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Overlooking The Cause

Liking things sensational, so many of us center our attention on the effect and appear indifferent or even overlook the cause prompting certain acts, both good and bad.

This county, unfortunately, has had its mob violence. It has adhered strictly to the dictates of the law in other cases. Between the two courses of action, it has been found that the lawful course is the better of the two, that such a course has and will continue to have the support of all the people who are convinced that one wrong will not right another wrong, that the course of action chartered by the law points to a goal of justice.

But in our excitement to uphold the dictates of the law, we overlook the fact that a violation of the law weakened the chain in the first place. We forget about the misery, the tension, anxiety and suffering experienced in the first instance, and make it appear that a rapist, murderer or perpetrator of some other hideous crime had done no wrong. The mother of a mob victim in South Carolina was carried north recently and held up as a martyr. She has our sympathy, to be sure. But while she was exposing her self-pity, she did not mention or even hint that her son had killed another man. If her son had obeyed the law, he would, in all probability, be living today.

If Buddy Bush had been playing fair with the law and valued decency just a little bit,

he would not have thrown himself into the hands of mobsters.

As nations we fail to settle around the conference table our problems, turning to the field of battle and experiencing all the horrors of war until power triumphs. Until nations can act within the law, it is hardly to be expected that all individuals will submit to peaceful means for the solving of certain questions.

When, as former Governor J. M. Broughton, told a Martin County audience not so long ago, people stop clear of raceability between the races or among the races. And we dare say, as much as we may regret it, that as long as there is rape and other wanton crime there'll be lynching. And we dare say also that when those who preach so fervently against mob violence start preaching as earnestly against crime as a cause, mob violence will subside. And for our northern friends, they should have intelligence enough to realize that they are, by their very acts, aggravating a bad situation. Advice and instructions coming from a hot bed of vice, corruption and crime simply do not carry weight. Let those elements in the North clear their skirts of their multitudinous sins before they travel southward to belittle an entire people for isolated infractions of law and order.

"You Bet Your Life"

40,000,000 automobile drivers, some good and some bad.

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34,000,000 automobiles, some new, some old, and many ready to fall apart.

3,000,000 miles of highways, with many a hazard in every mile.

Add all these together and you have America's traffic lottery, a complex game of life and death in which each one of us, willing or not, must have a hand.

Last year, 33,900 were killed and more than 1,300,000 injured in U. S. street and highway accidents, according to figures compiled by The Travelers Insurance Companies. It was a year in which most of us did not yet have that new car and those new tires which which to drive as frequently, or as fast, or as far as we might have liked. But the casualties were heavier than in any year since 1941. Why?

Most of the 1946 dead and injured were killed or hurt because they took a chance. They didn't pause to consider the risk because they didn't expect to lose. They did lose!

What of this year? This month? Today? Some will lose because they are willing to take a chance, no matter how great the odds. Others will lose because they have not learned the game well enough to play it safely. Your stake in this lottery is high. It is up to you to make certain you do not lose.

Remember this: when you gamble in traffic, you bet your life.

He has a hole under his nose that all his money runs into.—English.

North Carolina, Martin County. Vada Edwards vs. Charlie T. Edwards.

Under and by virtue of an order of sale made by L. B. Wynne, Clerk of Superior Court of Martin County in the above entitled proceedings, the undersigned commissioner will on Saturday, the 21st day of June, 1947, at 12 o'clock noon in front of the courthouse door in the Town of Williamston, N. C., offer for sale, at public auction, the following described real estate, to-wit:

A house and lot lying and being in Williamston Township, Martin County, and State of North Carolina, adjoining the lands of Ira Peed, Arnecia Duggins, and Martin County County Home property, and U. S. Highway No. 64, and being the same and identical land deeded to Charlie T. Edwards and wife, Vada Edwards, by S. S. Slade and wife, Ora Slade, by deed dated 27th day of October, 1936 and of record in the Public Registry of Martin County in Book S 2, page 241.

This the 21st day of May, 1947. ELBERT S. PEEL, my 27 je 2-10-17 Commissioner.

NOTICE North Carolina, Martin County. In the Superior Court. COUNTY OF MARTIN Against THOMAS GRAY et als

The defendants Robert Gray, Ida Gray Ferebee, and Carrie Gray, above named, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Martin County, North Carolina, to foreclose the taxes on land in Martin County in which said defendants have an interest; and the said defendants will further take notice that they are required to appear before L. B. Wynne, Clerk of the Superior Court of Martin County at his office in Williamston, North Carolina, June 23rd, 1947, or within 20 days thereafter to answer or demur to the complaint of the plaintiff in this action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This the 23rd day of May, 1947. L. B. WYNN, Clerk Superior Court of Martin County. my 27 je 3-10-17

NOTICE OF SALE North Carolina, Martin County.

The undersigned Board of Commissioners of Martin County will on Monday, the 2nd day of June, 1947, at 12 o'clock noon in front of the courthouse door in the Town of Williamston, offer for sale for cash to the highest bidder the following described real estate, to-wit:

Beginning on the West side of the Greenville road at the South of a ditch, just South of the house that was formerly the old County Home Building, thence in a Southerly direction along the

Greenville road 210 feet to a line perpendicular to the Greenville road 210 feet, thence a line parallel with Greenville road 210 feet, thence a line perpendicular to the Greenville road 210 feet to and along said ditch to the beginning, same being a part of the County Home property and being 1 acre of land on the West side of the Greenville road.

This the 14th day of May, 1947. BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MARTIN COUNTY BY JOHN J. EDWARDS, Chairman

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE Having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of Mrs. Mary D. Hodges, late of Williamston, Martin County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said

Mrs. Mary D. Hodges, deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before April 22, 1948, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment to me. This 22nd day of April, 1947. W. P. Hodges, 2619 Canterbury Road, Raleigh, N. C. Administrator of Mrs. Mary D. Hodges.

North Carolina, Martin County. In the Superior Court. COUNTY OF MARTIN Against DORA PURVIS et als

The defendants, James Isaac Purvis, Rufus Purvis, Henry Purvis, Lillie Mae Purvis, above named, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been com-

menced in the Superior Court of Martin County, North Carolina, to foreclose the taxes on land in Martin County in which said defendants have an interest; and the said defendants will further take notice that they are required to appear before L. B. Wynne, Clerk of the Superior Court of Martin County at his office in Williamston, North Carolina, on my 27 je 3-10-17

June 23, 1947, or within 20 days thereafter to answer or demur to the complaint of the plaintiff in this action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint. This 23 day of May, 1947. L. B. WYNN, Clerk Superior Court of Martin County. my 27 je 3-10-17

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New Telephone Directories Mailed

The new telephone directory showing the dial numbers in Williamston are being mailed as of May 30, 1947.

The Williamston numbers as shown in this directory are for use from June 5, 1947, at 10:00 p. m. when the dial service will be effective.

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