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Bi-Centennial Celebrations

The nine months celebration of George Washington's 200th birthday, which began all over the nation this week, will do much to educate the people as to the character and works of this good man.

If we were to choose one phase of Washington's career as a guide for our own, we would not choose his military ability and feats; we would not take his political nor his business accomplishments. We would choose his first principles—truth and honesty—traits in life that all people should know.

Man can go through life and never catch the military step. He can go through life and never know any of the political tricks and meet with market success. But the man, starting out on the journey of life without equipping himself with the principles of truth and honesty and deeply seating them in his very heart and soul, will never go far in this mortal life.

This long season of celebration will give the homes of the nation a fine opportunity of teaching the children the reason for Washington's success in life. He won his father's respect because he told the truth. He became a leader of men in early because he was truthful. He led the armies of an honest people seeking liberty because he was truthful. He was made president because he told the truth.

Now is an opportune time for the homes, the schools and all other institutions to stress the importance of truthfulness in the building of character of the soul.

Democracy Is Crying for a Leader

Democracy is crying for a leader, both in the state and nation.

The urge for Democracy is so strong that the old-time bosses whose habit it has been to hand pick the candidates before hand are so outclassed that they are starking around like paralytics without a friend. The general belief is that special interests, through their trained servants, have handled the public affairs too long for the common good of the people.

It has been easy for presidents and congressmen and governors and legislators to hear the direct and strong appeals of the special interests while the low murmurs and feeble petitions of the people generally have been too far off to have any marked effect. For that reason the near-by fellows who have had their paid agents on the ground have enjoyed rather too many blessings and escaped too many burdens. Now, the people have found at least a part of the trouble and they are fully determined to have representatives in government who will not forget them when traveling afar off.

This sentiment is so firmly rooted in the minds of the people that candidates for big offices who have had the idea that the old cut and dried program of promises to the commoners was sufficient, are stalling in their tracks and their bombs are bursting in their faces.

Now the thing to do is to get men only for legislative positions who are really democratic in spirit, and who are honest enough to maintain their democracy and character when in a strain. The same thing should apply to those seeking the highest honors offered by both state and nation.

Good government for all the people with the lowest possible tax imposed upon every business and every person according to the ability to pay is the cry of the people today. They want government that will insure them safety of person and property, and a government that will guarantee their children an education. Democracy demands little more than that.

Most of our trouble in government has come from the fact that it has helped some too much and some too little. Democracy is not a dole; it is the principle of equal justice to all.

A False Base

When will the American people learn that the prices on the New York stock market are not the base of American prosperity? Only a few million folks know or care anything about stocks; more than a hundred million know about low wages, low wheat, low corn, low cotton, low tobacco and low peanut prices.

The corporations pay their dividends if stock prices go down or go up 50 or 100 per cent.; it makes little difference. It makes little difference whether the

price of the farm goes up or goes down so long as the products from the land command fair prices.

Suppose the steel trust products should register a 50 per cent. drop in prices in one year. That would mean real destruction to the steel company. Suppose the price of cigarettes should drop half, then the tobacco companies would experience the same difficulties the tobacco growers are facing. There would be no dividend, and million-dollar salaries would be lowered.

The price of stocks is nothing more than the reflection of the gambling spirit of a few people, and it has no effect whatever on general prosperity. The price of wheat, cotton, labor and tangible products of the land is the only true reflection of business.

The truth is business would be both better and far safer without stock of future markets.

Tammy's Day About Spent

There has never been less use for Tammany Hall politics than now, and the corrupt organization's day is about spent.

Tammany has in the past generally nominated Democratic presidential candidates in the summer and sold them out to the Republicans in the fall for the opportunity of New York spoils. The organization loves New York graft far more than it loves national Democracy. Yet, Tammany is moving most of its forces in line to dominate the next Democratic convention.

Democracy cannot thrive so long as the Republican states of New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and a few others that know little of real democratic sentiment, do all the nominating. The folks who do the electing should do the nominating. As it is under the two-thirds rule, an organized block, hostile to the general principles of the party, can block the nomination of the people's choice.

Until our people pay less attention to Tammany and the principles it advocates, we need not look for that type of Democracy Jefferson and Jackson stood for.

A Family "Out In the World"

Sampson Independent

One day recently while driving along the highway between Clinton and Garland we came upon a most pitiable sight. It was a man, his wife and their two small children walking, the man carrying all the family belongings in a small handbag except the clothing they were. The children intimated that they wanted to ride and we stopped and took the family up.

Quite naturally we began an inquiry to learn where the family hailed from and where they were going. We found that they were from the State of Alabama and were trying to get to Washington, North Carolina, where relatives of the wife lived. They had found it impossible to make a living in Alabama and started from their home state walking. With the aid of passing motorists they had almost reached their goal, after traveling hundreds of miles. It was a real example of a "family out in the world."

Aside from stating the bad conditions that existed in Alabama, there was no complaint and no signs of worry on the part of the husband, wife or children. The youngsters appeared happy and contented, even in their destitute circumstances. The husband had been assured of work when he reach Washington. He, too, appeared to be happy.

We could not help but contrast the spirit of this family, hundreds of miles from home without means or shelter, with that of many, many others in more fortunate circumstances. It impressed upon us the general inclination of most folks to complain, even when there is no real reason for it. The experience served to make us more thankful for our lot in life and more determined not to complain when things are not always just what we would have them be.

No Time for Hoarding Money

Beaufort News

U. S. Treasury officials estimate that more than a billion dollars are out of circulation because people are hoarding it. This vast sum of money is doing nobody any good, not even those who won it. A considerable part of the hoarded money is locked up in safe deposit boxes but millions of dollars are stuck away under mattresses, in coffee pots, buried in the ground and other such hiding places. Some people are even foolish enough to carry large sums of cash around on their persons, taking the risk not only of losing their money but of having their heads cracked besides.

The proper thing for anybody to do who has money is to put it into circulation. This does not mean spending it, although that is better than simply hoarding it. There are plenty of good banks left yet, building and loan associations, not one of which failed in North Carolina last year, and the postal savings. And then last but not least those who owe debts and have money ought to pay them. No one has a right to hoard up money who owes an honest debt. One should not save money that belongs to somebody else.

Indications Point to Big Tobacco Crop

The undercurrent indicates another big crop of tobacco in Eastern North Carolina. Farmers are putting in plenty of plant beds.

Peanut prices are low; cotton prices are low; farmers say they have got to plant something.

Of course if a farmer can grow tobacco at a cost ranging from 5 to 7 cents a pound, his plantings are justifiable. On the other hand if the production of the crop costs the farmer from 8 to 12 cents a pound, he is, from all appearances, taking great risk this year in growing the crop.

With prospects for low prices on all crops, the only safe course is to produce crops that don't cost much.

Little Pen-o-grams

**FEBRUARY**

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE

Having this day qualified as administratrix of the estate of H. B. Peel, deceased, late of Martin County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons holding claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before the 22nd day of February, 1932, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of any recovery thereon.

All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement.

This 22nd day of February, 1932.  
Mrs. ALPHA E. PEELE, Administratrix,  
Jamesville, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1.

SALE OF VALUABLE FARM PROPERTY

Under and by virtue of the authority conferred upon us in a deed of trust executed by Jasper L. Johnson and wife, Marie Johnson, on the 24th day of April, 1926, and recorded in book X-2, page 285-286, we will, on Saturday, the 12th day of March, 1932, at 12 o'clock noon, at the courthouse door in Martin County, Williamston, N. C., sell at public auction, for cash, to the highest bidder, the following land, to wit:

All that certain tract, parcel, or piece of land containing 145 acres, more or less, and situate, lying and being on the N. side of the public road leading from the Smith School House to the road leading from Robertsonville to the Cross Roads, about 1-2 miles southeast of the town of Robertsonville, Robertsonville Township, County of Martin, State of N. C., and distances as will more fully appear by reference to a plat thereof made by T. Jones Taylor on the 31st day of March, 1926, and bounded on the N. by the lands of J. L. Everett, on the E. by the lands of Rubin Everett, on the S. by the lands of Lewis Worthington and Thomas L. House, and on the W. by the lands of Thomas L. House and Arthur Johnson. This being the same tract of land de-

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE

vised to Jasper L. Johnson by the last will and testament of W. L. Johnson, which said will appears of record in Martin County, in Will Book No. 6, at page 167.

This sale is made by reason of the failure of Jasper L. Johnson and wife, Marie Johnson, to pay off and discharge the indebtedness secured by said deed of trust.

A deposit of 10 per cent will be required from the purchaser at the sale.

This the 4th day of February, 1932.  
C. H. DIXON,  
Durham, Trustee.  
Receiver for First National Bank of Durham, N. C.

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of the power of sale contained on that certain deed of trust, executed by William Highsmith and wife, Pennie Highsmith, to the undersigned Trustee, dated the 18th day of April, 1921, and of record in the Public Registry of Martin County, in Book G-2 at page 302, said

trust deed having been given to secure payment of a certain note of even date therewith, and the conditions therein, not having been complied with, and at the request of the holder of said note, the undersigned Trustee will, on the 15th day of March, 1932, at twelve o'clock noon, at the Courthouse door of Martin County, at Williamston, North Carolina, offer at public sale, to the highest bidder for cash the following described land, to-wit:

Situate in Goose Nest Township, Martin County, North Carolina, and commonly known and designated as the Harrell land, and being the same premises that was conveyed to William Highsmith by Peter Thompson, by deed of record in the Public Registry of Martin County in Book D-2 at page 185, said deed being hereby referred to for a better description, containing 62 acres, more or less.

This the 13th day of February, 1932.  
J. G. GODARD,  
Trustee.

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SALE OF VALUABLE FARM PROPERTY

Under and by virtue of the authority conferred upon us in a deed of trust executed by H. E. Lilley and wife, Georgeanna Lilley, on the 10th day of August, 1925, and recorded in book X-2, page 127-128, we will, on Saturday, the 12th day of March, 1932, at 12 o'clock noon, at the courthouse door in Martin County, Williamston, N. C., sell at public auction for cash to the highest bidder, the following land, to-wit:

All that certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in Williams Township, Martin County, and State of N. C., containing 35.54 acres, more or less, bounded on the N. by the lands of the Dennis Simmons Lumber Company, on the E. by the lands of H. E. Lilley, on the S. by the lands of Chas. Moore, and on the W. by the lands of L. B. Harrison, and more particularly described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a black gum in a branch, the corner of this land, the land of Chas. Moore and the other land of H. E. Lilley, thence along the various courses of the said branch to Mulberry Branch, thence along the various courses of Mulberry Branch to a large oak in same (corner of this land and the lands of L. B. Harrison and Dennis Simmons Lumber Company in said Mulberry Branch), thence S. 37 3/4 E. 28.1 poles S. 55 1/2 E. 14.6 poles, S. 51 3/4 E. 20 poles, S. 55 E. 39 poles, thence S. 57 1/2 E. 17.68 poles to the beginning, as shown by a map of same made by S. Peel, surveyor, on the 5th day of March, 1925.

This sale is made by reason of the failure of H. E. Lilley and wife, Georgeanna Lilley, to pay off and discharge the indebtedness secured by said deed of trust.

A deposit of 10 per cent will be required from the purchaser at the sale. This the 4th day of February, 1932.  
W. G. BRAMHAM AND T. L. BLAND, RECEIVERS FOR FIRST NATIONAL COMPANY OF DURHAM, TRUSTEES, FORMERLY FIRST NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, DURHAM, N. C.

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DR. V. H. MEWBORN

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