

BOND ISSUE LOSES

IN NELSON COUNTY

Pekin Budget: The election on Court House Bonds Tuesday was an unusually hotly-contested one, and resulted in a victory for the party opposing the issue. The latest report is a majority of 200 against bonding. The vote is a puzzle to the average person, and we doubt if the leaders of the opposition even can satisfactorily explain it. Everybody admits that our county needs a new court house, yet the majority voted against it.

It is our contention that the issue was misrepresented to the people and that certain points in connection with the passing of the bond issue, such as the amount of taxes, the time when these taxes will commence, was greatly magnified or misunderstood, and served to discredit the issue. We believe our people will soon realize that they have made a mistake. Special hard work was done out from Michigan and McVile in opposition to the bonds, but although they ap-