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TUESDAY, MARCH 6.

Bad roads force every citizen to pay an indirect tax that is more drastic than any internal revenue or tariff ever imposed upon the people.

Suppose the German submarine campaign proves successful, which would prevent shipments of American cotton to Great Britain and her allies, where would the price of cotton drop? This country uses less than eight million bales of cotton. It is a leap in the dark to place out whole fish in cotton this year.

Statistics show that the tendency of population in South Carolina is not only away from the farm but from the farms of the State, upon which the wealth and prosperity of the State mainly depend, are rapidly drifting into the hands of tenants. It is an appalling fact that whereas in 1880 fifty per cent of all the farms in the State were operated by their owners, by 1910, thirty years later, there were but 37 per cent of the farms operated by owners, and that the remaining 63 per cent were in the hands of renters. Will good roads and good schools keep the land owner on the farm? Think it over.

We are for the bond issue and propose to vote for it but we do not intend to fall out with our neighbors because he is not in favor of it. We expect to be "happy" bond issue or no bond issue.

Some people contend that sand clay roads are no good. Moore county North Carolina, has sand roads which have been in use for seven years and are standing up fine. If you doubt the statement write Mr. Taff, proprietor of the Pinehurst Hotel, at Pinehurst, North Carolina.

There are some people who are against the bond issue apparently because there is some one who will be benefited by it that does not pay taxes. We know one man in Chester who pays about \$500 each year in taxes that goes to the Chester school and for which, directly, he does not get one penny in return. And we might say this man is in favor of both county and city bonds.

Show us a hustling town or a bustling county anywhere in the Carolinas and we will show you a town or a county that has a bonded indebtedness.

We have never heard of a county anywhere building permanent roads to amount to anything without issuing bonds. If it can be done with out bonds, millions of people would be glad to hear of the plan.

The South Carolina quarter-month bill becomes effective April 20th. That fatal error we will take our stand at the office of the Probate Judge to see who will be the first "guy" in Chester to take sick.

It is more important to know what a man is than the policy he intends to pursue. It is better to have a courageous, high-minded, honest, capable man than one who lugs a load of policies. In the personality is the highest possibilities of public duty. Just what a man will do in certain emergencies, no one knows by his words; he will do it by the creature of circumstances, and the construction of those circumstances belongs to his personality, which is attended by his life. So the ultimate object of all policies should be the man who can rise above a selfish interest and do the right thing at the right time, say Ohio State Journal. And all this while, the whole of education, from which is evolved the citizen whose whole value is in his personality, and not his knowledge or his misanthropic oratory.

If the bond issue in Chester County carries the taxpayers will be required to pay one and one-half mills extra tax. If the bond issue fails to carry the taxpayers will only pay one-half mill extra tax. They say this one and one-half mill for the building of bridges will only cost one-half mill. Maybe so, but we ask you, ready, have you heard of any tax levied being taken off. Any thing was once put on them. Such a thing has not been done since the railroad days. It is our opinion that if the bond issue fails to carry this one and one-half mill in Chester county or to stay. Think it over.

To Read Amendment to the post-office bill, which was signed by President.

dent Wilson Saturday, will not affect the present status of the South Carolina liquor law. The bill passed by the South Carolina Assembly, signed by Governor Manning on February 24th and will become effective 90 days after being signed by him. The Federal law becomes effective July 1st.

We notice the railroad commission held an "extension hearing" in Columbia a few days ago. Yet they held one of "them things" at Fort Lawn last October and it was so "extensive" we haven't heard anything since.

Rev. Paul Jones will now lead us in prayer after which we will sing "Hymn No. 666." "Nobody Knows How Dry I Am." Brother Wilson pronounce the benediction, please.

SINISTER PARTISANSHIP.

The sinister attitude of Republican in this Congress toward the South is inspired in part by the German. In a larger degree it is to be attributed to political jealousy which for downright mischief has been doing its worst in the House of Representatives. It is with this sinister prospect in view that partisanship is not encouraged, in the presence of grave national peril, to obstruct the President's plans for defense or to deny them in their essential parts, in furtherance of a demand that the Congress be called in extra session.

In this way the minority of a dying Congress not only attempts by a series of resolutions to extend its powers beyond their constitutional limits, but to usurp or to compel the exercise of a prerogative lodged by the Senate alone in the President. It is the last minute of its service is discredited. Even at the cost of national dishonor, this minority, this minority, eager for the plaudits and emoluments of a House possibly to be organized by its party adherents, first in obstruction and then in disunion.

The uselessness of this programme as the self-interest of its viciousness. It is even more insistent than the Republican appetite for power and spoils are hurrying judgments and a menacing attack. The assembling of Congress with all its tardy politics cannot be the cause of Germany persists in denying to Americans the use of the sea. In the mean while the expiring Congress, no less than this minority, has obligations which cannot be evaded without everlasting shame.

Assuming that the President summons the new Congress to meet, that the Republicans are able to organize the House, will they remember the oath they took to uphold American rights; more or less honest, more or less patriotic by partisan to bargain and squabble and run?—New York World.

PUTTING PROHIBITION TO THE TEST.

The Senate rider to the Postal Appropriation Bill forbidding the shipment of intoxicants into Prohibition States, which was accepted yesterday by the House, is a measure calculated to challenge whatever of prohibition privilege may be imbedded in our summary laws. Under this case, avowed Prohibitionists oppose an act so stringent and men who are so unfavorable to the legislation support it entirely for the sake of money. This is the only way to believe that the question of prohibition is a national question.

Heretofore, the States have gone dry, the fore-handers' citizen could easily supply his personal needs from outside sources. Now that the States are introduced into the right of Congress under the commerce clause to forbid interstate traffic in liquor, the matter assumes a new view. The law enacted yesterday, approved by the President, will make every Prohibition State a Prohibition State indeed, and the bibulous first citizens will feel the drought as keenly as the humblest rounder.

Of more interest than the hardships of these people will be the effort of this legislation upon States which have Prohibition "on their minds." They now know that when they outlaw intoxicants they deprive clubs as well as the saloons, and the roadside or cellar has no better standing than the blind tiger of the pocket-flap. The question is, Can Prohibition itself stand the strain?—New York World.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that March 15th is the final date for the payment of taxes and upon that date executions will be issued against all property upon which taxes are not paid.

JAMES HAMILTON,
City Clerk and Treasurer,
Chester, S. C., Mar. 6, 1917.

No. 666

This is a prescription prepared especially for MALARIA or CHILLS & FEVER, and is a sure cure for the same. It is taken from the purest and best of the most potent and does not give the patient any trouble.

THE IMPORTANCE OF TIMELY SPRAYING.

It is not possible to impress too much on the general farmer the importance of spraying. The fruit grower has ascertained that where he would almost as soon try to grow plants without soil as to produce fruit without spraying. There are thousands of trees throughout the South that should be making a good return to their owners, but whose crops are so wormy and scabby every year that they are little better than worthless.

As more trees are planted and our agriculture is no longer restricted in its bounds, the diseases and insects which are the scourge of the world find their way to our door. One of the most important of these is the peach tree borer, which is a pest of the peach tree. The day of raising a good crop of fruit without the aid of a good spray pump is gone. All the apples will be wormy and all the peaches will rot unless something is done to help and protect them.

When spraying was first talked about in the peach section around Fort Valley, Georgia, it was said to be impossible and prohibitive in cost. A lot of peach growers were driven out of the business because they would not spray. Man's science and ingenuity went to work, and there came a time when the peach crop was rapid and successful work at little cost.

About the best spray outfit for the general farmer is a barrel pump and accessories. Such an outfit will cost from \$15 to \$25, depending upon the type, size and accessories. A barrel pump will take care of an orchard of from five to 15 acres. When charged to 25 and 30 acres and over a power outfit will be found to be a necessity.

Every farmer should have a barrel spray outfit. There are so many things that can be done with it besides spraying trees. It may be used in spraying the cattle ticks, in spraying hogs that have lice, for cleaning out the poultry house, in killing the mites, for disinfecting about the barns and stables, in spraying manure to kill the flies, for washing the floors of barns and buildings, and for washing the horse and automobile. It is a valuable implement on any farm and for almost any use.

Get a spray pump and outfit and give the old trees about the place a chance. It will be a surprise to see how little help. Pruning, cultivating and all other orchard practices are very necessary, but it does no good to fertilize a tree and to work it unless it is also to be sprayed.

A spray pump used about the average farm will better the living, looking and producing of the fruit and more preserves. Just try it this year and see. If the cost of a spray pump is to much, several neighbors can get one in together and share the price. This would be a good way to start cooperation.

LARGE CAST AND CHORUS.

"Alice in Wonderland." That name sounds good to theatergoers who have been looking forward to the magnificent production which is staged at the Opera House Friday night. It is the benefit of the Patterson Library.

This great musical extravaganza will include 160 people, the leading roles being played by amateurs and not outside talent.

This same musical extravaganza has been staged all over the country and has always been a great success in all the cities where it has been presented. The affair is under the supervision of the following, Miss Hope Leonard and Col. Bragg of New York.

Imagine, if you will, the spectacle of 150 people grouped in wonderful creations of silk, lace and sequins, together with all sorts and kinds of grotesque make-up; picture these in many graceful dances, others in elaborate drills, "specimens, and you will have some conception of the mammoth production of Lewis Carroll's wonderful and needs be famous creation, "to read to child heart and mind."

While the training of the large cast and chorus and stage management is in the hands of the director, the introduction of songs, dances and dramatics, Miss D. Hope Leonard and assistants, of New York City. The production is in prologue and two acts and necessarily calls for the full orchestral, vocal and scenic equipment. The prologue depicts Alice asleep, surrounded by the inhabitants of Wonderland, dancing, singing, playing, and so on. In Act One, Alice is awakened to find herself in the "strange land." In the introduction of songs, dances and dramatics, Miss D. Hope Leonard and assistants, of New York City. The production is in prologue and two acts and necessarily calls for the full orchestral, vocal and scenic equipment. The prologue depicts Alice asleep, surrounded by the inhabitants of Wonderland, dancing, singing, playing, and so on. In Act One, Alice is awakened to find herself in the "strange land." In the introduction of songs, dances and dramatics, Miss D. Hope Leonard and assistants, of New York City.

NOTICE OF ELECTION.

By authority contained in an Act of the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina, passed at the regular session in 1917, and duly approved by the Governor, creating the Chester County Highway Commission and prescribing its duties, one of the same being to hold an election upon the issue of bonds for permanent road work in Chester county, an election is hereby ordered for Tuesday, March 27, 1917, at which time all of the qualified electors in the county of Chester shall have the privilege of voting on the question of issuing road improvement bonds in the sum of \$450,000, to be paid in annual installments of not more than one-half per cent per annum, payable annually, and to mature within thirty years. The proceeds of the sale of the said bonds are to be used in the construction of a system of improved highways throughout Chester county.

Those in favor of issuing said bonds shall vote a ballot on which shall be printed the words "For permanent road and bridge bonds in the sum of \$450,000, Yes." Those who are opposed to the proposed bond issue shall vote a ballot on which shall be printed the words "For permanent road and bridge bonds in the sum of \$450,000, No."

This election will be held under the rules and regulations of the General Election Law of this State. The polls will open at eight o'clock and close at four P. M. All electors offering to vote must present registration certificates and tax receipts, as required by law.

List Of Managers.

Kirkpatrick, J. W. Cousar, P. P. C. Kirkpatrick, J. A. Nichols. Vote at Court House.
Baton Rouge—A. M. Gregory. Robert, W. E. H. Wise. Vote at schoolhouse.
Carters—C. M. Atkinson, J. E. Wallace, S. O. Robbins. Vote at J. F. Carter's store.
C. J. Cornwall—W. B. Boyd, H. O. Tennant, J. E. Truitt. Vote at Strong & McKewen's store.
Edgemoor—L. S. Lyle, W. L. Robinson, W. H. Hamilton. Vote at Hamilton's Store.
Fort Lawn—John E. Jordan, Henry Hyatt, J. B. McFadden. Vote at L. L. McFadden's store.
Great Falls—W. T. Jackson, J. S. Hogan, G. H. Christopher. Vote at Keiland's store.
Hazelville—Richard Wilkes, N. H. Stone, J. I. Smith. Vote at N. H. Stone's store.
Hazelwood—Ernest Bigham, Hugh Miller, W. A. Gladden. Vote at W. A. Gladden's store.
Landon—R. H. Westbrook, J. A. Sanders, G. B. Heath. Vote at Company's upper store.
Landover—J. B. McFadden, S. J. Cornwall, R. D. Stevenson. Vote at R. H. Fudge's store.
Lewards—M. M. Traylor, J. L. Worby, W. H. Crosby. Vote at W. H. Crosby's store.
Lowville—J. S. Darby, J. S. W. Guy, J. W. Lowry. Vote at Sandifer's store.
Richburg—T. H. Keaton, Jr., R. L. Hicklin, John S. Neely. Vote at J. B. Druggan's store.
Ridgely—A. J. Fennell, W. L. Wooten, L. W. Henry. Vote at L. W. Henry's store.
Ridgely—J. C. G. Caldwell, W. G. Dye, E. W. Gibson. Vote at B. A. Ragdale's store.
Ridgely—W. A. Storey, A. S. Presley, J. A. G. B. Minter. Vote at A. S. Presley's store.
Wilksburg—W. E. T. Wade, T. B. Wilks, C. F. Wade. Vote at F. Wade's store.
Wylly's Mill—A. D. Pittman, J. G. Rankin, J. H. Jordan. Vote at R. H. Ferguson's store.

One of the managers of each precinct is requested to call at the office of James H. Glenn, Chester, S. C., on Saturday, March 24th, and receive the ballot box and tickets for his precinct. They managing are requested to return said box with record and tabulated vote within three days to the Commissioners of Election at Chester.

JAMES H. GLENN,
DAN S. HOLLISS,
W. A. GUY,
Commissioners of State and County Elections for Chester County, S. C.
Chester, S. C., March 3, 1917.

Queen and Croquet Party, various specialties and music. Being the famous "Double Scintillation" and the Grand Finale introducing principals in a brilliant medley by A. Von Tiller of New York.

Miss D. Hope Leonard, the composer of the spectacular production "Alice in Wonderland" is most talented among this line of work as a producer, impersonator, performer and trainer of groups and special features for musical productions.

Students of the school of lines and in addition thereto to bring into "stage" amateurs and teach them fancy drills, and the dances of various nations.—Ad.

It will be accepted.

The High School has received a challenge from the Chester High School to become a member of a triangular debate, the three competing High Schools to be Chester, York and Rock Hill.

BELOVED PASTOR DIES OF WOUND.

Baptist Clergyman Victim of Accident Injuring—Funeral Services This Morning.

Columbia, March 3rd.—The Rev. James Martin Mitchell, pastor of the Riverside and Colonial Heights Baptist churches, who was fatally injured at his home in Colonial Heights Thursday night, when a piece of wood thrown from a second story window into the garden by Mrs. Mitchell, struck him on the head, fracturing the skull, died at the Baptist hospital at 3:30 o'clock yesterday morning. Mrs. Mitchell, who was unaware that her husband was working in the garden below, has been almost crazed with grief and even last night was in no condition to talk of the deplorable accident. Neighbors alarmed by her screams rushed to the house and found the prostrate minister where he had fallen. He was rushed to the hospital and an operation was performed, but the surgeons had little hope for his recovery from the beginning.

The funeral services will be held at the Riverside Baptist church at 11 o'clock this morning. The Rev. W. T. Derieux, D. D., Second District of the State board of missions, officiating. He will possibly be assisted by other ministers. Interment will follow at Elmwood. The pall bearers, selected from the congregation of that church will be: H. R. Kikby, Henry M. Stillinger, Thomas C. Carroll, T. S. Berfoot, J. M. McCabe and J. P. Small.

Although but 34 years of age the Rev. Mr. Mitchell had accomplished much in the walks of life, notably in the service he had chosen as a permanent one. He was born at Woodruff, Spartanburg county, and received his schooling at the Campbell high school at the latter institution. After his graduation he taught school for some time at Bates in Aiken county, and also at Conway. He married Miss Annie Laurie Brown of Bath. He was then connected with the newspaper business for a short while, being associated with the Greenville Daily News. He was also traveling representative in South Carolina.

Mr. Mitchell entered the ministry as a courier and in this capacity did valuable service for that publication and made friends throughout the State. He was traveling representative in South Carolina for the Baptist Courier and in this capacity did valuable service for that publication and made friends throughout the State. He was traveling representative in South Carolina for the Baptist Courier and in this capacity did valuable service for that publication and made friends throughout the State.

He was also prominent in the fight for prohibition. Last December he introduced a resolution before the Baptist State convention at Newberry, asking that a committee be appointed to appear before the governor and legislature and urge "bone dry" prohibition.

This form of debate offers one of the fairest means for literary combat that can be held. The plan calls for each of the three High Schools to select both sides of the same query and at the same time debate with each other. It is hoped that this plan can be perfected and that the three schools can hold the debate this spring. Perhaps it can be made an annual affair hereafter.

A good number of students have signed their intention of entering the contest for representation in the Catawba Oratorical Contest, to be held in Chester in April.—Rock Hill Record.

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NEAR CITY HALL.

PLEASE IMPRESSED WITH JUDGE MOORE'S FAIRNESS

The following dispatch has been sent to the daily papers from Ridge-land:

Ex-Gov. Blaise, counsel for the defendant in the case of the State vs. Collier, in the course of his remarks stated that at this time he desired to take the opportunity to say that in the near future he would issue an open letter to the press of South Carolina acknowledging to Judge Ernest Moore's fairness and ability when he sent to the legislature of South Carolina his reasons for paroling John Black. He stated that since seeing the fairness and impartiality of Judge Moore, in all his rulings yesterday, he was convinced that at the time he made his accusations against Judge Moore that he was misinformed.

NOTICE COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION.

Your attention is called to Section 427, Code of Laws, requiring County Board of Equalization to meet annually on the fourth Tuesday in March, being this year March 27th. All taxpayers having received notice from Township Board of Assessors of increase in their assessments may appeal to said County Board, which meets at Auditor's office March 27th, at ten o'clock A. M.

M. C. FUDGE,
Auditor Chester County.

Feeling Tough, Jim—

I had spells like that, too—lazy, blue, no 'pep—until wife gave me Instant Postum instead of coffee.

Now I sleep better, smile oftener, and nerves behave. Never knew how harmful coffee was 'til I quit it. Why don't you try Postum?

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