery stores, as they had carried many as long as they could do so; drug stores were unable to fill prescriptions any longer on credit; and Dr. D. M. McIntosh, one of the leading doctors, had found it nearly impossible to obtain funds sufficient to take care of the sick. A local fund for the purchase of medicine had been exhausted.

There were few good gardens in the

industrial area of the city. Some of the workers, who lived without the city, on farms, were in a position to get garden seed and other relief from the Red Cross, but in the town the situation was far different. The local Red Cross and relief workers, however, on completion of the survey, sorted out the data and began taking care of the ones most in need, while other plans were pushed rapidly to obtain work for the men who were out of work. Local committees were sent to interview men who had control of the letting of road contracts and other projects. Contacts were made which brought results.

M. A. Mattoon, of the Mount Pisgah National Forest Service, in Asheville, promised to do what he could and divert money to the building of trails in the park, so as to employ some of the Old Fort men. He did, thanks to the cooperation of the Washington office and Congressman Pritchard and Senator Morrison, who were contacted by the Old Fort committee. Two highway contractors who were rebuilding stretches on No. 10, in and about Marion and Old Fort, cooperated quickly and asked for lists of available workers. The Old Fort committee furnished the lists. In fact, practically every appeal resulted in the furnishing of work for these people.

With the survey completed, cases were listed according to necessity. Loans for World War veterans were pushed through the Charlotte office of the Veterans' Bureau. Loans were obtained from the Federal Farm Board for many; and from the Red Cross for others. The credit situation in Old Fort was relieved, as merchants knew that, with men at work, they would get paid and local bankers promised backing. Garden seed was supplied to all; food to those actually in need; medical supplies were obtained; and the community began to march forward to better times. Meanwhile, the tannery and tanic acid plant planned to reopen. Throughout this period the community had the complete cooperation of Miss Pearl Weaver, field representative of the Red Cross, who worked intelligently and eagerly with the local committee.

By March 11, the situation had changed miraculously. Dr. McIntosh depicted it in these words:

"It is my opinion that all of these in dire need are being taken care of, and, with the tannery getting ready to open next Monday, and with relief being given by the Red Cross, and those receiving payments on their bonus certificates, and with aid furnished by the local people, there are none in actual want."

Credit for the fine work done in Old Fort rightfully goes to the local committee of men and women, who actually did the work of bringing their community back, according to workers who took part in the program. The job was not a small one, but it was done well and speedily, and in this way, Old Fort people have eliminated a situation that was injuring the progress of their entire community. Old Fort is today back on the map, with her industries running, her people happy, and at work. Cooperation turned the trick.

New British Automobile Is Introduced Recently

What is heralded as "Britain's great challenge for the motor trade of the world" has been introduced to the British public in a formal presentation at the Albert Hall in London, according to British trade information received in the Department of Commerce.

The car is the new so-called "Wizard" product of the Humber-Hillman-Commer combine. For weeks this new model was publicized as a "mystery car," and its production was one of the most closely guarded secrets of the British automobile industry.

Chilean Government In Control of Gold Mines

To prevent wild-cat speculation and encourage legitimate investment in such worth-while gold properties as may exist within the country, the Government of Chile recently enacted a decree with force of law which would close to private entities those gold-producing regions which offer prospects of successful working, pending a careful survey by Government mining engineers, according to a report received in the Commerce Department from Commercial Attache Ralph H. Ackerman at Santiago.

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NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain deed of trust executed to the undersigned trustee by Joseph H. Holliday and wife, Mary C. Holliday, on the 8th day of April, 1929, and of record in the public registry for Martin County in book Y-2, at page 621, said deed of trust having been given for the purpose of securing certain notes of even date therewith, and default having been made in the payment of the said note, and the stipulations contained in the said deed of trust not having been complied with, and at the request of the holder of the said note the undersigned trustee will, on (Wednesday, July 8th, 1931, at 12 o'clock m., in front of the courthouse door in the town of Williamston, N. C., expose to public sale for cash the following described property, to wit:

Beginning in Horse Pen Branch, a corner, a gum, and known as corner in lot No. 1; thence north 53 degrees east to the main road; S. J. D. Ange's line; thence down the main road with S. J. D. Ange's line to Oak Thicket Branch; thence down said branch to Horse Pen Branch, thence down Horse Pen Branch to the beginning, containing 35 acres, more or less.

Being the same land bought from W. H. Mizelle and Co. under deed dated September 30th, 1915, and recorded in the public registry of Martin County in book L-1, page 11. This the 8th day of June, 1931. JOHN D. BIGGS, Trustee.

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Elbert S. Peel, Attorney.

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain deed of trust executed to the undersigned trustee by George E. Bunch and wife, Eliza Bunch, on the 18th day of February, 1929, and of record in the public registry for Martin County in book Y-2, page 553, said deed of trust having been given for the purpose of securing certain note of even date there-

with and default having been made in the payment of the said note and the stipulations contained in the said deed of trust not having been complied with and at the request of the holder of the said note the undersigned trustee will, on Monday, the 13th day of July, 1931, at 12 o'clock m., in front of the courthouse door in the town of Williamston, N. C., offer for sale for cash the following described real estate, to wit: Bounded on the north by the lands of E. P. Bunch, on the east by Pine Street, on the south by the old Hamilton Road, and on the west by the lands of Eli Gurganus, and being part of lots Nos. 1 and 2 in the James S. Rhodes Land Division, as shown by map of same of record in Land Division book number 1 at page 425. This the 13th day of June, 1931. ELBERT S. PEEL, Trustee.

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NOTICE OF RE-SALE

Under and by virtue of a decree of re-sale of the Superior Court of Martin County in an action pending therein entitled, "Eliza Ruff et al vs. F. L. Gladstone et al," the undersigned Commissioners will, on Monday, July 6th, 1931, at Noon, in front of the courthouse door of said county, offer for re-sale to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described land: Commonly known as the "Glasgow Land" consisting of two tracts of 47 and 3-4 acres, and being the same land mentioned in a deed from W. S. Cherry to Eliza Cherry, of record in Book E-2, page 48 of the Martin County Public Registry, and being the same two tracts described in a map of record in Book MMM, at page 51, of the Martin County Public Registry, which said map is hereby referred to, and made a part thereof for the purpose of giving an accurate description of said land. Containing 122 acres, more or less.

Bidder will be required to deposit 20 per cent of bid. This 19th day of June, 1931. B. A. CRITCHER, WHEELER MARTIN, Commissioners.

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NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of the powers conferred upon me as substitute Trustee and under and by virtue of the powers contained in that certain deed of trust executed to Augustus Williams and wife, Sudie Williams, and Lucy Price, which deed of trust is of record in the Public Registry of Martin County in Book G-2 at page 128, and default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness thereby secured, the undersigned will, on the 6th day of July 1931, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the courthouse door in the town of Williamston, N. C., will expose the following described lands for sale:

Being our int rest in the following lands: One tract bounded on the north and east by Oakley and York, on the west by Noah Slade, on the south by Leslie Fowden. Containing 8 acres, more or less.

One tract bounded on the north by Caesar Price, on the east by Noah Slade, on the west by John Slade, on the south by Leslie Fowden. Containing 8 acres, more or less.

One tract bounded on the north by L. R. Nicholson and Dr. Rhodes, on the east by Joseph Nicholson, on the west by the McCaskey Road and on the south by Joseph Wiggins. Containing 48 acres, more or less.

Terms of Sale, Cash. This the 6th day of June, 1931. JOS. W. BAILEY, Trustee.

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