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Why The Income-Tax Law Falls Down

Our Federal income tax laws are not raising enough money to meet our obligations, and for the first time since the war period we are selling a billion dollar long-term bond issue.

After we succeeded in reducing our public debt from twenty-four billion to fifteen billion dollars we find the law passed by Congress a few years ago is not producing enough revenue to pay current bills. The only trouble with the law is that it was passed to protect the rich man, and when the rich do not have to pay taxes and the poor can not pay taxes, the country finds itself without money to meet its obligations.

The United States is the only one of the civilized nations that the tax on incomes is not on a graduated scale above \$100,000. England's income tax schedule applied in the United States would have paid all of our bills.

Our trouble is that too many Mellons have been dickering with Congress, and it takes too much off of the man who was able to bear it and not hurt his business.

The principle of income tax is certainly one of the best methods of taxation, but it certainly should be on a graduated scale, starting with a low rate on small incomes and going higher as the amount of income goes up.

Regaining Worth-While Happiness

There is no need to look for prosperity for everybody if we all take our own advice. In fact, if we do the things we are being taught, it will cut the grocers' trade 60 per cent. The Minnesota wheat farmer will lose a part of his trade, the Kansas haymaker will lose all his trade; the tin-can manufacturers and the Chicago meat packers will have to "shut up shop," so far as trading with North Carolina farmers and little home towns, such as we have in our State, goes.

One of our great troubles has been too much trading. We have paid too much freight charges and too many commissions. We have bought potatoes from Maine to plant and from Florida and Minnesota to eat. We buy cabbage and rutabagas from New York, milk and butter from Iowa.

When we look clear across the page and see that we have sold nearly everything we have produced, losing the freight and commission charges, and then look on the other page and see that we have bought nearly all the things we need, we will not wonder at our poverty. When every farmer in the country does the proper thing for his own good, it is going to put lots of other things out of business.

The task for the country is a complete reorganization of business. It will require a submission of our pride and banish lots of our laziness.

Our biggest task is to stop going down hill, change our business methods and march back up hill again. If we will diligently pursue such a course, we will regain our homes and our real worth-while happiness.

Verily, The Old Order Changeth

Will the people hold their ground against the politicians? In the recent fight, the rank and file of people have won a great victory in the way of tax reduction. It is significant that nearly all those fellows who have been called the leading politicians stood against tax reduction for the little fellow—and the fight has been won over their protests and in the face of their efforts to block it.

The public is gaining in political wisdom. They have heretofore, in a large way, acted somewhat like cattle—when the bell crows, the calves all bleat.

Things have now taken a change and the people find that they have been bulled too long. Hereafter they are going to ask their candidates who their friends are and how they have been making their living. Oh, they are going to ask lots of questions.

Now is a good time to look over the field, while our memory is fresh, and see how they are lined up. See where the candidates for governor stood in the fight. See whether they were for you or against you, or whether or not they lacked manhood enough to stand on either side.

The proper thing to do is to take up people who are outside of the political trust, and then we will have somebody worthy of trust.

Whatever may happen, don't follow the lash-cracking, ringmaster type of politicians.

Hard To Find a Place

The several thousand graduates who are being turned out of the colleges and universities in our State this week will, in many cases, find it hard to find a place. The schools are full, and a thousand of the teachers in them are to be turned out and be added to the young army who are anxious to find a place to start life and make a living, only to find too many lawyers, too many doctors, too many bookkeepers, too many clerks, too many merchants, too many people for the jobs. The result will finally be that all those who are faithful, diligent, and willing to do their best will soon find jobs and be absorbed in the machine of progress. But those who stand and wait for a call will doubtless stand a long time.

From the WORLD'S BACK WINDOW

By CHARLES H. McSWAIN

I met a certain Plymouth merchant the other morning who was smiling from ear to ear. So I said, "Old Sock, I dare say that business is getting better despite this Hoover prosperity."

"Probably so," replied the merchant. "I just received this letter from one of my customers who has been owing me an account for a long time." The letter read as follows:

"Dear sir: Your letter, relative to the little account I owe you has been received. And I wish to advise that I have classified all of the accounts I owe into three groups. Group No. 1 consists of accounts I intend to pay within 30 days; Group No. 2 consists of accounts I intend to pay when I get the money; Group No. 3 consists I never intend to pay."

"But since your letter was cordial and nice, I am taking the liberty to transfer your account from Group No. 3 to Group No. 2. Thinking that you would probably be interested in knowing of this transfer, I have taken the time to write you. Yours very truly."

A real letter, I call it, and gives me an idea for a song, as the movie actor would say. I think I shall start classifying my personal debts just as soon as I get money enough to employ a bookkeeper to do the job.

Well, Doc McGowan and I are already making our plans for killing all the deer in this section when the season comes on, the Doc being something of an expert at deer slaying. In one respect, the Doctor is practically in my class when it comes to shooting deer. He has never shot but one deer during his entire hunting experience. Thus far, I have never even shot one, but that is no reason why I am not going to.

And speaking of Doctor McGowan, reminds me of what his mother-in-law, Mrs. Fanny Ayers, told me today. She stated that she noticed where I had written something about the Doc's various and sundry dogs. "But I don't like dogs," she said, "and I can't see why anybody should like them."

And that is the way it goes. One person likes dogs, while another person is just vice-versa. But usually, most everybody either likes dogs or cats. And there are some few people

who even relish bill-goats, parrots, canary birds, and the like. Cleopatra, it was, I believe, who was very fond of snakes.

But the person who takes the record for liking all species and descriptions of animals and pets is a colored man I used to know, by the name of Uncle Billy Butler. Two other gentlemen and myself had a bachelor apartment some several years ago, and it so happened that this Uncle Billy was our cook, housekeeper, butler, and dishwasher de luxe. Uncle Billy was a very faithful man to his duties, but withal we notice that he seemed to be sad and always grieving about something. So we made inquiries. He told us that he had no pets, and that if we didn't mind, he would like to get a few. He was given permission to help himself. And help himself he did.

In a few weeks Uncle Billy had procured 14 hens, 2 roosters, 3 cats, one blind hound dog, a billy-goat, two rabbits and a ground-hog. The place was simply littered up with Uncle Billy's pets. But he was never sad after that. It kept him pretty busy looking after his menagerie. When he started to feed the blind hound, the chickens tried to eat up his food. The billy-goat devoured everything he could get, such as shirts, tin cans, shoes, etc. The rabbits gnawed down all the shrubbery and the ground-hog burrowed holes all over the place.

However, Uncle Billy used all these pets to advantage. He could tell what the weather was going to do by the actions of the chickens with the assistance of the ground-hog. Hence, I suppose all these various things, such as dogs, cats, billy-goats, et cetera, have their rightful place in the sun.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL TERM OF COURT

In conformity with the provisions of Section 1452 of the Consolidated Statutes, notice is hereby given that a special term of the superior court of Washington County will convene on Monday, June 15, 1931, and continue for one week. Said term will be for the trial of civil cases. This the 25th day of May, 1931. GEO. W. HARDISON, Chairman, Board of County Commissioners.

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of authority contained in a certain deed of trust executed by Jacob Stator and wife on the 30th day of January, 1930, recorded in book 74, page 499, in the register of deeds office of Washington County, the undersigned trustee will,

on the 27th day of June, at 12 o'clock noon, at the courthouse door, sell to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described property:

Beginning at the southwest corner of lot No. 2 on Railroad Avenue, or Alley No. 4, and running with the line of lot No. 2 north 55 degrees, east 16 feet to the northwest corner of lot No. 5; thence with the line of lot No. 5 south 35 degrees, east 90 feet to the northeast corner of lot No. 6; thence with the line of lot No. 6 south 55 degrees west 116 feet to Railroad Ave., or alley No. 4; thence with the line of Railroad Ave., north 35 degrees west 90 feet to the beginning. This the 25th day of May, 1931. A. L. OWENS, Trustee.

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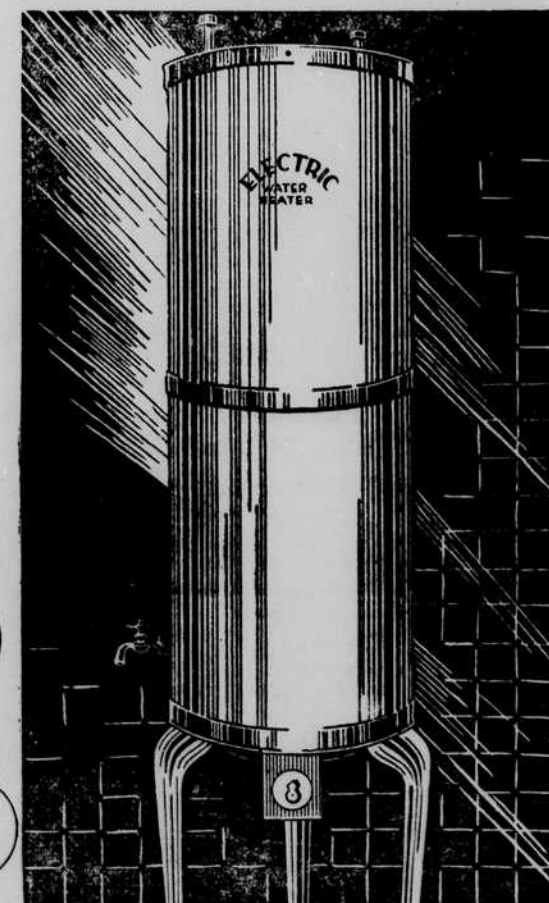
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PEANUT HAY FOR SALE: 20 tons on hand. \$15.00 per ton. Harrison Brothers and Company, Williamson, N. C. my29 2t

NOTICE OF SALE
Under and by virtue of the authority invested in the undersigned commissioner by the Clerk of the Superior Court of Washington County, in an action entitled Agusta Hayes et al vs. W. R. Howcott et al, I will on the 8th day of June, 1931, offer for sale at public auction at the courthouse door in the town of Plymouth, N. C., at 12 m., the following described lot in the town of Plymouth, N. C.:

Bounded on the north by lane leading to Madison Street, south by Madison Street, east by lot of Mary E. Hill, west by Mount Hebron parsonage lot.
Terms of sale: Cash.
This 7th day of May, 1931.
P. H. BELL, Atty. Commissioner.
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NOTICE OF SALE
Under and by virtue of a power of sale embraced in a certain deed of trust dated the 16th day of March, 1929, executed by V. T. Freeman and others to H. D. Bateman, Trustee, and registered in the office of Register of Deeds of Washington County in Book 102, page 235, and default having been made in the payment of the note thereby secured, and application having been made to said trustee for a sale of said land, the said undersigned trustee will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, for cash, at the courthouse door of Washington County at 12 o'clock noon on the 20th day of June, 1931, the following described land:

Lying and being in Lees Mill Township, Washington County, North Carolina, bounded on the north and east by the Folly Road, on the south by the White ditch, and on the west by the land of Mary Bateman heirs, containing 120 acres, more or less, and being the same land owned and occupied by the late Henry L. Freeman, and it being further that tract or parcel of land described in a deed from J. E. Phelps and wife to W. T. Freeman, dated September 4, 1926, and recorded in book 97, page 39, and also described in a deed from A. L. Owens, mortgagee, to J. E. Phelps, dated September 3, 1926, and recorded in book 97, page 37.
The said sale will be made subject to unpaid taxes.
This the 19th day of May, 1931.
H. D. BATEMAN, Trustee.
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Z. V. NORMAN, Atty.

NOTICE OF SALE OF VALUABLE PROPERTY
By virtue of a Deed of Trust executed by J. W. Williams and wife,

Lilla D. Williams, for certain purposes therein mentioned, which said deed of trust bears date July 23, 1923, and is registered in the office of the Register of Deeds of Washington County, N. C., in Deed Book No. 83, page 561, I shall on Monday, June 8, 1931, at 12 o'clock Noon, offer for sale at the Courthouse door in the said County at Public Auction, for cash, the property conveyed to me in said deed of trust, to-wit:

All that certain lot or parcel of land situated, lying and being in the State and County aforesaid, and in the town of Roper, which is more particularly bounded and described as follows:

Adjoining the lands of the M. E. Church, the lands of J. E. Phelps and others and being the store and dwelling now occupied by the said parties of the first part, said property fronting about thirty-two feet on Main Street in said town and extending back about one hundred and thirty-four feet and being the same property conveyed to the parties of the first part, or said J. W. Williams, by deed from N. B. Mills, which said deed is duly recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Washington County and to which reference is hereby made and same made a part hereof for purposes of a full and complete description of said property.
This May 6, 1931.

ESTELLE MARTIN,
Administratrix of Van B. Martin, Trustee.
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NOTICE OF RESALE
Under and by virtue of authority contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Edgar Bateman and wife, Minnie Bateman, to J. W. Snell, on the 15th day of —, 192—, and registered in the office of the register of deeds of Washington County, in book 77, at page 230, said land having been sold to the highest bidder for cash on the 27th day of April for \$300 under the authority contained in said mortgage and the bid having been raised 10 per cent by H. C. Hooker within the time specified by law, the undersigned mortgagee will resell the following described lands to the highest bidder, for cash, at the courthouse door in Plymouth, N. C., on Monday, the 15th day of June, 1931, at 12 o'clock noon.

Beginning at the public road leading from Plymouth to Roper at H. C. Hooker's corner, thence westward with said Hooker line 200 feet to D. O. Brinkley's line, thence northwardly with D. O. Brinkley's line 100 feet to Mollie Hardison's corner, thence eastwardly with Mollie Hardison's line to the public road, thence southwardly with said public road 100 feet to the beginning.
The bidding will start with H. C. Hooker's bid of \$330.00.
This 20th day of May, 1931.
J. W. SNELL, Mortgagee.
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Van B. Martin, Attorney.

NOTICE OF SALE
Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain mortgage deed executed by W. T. Downing to R. W. Johnson, dated the 1st day

of May, 1930, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Washington County, in book 93, page 144, to which reference is made, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness thereby secured, the undersigned mortgagee, upon demand of the holder of the indebtedness, will offer for sale, to the highest bidder for cash, at the courthouse door in Washington County, at 12 o'clock noon on Monday, the 22nd day of June, 1931, that certain real property described in said instrument as follows:

Beginning at James Moore westward corner and running a straight line to Conahy Creek, and westwardly with said creek to Mack Holly's corner, thence eastwardly with Mack Holly to Andrew Lewis line, and thence northwardly with his line to Ransom's line; thence with Ransom's line to his north corner; thence an eastward course with Ransom's line to the main road; thence northeastwardly with the road to James Moore's line, the beginning, containing fifty acres, more or less.

The bidder at such sale will be required to deposit as much as ten per cent of the amount bid as a guaranty of good faith pending confirmation.
This the 15th day of May, 1931.
R. W. JOHNSON, Mortgagee.
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NOTICE OF SALE
North Carolina, Washington County. Under and by virtue of a power of sale embraced in a deed of trust executed by P. M. Ambrose and wife to Z. V. Norman, Trustee on the 4th day of January, 1928, and recorded in Washington County Public Registry in Book 74, page 460, and default having been made in the payment of the note thereby secured and application having been made to said Trustee for a sale of the land hereinafter described for the payment of said note, the undersigned Trustee will expose at public sale to the highest bidder for cash at the courthouse door of Washington County on the 2nd day of July, 1931, at 12 o'clock noon the following described real estate:

First Tract: Lying and being in Plymouth Township and bounded on the north by A. R. Dupree, on the east by the Will Turner land on the south by the old road leading from the Plymouth to Roper, on the west by the Woodlawn Road.

Second Tract: Bounded on the north by the Woodlawn Farm, on the east by the Woodlawn Road and on the south by the old Plymouth and Roper Road, on the west by Willis Roberson.

Both tracts containing 30 acres, more or less, excepting from the first tract State Highway No. 90.

The said land will be sold subject to a deed of trust in favor of Mrs. Minnie P. Johnson, and subject further to all unpaid taxes that are a lien on said land.

The bidder at said sale will be required to deposit ten per cent of his bid pending confirmation thereof.
This the 1st day of June, 1931.
Z. V. NORMAN, Trustee.
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