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THE BOND ISSUE.

The Board of Aldermen have called an election for Saturday, the 7th day of August, for the purpose of voting \$200,000 in bonds into their hands, ostensibly to be used as follows: \$55,000 for schools in territory that has never paid a cent into the city treasury; \$125,000 for a water plant that will be just as much subject to the rise and fall of the supply as we now have and no purer, in fact a mere catch basin for the sewerage and poisonous dyes emptied into it at Cooleseme; and \$20,000 said to be for sewerage and streets.

Now, the troubles with this scheme are so numerous that it would take several months to enumerate them and inform the public as to their probable effects. For instance we have no guarantee and can be given none that this large sum of money will be spent as indicated, even if the people were in favor of the items that are suggested, or we might say the "planks" in the money lord's platform, for, like all platforms they are made merely to catch votes, and, when carried, it will be spent just as though it was private funds, and as the ruling element of the board may choose regardless of the public's wishes, at least thus it has been with their conduct so far. The items mentioned in this platform have not been demanded by a n y appreciable number of the taxpayers of the community, and the need for any of them is not pressing. If we are not mistaken there are now, or should be on hand a lot of unused bonds for street work, also \$50,000 borrowed, or permission granted to borrow, for the purpose of laying another pipe line from the pump house to the stand pipe. If this last item has been used, or accounted for, it slipped our notice. If any part of the proposed issue is to be used in the recently acquired sections of the city we are at a loss to understand how people who have never, and before having paid anything into the city treasury, can reasonably expect anything, certainly not for some years to come. Nor do we believe our newly acquired citizens who have not been accustomed to paying city taxes, will take kindly to DOUBLE TAXES and then SOME. The renter will especially be awake to the situation for, with an increase of ten cents per month in taxes on a piece of property, his rent will SURELY jump up a dollar per month or more. Thus the renter will PAY the LANDLORD'S TAXES and give him a PROFIT besides.

We have talked with scores of citizens, men who have lived here, done business here and paid taxes here for twenty to fifty years and longer, men who by their efforts, money and enterprise, men who by reason of priority, public and private interests and justice HAVE A RIGHT TO BE HEARD, and have found very few who favor the proposed deal. So, it is not the homestead owners of Salisbury, nor a majority of the reliable business men of the city, who wish to add this burden to our already high taxes.

It is not our desire to create prejudice against any good men who may wish to take up their abode in Salisbury, but rather to give them the right hand of fellowship with a hearty welcome, yet the little smart Alex's who come and try to take charge of the community before getting their seats warm need to be shown that the place has not and will not be turned over to them to run as they may wish. Take note of those who are "boasting" this bond issue, and remember they may not be here when the time comes to pay the bill. Don't allow them to mislead you.

In regard to the present water supply the analysis shows that Salisbury has purer water than most cities and it has been retested times without number that

Salisbury's water is of the best. The recent report of the water board stated that the plant has been kept in condition, considerable betterments had been added and no complaint of bad condition, without equipment, nor lack of supply. In the summer of 1911 when Craze Creek, Grant Creek and the Yadkin River came near running dry, if we are not mistaken, the water board having such an abundant supply of water on tap, "wisely" made a contract to furnish the town of East Spencer with water, constructed mains and equipment to that town and are yet supplying water there. So, we have water to spare.

As for the streets, sewerage and schools, there is no pressing need, at least no greater than heretofore and, if these things are needed no one has any assurance, unless it is some schemer who wants his property improved so he can sell it at a better price, that these things will be supplied, if the bonds are voted. The controlling element of the present board having forfeited the confidence of the public cannot now rid the public of the idea that their wishes will not be considered in this matter, so the whole thing falls flat and should be buried under an avalanche of votes. The citizens of Salisbury, though the fairest promises were made them, have been deceived along these lines several times in the not very distant past and, it is not likely that they will again permit a lot of hot air artists to do so again soon.

The rate of taxation in Salisbury is now about 2 1/2 per cent., which is equivalent to over one-third of the business and private property here being under mortgage. If the rate is increased, and there is plenty of evidence to prove such will be the case and has always been the case, the increase will not fall short of a public confiscation of all property, making conditions equivalent to doing business, or buying a home on borrowed money. Of course this condition will not injure the fellow who "boasts" today and is gone tomorrow. The home owners and business men will be left to hold the bag.

It is very well to give ear to any reasonable proposition advanced by reasonable men, but we are thoroughly convinced that this rule has no application in this instance. What corporation, business or enterprise have you ever heard of where funds were paid out to parties who had paid nothing in? The city's greatest expense today is the interest on bonds. Shall we bury ourselves deeper? Register and vote against this scheme.

Fourteenth annual educational edition of The News and Observer, Raleigh, is a very creditable effort, better, we believe than heretofore.

There has been some discussion as to the Salisbury curfew law, a thing that seems to have gone by default. For a time it was fairly well enforced, the old court house bell being rung, during Mr. Thompson's administration at 9 p. m., as notice to the boys to get off the streets. The bell ringing was later changed to 10 o'clock, and, when the old court house was remodeled and the bell removed, no signal has since been given the boys and the law seems to have died a natural death. THE WATCHMAN looked upon these efforts of officials administering the duties of parents with indifference at the same time offering no protest for, if the parents will not give their offspring the attention they need, then it may be proper for the State to make up for the delinquency. It is strange indeed that many parents do not seem to be willing to give the young the care and attention necessary for their physical, moral and mental development, in fact this trait, efforts to unload their responsibilities on others or the public, is becoming so pronounced that it might be proper for the State to lay down such regulations in regard to the matter and thus use an ounce of prevention instead of the tardy pound of questionable cures in the way of reformatories, orphanages, playing grounds, etc.

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MORGAN X ROADS.

July 12—The Parker-Arey Threshing Co. are threshing oats and wheat in this section. These gentlemen have a new outfit and are doing good work.

As the season has been good corn and cotton are quite promising.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Morgan of Salisbury, visited at J. W. Morgan's Saturday night, July 10th.

H. C. Agner, who has been salesman for P. T. Goodman at Gold Hill, has returned home. L. J. Morgan and H. C. Agner spent Saturday night at Gold Hill.

The writer had the pleasure of visiting his friend Jas. M. Morgan near Bringle's ferry recently. Mr. Morgan has a large motor boat in which he had the pleasure of taking a ride.

Mrs. M. M. Shaver and son visited at Clarence Morgan's Sunday evening, July 11th.

M. Goodman and G. V. Frick spent Sunday evening at Rev. R. E. Hoffman's.

Robin Hill is all smiles. It is a plow boy.

Following is the program for the Children's Day Exercises to be held at Corinth Baptist Church on the fourth Sunday in July, at 2 p. m.:

Introduction.
Welcome Song.
Song, "Happy Children's Day."
Invocation.

Bible reading.
Song, "Beautiful Summer is Coming this Way."

The Greeting, by Luther Morgan.
Song, Summer's Happy Children."

Bible Reading.
Duets, by Mary Bell Morgan.
Exercise for six children, "Making the Summer."

"A Little Boy's Thoughts," by Thomas Jackson.
Song, "The Church in the Wild Wood."

"In The Time of Nehemiah," by Van Jackson.
A pantomime, by three girls.

"The Master's Workers," by six children.
Recitation by Beulah Holshouser, "Borne of Four."

Address, by Rev. J. F. Lanning.
Recitation, by Nancy Anna Morgan, "Bring Your Silver Offerings."

Offering.
Recitation by Annie Ribelin, "The Dying Indian Girl."

Song, "His happy Little Child."
"Daisies at the Cross," by ten girls.

Recitation, by Odessa Morgan, "St. Peter at the Golden Gate."
"A Flower Drill."

"Farewell," by Katie Morgan.
An Anthem.
Notices.

Doxology.
Benediction.

The annual missionary day will be held at St. Matthews E. L. Church on the 2nd Sunday in August. There will be a sermon by the pastor in the morning and a program consisting of recitations, addresses, etc.

Officers Gather in a Bunch of Tigers.

For a week or more Chief of Police J. Frank Miller, with the assistance of men of the W. J. Roark detective agency, has been spotting and rounding up retailers of booze in this city, and when the Rowan County court opened last Friday morning there were thirty-five or more indictments and a considerable number of prisoners on hand to answer charges. They were all Negroes with several exceptions. The trials were begun at once and some half dozen disposed of, while others were heard day after day as fast as it was possible to get to them. The sentences ranged from sixty days and over.

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Mrs. Annie E. Hunter, died at her home in Spencer Friday night from the effects of pellagra. The funeral was held from the Baptist Church of Spencer Sunday afternoon, being conducted by Rev. Carter, and the interment was in Chestnut Hill Cemetery. She was over 66 years old and leaves two children, her husband having preceded her to the grave about one month.

Mrs. Jane S. Brantly, a native of Rowan County and a resident of East Salisbury died Friday night after a short illness. Her remains were taken to China Grove for interment. She was about 65 years old and several children survive to mourn their loss.

The two-month-old child of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Hutchins died Monday at the home of the parents in Spencer. The little body was taken to Winston-Salem for burial yesterday.

Calvin Isenhour, aged 82, a well-known young farmer living near Gold Hill, died Sunday night from the effects of typhoid fever. Two other members of Mr. Isenhour's family, the wife and a nine-year-old son are seriously ill with the same disease. The funeral was held from St. Steven's Church Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Margaret C. Gobble, a victim of pellagra, died at her home near the Vance Mill last Thursday afternoon. The funeral was held from the residence Friday afternoon, Rev. John W. Moore officiating, and the interment was in Chestnut Hill Cemetery. She was 66 years old and leaves a husband and several children.

Dr. Joseph L. McConnaughey, aged about 81, a member of one of Rowan's oldest and at one time wealthiest families, died Friday night at the home of Tobias Rex, where he was visiting when stricken with acute indigestion. During his younger days Doctor McConnaughey was a leading man in the county and was well known among the older citizens. Of late years he has been a familiar character about the streets of Salisbury. He leaves three daughters, one at Greensboro and two at Baltimore, and one brother, Michael, who stays in Salisbury. The funeral and interment took place at Thyatira Church Sunday morning. Dr. McConnaughey was a splendid old gentleman and had many friends who will regret to learn of his death.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Wright of Landis, died Monday morning after a short illness. The funeral was held yesterday morning.

The many friends of Bismark Copps, Esq. now living in Lynchburg, Va., will sympathize with him in the loss of his infant child, the death of which took place Sunday.

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Amount of Taxes \$5 28
Costs .50
Total \$5 78

China Grove, N. C., July 9, 1915
To Jno. E. Oline:

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Cost .50
Total \$26 10

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