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ELECTIONS.

Women may vote at election on bond issue for a school building.

OPINION

{*245} Your letter of the first inst. was received on the fourth, but it has been impossible for me sooner to answer. You say that there will be an election in Clovis on the question of a bond issue to raise money for a school building and that there is some doubt whether women may vote upon the matter.

Under Section one of Article VII of the constitution women possessing the qualifications prescribed for male electors are qualified electors at all school elections. I think there can be no reasonable doubt that the comprehensive phrase "school elections" includes every election where any question is submitted to a vote which relates to, or affects the schools, whether it be an election of school officers, an election as to the imposition of special taxes, an election as to the issue of bonds, or an election as to the establishment of a county high school. These elections are all provided for in different statutes and must be considered as school elections.