

Wednesday, June 18, 1913.

Present Prosperity.

From childhood, we have learned from our teachers and by example that a National administration of government by the democratic party always means trouble with industrial conditions and financial stability. During the past week Mr. J. Bryan Grimes, Sec. of State offered to the bond buying public \$140,000.00 of N. C. 4 per cent non taxable improvement bonds, but we fear they should be called deficit bonds to cover the three-fourths million dollars deficit that was incurred during the last two years of Governor Kitchen's administration. Let's go back to the first question. Of this bond issue, only \$154,000.00 was sold, this amount being taken by North Carolinians and local banks, not one subscription was received from beyond the boundaries of our own State.

The strongest thing of it all is that Mr. Grimes before he has even been approached by any of his opponents he goes into an elaborate explanation in an effort to defend the present depressed condition of the money market in America. He explains this condition by saying that it is not near so bad as conditions were in 1907, when "Scrip" was issued by many of the banks of N. C. to tide them over their then financial condition. He adds further that France, Germany and England are even more handicapped at the present than ever before, and if it was not for these depressed conditions abroad we would have no trouble at home, although conditions are not so bad here as we think they are to be. In other words he follows the theory of the Christian Scientist. They believe that no person ever becomes sick. Sick-ness being only a condition of the mind, the remedy is therefore believe yourself to be well and all trouble at once passes away. So is the Secretary of State. He says to the money interest of America believe everything to be safe and sane and you will buy N. C. bonds and all other good securities that may be offered from time to time. In other words he is preaching the doctrine that faith will perform the same mission with the Soul of the money king and will in the heart of a consecrated christian believer. We have read lots of funny explanations and uncalled for statements but we have never read or heard anything of any that is so ridiculous and uncalled for as that made by Mr. Grimes.

It is said that a guilty conscience need no accuser, we believe that this statement applies in this case with full force. We are still living in hope that the day may dawn and the sun shine bright and fair on a people that are true enough to their country and honest enough with themselves to cast aside all their prejudices that they hold against former

conditions, and step into the light of this new day and save our State and Nation into a just and worthy people who are in the majority but now controlled by a minority.

Our Nine.

For over a year Burlington people have been making a continual request with the Southern Bell Tel. Co. to place in our town a Central Battery Telephone System. After much delay this company has acceded to this request. In granting this request they have offered us the best equipment that money can buy and we believe have made a very liberal proposition as affecting telephone rates to local subscribers, but strange to say when presented to the Board of Aldermen for a ratification of a new franchise the matter has been referred to a number of committees and been unnecessarily delayed. After the facts had all been stated again at the meeting last Monday night the board without any consideration for the company without any regard for the people they served moved the tabeling of this franchise until the next meeting of the board. Why this was done they did not explain, but the only presumption that can be drawn is that they wish to waste another meeting of the board and nothing be done.

The new board of aldermen has now been in power about six weeks, and what they have done towards reform or retrenchment in not a matter of a record, all that we can find is that they have wasted these meetings in oiling the old machine, and putting on the same old cranks that were on this instrument in former times and creating new officers and supplying these new vacancies and we understand are now considering the advisability of increasing the salaries of several of their present officers which will continue the increase on the floating indebtedness of our town annually, but wise indeed they are, they have decided in Tammany Hall if not in regular session to meet this continuous deficit it is necessary to increase the tax rate 25c on the hundred, thus making our total tax rate for the town \$1.75.

It seems to us that the importance of the situation demands of the Board of Aldermen that they hold out every inducement possible to cause increased capital to invest within our borders. If present conditions continue and the present efficient board continue to administer our municipal interest. It is only a question of time when failure shall walk in at the front door of every property owner in Burlington. If the policy of the Board is to continue for the next twenty-two and one half months as it has for this beginning period, we are in favor of paying their salary now discharging every member and turning over the affairs of the town to some outside party. The putting off of any important matter is a serious mistake, because it means a loss of that much development along the line proposed and it prevents just consideration being given to other matters that should have the attention of the Board.

We are speaking this to the Board of Aldermen as a friend, who is interested not only in their individual but collective welfare, therefore, any mistake that the Board of Aldermen makes reacts not only upon themselves but upon every citizen of the town. Therefore, gentlemen you must be zealous in your business progressive in your acts and enthusiastic in the cause if you wish to reap a just reward.

Trusting that you may never again serve as nine lost sheep wandering upon the hill sides of a municipal Mountain Range filled with many canyons and crowded with many snow

capped peaks to which we presume you are wending your way but we hope you may take new heart and press forward a little more zealously than you ever have before.

Severe Strain on Farmers.

Old farmers can hardly recall a year in which the strain upon the cotton crop has been greater than that which has marked this spring. Yet, though the crop is easily two weeks late, possibly three, it looks well and needs only the renewal of hot weather, with plenty of sunshine, to make it a good one. The phenomenally cool weather which has prevailed for two or three days has been the third strain upon the crop, late planting being the first and the May drought the second. But the farmers are in good spirits and they know what a hardy cotton is, to stand all the hard knocks it gets. -Raleigh Times.

Kappa Deltas July 9.

Asheville, June 12. - July 9 has been chosen as the date for the opening of the annual convention of the Kappa Delta sorority which is to be held in the city, and local alumnae of the organization are completing arrangements for the entertainment of the visitors.

Salisbury, June 12. - Five barrels of low beer alleged to be non-taxable, were seized by Sheriff J. H. McKenzie near Salisbury Tuesday night. He arrested Tony Lentz, a young white man driving the team. It is claimed this class of beer is free tax and the sheriff will have an analysis made by the State.

Real Examination Was Held.

That must have been a real examination that the examination board of the North Carolina Pharmaceutical association provided to fail 42 out of 72 applicants for license. -Rocky Mount Transcript.

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the matter from the Democratic point of view. They know that among themselves there are a great many different ideas as to what ought to be done. The President has recognized that fact and is himself directing the preparation of the currency bill which in due time will be brought to light in the House as the Administration measure and which the Administration will endeavor to force through as it is now forcing through the tariff bill.

Mr. Murdock, the Progressive floor leader in the House, and Representative Kelly, a Progressive from Pennsylvania, also supported the Lindberg motion in rather extended arguments. Mr. Woods, of Iowa, a Republican and a member of the Committee on Banking and Currency, gave half-hearted support to Mr. Limbergh's motion. He argued that at least the committee should provide for the publication of all votes taken in the committee.

The Senate investigation of President Wilson's charge that a strong tariff lobby is at work is a good thing as far as it goes but it does not go far enough. It ought to include also the pre-

poration of the bill in the House. There have been numerous indications that special interests were potential in the preparation of the bill in the House, although in this case they represented importers, whereas in the preparation of Republican bills they represented manufacturers. The principle is, of course, the same. The method employed by the House committee was such as inevitably to lead to a good deal of pressure upon Senators for changes in the bill. Numerous small manufacturers who were unable to secure any information as to the provisions of the bill touching their business until after it had left the Democratic caucus, found when they came to Washington that it was impossible to secure any change in the House, but they were told, upon appealing to Mr. Underwood and other members of the Ways and Means Committee, that no opposition would be made by the House to the adoption of reasonable amendments by the Senate. Naturally, this turned all these manufacturers to the Senate, where they are now met by the investigation instigated by the President. This adroit manipulation of the matter by the Democratic leaders is calculated to give the appearance of a genuine effect to put through a bill uninfluenced by special interests while, in fact it covers up any special work that may have been done in the preparation of the bill in the House. It would be extremely interesting to see a thorough and conscientious investigation of the making of the bill in the House as well as of the alleged lobbying in the Senate.

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Maj. Hale The Guest of Secretary Bryan

Washington, June 14. - Maj. E. J. Hale, of Fayetteville, the newly appointed minister to Costa Rica, is here the guest of State William Jennings Bryan. Maj. Hale will remain in Washington until his confirmation is made by the senate and will then receive his instructions from the state department.

He will not sail for the South American country for about six weeks. Maj. Hale expressed great delight with the assignment picked out for him by his personal friend Bryan. He said tonight that he had much rather have the Costa Rican post than any other assignment that could have been offered him.

"I am a poor man," said a veteran editor, "and an appointment to most any other country would have been an impossibility for a man of my means. The cost of living in Costa Rica is not high and the climate is most delightful."

Person Farmer All Smiles

The Person county farmer all smiles these days, and indeed he has a right to smile, for he has had a most prosperous season. The wheat and oat crops are much better than last year, and much hay and grass have been saved while tobacco has never more promising at season. True, there are a few aches, nature, but let us cross the bridge before we get to it: - crop and something happen to it. - Roxboro Courier