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TUESDAY, JULY 1.

There are many people in Chester who are not familiar with the details in connection with the proposed bond issue and we are taking this opportunity to inform them as to the manner in which the bond issue is to be handled, without going into every detail.

Messrs. S. M. Jones, A. L. Gaston and E. R. Moffat have been selected as commissioners by the people to handle the matter.

The first step is to secure at least fifty per cent of the signatures of the freeholders of the town and then the bonds will be issued. When this is done the books of registration will be opened for a certain length of time. Then the election will be held, after having been duly advertised. If the election carries the bonds will be advertised for sale and when sold, bids for the work will be received. After the bids are received and any found acceptable, the contract will be let and the work commenced.

Before work can be commenced on any street it will be necessary that a majority of the freeholders of that street sign a petition asking that the work be done and certifying that they will pay one-fourth of the cost of the work.

It is proposed to improve the main section of the town and all of the streets leading out from it. This will of course depend on whether or not the people living on these streets petition for the work.

However, if a majority of the freeholders on any of the proposed streets do not petition for the improvements it may be safely stated that freeholders of these streets are not inclined to be too glad of the opportunity to petition that the work be done on their streets.

The bond issue is going to raise the taxes of every taxpayer in Chester but don't get excited about this. The amount of your taxes will be very small in comparison with the improvements which you will receive. Your taxes will be increased five or six mills. This means that if your property is now rated at \$1,000 the improvements will cost you between five and six dollars per year. You can readily see that you have no cause to become unduly excited about the tax proposition.

Study the question and when the committeemen call on you for your signature be prepared to do what you are going to do.

We have no "fuss" with the citizens who are opposed to the bond issue for the improvement of the streets of Chester. They are entitled to their opinion and they have the privilege of refusing to sign the petition calling for an election. However, those who are opposed to the bond issue and also those who are in favor of the issue but who seem to think the proposition is going to fall through and just as well get lined up and realize that an election to decide whether or not Chester will issue \$140,000 in bonds, will be held in the near future.

The "fuss" against bonds has not been justified by the facts in the case. As a matter of fact the opposition is negligible. The writer is familiar with the Ward One petition and to date approximately thirty per cent of the freeholders in Ward One have signed the petition, calling for the election and the committeemen who were selected to secure signatures have only come across two people in the entire Ward who have refused to sign the petition. Every person, with the exception of these two, who has been approached has signed, and we would also wish to state that the committeemen are not picking the easy lines—they take them as they come.

Such being the case it stands a reason that at least eighty-five per cent of the people living in Ward One will sign the petition when it is presented to them. The writer has called Ward One because he is familiar with it.

The committeemen in the other wards report that they are meeting with very little opposition and the matter of holding the election is simply one of time. It takes a good deal of time to secure the necessary signatures.

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ARTICLE BY LOCAL MAN

The following article is sent The News by the Manufacturers' Bureau of Baltimore, Md. The article was sent to that well known excellent publication by Rev. L. McWh. White, pastor of the First Baptist church of Chester, and is an article describing the serious thought and consideration by the people of the South.

"You will please pardon my interruption upon your time, but I am constrained to write you in regard to a matter in which I am very much interested, and I feel you are, too. We are facing tremendous new issues in the South as well as elsewhere. I wish to ask this question: Can people of the South take the long stride of progress forward without the aid of every one holding out the hand of coarseness, anger? You will of course, answer No. Then, why should not every institution of the South, take a hand in bringing in the new day? You will say every one must. May I ask this question also: Why do our churches as institutions of religion concern themselves only with the evangelistic functions of religion, namely, the preaching, prayer and visitation services and the perpetuation of their own particular doctrines and interpretation of the Bible—in no way do I wish to lessen the importance of this side of religion—to the exclusion of the other fundamentals of life, when these fundamentals of life concern themselves with the pure gospel message of Jesus Christ, who is a savior as well as an individual message of salvation to every man, as well as I that the people of the South are in the bonds of poor living conditions, of ignorance and the poverty that comes from our abject slavery to King Cotton."

"The other day I saw a chart issued by Mr. Richard H. Harris in his lecture on 'Community Building' in which he graphically showed his hearers that the income per family in Iowa was more than double that of some people in all of the Southeastern States. The average income of the average family in Iowa was \$2,126 per year, as against \$1,070 for the average family in the South."

"Is not this question of the social regeneration of our Southern States at the bottom of our religious and educational progress? For because as a result of war conditions there has been a more equitable distribution of wealth in our country. In consequence, the denationalities of the land are pressing to success great drives for missions and education. The leaders of these denationalities say: 'We have got a larger view. We are living in a day when people are thinking in terms of millions, instead of thousands. In with a great program of advancement in the Lord's work.' There is nothing to be sure, wrong with that. But are not these very men wrong in their diagnosis of the situation? These are abnormal conditions in the sense that they were created them, and consequently they cannot remain so. There must be a readjustment from a war basis of thinking and action, to a peace basis. In my opinion these denationalities are benefiting themselves by taking advantage of a situation that only in the most indirect way has helped to create. The atmosphere of this condition cannot be permanent unless the same spirit which created it in war time is perpetuated in peace times. And that spirit was, as we understand it, to make the world a safe and better place in which to live. Now, therefore, can you religious institutions working at the top of the problem solve it in peace times? Why not make this spirit permanent in our lives? In other words, is it not imperative for our churches in the South to address themselves to the solution of better conditions for the life of the workers who help to make up the congregations of these churches? You know as well as I know that the man in our churches, who is facing the future with the nightmare of being unable to meet his actual living expense, the education of his children and other related matters which concern his own life really cannot be the Christian citizen that he should. He cannot listen attentively and with respect that brings a decision upon his part to his pastor's sermon, on the duty to hide, we'll say, when he knows that his arduous hill is not just a spiritual theory to be sure. But he knows that his arduous hill is not just a spiritual theory in his community. He has just so much to go on, and where is more coming from?"

"I answer: Only from more business for his firm, more intelligent use of himself and more judicious management of the farms that surround the community in which he lives."

"I wish to suggest, therefore, is it not imperative for the Church of God, which is supposed to stand for life, and our abundant life, to launch out upon a program along these lines:

- (1) Health.
- (2) The conservation of the child.
- (3) Better living conditions in town and country.
- (4) A deeper community conscience.
- (5) The independent farmer.

And this last to my way of thinking is paramount, because production is the basis of progress; it furnishes the direct of happiness, and cannot be obtained unless all lives made possible.

Some one will say that these ideas are not religious ideas 'per se.' It seems to me they are the second part of the Great Commandment which Jesus Christ enjoined upon us, 'and love thy neighbor as thyself'."

"There is no new day for the South unless these conditions obtain in our life. I am writing you this article because my own heart is filled with this vision of what must come to pass in the South. Am I in any way right about it?"

Brutal Hun Officer An American.
 Erich Oswald Hans Maria von Stroheim—urban in Archduke Karl's Austrian regiment of the late "Empire." Franz Joseph's life guard—makes his most recent appearance on the screen in the cast of "The Heart of Humanity," the thrilling multiple-reef production made under Allen Holubar's direction.

This "reformed" Austrian "soldier," famed for his superb representations of Teutonic kuffin on the screen, has the most graphic role of his historic career in "The Heart of Humanity," starring Dorothy Phillips.

Though his training and environment since boyhood have been those of the military sect of his imperial master, the natural reaction of his career in America has made of von Stroheim a staunch American. He has persuaded once again "The Heart of Humanity" to amplify the extent of his frichtfulness, by the argument that he was performing, in effect, a patriotic service in delimiting the cruel product of an autocratic system.

The result, as viewed in the forthrightly constructed scene, is an unsurpassable picture of the product of the Central Powers' cruelties of hate and destruction—a portrait of a heroic individual and bearing an unforgettable moral.

"The Heart of Humanity" will come to the Dreamland Theatre on Tuesday and Wednesday, July 8 and 9.—Adv.

INVENTION TO PREVENT FALSE FIRE ALARMS IS PERFECTED

Statesville, N. C., June 27.—Books Harris has recently perfected and applied for a patent on a fire alarm guard to prevent intentional false fire alarms. The patent consists of a contrivance covering the keyhole, which when touched or turned to insert the key automatically rings a gong and lights an electric light, throwing a strong glare on the person about to turn in the alarm. The box itself is the usual fire alarm box now in use, with the difference that once the key is inserted it cannot be removed until the approaching fireman or fire alarm inspector releases the switch clutch.

The inventor has been for many years at work on the idea of finding a perfect preventative of useless false alarms. He was moved to undertake this invention through the death of a boyhood friend and whom he had killed, going to what proved to be a false fire alarm.

A company of Statesville men has been organized under the name of the American Signal company to put the invention on the market.

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A rare old rifle, over 100 years old, was found in Woodward, Fairfield County, a short while ago. J. H. Pommeling, traveling for the Winchester Arms Company, was shown the rifle by the owner and he immediately bought it. The rifle was made by T. Bennett, an old gunsmith in this part of the State.

Mr. Pommeling took the rifle to the annual banquet of the members of the Winchester Company, and there presented it to the president of the

WILKINS GUILTY.
DECLARES JURY

Aged New York Physician Convicted of Murder of Wife—Declares Innocence and Says Terrible Mistake Has Been Made in Court.

Mineola, N. Y., June 27.—Counsel for Dr. Walter Keene Wilkins, found guilty by a jury in the supreme court here today of murder in the first degree for killing his wife, Julia, at their Long Beach home, February 27, announced tonight that he would carry the case to the court of appeals and to the governor, if necessary. The verdict carried with it a recommendation for clemency which, under the law, the court can not heed. The only penalty permitted in this State for first degree murder is death in the electric chair.

The jury that convicted the aged physician was out nearly 33 hours, establishing a record for Nassau County. Foreman Paries said 20 ballots were taken. On the 14th ball the jury stood 11 to 1 for conviction. It took seven hours to sway the 12th man.

When the verdict was announced, Dr. Wilkins displayed little emotion. He left the house room with a steady confidence in acquittal, or at the worst a disabusement.

After he had been taken back to his cell, Dr. Wilkins dictated the following statement which was given out by his attorney, Charles N. Wyszog.

"I am an absolutely innocent man. I never injured a hair of her head. I could never have injured a woman who was universally so generous to me. We never had a streak that she did not insist that I have the tendency.

"There was never anything but love in our home. There has been an awful mistake made. The jury could not have understood the law when they rendered a verdict of murder in the first degree and then recited mercy. I am stunned."

Mr. Wyszog made a supplemental statement in which he said he was still convinced of his client's innocence. Dr. Wilkins will be sentenced next Tuesday.

How Red Your Kidneys

Maybe you think they're wrong about it, but your kidneys are the most important organs in your body. They filter out the waste products of your metabolism and keep you healthy. If they get clogged up, you'll feel tired, weak, and generally unwell. That's why it's so important to keep them in good shape.

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NOTICE

We have filed the Final Return as Guardian of Oscar Wright, and will apply to the Probate Judge at the Court House in Chester, S. C. at 10 o'clock on July 21st, 1919, for Final Discharge. The People Trust Company, Guardian of Oscar Wright, 13-20-27-1.

Changing Map of England.

London—Having successfully assisted in changing the map of Europe, Englishmen are bent on changing the map of England. Under the direction of the board of agriculture, a great scheme of land reclamation has just been started on the Lincolnshire shore of the Wash—that bay off the east coast between Lincolnshire and Norfolk.

For a great many years the sea has been encroaching on the land at this spot, and pessimistic mathematicians have found a glorious pastime in trying to decide just how many years it will take to wash away the whole of England.

Now, however, they are doomed to disappointment, for a body of engineers have decided to build an embankment which will push the sea back, and this means it is expected to freeze about 12,000 acres.

The workmen employed on the job will have an added interest in their work because it is at this spot that King John, (of magnific charts fame) lost all his jewels and magnificent equipment. English children are taught at school that King John was crying, this particular stretch of country with his jewels, money, and most of his portable possessions, when the sea rushed in and swept them away.

So now a army of demobilized and discharged soldiers and sailors are attacking the job, some of them being employed on pushing the sea back as finding the haul.

It is expected that the new county thus reclaimed will be known as "Victoria county."

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WAR AND VILLA HAVING PASSED, THAW RETURNS

New York, June 28.—Papers intending to bring about the extradition of Harry K. Thaw from Pennsylvania to have him tried here, by the indictment charging him with assassinating Frederick Gump of Kansas City in New York several years ago, were ordered prepared immediately by District Attorney Swann today.

The prosecutor said that he had been informed that Thaw, for the second time, had been allowed to leave a Philadelphia sanitarium where he has been confined in order to visit his mother in Pittsburg.

Mr. Swann said he had written a letter to the governor of Pennsylvania, informing him of the extradition plank. The papers will first require the signature of the Governor of Pennsylvania.

"Thaw is alleged by the New York prosecutor to have visited Pittsburg for five days recently.

"A great concern probably had its origin in this section of the country. Thaw is still in the possession of President Bennett.

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COTTON CROP LAST YEAR WAS OVER 12 MILLION BALES

Washington, June 27.—The cotton crop of 1918 was 12,400,532 bales according to a bulletin issued by the bureau of statistics. The production in all the cotton-growing States, except Texas, Louisiana, Oklahoma and Florida, are said to have showed increases as compared with the preceding year, South Carolina showing the greatest increase with 26.9 per cent.

Sea Island, 52,298 running bales last year, was the smallest shown for any year since 1899. This type of cotton, however, represents only a very small fraction of the total crop, the proportion for 1918 being less than one-half of 1 per cent. All sea island cotton grown in the United States is produced in Florida, Georgia and South Carolina.

Orangeburg, S. C., had the second largest crop in 1918, according to the report, with 110,718 bales.

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