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**NOTICE TO READERS**

The Southerner is always anxious to improve its reading value and make its columns more valuable, both to its readers and advertisers, and, in view of a rapidly increasing circulation, it desires to extend its local news.

All subscribers, or readers, who have any personal items that would be of general interest are asked to send them in daily, especially from the adjoining towns of Pinetops, Macclesfield, Farmville, Hookerton, Leggett, Speeds and Whitakers.

It must be remembered the Southerner is the county organ, the only means of disseminating the news of the surrounding territory which adds greatly in drawing the people together and in making the social life more attractive. None can live unto himself alone.

**COUNTY GOVERNMENT**

The American people have come to the point where they demand that all forms of government be made more efficient. The systems of administration now used were created many years ago and follow obsolete models. In those old days towns and cities were isolated units. Now they are closely joined together, and need a more compact administration.

County government has usually been better than state or city government, but it has had its own faults and needs a general overhauling. Students of civics are interested in the scheme of government for Nassau County, New York recommended to the present session of the New York Legislature, by 7 leading residents of that county. This is worth considering as a possible model for a general reorganization of county government in North Carolina.

The following principles were worked out in this proposed scheme of county administration:—

1.—Consolidation of offices for greater efficiency.

2.—Removal of county roads from politics.

3.—Provision for award of contracts to competitive bidding.

4.—A single chief executive with control over finances and offices, elected by the whole county with a comparatively long term of office and an adequate salary, this official to have veto power over the board of supervisors, and budget making power.

5.—Short ballot, many officers to be appointed by the Supervisor at large instead of elected by the voters.

6.—Consolidation of public health and charity work for the county into central departments.

7.—Simpler township government with short ballot and concentration into fewer hands.

The key note of these changes is concentration of responsibility. That follows the business model, and it is the basis on which a business concern achieves success.

The jewels in the possession of the Greek Church are said to be worth more than the collections of all the crowned heads of Europe

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**PUBLIC ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.**

The restriction of banking accommodations and the disposition on the part of the public to rebel against continuing advances in prices of commodities, represents the "movement at the top" to decrease the cost of living. Prices and wages that were created by extraordinary conditions can hardly be expected by sensible people to continue forever, and there has been plenty of evidence that the business interests of the country have been looking for shelter from the threatening storm. Leading shoe manufacturers of St. Louis have announced reductions of 50 cents to \$2 a pair in wholesale prices. Following the demobilization last year a large part of the country stocked up on clothing, so that it is not necessary for

them to make heavy purchases this year. The result has been that retail dealers throughout the country have been cleaning up their stocks and at the same time withholding orders for large quantities of supplies. Manufacturers have felt this curtailment, and they are proceeding cautiously. It has made an uneasy condition which has been reflected in unprecedented numbers of "bargain sales" in all parts of the country. The domestic wool market in the United States is off 20 to 30 per cent from their high levels and carpet wools 60 to 75 per cent. Hides and leather have had a heavy decline within the past three months. These are items that come close to the American public.

In the broad field of industry it may be said that the best advice received at Washington indicate that the majority of products needed in the country are still far behind in the sense of manufacturing. Agricultural production is from 15 to 20 per cent below last year, but there will be plenty to eat. On the whole public assets and liabilities show a healthy and improved normal condition, but the readjustment and redistribution of individual effort and markets, incident to peace times are still going on. The country shows a disposition to get rid of the froth on the

top of the industrial bowl. And as it is being blown away a pretty substantial condition in our economic beverage is being found. Evidently we are gradually getting back to our old gait, which was interrupted with a lot of hop, skip and jump for two or three years.

**WANTED—SALESMAN WITH AUTOMOBILE** to sell road machinery and contractors' equipment direct. Liberal contract. Replies confidential. Address Appian Machinery & Supply Co., Danville, Va. 7/30-8/2-8/4

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