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EDITORIAL

WE INDICT

Senate Bill No. 242 to Amend Our Charter Because:

1. It breaks a solemn agreement made and signed by more than 2,500 citizens and voters with our mills when we agreed to leave their plants untaxed for city government, when they agreed to have them taxed for water and sewerage.

2. Because this issue of leaving the plants out of the city limits was fought out by the people in the 1931 election when they voted 2,203 to 118 to leave them out.

3. Because the mills are not able to pay more taxes, having lost almost a half million dollars in the past three years, and losing money today with no signs of improvement.

4. Because the mills have lived up to every part of their agreement, put plants and all in the Sanitary District, pay more than 75 per cent of the costs of our city schools, will pay more than 75 per cent of the cost of water and sewerage now being installed.

5. Because the mills are now paying 20 per cent of the city taxes on their mill houses and other property which they permitted to be brought into the city limits.

Because there is no service the city can give the mill plants to induce them to subject themselves to further taxation.

6. Because this un-Democratic bill does not give the people their natural and inalienable right to vote on a question which is of supreme importance to every one of them.

7. Because it wipes out our present city government and officials without recourse on their part. They did not even know the bill was introduced although they are the officially elected representatives of the people of Roanoke Rapids.

8. Because these same city officials have well and faithfully done their duties in the past two years and we consider this an insult to the dignity of their office and to the people who voted them into that office.

9. Because wiping out the two wards would be an injustice to either end of town which now or in the future might have the lesser population, concentrating the power in the most populous end of town. No city of this size in the world has only one ward. (What is the purpose of all this?)

10. Because anything like this which vitally affects our local industries, vitally affects every man, woman and child, our payrolls, our property values, our business in stores, our churches, our schools, our sanitary district.

And because this bill has within it the power to close our mills, bankrupt our merchants, close our schools and churches, end our sani-

Into Harness Again

By Albert T. Reid



tary work and all future improvements, to wreck our city financially, socially and politically.

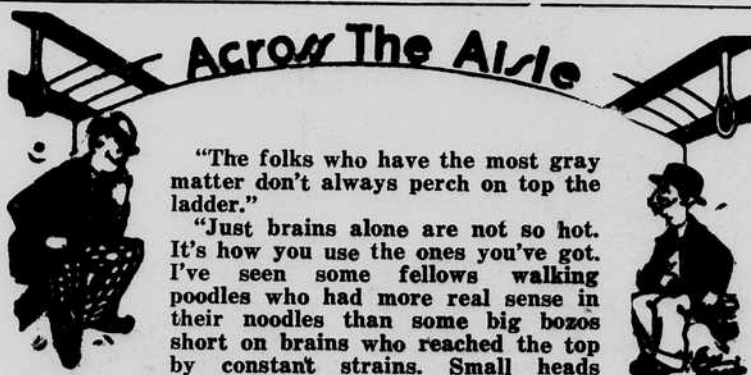
It is a Destructive and Not a Constructive measure. And it is all so unnecessary. It must be killed by the Legislature.

RUDY GETS "RUFFLED"

Rudy Vallee, singing idol, had a hard day in Raleigh Monday when he appeared in person at a theatre and Dance there. According to police, he evidently had had a hard night on the Sunday previous to his personal appearance. Two of the boys in his band were taken into custody for a "wild party" at a local hotel, and it was said Rudy was "well in his cups" and complained of a "splitting headache" the following day.

It all started when someone in the audience at the Auditorium had the audacity to pull a plug from the microphone over which Rudy was crooning. Now this was an unpardonable sin, and Rudy did not fail to let the offender know, but he indiscreetly spoke too close to one of the sensitive "mikes" that picked up his volley of profanity and broadcasted it to all of his listeners. What a shock this must have been to the ladies! Their Rudy! My—My!

Later, when someone gave the crooner the "Razz-Berries," Rudy, perhaps remembering the time he was a target for over-ripe grape fruit, jumped from the platform to fight, the policemen quickly quieted the disturbance. Vallee perhaps first gained disfavor in Raleigh when it was rumored he had said he would "mingle with the crowd" at a dance in Greensboro for \$200 extra. Although, he stoutly denied this and said he had his friends and occasionally handed out autographs but they were not for "filthy lucre."



"The folks who have the most gray matter don't always perch on top the ladder."

"Just brains alone are not so hot. It's how you use the ones you've got. I've seen some fellows walking poodles who had more real sense in their noodles than some big bozos short on brains who reached the top by constant strains. Small heads with wheels well lubricated will soon reach points quite elevated."

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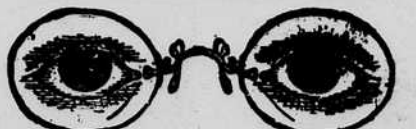
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