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In correction of what we said editorially last week, I had better say that not all the teachers teach Evolution, neither do they believe that theory, still we hold that there are plenty of this teaching being done to do a great deal of harm. It should all be stopped, and preachers and teachers should work in harmony as they did only a few years ago.

CO-OPERATIVE MARKETING.

Since the Civil War farmers had a hard time living. In fact, they merely existed. Prices of farm produce were so low there was little chance for them to get ahead.

When the World War came, prices mounted, and folks who had never had a full living before, lived like people should. They had good rations and good clothing. But in 1920 the bottom fell out. The business world, joined by all officialdom, cried "Back to Normalcy," and down everything tumbled.

Prices went back to the pre-war levels, and went to stay; that is, prices of crude materials, but living expenses stayed up, and a cry of distress arose from the whole South. The West had a fixed price for wheat, and the slump missed that section. But distress came there also, after their five years special favor had ended.

It is said that that call back to normalcy cost Southern cotton growers eleven billion dollars. The country was in distress. A movement was made to organize cotton growers' co operative marketing associations.

These associations were organized in several states. By law an association was chartered in this state, and has since functioned. Powers to market cotton, negotiate loans, and do business very much after the regular factors' house order. Contracts were made covering a five year period, but arrangements were made later for shorter term contracts.

In this state for three years of the five year contracts, those in the association received better average prices for their cotton than outsiders, but the fourth year, 1925, the association held its cotton for better prices too long, and sold on a declining market, so people on the outside, who sold all last fall, got better average prices than members of the association. This has caused dissatisfaction among the members. Remember the business of the association is managed by a board of directors, like a bank, and some were for selling last fall and some were for holding for higher prices. The association sold some and held some, but on that held they got a low price. But the low prices would have arrived earlier, had the association sold out last fall. Those farmers, not members of the association, who held, got caught too. Those who have sold this year have gotten less than the association members.

This is the last year of the present contract. We believe the association has helped to boost the price of cotton. In time of peace, none of us have seen as good average prices for cotton in our lives. These prices could not have been produced by the law of supply and demand, for the law existed all the while, and the average price of cotton prior to the organization of the associations was much lower than it has been since. Then, its existence, its operation, is the only common sense—business sense.

Will the farmers continue the operation of the association, or will they let it die with the closing year?

Knowledge of the Bible is the best part of any man's equipment for life. He who knows nothing about the Scriptures is indeed an ignorant man; for the teaching of Holy Writ fits in with every phase of human existence.

No man can learn anything beyond a guess about the age of the world by the appearance of the rocks, for clay in a few hours time, through volcanic action, may be transformed into stone to all appearances as old as any in existence.

Be too decent to spit gobs of tobacco juice on the pavement.

NOTICE

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in that mortgage executed on the 16th day of March, 1926, by Reed McKinnie and wife, Charlotte McKinnie, to D. K. Blue and registered in the office of the Register of Deeds of Hoke County, N. C., in Book 40, page 239, default in the payment of same having been made on the notes secured by said mortgage I will offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash the following described tract of land:

The description of the land is as follows:
Lot No. 15 as shown by a plot of Lake Side Farm, said lot being located on Franklin Street, directly in front of Lillie Pope's dwelling, though not adjoining the same. This lot fronts on Franklin Street 50 feet, runs West 200 feet; thence North 13 feet; thence Northwestwardly 53 feet; thence East 164.8 feet to Franklin Street.
Date of Sale: October 2nd, 1926.
Place of Sale: Court House door, Raeford, N. C.
Posted Sept 1st, 1926
D. K. BLUE, Mortgagee.

Sale of Land Under Deed of Trust.

Under and by virtue of the power and authority vested in me in that certain deed of trust executed by M. M. McLeod and wife Mary McLeod, and default having been made on the notes secured therein and the holder of said notes having made demand on me to foreclosure upon said deed of trust, now therefore, I will offer for sale for cash to the highest bidder at the Court House Door, Raeford, N. C., on October the 7th, (Thursday) at twelve o'clock M. the following described land:

Being a certain tract of land situate in Stonewall Township, Hoke County, N. C., lying on the north side of Bethel Road and bounded on the North of Levi Chavis, on the South by the lands of E. D. Jordan; on the east by the lands of Peter Trawick; on the west by the lands of A. K. McFadyen.

This land being the same land on which the said M. M. McLeod now resides.

Place of Sale: Court House Door, Raeford, N. C.

Time of Sale: Thursday, Oct. 7th, at twelve o'clock M., 1926.

Terms of Sale: Cash.
I. GRAHAM, Trustee.
This 6th day of Sept., 1926.

J. W. CURRIT,
Attorney and counselor at Law,
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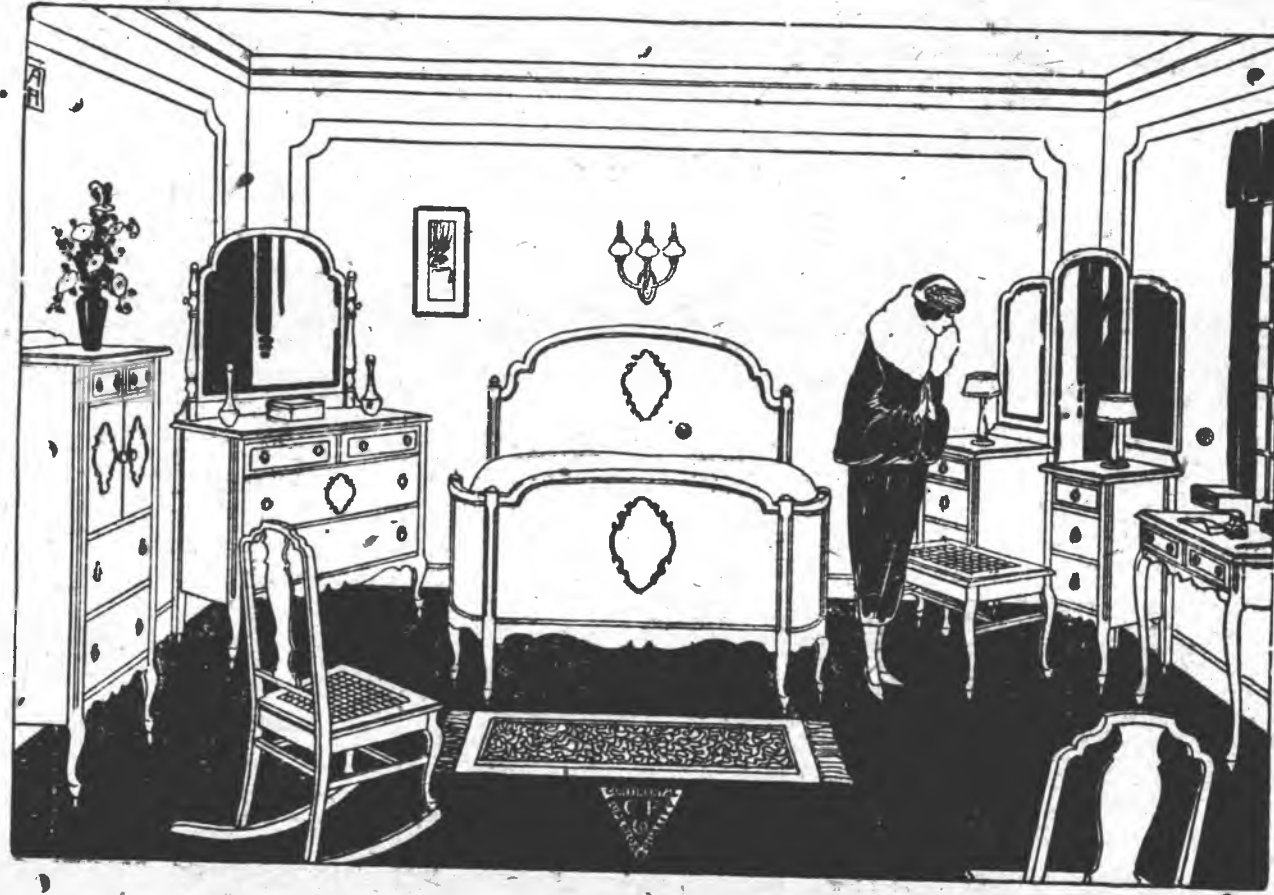
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