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# HAAG FENDS OFF REID CHARGE 

 Machine Guns Set to Hold off Rock-Throwing FarmersMIDLAND CANDIDATE IN COUNTER BLOW VIRTUALLY SAYS REID WAS BOUGHT OFF

Dramatic Stock Market Gamble Sends Lead Commodities Scrambling Upward

ARRESTS IN Three Injured As Flames RIOTING ARE NEARLY 100




## The Affidavits



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# MIDLAND QUITS FERGUSON 

SCORES OF WISE FORMER FERGUSON MEN A ND WOMEN ALL OVER TEXAS ARE SICK OF FERGUSONISM AND WILL VOTE FOR STERLING

WHAT DOES FERG USONISM MEAN?
To the Farmers of Texas
Did you know that the Fergusons had one of the most valu
able contracts granted by the State given to them by one of Mrs
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Ferguson's appointees on th
the eleemosynary institutions contract was to furnish butter to all
pound, and they sold

## WHY VOTE FOR STERLING:

## Sterling's Record

State Tax Rate

tax rate has been cut five cente per one hundred dollar valuation, thus making the present tax rate 69 c per one hundred dollar valu-
ation. This is the lowest the state tax rate has been in many years, and Governor Sterling should be given credit for this
and the reasons therefor are disclosed in this space.

## Special Interest Taxes

During Governor Sterling's administration he advocated a $\$ 1.50$
ton tax on sulphur. The Learislature increased the sulphur tax ton tax on sulphur. The Le rislature increased the sulphur ta

Protection of Independent Oil Man
During the last session of the Legislature, the independent o
men of Texas were chiefly interested in securing the passage of two laws, namely: the divorcement law and the pipe
pipe line law was passed and was signed by Sterling.

Highway Department
During Governor Sterling's administration as Chairman of the miles of hard-surfaced roads have been built in Texas until today there is hardly a communiiy in the staie that cannot be reached cient money for the state auditor to make an audit of the highway department. This audit was completed on July 16, 1932, and it
shows thate every dollar was expended in a judicious and efficient manner.


## Penitentiary System

Under Governor Sterling's administration the penitentiary sys
for the first time in 20 years has been taken out of politics because Governor Sterling has placed in charge capable men, who have placed the penitentiary system on a business basis. This year
the penitentiary system will turn back to the state treasury $\$ 500$, the penitentiary sys
000.00 that has bee

## Ferguson's Record

## State Tax Rate

The Fergusons say they stand for economy in government, yet 7c per one hundred dollar valuation. Ferguson's administration ased with a deficit dollar valuation. Ferguson's administration

## Special Interest Taxes

Jim Ferguson was a special interest lobbyist and did all in $h$ power to defeat an increase in the sulphur tax. He not only used
all the influence he could with members of the Legislature, but
wrote editorials in the Ferguson Forum criticising the sulphur tax.

Protection of Independent Oil Man
$\qquad$ line law and did all in his power to defeat them. Practically the
entire front page of the Ferguson Forum of March 26, 1931, was
devoted to a strong condemnation of the divorcement law and the

## Highway Department

one knows the story of graft and exorbitant ontracts which were made the Attorney General of Texas recovered over a million dolfact, the Attorney General of Texas recovered over a million dol-
lars and cancelled many of the corrupt contracts illegally let by
the Ferguson Highway Commission. The Fergusons have promised the Ferguson Highway Commission. The Fergusons have promised
the same kind of administration that they gave the people six the same kind of administration that they gave the people six
years ago. Topping contracts were let by the Ferguson highway years ago. Topping contracts were let by the Ferguson highway Sterling administration at $8^{1 / 2} \mathrm{c}$ per square yard.

## Penitentiary System

$\qquad$ d under the Ferguson administration. One hundred and conductpardons were granted during the last two days of that adminis-
tration. One of the first acts of the next Legislature, after the last Ferguson administration, was to appropriate $\$ 875,000$ to take
care of the deficit in the penitentiary system, which is a striking contrast with the present administration, under Governor Ross
Sterling. An actual comparison shows that the per capita cost of Sterling. An actual comparison shows that the per capita cost of
keeping prisoners under the Ferguson administration was more

## What Sterling Has Done <br> Repayment of County Bonds <br> Balanced Budgets

idea of repaying the counties for the money expended on state highways. His proposal is to repay the counties by the state as
suming the payments of county bonds issued to build state high ways, said payments

See Your County Treasurer and Get the Figures on Your Tax Saving
Governor Sterling has pledged the people of Texas to call a
special session of the Legislature the first part of September of
this year, so as to assume this bonded indebtedness of the coun-
ties. The passage of said act at the special session would relieve
you tax payers of approximately $50 \%$ of your county taxes for
next year. This is real tax relief.

## Homestead Exemption

Governor Sterling advocated and secured the passage of a con-
stitutional amendment, which will be voted on next November by the people of Texas, to exemnt from state taxes all homesteads
and farms which do not exceed the value of $\$ 3,000,00$. In other and farms which do not exceed the value of $\$ 3,000.00$. In other
words, if your home is valued at $\$ 6,000.00$ or $\$ 7,000.00$, your homestead will be exempted from all further state ad valorem tax-
es. A homestead valued at $\$ 6,000.00$ or $\$ 7,000.00$ will be exempted es. A homestead valued at $\$ 6,000.00$ or $\$ 7,000.00$ will be exempted
under this constitutional amendment since all counties evaluate
only $50 \%$ or less of the real value of your property.


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