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"If the choice were left to me whether to have a free press or a free government, I would choose a free press."—Thomas Jefferson.

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## POPULATION DATA

### CITIES AND TOWNS

Salisbury	16,951	Gold Hill	156
Spencer	3,129	Granite Quarry	507
E. Spencer	2,098	Rockwell	696
China Grove	1,258	Faith	431
Landis	1,388	Kannapolis	13,912

### TOWNSHIPS

Atwell	2,619	Morgan	1,327
China Grove	8,990	Mt. Ulla	1,389
Cleveland	1,445	Providence	2,589
Franklin	2,246	Salisbury	25,153
Gold Hill	2,642	S. Irish	1,251
Litaker	2,562	Steele	1,142
Locke	1,904	Unity	1,406

ROWAN COUNTY 56,665

## REPUBLICANS' PLATFORM SUMMED UP BRIEFLY

The Republican platform contains thirty-nine sections, including an introduction, a recital on "leadership" and a conclusion.

The planks, briefly, are:

- Introduction**—Recognizes economic distress and the party's obligation to assist recovery, but says the people themselves must work out the cure.
- Leadership**—Describes President Hoover as a wise and courageous leader and recites his claims to that position.
- Unemployment and Relief**—Declares the problem is one of State and local responsibility; opposes the Federal Government granting private charity.
- Public Economy**—National, state and municipal governments must balance budgets and cut expenses before financial stability can be restored.
- The Dollar**—Upholds the gold standard, condemns inflation.
- Banks and the Banking System**—Urges revision of banking laws.
- International Conferences**—Favors U. S. participation in international monetary conference.
- Home Loan Banks**—Their creation recommended to encourage home ownership.
- Agriculture**—Indorses Farm Board, promises farm tariff to establish equality with industry, suggests revision of taxes and balancing of production with demand.
- Tariff**—Suggests increased duties on products affected by currency depreciation abroad, favors tariff on products of farms, forests, mines and oil wells.
- Veterans**—Indorses principle of internationalism, but omits mention of bonus.
- Foreign Affairs**—Advocates international co-operation without alliances; eliminates war as a resort of national policy.
- Friendship and Commerce**—Pledges continuance of "most favored nation principle."
- Conditions on the Pacific**—Reiterates the principles of the Kellogg pact; favors a Congressional measure authorizing an international conference in case of any threat to this pact.
- Latin-America**—Imperialism disavowed.
- World Court**—Recommends adherence.
- Reduction of Armament**—Commends participation in Geneva disarmament conference, but promises American Navy to be kept on parity with any other.
- National Defense**—Says United States Army has reached irreducible minimum.
- Labor and Immigration**—Favors retention of immigration laws.

- Wages and Work**—Approves higher wages, shorter working hours, collective bargaining.
- Public Utilities**—Urges regulation of interstate public utilities.
- Transportation**—Advocates coordination of rail, highway and air transportation so all shall operate on equal basis.
- St. Lawrence Seaway**—Great Lakes should be developed.
- Highways**—Federal co-operation with States to be continued.
- Crime**—Favors rigid penal laws to stamp out gangsters, racketeers and kidnapers.
- Narcotics**—Pledges continued warfare against drug traffic.
- Civil Service**—Indorses continuance of system.
- Prohibition**—Resubmission of prohibition question through Congressional amendment with States to decide on wet or dry policy, Government retaining control of "liquor traffic."
- Conservation**—Applied to all natural resources, including oil.
- Negro**—Equal opportunity and rights.
- Hawaii**—Continuance of self-government.
- Porto Rico**—Application of all measures adopted for benefit of the United States itself.
- Alaska**—Territorial self-government.
- Welfare Work and Children**—Continuance of welfare work.
- Indians**—Protection of property rights.
- Reorganization of Government Bureaus**—Favored for economy and efficiency.
- Democratic Failure**—Charges Democratic House of Representatives proves incapacity for leadership; cites pork barrel legislation.
- Party Government**—Urges party unity, attacks insurgency.
- Conclusion**—Cities alleged Democratic deficiencies; contrasts constructive Republican activity.

## THE CHALLENGE TO THE YOUTH OF TODAY

What has the youth of America to face today? We mean the youth just starting out to make a name for himself.

In answer we agree with the sentiment of The New York Times that "Owen D. Young has said in one sentence the challenging baccalaureate word to the young men graduating from colleges and universities this year." Here is what he said:

"If you can survive the initial shock you will have before you the most favoring circumstances for service presented to young men of any time."

"Kipling's four octaves of 'ifs' are put into this one plain prose subjunctive statement," says The Times. "Surviving the initial shock involves, to be sure, many of the other 'ifs'; keeping one's head when all about are losing theirs; trusting one's self when others doubt one; keeping one's self from hating when being hated; waiting and yet not being tired by waiting; starting afresh at one's beginnings when those from whom one expected assistance in making a running start have lost all their winnings; and holding on when there is nothing left but will which says to one 'Hold on.' But all these are implicit in the initial overcoming of conditions due to false standards of living which led to our undertaking to gain by speculation more than the legitimate income from honest jobs.

"The discipline which is essential in meeting these conditions and which has come 'too late for my generation,' as Mr. Young said, will not only make 'the earth and everything that's in it' the possession of those who are entering it these 'commencement' days but incidentally will make master men of those who survive.

"Difficulties are the challenge of this new day in which youth will build out of the wreck the thing it contemplates—setting for itself an even higher standard of life than ever the earth has known. We would suggest that every university, college and high school graduate carry with him into the struggle of active life a copy (or a clear memory) of this stirring address of one who has splendidly illustrated in his own life the terms of the testing formula which he has commended to youth: idealism in purpose, business methods in execution and sportsmanship in spirit."

## This Is Going To Be Good — By Albert T. Reid



## THE WATCHMAN TOWER

Mr. Edwin Earle, Jr.,  
Salisbury, N. C.

My dear Mr. Earle:

Allow me to congratulate you on being elected to the board of directors of the North Carolina Merchants Association.

During your years of service as a member of the local organization you have always liberally given of your time, effort and funds. As a result of your past activities you have been previously honored as president of the Salisbury-Spencer Merchants association. Honor has now come to you on the part of the state organization.

It is my pleasure to wish you and your fellow directors success in all affairs concerning the merchants of the state.

GOVERNOR MATTHEW ROWAN.

To the Cafe and Hotel Owners and Operators in Salisbury:

The high ratings received by your establishments upon the last inspection, as required by the state health laws, is gratifying and exceptional.

The public appreciate the fact that you maintain your places of business on a high plane and that you realize the value and necessity of cleanliness and sanitation. These are essential to good health and should be apparent and emphasized in each place where food is served.

I urge a special effort in maintaining these enviable records of high ratings and I assure you the public will more than compensate you for the time and effort and money required in doing so.

GOVERNOR MATTHEW ROWAN.

To the Taxpayers of North Carolina:

Apparently increasing thought is being given to the proposal to reduce the number of counties in the state, by consolidation of two or more into one, as a potential means of reducing the expenses of government. One of the principal speakers before the annual convention of the North Carolina Merchants association recently advocated reduction from the present 100 to 10, eliminating 90 of the present counties. If the number of counties were cut down by four fifths, through consolidation, certainly it would effect a very large reduction in the cost of county government, without necessarily impairing the public service being rendered by the present number.

The ideal plan would be to consolidate groups of three to five counties into one, making the central county seat of the group the seat of the enlarged county government. This would make the county seat central and convenient to all the people of the larger county.

The only good reason for so many was to place a county seat in conven-

ient reach of every citizen, before the days of good roads and automobiles. Today it is about as convenient for the average citizen of North Carolina to go to the state capital and return home as it was for the average citizen a generation ago to make the round trip to his county seat. Therefore the only good reason that ever existed for the creation of so many counties has been removed.

This is one measure of economy on which a start might well be made during the next session of the Legislature, if the taxpayers will give it serious consideration and insist that their representatives in the General Assembly do likewise.

GOVERNOR MATTHEW ROWAN.

## COMMENTS

### "A Bunch Of Cows"

To the Editor:

Noting the apparent apathy with which the American people accept the new tax bill and the resignation with which they tolerate the Eighteenth Amendment, I have come to the conclusion that we are a bunch of cows.

We fought the Revolutionary War because we would not accept taxation without representation; I hope we're satisfied.

We won the Civil War and forced the South to repudiate its European war debts, and now we refuse to recognize Russia because that country repudiated the debts of a former Government.

We elect Representatives to Congress to make laws, and they dilly-dally and cut our throats.

We submit to bribery in public office, racketeers, criminal terror and what not.

We drink denatured poison alcohol to satisfy a natural thirst.

The Revolutionary heroes died for our country; we, poor saps, live for it.

Only cows, pretty dumb ones at that, could remain passive through all that chaos.

M. A. LEVIN.

Hoover! There He Stands—For Picnics.

To the Editor:

We at last have found out where Mr. Hoover stands in regard to picnics. He is positively for picnics; in fact, he openly indorses nation-wide picnics planned by the Farm Bureau. And he boldly says so.

History fails to name a single dicta-



WE HAVE always  
SAID THAT the main  
THING IN life is  
THE VIEWPOINT.  
SOMETIMES GROWN  
FOLKS DON'T give  
THE VIEWPOINTS of  
THE YOUNGSTERS any  
CONSIDERATION, AND  
FOR THAT reason  
TROUBLE IS sometimes  
THE RESULT. For  
INSTANCE A certain  
EASTERN ROWAN  
FATHER GAVE his son  
A GOOD thrashing last  
WEEK AND then to  
JUSTIFY HIS action  
REMARKED THAT sparing  
THE ROD spoiled the  
CHILD. IT was then  
THAT THE youngster  
OBSERVED THAT  
"SOLOMON DIDN'T say  
THAT UNTIL he  
WAS GROWN up."  
I THANK YOU.

tor who ever allowed a picnic for one instant.

Hoover a dictator? Never.  
Hoover? There he stands! R.H.S.

He Hasn't Forgiven The "Lieuts"

To the Editor:

Why all the shouting about kicking 2,000 officers out of the army? Why only 2,000? If they kicked all the second lieutenants out no one would even miss them, except perhaps the buck private and they would be too overjoyed to mention it. For seventeen years I have been trying to find the answer to "Why is a second lieutenant?" and have about come to the conclusion that there is no reason unless it is to make future members for the American Legion.

JOSEPH H. COLE, JR.

