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CLAIRVOYANCE.

I sought the parlors of the seer, and he wore vestments weird and queer; he fiddled with a crystal globe, and had strange symbols on his robe.

WALT MASON. (Copyright, 1911, by George Matthew Adams.)

THE BOND ISSUE AGAIN.

No one question has created so much general interest as the proposition to issue one million dollars in bonds.

The great majority appreciate keenly the necessity of municipal improvements, and they are probing the matter with sincerity to find the best means of solving the problem.

The News stands for improvements for progress, as it has always stood. And standing thus, it favors bonds to the extent absolutely needed.

By a more equitable assessment of property values, a sufficient amount should be secured to carry the increased obligation created by a bond issue.

Just how much in bonds it will be necessary to issue we are not prepared to say, for as yet no complete statement has been offered of the specific needs.

In the meantime, while the matter is being threshed out, the columns of this paper are open to expressions of opinion from all sides.

All of us are sincere in our efforts to arrive at the right solution. We all desire to see the city go forward, not recklessly upon policies which will bear fruit of regret—but sanely, conservatively and substantially.

On The Funny Bone

The fool who used to rock the boat is now saying "I told you so" about submarine accidents.

SOUTHERN COMMERCIAL CONGRESS.

The next meeting of the Southern Commercial Congress will be held in Atlanta March 8-10.

A large committee has been named in Charlotte to represent the Queen City, and other Southern cities are to be able represented with delegations of business men.

The congress has the approval of state officials almost as a body, and President Taft has done much to promote the work undertaken.

Governor Kitchin will attend. He has already named a large delegation of Tar Heels to represent the state.

The Southern Commercial Congress is headed by men who are hustlers. Through their earnest efforts the eyes of the nation are being attracted to the resources and opportunities of Dixie.

Much good will follow this concerted effort to exploit the South's interests.

About the only dissenting voice comes from the Manufacturers' Record—a fact nothing less than remarkable when it is remembered that this great trade journal has always stood in the forefront of every movement which looked for the advancement of the South's interests.

However, one man pulling back, even though he be influential, will scarcely thwart the purposes of the organization.

The News favors any organization which has for its objects the advancement of Southern interests, and consequently wishes the Southern Commercial Congress God-speed in its work.

Only four more days in which to cast your ballot in the million dollar bond issue election.

From Other Sanctums

At the Post of Duty. When any movement looking to temperance or good government in North Carolina is proposed, the people have learned to look with confidence to find Speaker William Carey Dowd taking his place on the firing line and to be ready to make as vigorous a dash for the Right as he made for the goal when, as a college boy, he was a fine football player.

On Thursday night, when the near-by fight was on, Speaker Dowd was on the floor to stand with Dr. Kent, Chairman Hofer and other advocates of the bill that became a law.

FOUND—An opportunity to sell or exchange all kinds of articles. This column is the place to "tell it to the town."

A POUND PARTY IN PAW CREEK. Misses Katie and Bertie Dunn gave a most delightful pound party at their home in Paw Creek Wednesday evening, Feb. 1, in honor of their guests.

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ALMOST TIME.

If you could have Just one small wish Wouldn't you ask To go and fish?

How Willie Won the Prize. Little Willie, having only one eye, did not like to attend school.

"I held up one finger, meaning there is one Supreme Being. He held up two, meaning the starting of the race, Adam and Eve. I held up three fingers, meaning Faith, Hope and Charity. He held up his fist, meaning In Unity there is Strength. I held up an apple, meaning the downfall of man. He held up the bread, meaning the Staff of Life. Thus I gave him the prize."

When Willie's mother wanted to know where he got the money, he replied: "I stopped at school and the teacher held up one finger, meaning I had only one eye. I held up two fingers, meaning that I could see as much with my one eye as she with two. She held up three fingers, meaning between the two of us, we only had three eyes. This made me so mad that I shook my fist at her. She picked up an apple, and was just going to throw it at me, when I held up the loaf of bread. She got scared and gave me the five dollars."—Irene Trimm, in National Monthly.

WOMEN'S SENSE OF HONOR. "Have women a sense of humor?" is the question which the Lokal Anzeiger addressed to a number of prominent persons apropos of a statement by Mme. Yvette Guilbert that her sex is deficient in humor.

Jerome K. Jerome, whose works enjoy a wide vogue in Germany, replies: "My observations have shown me that woman have just as sharp a sense of humor as men, but they have less understanding of the grotesque."

Herr Franz Lehár, composer of "The Merry Widow," thinks "women have humor when they are among themselves and are making merry over us men."

Frau Clara Viebig, a celebrated German novelist, says: "Women have at least enough humor not to take this question seriously."

Herr Max Bernstein, of Munich, barrister and playwright, says: "Whether women have humor or not depends on their husbands." Frau Rosa Bertens, leading lady of the Royal Theatre, Berlin, says: "If we women had not a sense of humor how could we tolerate the superiority of men?"

Herr Julius Freund, a popular musical comedy librettist, says: "The grotesqueness with which the modern woman bedecks herself from head to foot establishes beyond all doubt that she overflows with a sense of humor." Herr Leo Leipziger, author, says: "Heaven gave man humor and woman patience."—London Daily Mail.

Revolution All Over. Tela, Honduras, Feb. 4.—General Lee Christmas says the revolution is all over but the shouting.

WATCH NEWS WANT AD PAGE. Two names appear daily in the Want Columns of The News. The parties whose names appear will be offered two tickets to Edison or Amuse-U theatres, if called for before 4 o'clock the following day.

Carbuncles Thies' Salve, 25c. ALL DRUGGISTS.

"Jordan's on the Square." E. P. Purcell, President. D. A. McLaughlin, Pres.

There is Nothing Can Compare With Hostetter's Stomach Bitters.

WOODALL & SHEPPARD DRUGGISTS. In the Skyscraper Building. Phone 69 and 166.

R. H. Jordan & Co. The "Rexall" Store. Graduate Nurses' Register. Phone 7.

Advertisement for Belk Brothers featuring a large illustration of two women in winter attire and the text: 'This Week's Winter Suit Reductions Are Final'.

BELK BROTHERS

Advertisement for Blake's Drug Shop featuring a 'DON'T' headline and a list of 'Introductory Bargain' items like 'Box Velata Powder' and 'Box Viola Cream'.

Advertisement for Chas. M. Stieff, 'Manufacturer of the Artistic Stieff, Stieff Self-player Shaw and Shaw Self-player Pianos'.

Advertisement for Tryon Drug Co. offering '\$1.10 Worth FOR 60cts For a Limited Time'.

Advertisement for Woodall & Sheppard Druggists, located in the Skyscraper Building.

Advertisement for John S. Blake Drug Co., 'Prescriptions Filled Day and Night'.

Advertisement for W. F. Moody, Jas. A. Henderson, 'THE BOND ISSUE'.

Advertisement for JAP-A-LAC, listing various products like 'LIQUID VENEER', 'CALCIMO', 'WALL PAPER'.

Advertisement for Torrence Paint Company, '10 North Tryon St., CHARLOTTE, N. C.'.

Advertisement for Park Avenue Home FOR SALE, 'New 8-room house, well built, with hard wood floors and all modern conveniences'.

Advertisement for Standard COAL, 'If You Want Dry Coal, Buy Standard COAL'.

Advertisement for Ed Mellon Company, 'The Ground Hog Saw His Shadow'.