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HAPPY PETERSBURG

Those gentle old folk of Petersburg who were too polite to express distaste for the coming of so many outsiders into the sacred confines of the Cockade City...

The old Virginia country has had an awful time during the last decade. Until ten years ago it was the quiet streets of Petersburg were the haunts of only the old stock except for the few who had been attracted there by the general trunk and bag factories and tobacco plants.

Tarheels delivered the first blow to their sensibilities when it banished from its land the saloons and distilleries. That act made Petersburg the center of wholesale liquor traffic and the Mecca toward which all Tarheel followers of Bacchus turned their faces when they became thirsty.

While liquor was still attracting attention to the town, Hopewell sprang like a mushroom into being within striking distance of Byramore Street. Then it was that polite folk shuddered. The mining camp had come out of the west and threatened to tear down all that had been built in two centuries.

In the interim between the opening of Hopewell and the building of Camp Lee the saloons were closed. That helped some, but a brisk bootlegging business had been established for the convenience of the Yankee boys who came down for training.

Now—happy day—comes the news that Camp Lee is to be no more. Petersburg merchants will suffer of course. But Petersburg was not built for the merchants. They followed the regular folk. And the regular folk don't care a dang what becomes of mere tradesmen so long as the sacred pavements of Sycamore and Washington streets are not to be trodden by the profane heel of the outsider.

Petersburg never did want progress. Railroads, factories and things were all right for such upstart towns as Richmond, Norfolk and other Virginia cities. But Petersburg! Petersburg, sub, is the home of gentle folk; not a place for the grime of industry.

HERE'S HOPIN' ANYWAY

No legislature of recent years has had so many major matters to come before it for consideration than will come before the one which began its sixty-day session Wednesday morning in Raleigh. Among the more important measures to be presented are those which seek to provide for improvement of educational facilities and the building of a great system of highways throughout the State.

Certain it is that both of these measures will be bitterly fought. There will be opponents who seek to make political capital from their opposition; there too will be sincere men who will fight them because the sums needed appear to them to be beyond the ability of the people to pay.

However, it is admitted by all students of economic questions that the present is the best time to build roads and public buildings. Material is plentiful and labor can be had for most any price. This condition will not last longer than the time it takes the nation to settle back into normal activities. The State can get twice as much for its dollars now as it will be able to get two years hence.

We have no idea that the school or the road forces will get what they ask for from the law makers of North Carolina. But we do hope that they will get enough to start them toward the goal they are seeking to attain.

AUDITORS AND TREASURERS

Several years ago there was a widespread sentiment for the abolition of county treasurer's offices throughout North Carolina. Several counties—namely Harnett—had the legislature to abolish these offices on the theory that drafts and orders could be issued so readily against banks as they could be against the treasurer. The theory worked fine in

practice and so far as we know satisfied everybody.

But, in those counties which abolished the office there has come a new officer—some times at a larger salary than that paid the old treasurer. He is the auditor.

Nobody knows better than The Dispatch that an audit of public accounts is needed in justice to office holders and to the public. But it seems that North Carolina pays a big price for the auditing. There are one hundred counties in the State. A conservative estimate of the cost of auditors where they have displaced treasurers and treasurers where they are still employed would place the figure well beyond the \$200,000 annually.

This is an evil, as we see it. And here is the remedy: Have the present legislature abolish every county treasurer's and county auditor's office in the state and substitute for them a State auditing bureau from which expert auditors could be sent to every county seat at least once a year. The cost of such a bureau would not be one-tenth that of the present system. The sums saved could go to the schools and roads.

Secretary Riddle has for some time been in communication with a body of California poultry ranchers who are contemplating a removal of their activities to North Carolina. Some time this Spring, several of the poultrymen will visit Dunn and other Eastern North Carolina towns in the near future. They require small farms suited to the raising of chickens and other poultry. There is much land of this nature around Dunn. It will be well for our folk to begin now to plan for the visit of this advance guard.

LEGAL ADVERTISING

NOTICE OF LAND SALE UNDER MORTGAGE

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a mortgage deed dated the 10th day of November, 1917, duly executed by W. H. McDonald to Mrs. May Guy securing five bonds of even date. Said mortgage deed is recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Harnett County in Book 116 page 160, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness thereby secured. The undersigned will on Monday 24th day of January 1921 at 12:00 o'clock M. at the Court House Door in Lillington, N. C. sell for cash to the highest bidder the following described real estate lying and being in Harnett County, State of North Carolina, Neill's Creek Township.

Beginning near a white oak on the road, Bullock's corner and runs as his line E. 47 chains and 15 links to a stake in the field, Richard Bullock's corner, thence North 4 to Joe Horton's line 23 chains to the old road, thence with said road to the beginning, containing 8. acres, more or less.

This mortgage deed and note is given to secure the purchase price of said land.

Time of sale: Monday January 24, 1921 at 12:00 o'clock M. Place of Sale: Court House Door, Harnett County, Lillington, N. C. Terms of sale: cash. This the 17th day of December 1920. MRS. MAY GUY, Mortgagee. Dec. 24 31 Jan 7 14 21.

NOTICE

The undersigned having qualified as administrator on the estate of John G. Jernigan deceased, hereby notifies all persons having claims against said estate to present them to me duly verified on or before the 3rd day of December, 1921 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery; all persons indebted to said estate will make immediate payment. This 30th day of November 1920. C. C. CANNADAY, Administrator. Benson, N. C. Dec. 2 10 17 24 31 Jan 7.

NOTICE OF LAND SALE UNDER MORTGAGE

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a mortgage deed dated the 2nd day of November, 1916, duly executed by W. H. McDonald to Mrs. May Guy securing five bonds of even date. Said mortgage deed is recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Harnett County in Book 115 page 67, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness thereby secured. The undersigned will on Monday 24th day of January 1921 at 12:00 o'clock M. at the Court house door in Lillington, N. C., sell for cash to the highest bidder the following described

real estate lying and being in Harnett County, State of North Carolina, Neill's Creek Township.

Beginning at a large sweet gum on the north side of the Branch Mrs. Caroline Johnson's corner and run as her line after Morgan's lot of Jones' land and past her corner with Bullock's line North 4 E. 10 7/4 chs to a stake 26 links S. of the white oak corner; thence as an agreed line N. 56 West 7.35 chs. to a large sweet gum at the head of the Spring Branch; thence down the various courses of said Branch 11 chains to a black gum corner at Rock Quarry; Mrs. Caroline Johnson's corner; thence as her line S. 10 W. 25 chains to her corner in the Rubber Spring Branch; thence up the various courses of said branch to beginning, containing about 44 acres more or less.

The above described land being known as the Darling Jones deceased, late of Harnett County, and it being the same land allotted as dower to the said Darling Jones' wife. Time of sale: Monday January 24, 1921, at 12 o'clock M. Place of sale: Court House Door, Harnett County, Lillington, N. C. Terms of sale: Cash. This the 17th day of December 1920. MRS. MAY GUY, Mortgagee. Dec 24 31 Jan 7 14 21.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed executed by Taylor Surles and trustee dated the 26th day of August 1920 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Harnett County in Book 125, Page 210, default having been made in the payment of notes secured therein, I will offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash at the courthouse door in Lillington on Monday, the 31 day of January at 12 o'clock M., 1921 the following

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

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NOTICE

The Annual Convention of the North Carolina Division of the American Cotton Association will be held at Raleigh on Thursday, January 13, 1921. The meeting will be convened at 10:00 o'clock a. m. in the City Auditorium. This will be the most important meeting of the cotton growers ever held in the State and every person in the county who is interested in the production and marketing of cotton is urgently requested to be present and remain there through the entire session. Chairman of Harnett County Cotton Association. R. L. GODWIN, 1t.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against J. M. Byrd and N. T. Patterson trading as J. M. Byrd & Company, which were in existence prior to December 6th, 1920. (Time of the death of N. T. Patterson) will exhibit the same to the undersigned surviving partner within twelve months from the date hereof. All persons indebted to said partnership will please make immediate settlement. J. M. BYRD, Surviving Partner. This the 8th January 1921. L. L. LEWINSON, Attorney. J7 o a w 4t.

NOTICE

North Carolina, Harnett County, in the Superior Court. William H. Faucette vs. Francis Faucette.

The defendant above named will take notice that an action, entitled, as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Harnett County to obtain an absolute divorce from the defendant, and the said defendant will further take notice that she is required to appear at the term of the Superior Court of said County to be held on Monday, 7 day of February, 1921, at the Court House of said County in Lillington, North Carolina, and answer or demur in the said complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint. A. A. McDONALD, C. S. G. This the 3rd day of January, 1921. Jan 7 14 21 28.

NOTICE OF LAND SALE

Under and by virtue of the power contained in a certain Deed of Trust from J. J. Norris, to the undersigned, which said Deed of Trust is registered in Book 168, Page 556, Register of Deeds office of Harnett County, North Carolina, we will offer for sale to the highest bidder, for cash, at the Court House door in Harnett County, North Carolina, on February 7th, 1921, at 12 o'clock noon, the following described property:

Described as follows: All that tract or parcel of land lying and situated and being in the county of Harnett and the State of North Carolina, near the town of Coats and being farm No. 4 on plat of land formerly owned by Farmers Commercial Bank and Neil Stewart, plat of which is on record in Harnett County, Register of Deeds office in map Book 2, Page 15, being farm No. 4, containing 25.10 acres, more or less.

Place of sale Court House door, Harnett County. Time of sale 12 o'clock noon, February 7, 1921. Terms cash.

BENSON LOAN & INSURANCE COMPANY, TRUSTEE Jan 7 14 21 28.



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Announcement

Desiring to Inform my Customers and the Public at Large of a change, I choose this method of announcing that I have purchased the stock of goods owned by

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Money

Idle money has no value—it is no good to you or your community. Only when it is placed in a good bank and made to circulate does it perform the useful functions for which it was created.

You owe it to yourself and your community to place your funds in a bank where they are always at work and always guarded against fire, burglary and loss.

BANK YOUR MONEY WITH US The First National Bank Dunn, North Carolina

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SAVE and WORK

Put your Idle Dollars in the Bank where they will Serve You and be a Safe guard against adversity. THE BANK of HARNETT Duke, N. C.

MOVED!

Our friends will find us now in the garage building adjoining the Parrish-Driver Store. We have just moved and gotten our equipment in order to repair all makes of automobiles. GOOD MECHANICS who work for a reasonable charge, guarantee to give you satisfaction. CHANDLER CARS We will continue to handle the Chandler Cars. E. V. GAINEY

Happy New Year

Forget your troubles. The old year is dead—a thing of the past. Let it be buried in peace, and into its grave place all those worries that burden your soul. Face young 1921 with a smiling face, a stout heart. Work. Make work retrieve what we have lost. Nineteen twenty-one holds everything for you. Secure and hold fast to the good things it offers. Pass up the bad and let's make the community smile with prosperity.

Throughout the year you will find that we are your friends.

Barnes & Holliday Co. Dunn and Coats, N. C.