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ISSUED TUESDAY AND FRIDAY

Reidsville Will Vote On \$300,000 School Bonds

MAY 24 ELECTION DATE

Members of Local School Board Give Out a Statement Setting Forth the Need of Improvements in the City Schools—A New Registration For This Election.

There appears elsewhere in this issue of The Review a notice of an election to be held for the purpose of voting \$300,000 in bonds to be used by the Reidsville public schools in carrying out a building and equipment program that will eventually give Reidsville a system of schools thoroughly modern and adequate to the needs of the community. The following statement has been given us for publication by the members of the school board:

It is the purpose of this article to give the citizens of the community a frank and complete revelation of conditions now existing in their school system so that they may be enabled to vote wisely and intelligently on this question.

In the first place it is freely admitted and has been proved beyond argument that money voted for schools and wisely expended always pays dividends, not only in better citizenship and insurance against future trouble, but in good hard dollars and cents. If it did not pay Mr. Patterson, of Roanoke Rapids, a hard headed mill owner and one of the best business men in the State, would not have advocated and pushed through a \$500,000 bond issue in that town. A half million dollars for schools in a cotton mill town. That is not extravagance. It is good business.

If it did not pay, Marshall Field Company would not now be advocating the expenditure of hundreds of thousands of dollars in Leaksville-Spray for the extension and improvement of the school system in that community. They will have to pay most of the bill but they are willing because they will reap the handsome profits in the long run.

If it did not pay California last year would not have voted \$100,000,000 to be turned over to their State superintendent of public instruction for the purpose of equalizing educational advantages in the State. That huge sum was voted for the public schools alone and today there is spent on every child in the State, no matter where he may live, a minimum amount of \$60 per child. Those living in cities and towns get a much larger amount per child through special tax. Reidsville last year spent, including sums from all sources, a grand total of \$27 per child. California already possessed the finest school system in the country, but the people decided that no amount of money spent on schools could be too much.

It is self evident to any one who takes the trouble to examine the facts that, without rapid expansion, Reidsville will be unable to provide any accommodation whatever for a large part of its rapidly growing school population. In the brief space of two years it has been necessary to increase the number of teachers in the system from 26 to 37, and next year 43 teachers will be required to do the work. In the meantime not a brick has been laid in the way of building additional housing space for this enormous increase in attendance. The result has been fearful overcrowding in the rooms already at hand, and the use of auditoriums and other rooms totally unfit for classroom purposes. The superintendent's report will show this year an average of more than 50 pupils per room. To expect children to grow and prosper and study under such conditions is to expect the impossible. It is a crime and a violation of all the laws of sanitation to impose such conditions upon them. In voting for the proposed bond issue the citizens have an opportunity to remedy this condition. It is up to them.

As a result of this congestion, the High School, crowded as it is into one of the grammar school buildings, labors under the following handicaps: It fails to offer a course in domestic science for the girls. It offers no course in manual training for the boys. It does not offer a commercial course to those who can not go to college. It does offer an excellent opportunity for those preparing to enter college. But those who are compelled to leave its doors and earn their living in the outside world are neglected. None of these advantages, which are minimum essentials of a modern high school can be provided without the money for additional buildings. Present conditions render it im-

possible to give the proper consideration to the health and physical development of the boys and girls who are in our schools. We can not even observe the laws laid down by the State department in this matter. A law recently passed in North Carolina will require the employment of a physical director by every city school system. But the employment of such a man at present would be money thrown away. He has no place to operate and no equipment with which to work. If we refuse to grant our children healthy bodily growth and vigorous exercise, we are just as guilty as if we refused them bread and meat. A large number of them have no opportunity for such development wisely supervised outside of the public schools. The citizens of Reidsville can provide adequate facilities for this purpose if they so desire. It is up to them.

The proper sort of local pride is one of the most valuable assets of any community. Can Reidsville afford to fall behind other towns in the State of equal size or smaller? The following, most of which have a smaller population than Reidsville, have voted or will in the near future vote large sums for the improvement of their schools:

Roanoke Rapids	\$500,000
Smithfield	300,000
Monroe	200,000
Lincolnton	200,000
Lenoir	200,000

Other larger cities that have recently voted large sums are Durham, Greensboro, High Point, Wilmington, and Winston-Salem.

North Carolina is moving forward educationally. Reidsville will not be left to bring up the rear.

SEASON'S SALES ON THE LOCAL MARKET

Total sales of the Reidsville tobacco market which closed Thursday, March 31, were 8,139,593 pounds for \$1,595,013.97, or an average of \$19.63 per hundred.

This is the largest number of pounds ever sold in one season on this market and the amount paid out for the weed has only been exceeded once before—in 1919-1920. Considering the large proportion of low grade tobaccos sold here the average is a very good one. Many farmers sold their common tobaccos on this market and carried their finer grades to the larger markets.

FORMER REIDSVILLIANS IN A CHARMING MUSICAL

The following from the Washington Herald mentions two former Reidsvillians, Mrs. Albion who is remembered here as Miss Etta Stockard, and Jack H. Carter:

"Mr. and Mrs. Edouard Albion were hosts at a charming musicale last evening at their studio when they gathered together a very distinguished company of guests, many of whom were artists who contributed to the enjoyment of the evening. A program was presented informally. Mr. Albion sang a group of songs, a treat which is accorded only the guests who attend the informal studio parties; Miss Betty Williams gave a solo dance; and several songs were sung by the Washington Opera Quartet, composed of Miss Clelia Floravanti, Miss Frances Corey, Harlan Randall and Jack Hilliard Carter. In the company of guests were Senora Riano, wife of the Spanish Ambassador; Jonkheer W. H. de Beaufort, charge d'affaires of the Legation of the Netherlands; Don Manuel Zavala, secretary of the Nicaraguan Legation; J. de Lagerberg, secretary of the Swedish Legation; Clinton Stuart, the noted writer; Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Carpenter, Mr. and Mrs. George Julian Zolnay, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Pezet, Miss Natalie Branes and Mrs. Henry Wilder Keyes, wife of Senator Keyes, and Henry Keyes, Jr."

ARRIVAL OF FIRST OF THE COUNTY'S DEAD IN WAR

The first bodies to arrive in this county of soldiers who lost their lives in the world war reached here the latter part of the week. They were Sergeant James Hudnall, Private Stegall and Charles T. Martin. The trio were members of the Reidsville company and were killed at Bellicourt, France, on September 29th, 1918, when the 120th punctured the Hindenburg line.

The remains of Private Martin and Sergeant Hudnall were sent to Patrick county, Virginia, for interment while the burial of Private Stegall occurred at Spray on Thursday afternoon.

MAN UNDER ARREST FOR MURDER AT MADISON

Claude Hall is Being Held in Connection With the Shooting of Mrs. Robert Sullivan Near Madison. Body of Woman Found By Her Two Children.

Chief of Police Watson, of Madison, Detective J. R. Hutson, of Martinsville, and others Friday arrested Claude Hall, a young man of this county, near Madison on suspicion of having shot to death Mrs. Will Sullivan, whose dead body with four bullet wounds was discovered in the woods near her home Wednesday by her two children, eight and ten years old, on their way from school. The shocking discovery was quickly made known throughout that vicinity.

Mrs. Sullivan had been spending the day with a neighbor while her husband who resides on the Wallace Cardwell place, just North of Madison, was a member of a "chopping" party at another neighbor's. Mrs. Sullivan was returning home and when within a short distance of her house was fired upon. Returning home from school the two children came upon the body lying dead in their pathway, and with four bullet wounds inflicted by a .38-calibre revolver. One shot was in the head, another in the chest, a third in the abdomen and the fourth in the leg. Coroner J. T. Taylor was notified and summoned a jury. An inquest was held Wednesday night. There is a general opinion that the guilty party had visited the home for the purpose of robbing it and meeting Mrs. Sullivan and perhaps being recognized by her, was shot for the purpose of destroying evidence of the robbery.

Upon the discovery by the children the husband was quickly notified and the entire population of the neighborhood aroused by the shocking discovery. An effort was made to trace the slayer by aid of bloodhounds, but the heavy rain which had followed the killing had so destroyed the scent that the dogs would not trail.

Mrs. Sullivan was about 30 years old and is survived by her husband and two children.

ENJOYABLE MEETING OF THE READING CLUB

Tuesday Miss Emma McKinney was hostess to the Tuesday Afternoon Reading Club. This was an especially interesting meeting. All the studies for the afternoon were our own North Carolina men. Responses to roll call were educational facts. Miss Emma McKinney gave the first number on the program. Her subject was "Chas. D. McIver." She told of his early home life, his years at the University of North Carolina, his timidity when a teacher in the public schools, how in a few years he became one of the most interesting speakers we had on educational subjects, and of his wonderful work for the North Carolina College in Greensboro, and of his untimely death in Durham when he was in the prime of life. "Charles B. Aycock" was the subject Mrs. A. G. Walters had for her paper. Club members realized that one of their greatest men resolved when he saw his mother make her mark when signing a paper that he would do all in his power to give every child in North Carolina a chance to get an education. "Edward K. Graham" was the subject of Miss Henrietta Reid's paper. He was one of the most beloved presidents the University has had and was an ideal for many young men to try and be like and stand for the things he stood for. It is impossible to say how much these three men did for North Carolina. Could we ever have had in the short time we have the advancement along educational lines without their guidance and untiring efforts to make North Carolina not the most illiterate but the most learned State.

After the program Miss McKinney invited her guests into the dining room where at beautifully appointed tables a dainty luncheon was served. Special guests of Miss McKinney were Mrs. Will Harris and Mrs. Harris Nelson.

Caswell Busy With Road Work

Rapid progress is being made on the State highway between Yanceyville and Danville. It is understood that there are three squads on the road.

A Lindsey street resident hands us this: "We hope the thief in visiting our chicken roost will leave his dogs at home, as it is bad enough to steal the chickens and not bring worth'is dogs along to chew up and leave some behind."

SACRED CONCERT WAS A DECIDED SUCCESS

Given at The Colonial Sunday Afternoon and May Continue to Be Given From Time to Time—Picture Was a Fine Sermon and One That Will Be Remembered.

The sacred concert Sunday afternoon at the Colonial Theatre under the auspices of the Woman's Guild of the Episcopal church was exceedingly well attended and thoroughly enjoyed. The concert was sacred in every sense of the word and so delighted the large audience that there have been many requests that these concerts be continued.

Rev. J. P. Burke announced the program which was as follows: Hymn, "Onward, Christian Soldiers;" Lord's prayer in unison; solo, Mrs. J. F. Watlington; an appropriate talk by the rector; quartette, Mrs. W. B. Millner, Miss Kate Ellington, E. H. Matthewson and D. F. Mayberry; accompanist, Miss Staffer. A liberal free-will offering was given. The program of music was the best heard here in a long time. It was especially fine.

The seven-reel picture, "The Stream of Life," was then thrown on the screen. It was a sermon in itself—sincere, simple and unified—and said something in a way to be remembered. It had for its main theme the consolation of faith, and was a masterpiece of real life with the honor and pathos mingled as we find it along the way.

The concert lasted for two hours and there was not a single note in it jarring on the religious susceptibilities or marring the harmonies of worship.

The Woman's Guild asks The Review to say that its members are indeed appreciative of the efforts of the public towards making the concert such a success. They are especially grateful to Mr. Miller, the manager; Mr. Gatlin, the operator, and Miss Staffer, pianist, all of The Colonial, who rendered material assistance.

JUNIORS PLAN TO INCREASE THEIR MEMBERSHIP TO 500

Members of Carolina Council No. 9 of the Junior Order enjoyed a sociable smoker in their hall Thursday night following the regular program of business of the evening. Fruits and soft drinks were also served, and these with the short but interesting talks by different members present made the evening one of the most interesting that the local Juniors have had recently. Attorney J. M. Sharp was among those who had something to say for the good of the Order, and his speech was received with sincere appreciation by all who heard it. Mr. Sharp, in enumerating the principles of the Junior Order and urging the members to bear them constantly in mind said that the court records of this country show that it is a very rare thing for a member of the Junior Order to be haled in to the criminal courts charged with having committed a crime.

The secretary announced that the number on roll in the local council is now 415, and this is twice the number enrolled three years ago. He also stated that an effort is now being made to increase the membership to 500 by June 30 of this year, and that it was for the purpose of calling a large number of the membership together and making these announcements that this special program for this occasion was arranged.

A Warm Contest

The township spelling contest held at Bethany last Friday was one of the most hotly contested that has ever been held in New Bethel township. But again, for the fourth time, the Gold Hill team carried off the highest honors, as not only the last three but the last six on the floor were from that school. Every one of these six did excellent spelling and deserve special mention as follows: Beatrice Young, Ola Wilson, Mabel McCollum, John Jones, Harvey Wilson and Bob Glenn Wilson. The last three, and the ones to represent New Bethel at Wentworth are: Beatrice Young, Mabel McCollum and Bob Glenn Wilson. The two former spent until a late hour and as neither had missed it was decided that the prize should be divided between them.

Hats off to Gold Hill!

One of the most charming figures in the new Paramount picture, "The Charm School," starring Wallace Reid, which will be shown at the Colonial Theatre Tuesday is Lila Lee, who plays the leading feminine role opposite Mr. Reid.

THREE ARE INJURED IN AN AUTOMOBILE WRECK

Walter Brim and Carter Brothers Suffer Severe Injuries in Accident Saturday Night Which Occurred Between Reidsville and New Bethel Township.

Three young men—Walter Brim and two Carter brothers—of New Bethel, were severely injured in an automobile wreck between Reidsville and New Bethel township Saturday night. Brim received a bad scalp wound which required nearly fifty stitches to sew up and the Carter boys were severely bruised about the shoulders and bodies.

The young men were brought to Dr. McGehee's office that night for treatment, and after the wounds were dressed they returned to their homes.

MOVEMENTS OF THE PASSING THROGS

Jefferson Penn has returned to Buffalo, N. Y.

Miss Lola Young is visiting relatives in Greensboro.

Vernon and Ernest Link returned to Washington Sunday.

Mrs. Paul Morrow, of Burlington, is a guest of relatives here.

W. A. Trotter has entered a Richmond hospital for treatment.

Mrs. S. G. Jett and daughter are visiting relatives in Roanoke.

Mrs. N. C. Thompson has returned from a Richmond hospital.

Mrs. R. P. Richardson has returned from a Baltimore hospital.

Misses Dora Meador and Myrtle Ware spent Sunday in Greensboro.

Miss Helen Hubbard has returned from a visit to friends at Spencer.

R. L. Pugh, of Bonlee, spent the week-end here with G. M. Thompson.

Mrs. C. S. Carr, of Norfolk, is visiting Mrs. W. B. Millner on Main street.

Mrs. J. R. Bright has returned to Sanford after a visit to Mrs. G. M. Thompson.

Robt. L. Huffines, of Washington, is spending a few days here with his parents.

Mrs. Buchannon, of Spencer, Va., spent the week-end here with Mrs. C. A. Penn.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Foushee, of Winston-Salem, spent Sunday here with relatives.

Mrs. Fletcher Dixon was carried to a Greensboro hospital for treatment Sunday.

Geo. W. Lemons, of Dallas, Tex., is visiting his people in the Sandy Cross section.

Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Ellington, of Winston-Salem, spent Sunday here with relatives.

Mrs. J. R. Roberts and son, of Pelham, visited Mrs. J. T. Pickrell on Route 6 recently.

Wm. A. Glancy went to a Danville hospital yesterday for a minor operation on his head.

Frances Kemp, Jr., has returned to Washington & Lee University after a visit to his parents here.

Miss Margaret Fulton, of Mount Airy, is a guest of her sister, Mrs. E. H. Wrenn, on Maple avenue.

Henry Meador, who was carried to a Greensboro hospital for treatment of his limb, is getting on nicely.

Misses Juanita Sprinkle and Edith Hanes have returned to Salem College after spending several days in Reidsville.

Mrs. Mary Johnston has returned from a visit to relatives in Burlington and will spend some time here with friends.

Walter Irvin, Jr., has resumed his studies at Bliss Electrical School in Washington, D. C., after a visit to his parents here.

Charles M. Sherrill, decorator for the Gilmer stores at Roanoke, visited last week his parents, Rev. and Mrs. C. F. Sherrill.

Mrs. B. F. Looney and Miss Nellie Wells, of Bluefield, W. Va., have returned home after a visit to Miss Lola Young on Lindsey street.

James Hamlin and son, of Ocean View, Va., spent the past few days here with the former's father who has been quite ill with typhoid fever.

Planting Gardens.

Men of the family who have a little spare time these days from their offices, store, factory or shop seize upon the opportunity to put in the time in the garden for furnishing fresh vegetables in the early summer, and, if the weather is favorable, it is regarded as likely that many families will find their grocery bills somewhat less in May, June and July as the result of the big start made.

DR. J. W. M'GEEHEE IS HEAD BI-STATE LEAGUE

It Will Be An Eight-Club Circuit With Schoolfield, Va., Fieldale, Martinsville, Va., Leaksville-Spray, Fieldale-Martinsville, Va., and Schoolfield, Va.

Here's the line-up of the newly organized Bi-State baseball league: Lexington, Thomasville, Burlington, Mebane, Reidsville, Leaksville-Spray, Fieldale-Martinsville, Va., and Schoolfield, Va.

These bustling little cities were admitted as members at a meeting at the C. & A. Hall here on Friday night after it was decided to increase the circuit from six to eight clubs. Salisbury-Spencer, on account of the mileage, was not admitted, although Captain Killingsworth was present and asked for a berth for the twin towns.

The directors met and organized by electing officers of the league as follows:

President—Dr. J. W. McGehee, of Reidsville.

Vice-President—E. C. Steward, of Burlington.

Secretary-Treasurer—J. M. Sharp, of Reidsville.

The league directors held a brief executive session while the election of officers was in progress, and then threw open the meeting. Quite a number of enthusiasts from each of the above named towns were present and remained throughout the deliberations which were concluded at about midnight. The by-laws were read and adopted, and several exciting games were played—in talk—during the progress of the meeting. The eight directors—one from each club—will come to Reidsville again next Friday night at which time a schedule of games will be arranged and other matters of importance decided.

According to the visitors here at the meeting Friday their respective towns are making great plans for baseball the coming season and each has a cinch on the pennant. Frank Wilson has already arranged the program for the flag-raising event at Fieldale-Martinsville.

Enthusiasm is at high tide and lovers of the national sport in the best sections of the two States have cause for jollification. Play ball!

MISS ELIZABETH HUBBARD GIVES BIRTHDAY PARTY

Miss Elizabeth Hubbard was the charming hostess to the A. N. T. Club on Friday evening, the occasion being her birthday.

The guests dined the greater part of the evening to music rendered by a victrola. During the social hour the hostess invited the guests into the dining room where they found their places at the table by attractive Easter place-cards. In the center of the table was a large cake, around which was strewn apple blossoms. At each cover was a pink sweet pea (the club flower) which was tied by pink ribbon and attached to little Easter favors.

Mrs. Hubbard and Miss Willie Bryon served a delicious salad course, which was followed by an iced course.

The guests were Misses Annie Harris, Temple Harris, Mary Montgomery, Emily Reid Morrison, Annie Butler, Virginia Allen, Bertha McCollum, Dora Walker, Pete Barber, Buster Giles, Burns Mims, Philip Sprinkle, Francis Kemp, Billie Burton, Lawrence Watt, Charles Neal, George Irvin, William Cummings and Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Hubbard, Jr.

Put a Stop to It.

We saw a kid the other day dotted up like a monkey running a car at a terrific rate of speed. He was looking off to one side and waving his hand at a bunch of girls. Another car passing had a narrow escape from destruction and maybe fatal injuries to the occupants. The kid not realize that he had placed the lives and limbs of two ladies in jeopardy, and if there had been an accident he would have charged them with carelessness.

The authorities ought to put a stop to careless driving and speeding. Arrest every one who violates the law and soak them good and hard for the first offense and double it for the second and third offense is the only way to put a stop to the would-be assassins. If means are not providing to stop so much carelessness and speeding, the town will mourn the loss of some good citizens at an early date.

Shelly Page and sisters, Misses Kate and May Page, of the Oregon section, were in town shopping Saturday.