

VOLUME I

TEMPLE, TEXAS, THURSDAY, JUNE 13, 1918.

# **BLOODIEST OF** WAR'S FIGHTS IS IN PROGRESS TO THE PEOPLE OF TEXAS:

**Plunge Foe's Camps Into Great Disorder.** 

regardless of the awful price in men they must and are paying. According to official reports the terrific counter-attack in

tack on the French

One of the incidents of the situation is the report from Amgestion comes that with the new announcement of its war aims

sector has been done, so far, by the French the Americans are waiting with repressed enthusiasm and eagerness to join in the fray at the first opportunity. The Germans constantly are attacking Cantigny in the hope of forcing out the Americans who took the town by a splendid dash, but their attacks have failed. The Huns have been assisted by airships dropping bombs on the Americans and their trenches. Raiding parties of Communications and their trenches. Raiding parties

of Germans have been repeatedly routed by Pershing's men. An enemy machine bearing French insignia also dropped bombs on the Americans in the Cantigny sector, but failed to inflict any heavy damage. This is only another instance of the in this country to prevent such occurrences as the lynching of Prager in Illinois.

of ground gained is being been

**RIGHT OF PEOPLE TO** FREE BALLOT UPHELD

We have now entered upon the last stretch of the most eventful campaign in Texas.

After every technical attempt has been made to deprive the people of their God-Decision of Latest German Drive Hangs on Outcome of given right to pass upon every official action of those who are supposed to be their faithful Democratic State Committee Follows Law and Certifies Al Fighting Wednesday-French Violent Counter Attack servants; after every scheme has been resorted to to deceive the people into believing that So Timed as to Break Up New Thrust by Huns and I could not get my name on the democratic ticket; after every political lawyer has had his say about my not being able to hold the office, right has at last prevailed and the State Democratic Committee has put my name on the same ticket that Will Hobby asked to have his name put on as a candidate for governor and the people are now left free to vote for The decision of the latest drive by the Germans is expected to turn on the results of the fighting Wednesday. In no other clash of the war has the fighting been of such sanguinary of friends who have so valiantly and continuously fought the crooked politicians of the character and the Huns seem bent on forcing their way forward state in their corrupt design to thwart the will of the people.

It is no longer a question of my right to hold the office if the people elect me, because According to official reports the terrific counter-attack in which the French Tuesday retook several towns and drove back the foe with fearful loss, headed off a new drive for which the Germans were preparing and which they were just ready to make. The result is that disorders on a large scale occurred in the Teuton lines which had been formed for a powerful at-by this act Hobby has cut all his great constitutional lawyers off from any further

argument and has said "if Ferguson gets the majority of the votes he is the nominee which sterdam to the effect that the German emperor, with custom-ary arrogance, is claiming that "victory is won" and the sug-the July primary says the same thing and every candidate for the legislature who asks the I agree to support for the office in the November election." Every other man who goes in

gestion comes that with the new announcement of its war and by Germany will be a new peace proposal. While the greater part of the fighting in the Montdidier sector has been done, so far, by the French the Americans are port me as the nominee of the party after my name has been placed on the ticket by the port me as the nominee of the party after my name has been placed on the ticket by the

inee of the democratic party if Ferguson gets the majority of the votes in the July primary in which he expects to cast his ballot with the pledge at the top above quoted.

In other words, Hobby has accidentally sawed off the limb and has dropped his whole violation of all the rules of war by the kaiser, who, neverthe-less has sent a protest to Washington, asking better safeguards "accord by a little Willie" good-bye, Little Willie.'

To save themselves from the biggest political drowning of little politicians that ever took All reports agree that the fighting divisions have been cut to pieces and place in Texas, all kinds of political slanders and falsehoods will be circulated with the big In this, the fourth German thrust, is the most sanguinary of any yet par-ticipated in by the Germans, and Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria have

The first is that I have borrowed money from the kaiser and that I obtained \$156,000

# FERGUSON GETS NAME ON TICKET **BY 26 TO 3 VOTE**

NUMBER 32

Names Properly Filed—Convention Will Be Held in Waco on September 3—Bob Barker Named Secretary in Place of C. J. Kirk, Who Resigned.

## Terrell Law Makes It Felony to Keep Name Off the Ticket

Section 373, of Chapter 16, Revised Election Laws of Texas, reads as follows:

Sec. 373. Failure to place name of candidate on ballots:

Any county clerk or other officer, charged by this Act with the duty of preparing or having printed the official ballot at any general or special election, and any county chairman or a member or members of the county executive committee of any political party hereby charged with the duty of preparing or having printed the official ballot to be used at any primary election of such party, who fails or refuses, except in cases permitted by law, to have the name of any candidate or candidates, whose nominations have been certified to him, placed or printed on such official ballot, shall be guilty of a felony, and upon conviction shall be punished by confinement in the penitentiary for not less than one nor more than five years. (Art. 255, P. C.)

The name of James E. Ferguson as a candidate for the democratic nomination for governor of Texas was certified to be placed on the official ballot for the July primaries by the Texas

and wounded. The country has been for men, and is exacting a big price.

suited in an advance of about ten miles at its deepest point and has in-Thierry sector continue their fight.

When Registering as Voters

At last the attorney general has heeded the persistent advice of the Ferguson Forum that the safest plan for women who desire to avail them-selves of the limited franchise given them by the legislature, is to register, from all precincts, large and small. Registration is necessary to insure the privilege of the ballot and women in the country as well as in the cities must

advice given by the Forum from the very first and it is the only safe plan

Ward No.	REGISTRATION RECEIPT
	STATE OF TEXAS, County of I
	ofCounty, Texas, amyears of age, Color
	Race OccupationResidence No
	CityP. O
	Have lived at said placeYears.
2	Signed
3	Subscribed and sworn to before me, thisday of1918
	(Seal) Tax Collector,
	County, Texas.
Precinct	I,
No	, Collector.
	ByDeputy.
In	dications are that there will be as large proportion of women register

from the country precincts as from the cities.

paid for in great numbers of dead Foch apparently is trading ground from the German government as pay to carry on German propaganda in this country

If there was a semblance of truth in this charge, the secret service department of the gov-

and wounded. The country has been favorable for strong defense, consist-ing of a series of hills and deep, nar-rever lived when they do not at once go before some agent of the department of justice and which during the three days, has re-which during the three days, has restick their names to an affidavit and cause my immediate arrest—especially when it would filed with the chairman their applications as candidates for the

While we are talking about loyalty, I again want to call to the attention of the people creased the kaiser's holdings of French territory by approximately 100 square miles. Numerous German 300 Germans. While we are talking about loyalty, I again want to call to the attention of the people that O. B. Colquitt is now on the stump for the Hobby campaign and at Crockett recently he said that he was not sorry that he had criticised President Wilson and that "President Wilson said that he was not sorry that he had criticised President Wilson and that "President Wilson failed and refused to help him prevent the plundering of ranches, the murdering of American men, and the outrage of American women." This is the basest slander ever uttered against Blank To Be Signed By Women a public official and this loyalty crowd ought to have Colquitt arrested or call their kangaroo legislature together and repeal their loyalty laws and admit their political hypocrisy as well as their disloyalty to the President of the United States.

The Houston Post has recently declared that the rural school law is unconstitutional and if Hobby should by accident be elected, the rural school aid will be repealed by the next legis-lature and the University appropriation will be increased in a like sum. So let every mother and father who want their children to have an equal chance arrange for the mother to regis-ter at the county seet so no guestion each her mixed about her wight to yet.

The attorney general in the latest official announcement relating to the bill giving women the privilege of voting in the July primaries, admits that "there may be a shadow of doubt" and says to make themselves sure of having their ballots accepted and counted by the election judges, all women would better register with the tax collector of their respective counties. This is the

So every man who loves his family and who believes that his union has protected him

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THEY said that Ferguson could not beat Ball, but he DID-40,000.

THEY said that Ferguson could not beat Morris, but he DID—65,000.

THEY said Ferguson could NOT get his name on the ticket, but he

THEY say IF he beats Hobby he cannot be seated—the Democrats

What do THEY know about it, anyhow? THEY are false prophets.

THEY say he cannot beat Hobby, but he WILL—100,000 strong.

MAKE GOOD THEIR BOASTS

"THEY SAID," BUT DID NOT

DID—26 to 3.

of Texas will see to THAT!

The committee met in Waco Monday, June 10, with twenty

various offices.

#### Ferguson Issue Quickly Settled.

This brought the question of certifying Ferguson's name lirectly to issue, because W. N. Foster, of Montgomery county, moved that the committee vote separately on certifying the ames of the applicants for place as candidates for governor.

Chairman Shurtleff ruled this motion out of order on the ground that the law is plain and makes it the duty of the com-

nittee to certify all names properly filed. Immediately the roll call was started and an appeal from the chair's ruling was held out of order.

#### Vote on Certifying Names.

The result of the vote on the roll call on the motion of Mr. Kroeger was:

Ayes—A. C. Stewart, of Texarkana; B. Y. Cummings, hold-ing proxy for C. E. Shepard, of Sulphur Springs; Pat Warner, Roxton; R. P. Head, of Valley View; Bruce McMahon, holding proxy for J. P. Yates, of Greenville; W. N. Jones, of Mineola; John S. Callicutt, of Corsicana; F. P. West, of Cleburne; W. C. Boyett, of Bryan; J. H. Painter, of Crockett; V. H. Stark, of Orange; John H. Lange, Jr., of Houston; E. K. Marrast, hold-ing proxy for J. B. Stubbs, of Galveston; C. G. Kroeger, hold-ing proxy for L. H. Machamehl, of Bellville; Q. U. Watson, of Giddings; Lloyd Lochridge, of Austin; John C. Jones, of Gon-zales; W. E. Fowler, of Goliad; R. P. Coon, of San Antonio; Milburn McCarty, of San Angelo; John B. Cage, of Stephen-Ayes-A. C. Stewart, of Texarkana; B. Y. Cummings, hold-

A statement giving reasons for re-fusing to vote for certifying the name of James E. Ferguson was signed and filed by Joe Cavitt of McGregor, R. W. Brahan, holding proxy of Caesar Kleberg, of Kingsville, and W. N. Fos-ter of Conroe ter, of Conroe. office of secretary.

Convention in Waco Sept. 3. Mr. Brahan moved that the resig-

The committee decided to hold the state convention in Waco, Sept. 3, after Galveston and San Antonio had The convention of the sec-retary is an appointive office and not been eliminated. Waco offered \$3,000 for the privilege of entertaining the Chairman Shurtlaff said

Chairman Shurtleff said this is true; convention. A finance committee, composed of Committeemen McCarty, Foster, Loch-ridge, Fisher and Boyette, reported recommending that all candidates for

offices paying \$4,000 or more shall be assessed \$100, those paying less than \$4,000 to be assessed \$75 each. On motion of Mr. Coon a vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Kirk for his faithful services to the party.

A report on the filing of vacancies After the committee meeting was A report on the filing of vacancies in the committee was read by Secre-tary Kirk, who showed that the nom-ination of R. P. Coon to succeed Claude V. Birkhead of San Antonio had met with the approval by letter of sixteen members of the committee. The name of G. B. Taliaferro, who had been chosen by local democrats in that district, was not presented to the committee.

the committee.

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THE FERGUSON FORUM.

# THE FERGUSON FORUM TOO MANY HEADQUARTERS SPILL THE HOBBY BEANS

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Three meatless days a week are coming for good Americans.

In registration lies the safety of votes for women in Texas.

Hats off to "Old Glory" and the brave boys fighting beneath its starry folds.

When a woman registers she is on the safe side of the ballot question.

Labor's hosts in Texas know labor's friends and they will vote for them.

The state-wide drouth is due in Texas June 26 when all liquor dealers must close.

The Forum tells you the truth about news and politics at one dollar a year. Be sure you subscribe now.

German U-boats please us best when they are submerged to the very bottom of the sea by American shell fire.

It is getting so the sight of "Old Glory" in the fighting line in France gives the Germans a yearning to run for home.

Fairplay is an American characteristic that pervades all true Texans and they will see that every man is given fairplay.

"As to people saying a few idle words about us, we must not mind that, any more than the old church steeple minds the rooks cawing about it."

With 700,000 American troops already in France and our transports taking over other thousands every week the road to Berlin soon will be opened.

The job of taking Cantigny was directed by Pershing in still closer to the hearts and homes of the United States, there person. Our boys have held it since they took it, which shows shines above the names of the dead and wounded the glorious they are hard to move-backward.

Bear traps in No Man's Land far catching unwary troops from the allied trenches, are the latest evolution of Christian Marne, from Cantigny, from Montdidier and Noyon, in truth warfare devised by the beneficent Huns.

Friday, June 14, is Flag Day and every patriotic American will honor it with increased zeal and enthusiasm. Our country's flag in these times means everything in patriotic history.

Don't forget that voters who may be away from their regu-larg voting ulaces July 27 may vote if they will file their poll tax receipts and marked ballots with their county clerks ten days before election day.

can live sweetly, patiently, lovingly, purely, till the sun goes down. And this is all that life every really means.

While Hobby's campaign managers in South Texas are working hard to get citizens of German descent in Texas to vote for their candidate, the Hobby managers in North and East Texas UPSHUR COUNTY AGAINST HOBBY

are letting loose broadsides of abuse and denunciation against those same citizens. Here is a sample of what is being said in East Texas by the Hobby Press in its efforts to check the rush of voters to the standard of Jim Ferguson, the extract below quoted being taken from the Times, published at Big urday evening, June 1, and while the Sandy

"Nothing except Germans and negroes thrive at Brenham." This slur at the nationality of their ancestors must be extremely grateful to those seventy-eight citizens of Brenham and Washington county, who, just about the time the Big Sandy Times was spewing forth its denunciation of their town and its people, put their names to a statement for publication pledging their support to Hobby on the pretense that somebody was making the claim that all the citizens of German descent were supporting Ferguson. The publication of this statement the bulk there are bulk to be there bulk there bulk to be the bulk to be there bulk to be the bulk to caused the Post to go into ecstacies of jubilation and laudation there was but one voter there against of the signers. What will the Post have to say of the con- Jim Ferguson and that that one man empt and scorn for German-American citizens so loudly voiced

by the Hobby press in another part of Texas? The Forum is of opinion that the honest, square-dealing descendants of German nationality in Texas, having demon-strated through three generations their ability to discharge the duties of citizenship and maintain themselves, will continue to pursue the path of civic duty regardless of the effontery and insolence of self-constituted guides and teachers.

pursue the path of civic duty regardless that the path of their loyalty to the nation and state by casting aspersions upon the splendid city of Brenham and the historic county of Washington, once the site of the capital of Texas. President Wilson has said that co-ordination is necessary to insure victory, but the advice of the president seems to have been lost upon Hobby and his multitudinous campaign bu-to the should, in my opinion, put our all into the fight to win him (Mr.



While growing casualty lists and new drives by the desperate and baffled Huns bring the tragedy of the world war light of heroism and sacrifice which ever has given lustre to the flag of the free and the fame of its armies.

From Chateau-Thierry, from the blood-red waters of the rom every field and trench where American soldiers have batled with the massed hordes of the kaiser, come stories of the daring, the dash, the death-defying intrpidity of the troops from the United States. These stories do not tell half of the real achievements and heroism of our men in the face of overvhelming odds and desperate drives by the foe.

Enough has been told in the daily dispatches to cause the blood of every patriot, young and old, male and female, to thrill with the pride of exalted devotion to the flag which on every

battlefield over which it in triumph has floated has meant the dawn of new freedom, the expansion of democracy and the bet-"over there." Steps have been taken to recruit 25,000 nurses for service overseas and doubtless there will be little delay or trouble in getting the desired number. the American troops and we can believe all they say, for we on the governor's race. I take pleas-know the mettle of the men who have gone into the trenches ure in sending you Hobby's letter,

Anyone can carry his burden, however heavy, till nightfall. and who have risked life, limb and all the material prospects also copy of my answer. Please pub-Anyone can do his work, however hard, for one day. Anyone of business or professional lives, in the cause of world democ-

BUYS FORUM TO GET NEWS. that we read the Forum, for it is honest enough to turn a deaf ear to

Loyal Texans

Letters From

county, was advertised here all week to take place in the court room. Satwomen to constitute the organization. A few days since the chairman of the Upshur county Hobby organiza-tion at Gilmer wrote out to the leader of a voting box seven miles from Gil-mer, asking him to recommend some one there to serve in getting up a Hobby club there and to act as women to constitute the organization. candidacy. would have to constitute the club, if he got one there, and he thought that the one Hobby man would get lone-

some and get into the Ferguson band wagon before July 27. REPORTER.

Gilmer, Tex., June 1, 1918.

help but indorse his past record. I am proud to say Governor Jim is stronger up here than ever before, and with Farmer Jim, the all man and

woman's friend. impossible for him to see the voters personally. I, for one, intend to speak and say something to every one on vital questions that Ferguson

stands for. I am pleased, indeed, to see the in-terest the masses of the people are taking in his race for re-election. P. D. CASEY. Canyon, Tex., June 7, 1918.

FANNIN VOTER ANSWERS HOBBY.

My Dear Sir: I have often thought a man wholly unworthy of their con-trying to make something to help fidence; as a man without stamina or fight the kalser with, I haven't had designing as to sook high office for

our only source of true information the rattling sound of gold and silver regarding the political happenings in and do the right and stand for the Texas and the movements of hightown was aglow with people, there were only two men and thirteen town women to constitute the organization. Chronicle and other big daily papers,

Editor Forum: It is with pleasure Dana and other great journalists, are

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Thank God, there still live a few ewspapers in Texas who like Greeley,

I see that the Chronicle is getting very anxious now to find out where Ferguson borrowed the \$156,000.00. the German-American Alliance. There So much interested that it offers a are grounds for connecting Colquitt money reward for the facts. money reward for the facts. Now, in my opinion, this pretended eagerness for this information is all political camouflage. Ferguson has said under oath that this money was

time. I think he wants to quit, but

Long live Jim Ferguson and the

W. F. TRICE. Terrell, Tex., May 31, 1918.

they won't let him

Forum

said under oath that this money was

Gilmer, Tex., June 1, 1918. PANHANDLE LYAN TO JIM FERGUSON. Editor Forum: On April 27, this year, I received a letter from one F. F. Hill, of Dallas, asking me to act

coborated its previously fixed imagi- votes to his credit than any other cannary opinion. It could just as reasonably say that

The state of the president seems to have been lost upon Hobby and his multitudinous campaign bu-reaus. Too many headquarters have spilled the Hobby beans. HERNIGN OF AMFRICANG DIMG THE CLOONN OF TRACEON HERDIGN OF AMFRICANG DIMG THE CLOONN OF TRACEON ward it is offering? The revelation that, from a personal standpoint, as a certainly would not make the Chron-dirty lie. The editor of this great publication intends to vote for Jim would advertise in bold headlines that Ferguson, for several reasons; one, This is a large state and it will be prossible for him to see the voters ind say something to every one on money reward for a man to become a schools; another because Jim Fergu-traitor to his friends. It's all camou- son bought a big farm out near Wellage. Or, if this new word does not don for the state of Texas, and it convey the idea, perhaps "political proved to be one of the best invest-hypocrisy" would. But Ferguson is ments ever made for Texas, as it too true to his friends, too firm in principle, and too broad in intellect to be caught in such a mouse trap. nearly paid for itself last year in cot-ton. Jim Ferguson is being called everything that the law will allow to The Chronicle has also passed judg-ment on the character of F. M. Spann, who is a candidate for chief justice we have the same right to our opinion James E. Ferguson, Temple, Tex. My Dear Sir: I have often thought to dr opinion holds him up to the voters of Texas as they could print for the next fifty law. I consider it base to bring such at that time, and they are just about charges against a man without evi-dence to back it up. Spann now holds son may not have given the large

Again prices of shoes are to soar. Soon the humble American wage earner will have to go barefoot. Incidentally it heroism of the American troops in the battles in France will be may be remarked that Texas hides are not rising in price in heralded with loud acclaim and the heroic men who have upharmony with the rise in the prices of leather. Why?

forcing economies in a way that all the lectures and urgings of the government and its agents have failed to achieve. Taxes and prices are going higher and economies will grow as they rise.

From May 30 to June 9, nine days, leaving out Sunday, greatness in men.-Phillips Brooks. Hobby was billed for twelve speeches. Yet he and his hench

law as to destroy the protection it affords the wife and little ernor, and whose acts he indorsed and applauded in unreserved children of the Texas farmer is being scattered throughout the manner in his newspaper. state by Hobby's friends and his newspaper batteries. Let the people beware! The Texas homestead law is menaced by the banker and millionaire backers of Hobby.

each in which to adjust their conscientious scruples. objectors have been sentenced by court-martial to long terms the victory over the forces of autocracy. in federal prison for refusing to serve in the army after being drafted. Their consciences may change views in the course of a quarter of a century.

To the glory of American manhood let all of us join in paying tributes of praise to the brave soldiers of this nation who That collector has an eye to being useful and he sets a good have added new lustre to our flag by their deeds of heroism example for his brother collectors over the state. In any event and sacrifice in France, where they have checked the brutal women should be sure to register if they wish to vote. Huns and driven them back several miles. The kaiser probably is revising his opinion of the American troops. If he is not his officers and men, who have made their acquaintance American will respond to the call of his country by pledging on the field of carnage are making a revision and undergoing the amount he can save between that date and December 31, an awakening like that which comes from an unexpected electric shock.

opinion interpreting the law giving women in Texas the privilege of voting in the primaries and in this latest opinion the attorney general admits there may be "a shadow of doubt'

If the telegram purporting to have been sent by W. S. Row-land, a Temple Hobby enthusiast, to Texarkana as published in the Houston Post saying Ferguson has never carried Bell county in any race is a sample of the truthfulness of Hobby's propaganda then all the Beaumont man's literature must be branded as false. The statement that Ferguson never carried If the telegram purporting to have been sent by W. S. Rowalso is the greater portion of the printed matter that is being being melted. The piker Sport's laugh over this deception,

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ment and victory are goals always reached.

When peace again reigns over the blood-drenched world the 5. 1918. heralded with loud acciant and the glory of the Stars and Hon. W. P. Hobby, held the honor, the traditions and the glory of the Stars of the Governor of Texas.

Rising taxes and rising prices for necessities of living are pages of the new history of a redeemed and democratic world.

No man has come to true greatness who has not felt in some degree that his life belongs to his race, and that what God gives him, He gives him for mankind. The different degrees of

leave his office to go campaigning. Our soldiers are winning the war and making a splendid job of it. With prospects bright for a billion bushel wheat crop in the United States the end of the war seems nearer and surer. Wheat will win the war, we are told, and with a billion bushels of the nutritious grain our soldiers and those of the allies will be well fed and kept in fighting trim until their task is com-pleted.

Propaganda urging such a revision of the Texas homestead coat-tails he twice was swept into the office of lieutenant gov-

manner in his newspaper. German submarines still are operating off the Atlantic coast of the United States, but to date they have failed in their main of the United States, but to date they have failed in their main purpose, which is to destroy one or more of our transports car-enemies, who already had him tried and convicted before they went down I wish you woul Forty-five "conscientious objectors" to wearing the uniform rying troops to France. The appearance and activity of these of the army of the United States will have twenty-five years U-boats have waked the country to a full realization of the lit was a concocted scheme among the valley, where the farmers telephone carry this state over Will Hobby by

> The tax collector of Cameron county announces dates at suppose, you wanted the truth. which he will be at the various towns in his county for the purpose of giving lessons to women in the preparation of their ballots and to take registrations of women who wish to vote

June 28 is war savings pledge day and every red-blooded 1918, and invest in war savings securities. Here's a prediction that the amount fixed in the estimate made by Secretary Mc-

Adoo as probable will be overpledged by many millions. Amer-The attorney general's office has given out its 'steenth icans are more than ever inspired by a tense purpose to win the war and to do the job as speedily as possible.

The war will cost the United States \$24,000,000,000 in the whether it is necessary for women in country precincts, out-side of cities of 10,000 or more, to register, and advises all of the women in country and city alike, to register, just as the Forum has been advising them from the first. Women who want to yote and do not want to have their privilege taken ically all the nations of the earth.

branded as false. The statement that Ferguson never carried This discovery was made when the trophy was sold for the Bell county in any race is just a plain and unvarnished lie. So benefit of the Red Cross and was broken up for the purpose of Well, what do you think of them Athens, of whom many are my per-Bell county in any race is just a plain and unvarnished lie. So benefit of the Red Cross and was broken up for the purpose of sent broadcast over the state in the interest of Hobby. The however, is made hollow by the fact that before his nasty trick 

Your friend, J. R. BLACKWOOD.

Honey Grove, Tex., June 5, 1918. or political character have I heard Hobby, a pronounced anti, s W P Hobby.

Dear Sir: It is with much surprise I received your letter of inquiry as to how I stand on the governor's race. I shall attempt, in my feeble way, to tell you. As far as I can see matters at present, through the rural districts, I area or bis official conduct, the peo-ple of Beli county who have so ardent-ly supported him in the past would like to know it. If you don't know at whit min during an ins public categories is some pros have crowned him king of all. Wait until Jim Ferguson gets done with him.—Hornish's Monthly. Spoke here last Saturday, June 1, if the interest of William Hobby, on the at white rural districts,

whose character is above reproach. Ferguson will poll a larger vote there, consulting them.

them during the campaign. J. J. BISHOP.

Harlingen, Cameron County, Tex.,

And I hope to see the day come Can the Chronicle say less? when servants shall consider them- I have also known Jim F

Now, this is plain, but true and, I

Yours truly J. R. BLACKWOOD.

SOLID FOR FERGUSON.

June 3, 1918. Ferguson Forum: Ferguson is gain-PREDICTS FERGUSON VICTORY.

ing every day. People are turning to im as the election approaches, and n my home box we will give him a solid vote. Medina county will go for

him by a large majority. W. F. NAEGELIN.

true blue democrats! I see Mr. Fer-guson has smoked those Hobby fel-lows out, notwithstanding they say he

the national government; so I figure ing them all over the country oppos-they will do like the locusts,—just die ing Jim Ferguson? public who are not acquainted with you, only through some misleading

Well, what do you think of them attends, or another them a so keep things hot for them. You suppose that they don't know that wager on Ferguson that he will carry are sure to be our next governor. all men look just alike to Ferguson Henderson county, takers are scarce,

in this office for being fair and im-partial; for being punctual and dis-are going to vote for our best interest Honey Grove, Tex., Route 1, June 1918. \_\_\_\_\_ patching business, and for developing like all other rural dwellers.—Hous-ton County Herald. \_\_\_\_\_

Hobby, a pronounced anti, signed

with him during all his public career. some pros have crowned him king of

The Forum is a splendid advertising medium as it circulates in all the counties of Texas except about half a dozen. Land according to number of votes polled,

than ever before. I wish you would tell Jim that away gether. But this time, for the first time, we all four are supporting Jim These fact that we are at war and that we must all do our best to win whole bunch and the University com- for water to come down the canal, the greatest majority that he or any instead of praying for rain, that many of them have heard he was their friend and that many more would be-lieve it if he would only speak to

Yours truly TANSY STANFORD. Athens, Tex., June 5, 1918.

SADLY MISSED THE FORUM.

Ferguson Forum: You will please Editor Forum: It is almost imposfind enclosed my check for \$1.00. Please send me your paper. I am one of the great many your paper on account of change of W. F. NAEGELIN. Castroville, Tex., May 29, 1918. POLITICIANS SMOKED OUT. Editor Forum: Three cheers for our Editor Forum: Three cheers for our

E. SPRINGBORN AND WIFE. 1717 Gregg street, Houston, Tex., *fHE FERGUSON FORUM.* 

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# **Voters With Ferguson in His Fight For People's Rule in Affairs of State**

Owing to illness Governor James E. Ferguson was forced to cities where he was scheduled last week to speak in the interest political speech, on Monday, June 3, he was under a physician's care until Thursday, June 6, when he spoke at Wills Point. Friday he spoke at Greenville and Saturday at Paris.

At Wills Point, in Van Zandt county, he had an audience of more than one thousand enthusiastic hearers to whom he was introduced by Hon. Nat Crawford, of Grand Saline. The crowd Union warehouse for the speaking.

speaker discussed him and his actions and the comments he

prison system on a business basis; the and ex-student body, he was given a by the world's greatest exponent of Democracy. improvement and extension of the common schools and the provisions all over the audience showed his for the helpless wards of the state, all thrusts had hit home and the people received the closest attention from his audience and his remarks in refer-ence thereto were applauded and com<sup>2</sup> were with him in his determination to purify the University and raise it to the lofty standard intended by th

the votes in the county in July. Friday, June 7, the governor spoke

interested auditors listened to Ferguson the crowd that gathered to hear Hobby did not exceed 700. These fig-ures were not challenged even by the earnest Hobby supporters in Green-ville ville.

in spite of the fact that there had given the most respectful attention by the crowd. He introduced Hon. Rob-ert Newland, who in turn presented John Moore, of Palestine, candidate for lleuenant governor, Mr. Moore, who also made a speech at Wills Point, told the erowd why he was running for second place on the state ticket and assured them if he gets it he will not spend his time plotting

ticket and assured them if he gets it he will not spend his time plotting with the governor's enemies for the purpose of getting the governor's job. He ridiculed Hobby's attitude toward the woman suffrage bill and showed how he had treated it with slight and contempt when it was introduced of the result of the state. Throughout the tour during the closing days of last week Governor Ferguson received most gratifying as-surances of his strength through north Texas, and was told he would get larger majorities in the northern counties than in his last race

# SHALL THE PEOPLE OR **THE POLITICIANS RULE?**

The political issue that overshadows the earth today is Democracy and it must be forego the pleasure of addressing the democrats of several settled with the sword and the ballot. The Ferguson administration stood for Democracy, of his candidacy for governor. After speaking to one of the not only in Europe and America, but in Texas. While our soldiers are fighting for it in greatest audiences ever assembled in Fort Worth to hear a the trenches, the voters must fight for it at the ballot box in July.

> Governments have come and gone, but no government was ever destroyed by the people. They have fallen at the hands of factions, combinations and cliques exercising Dear Governor-We, the underpeople. They have fallen at the hands of factions, combinations and cliques exercising powers forbidden by the Constitution, or violating established principles of human rights. The back democratic voters of Timpson, Strong opposition to the legislature Signed democratic voters of Timpson, legislature is an open book, and I

The man who sees in government only an opportunity for tyrannizing over the peo- Shelby County, Texas, being thorough- invite careful investigation of my was so large that it was necessary to adjourn to the Farmers' ple through class rule or eating the forbidden fruits of liberty is a danger to society. The principles that are dear to the hearts life as a citizen. nion warehouse for the speaking. In the audience which listened to what the governor had to man who sees in government only a means of enforcing his views on the prohibition ques-of the great masses of Texas voters, friend of Governor Ferguson and I In the audience which listened to what the governor had to man who sees in government only an opporunity for and thoroughly convinced that the say was Representative H. P. Davis, who first preferred a reso- tion is a delinquent citizen. The man who sees in government only an opporunity for legislature and senate treated you lution for presenting charges against Governor Ferguson. The making a dollar is a profiteer. Washington did not cross the Delaware, Houston fight at wrongly and, in doing so, represented made on the Van Zandt solon evidently pleased the great crowd San Jacinto and our forefathers spill their blood upon a thousand battlefields to construct which practically unanimously expressed its approbation of the a rostrum for debating the prohibition question or creating facilities by which men could vinced that you, ty an overwhelming castigation given the lawmaker by the man against whom he acquire fabulous wealth. They fought to throw off the yoke of tyrants, dictators and op-

had launched his assaults. Other issues discussed by Governor Ferguson, such as the University question with its story of mob out-breaks and reckless extravagance: carrying "dead men" on its payroll, defying the law and permitting stu-dent excesses; the placing of the prison system on a business basis; the

In this campaign Democracy is on trial in Texas and the issue is between Ferguson Bob Stances and the politicians. Any candidate may be elected under one pretense or another and gov- J. ernment will survive, but unless the people rule Democracy will perish.

While Governor Ferguson never has carried Van Zandt county in his pre-vious campaigns, the people there are much concerned with the issues of the present campagn and his friends feel sure he will get a majority of the votes in the county in hult. Jay Henry Nat Hartsfield W. A. Smith The impeachment of Governor Ferguson and the political circumstances attending it clearly present a flagrant violation of a fundamental principle of Democracy in which the legislative, judicial and administrative branches of government are hopelessly involved. The Forum conceives it to be the duty of legislators and of grand jurors as well to the votes in the county to July. The impeachment of Governor Ferguson and the political circumstances attending Jay Henry Nat Hartsfield

Friends told him there is no doubt vote their opinions on issues presented for determination. But their authority and re- E. W. Crawford Friends told him there is no doubt vote their opinions on issues presented for determination. Due their ballot. Members of the Buch. Runnels that Hunt county will be enrolled sponsibility to government begins and ends when they cast their ballot. Members of the W. C. Johnson Friday, June 7, the governor spoke at Greenville, the home of Ben Looney, where Hobby had preceded him several days. Fully 3,000 per-sons, including a large number of women and hundreds of farmers and their families, gathered for the were large delegations from Honey Ed. Williams

their families, gathered for the speech. It was commented on by all who heard Ferguson and many who heard Hobby that while some 3,000 kerrer and adjoining counties Hale Williams . R. Williams ohn Stilley Lamar and adjoining counties. John T. Dickson, leading cotton record and the grand jurors also made their evidence public. The people have full infor-. M. Griffith merchant and business man, intro- mation and are as honest, as able and as well qualified to pass judgment upon the acts of . Sapp D. Burns L. Monro a public servant as the politicians are to settle the matter.

Ferguson was elected by the people and not by the legislature or the grand jury and he is willing to account to the people for his stewardship, but not to the politicians.

The Greenville meeting was pre-sided over by Rev. Mr. Mooney, one of the most widely known and be-loved ministers of Hunt county. He is a Baptist, and when he rose he was given the most respectful attention by the growd. He introduced Hon, Rob-F. Twikes M. Frazier esse Johnson

> Lowly-Born, Rough and **Ignorant As Depicted?**

## TIMPSON VOTERS EXPRESS LOYALTY **TO JIM FERGUSON**

More Than 160 Sign Pledge of Support and Say They Commend Principles for ing His Fight.

Hon. J. E. Ferguson, Temple, Tex. -not the people-only their own wil-ful minds, and being thoroughly con-

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chool lasted. "One day the youngest boy fell in J. T. Davis he creek—it was that terrible winter J. R. Green wenty odd years ago of terrible ice C. C. Atkinson and frozen rivers all over Texas. At W. M. Anderson the call for help Jim jumped into the F. M. Brittain cy water, up to his ears, saved the T. W. Hooper

### JOHN R. MOORE IS CANDIDATE FOR LIEUT-GOVERNOR

To the Democrats of the State of Texas:

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of lieutenant gov-ernor of Texas. I am 41 years old have lived in Anderson county or thirty-seven years. I was twice Which Farmer Jim Is Mak- elected district clerk of Anderson county and did not run for a third term, and have served my county as county judge, by appointment, to fill an unexpired term.

Two years ago I was elected, over

voted against each and every one of the twenty-one charges which were filed against him by the house of representatives, and in my opinion his attempted impeachment was the ed him, and I approve the platform lately announced by Governor Ferguson and the main object of my can-didacy is to preyent, in the future, the disloyalty of a lieutenant governor, to the governor of Texas. We ought not to have any misfit or happen so governors who are not in sympathy with the policies of the governor who has been elected by the people. Governor Ferguson has assured me that I will have his earnest support in the coming campaign and I shall to the best of my ability, support him and his policies in this campaign.

The people should elect a legislature this year that will carry out their will and have sense enough to pass fewer and better laws.

I am in favor of a great university and higher education, but I do not endorse the indefensible extravagance of the University of Texas nor its autocratic management. I shall make an active campaign

and at different times and places discuss the issues involved in this campaign and hope to be able to tell some facts that will be of interest to the people.

JNO. R. MOORE Palestine, Texas, April 16, 1918.

Referring to the above announcement of Hon. John R. Moore, of Anderson county for the office of lieutenant governor, <sup>7</sup> am glad to say that I heartily endorse the candidate and the platform.

I am willing to trust Mr. Moore and I know I will not receive the same treatment from him that I received from Will Hobby.

Mr. Moore and myself take the people into our full confidence and frankly state that for the protection of the independence of the offices to which we both aspire and to per-petuate the right of the people to choose their servants to fill those offices without legislative dictation, it has become necessary that he and I link our political fortunes together. For these imperative reasons I ask from my friends everywhere a careful and favorable consideration of Mr. Moore's candidacy. He has the courage of his convic-

J. H. Wedgeworth tions and he is able and dependable. JAMES E. FERGUSON. Texas Newspaper Man Held by U.S.

W. M. Atkinson J. H. Porterfield N. A. Crump

at the regular session

The speceh made in Greenville by Ferguson is declared by many of those who heard it the best and most those who heard it the best and most vigorous he has made in he course of the campaign. He was in much bet-ter shape than he had been for several days and showed little of the effects of his illness which had interrupted the polls.

#### Beef Baron, After Veteran of '87 Is Being Drafted, Is Ready to Help In Seating Ferguson

in Kaufman County

all along through life, but to my way Ferguson Supporters of thinking, and my memory bears me record of the past years, no man has ever been so vilely mistreated as you have been at the hands of the Uni-versity mob. At no time in life have I seen justice scoffed at so much. At no time in my whole life have I seen the principles of democracy so nearly pressed to the ground, and at no time in my younger days could I have been led to believe that men, who claim to be followers of the Lowly Nazarene, would have dealt with their fellowman as they did with you.

While I am crowding the century mark and my walk has become totbut yet I feel young some-The greatest ambition of my life today is to see you elected governor again (and of course you will by the people, I want to say that I feel fully able to visit Austin and demonstrate to the highbrows how people did years ago when principles that men bled and died for were at stake

Just one question I wish to ask you, Governor Ferguson, and that is: Why is it ninety per cent of the old ex-Confederate soldiers are for you, teeth and toe nail?

Yours very truly, M. HARRIS. DeLeon, Tex., May 19, 1918.

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counties than in his last race. Governor Ferguson was introduced John Moore received enthusiastic fight here last Saturday and it was by J. P. Yates, a member of the state democratic executive committee. Mr. Yates predicted the triumph of Fer-lieutenant governor, the people showguson at the polls by the biggest ma-jority yet given a candidate for gov-ernor and refusal to enter into plots

we are in the Hollow, what a good sweat of our brow. He is 'common' you that if such 'roughness' as his W. E. Hall community we have, and how tall and enough to avoid airs and trickery and ever degenerates into 'smoothness' J. R. Prince community we have, and how tall and enough to avoid airs and trekery and valuable our trees are, he said: "Of foul play. He puts honesty and simplicity first. He is 'common' enough to eat corn bread and cabbage when and educated." Then he said right it is offered to him at your home and and educated." Then he said right is offered to him at your home and the big eing Drafted, Is Driving a Truck and educated. Then he shall light the bolt of the bolt of the light the bolt of t

Gov. James E. Ferguson, Temple, Tex. Dear Governor: I have just recently celebrated my 87th birthday, and I Chicago, Ill., June 12.—Nelson Mor-ris, chairman of the board of directors Dear Governor: I have just recently celebrated my 87th birthday, and I Chicago, Ill., June 12.—Nelson Mor-ris, chairman of the board of directors Dear Governor: I have just recently celebrated my 87th birthday, and I Chicago, Ill., June 12.—Nelson Mor-ris, chairman of the board of directors Chicago, Ill., June 12.—Nelson Mor-ris, chairman of the board of directors celebrated my 87th birthday, and I Chicago, Ill., June 12.—Nelson Mor-ris, chairman of the board of directors to more the board of directors train as it passed six miles from here. You ought to have seen those plaid clothes and sailor hat when he left the covardly face His 'ignorance'

seen many things happen, both good and bad. I served my country during the Civil war and did my best to give in me. Men were mistreated during war times, and I have seen men mistreated all allows the seen men mistreated

are like radishes and carrots, the best part of 'em is in the ground know some people who brag about their ancestors coming over

Hear C. C. McDonald that little boat cance the less great don't stop to tell you that these great ones might have been boat hands, or ones might have been boat hands, or The supporters of James E. Fergu-son held a rousing county rally in Kaufman, Saturday, June 8, for the purpose of organizing for an active campaign in Kaufman county and to have known him every day since. I Again wishing you a knew, of course, that he had to make a great man, for such a life as he lee as a poor, barefoot, serious-minded tender hearted child, could lead no

where but to greatness and honor and reward

campaign in Kaufman county and to hear Hon. C. C. McDonald. gho made a speech. There was a tremendous erowd present at the rally and speak-ing, and the remarks of Mr. McDonald stirred his hearers to the greatest enthusiasm and cheers, as he went into the full and truthful history of the plot against Governor Ferguson which culminated in a pretended im-peachment by the senate of Texas. bachelors in the crew. When I hear a man talk so much about his 'fine old family' as a recommendation, I always know the 'old family' must have degenerated. If a man don't live up to and a little beyond his fore-bears, he is a degenerate. Blood is blood, however, and Jim has got a good streak in him or he could never have climbed to his present heights. "Jim's got ancestors all right, and he could brag about 'em if he didn't "Talk about your night schools Jim knows all about 'em. When he was working all day to locate his daily bread he was studying in books ernor again (and of course you will be, for that is a conceded fact Texas over.) In case that highbrowed bunch that is fighting you tries to become "the all, the 'it' and can't be more" in Texas again and refuses to seat you when you have been elected who are concerned with the issues of the terest and information for the people who are concerned with the issues of the seat of the terms and the senate of Texas. Mr. McDonald is one of the most eloquent and impressive orators in Texas, and his speech was full of in-terest and information for the people who are concerned with the issues of the seat you when you have been elected all night, the white light of his an bition keeping a pace with the oi lamp. He had no time to go school. I don't know what books he studied, but subsequent events have

Dear Governor Jim:—There was a fight here last Saturday and it was about you. A man came here to speak dressed in plaid clothes, his flaming tie could have drowned a bread riot, the broad, hemstitched, colored border of his perfumed hand-kerchief dropped over the top of his of watch chain stretched across his vest front. His hair was parted in the middle, and he wore a hard sailor

L. L. Jones C. Martindale C. E. Williams A. Todd S. D. Sapp L. Rhodes J. W. Eakin D. D. Nolen E. Galbreath

J. E. Baker

T. Fisher Words of Cheer Come D. Hardy B. Hughes from Anderson Co. S. A. Terry Jack Williams

Hon. James E. Ferguson

Temple, Texas. Dear Mr. Ferguson: I am sending ou check for six dollars, with list of ames for your paper.

I can assure you that your friends, and especially those signing this and taking your paper, will do all we can to secure you votes at this place and, cool, calm, and unquivering, to fight for you and me and our kind. He is 'ignorant' all right—and if he is ig-norant I want to see a wise one."

Y	ours truly,	
	W. T. MORRIS,	
	T. C. COOPER,	
	DR. G. H. MOSS.	
	H. H. WINDHAM,	
	W. E. MOORE,	
	T. N. BALLOU.	
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Frankston, Tex., June 2, 1918.

San Angelo Fails to **Organize Hobby Club** 

A 'ignorant' all right—and if he is ignorant' all right—and if he is ignorant's answer the charge that Governor Jim is 'nought and that the most brutal and unhuman outrage ever heaped upon a governor of this state will be repudiated by an overwhelming majority, him when he was ten years old and have known him every day since. I again wishing you abundant success and here the opening and closing of the argu-

J. H. Evetts, well known lawyer,

as announced through the press as

Again wishing you abundant success the opening and closing of the argu- son.

ment. In the event he does accept will give \$25 for the benefit of the Red Cross fund.

"J. H. EVETTS." A. C. Buchanan responds with a re-fusal to meet Mr. Evetts in public debate, but says he is willing to meet Mr. Bowmer in discussion on the

## **Organized Labor at Denison for Ferguson**

the highest ever paid for a good bunch of steers, according to yard statistics. Fancy steers sold at \$18 a At a union meeting in Denison, hundred, or 10 cents higher than any

Dallas, Tex., June 12.-Silliman Evans, newspaper man, who recently has been connected with the American embassy at Copenhagen, is under arrest here in connection with a charge of smuggling which has been made against a man named Conn, of New York.

Conn and Evans recently were fellow passengers from Europe to this

Evans is being held in the custody of the customs authorities for further nvestigation.

Evans' arrest is in connection with the alleged plot to smuggle into the United States the Russian crown ewels. A box bearing the seal of the legation at Copenhagen was found in his room. Counsel for Evans says that an attache at the legation asked Evans to bring the box to the United States, to be left at Washington, and adds that Evans did not know then Bowmer's Candidacy and does no know now what are the contents of the box.

> Gov. Ferguson Will Speak at Arlington

**Record in Chicago** 

Chicago, Ill., June 12.—Prices of cattle at the Chicago stockyards have reached the highest known, it was

said here Tuesday. For sixty-six steers, averaging 1,427 pounds, one packing firm paid \$17.90 a hundred,

**Cattle at Highest** 

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THE FERGUSON FORUM.

## Sally Jane Spottswood West Texas Woman Editor **Brands Hobby Propaganda** By Suffrage Head as Insult

There comes to the editorial desk | long before it became a "popular of The Herald this week a lengthy article, signed by Mrs. Hortense Ward, tween two men who have twice been president of the Harris County Equal elected on straight anti tickets, are Suffrage association, with a request championing the one who has always for space. This we are compelled to stood by his colors and could be deny, owing to the length of the ar-ticle, although we would like to pre-sent the entire article to our readers necessary to lay in a supply of nine

Dear Governor Jim: I want to tell you a little story: Two redeemed souls completed the eventful journey of life, and reached Heaven. They walked around over their new, beautiful, celestial Home, admiring jewelled Heaven. They recognized many saints and spirits and influences. Many in the Heaven. They recognized many saints and spirits and influences. Many in the Heavenly Home were familiar fades and not strangers. For instanke, Hope was easily recognized by those who had once been mortal. Faith was recognized, but not so readily as Hope. Charity was recognized, but less easily than either Hope or Faith. As these newcomers strolled around they discovered an excusive mortal constraints and the second they overed an exquisite spirit, beautiful in face, form, and exceptional in ituality.

Writes About Ingratitude

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this section of the state. the opposing faction cannot show to the voters that the state has been robbed of its money, or been

work, Chairman Shurtleff stated that cent of the people of the eastern part he had followed the instructions of of the county are supporting you. the committee and placed in the mails notification to all the county chairmen that the names of candidates on file with the committee had been certified to the several county committees. This list is as follows:

United States Senator: Morris Shep-pard, Texarkana, and R. E. Heller, Bob Debenport Mrs. J. H. Gibson

Governor: James E. Ferguson, Tem-ple; William P. Hobby, Beaumont; Henry Clark, Stephenville, and V. W. Henry Laney Governor: James E. Ferguson, Tem-Grubbs, Greenville. Lieutenant Governor: John R. Moore, Palestine; S. B. Cowell, Whitesboro; L. H. Bailey, Houston; John M. Henderson, Daingerfield; T. W. F. Parker W. Davidson, Marshall, and W. A. Johnson, Memphis. Chief Justice: Nelson Phillips, Dal-las, and Floyd M. Spann, Belton Associate Justice Supreme Court: J. Harvey, Houston, and Thomas B. Greenwood, Palestine. Associate Justice Courted for W. J. Barnwell D. Harvey, Houston, and Thomas D. Greenwood, Palestine. Associate Justice Court of Criminal Appeals: C. A. Pippen, Dallas; Wil-liam Pierson, Greenville; F. B. Martin, Longview; O. S. Lattimore, Fort Worth, and R. H. Ward, San Antonio. State Treasurer: John W. Baker, Crosbyton, and J. M. Edwards, Bal-linger.

Attorney General: C. M. Cureton: Marshall Spoonts, Fort Worth, and John W. Woods, Abilene. Railroad Commissioner: C. H. Hurdleston; Clarence E. Gilmore, Wills Point, and John L. Andrews, Dallas.

Comptroller: Sam H. Goodlett, Aus- Texas Saloons Shut

H. B. Terrell, McLennan, and C. C. Mavfield. Clairette. Commissioner of Agriculture: Fred 7. Davis, and H. A. Halbert, Cole-W

Superintendent of Public Instruc-

Blanton, Denton, and Brandon Trussell, Decatur.

### C. C. McDonald to Talk Saturday at Cameron

The people of Cameron and Milam county will be addressed Saturday general of the state. Judge McDonald advised me ter get out. is one of the most eloquent and vig-orous orators in Texas, and will have of Milam county.

Wishing you all success, I am, Very truly yours, JOHN H. GIBSON. Pittsburg, Tex., June 9, 1918.

Members of Ebenezer Ferguson

club, organized May 31, 1918: John H. Gibson Mrs. R. A. Jackson Mrs. Frank Parker Mrs. R.M. Reynolds Mrs. J. H. Kelly Mrs. J. H. Blackstock Mrs. Audrey Laney Mrs. Gus Rape Mrs. Tom Smith Mrs. T. C. Downing Joe Laney Gus Rape R. J. Diffey Frank Moody Tom Smith A. B. Reynolds H. T. Walker John Jackson Vender Earlich Sam Laney Henry Harrison A. A. Roark J. H. Laney S. F. Conger T. C. Downing

Jim Marshall W. P. Crouch C. M. Crouch

something interesting to tell the voters He charged me \$25 fer de advice.-Boston Transcript.

NOTICE TO THE FORUM'S FRIENDS

The Forum is in receipt of a large number of communications and articles on timely matters of interest which it is impossible, on account of limited space, to print promptly and fully. Many of these will appear as space is found for them and, in the meantime, we ask the for-bearance of our friends who may have sent articles for publication. THE FORUM COMPANY.

No really great man was ever disturbed by a deserter. History refuse to even remember them, and when she writes their names at all it is with to even remember them, and when she writes their names at all it is with a blot, a stain, a scar, and mayhaps a tear. Lincoln encountered deserters, plenty of them. He overcame them all. Washington grew to be a world power, overcoming disloyalty, and the work of Washington is the life of the American people today. To discover disloyalty seems to be one of the un-happy experiences of every great man. Since Gratitude makes her home in Heaven and, therefore, seeks an atmosphere of purity, chastity, and high purpose, after all, probably, we should not expect her to find congenial surroundings in the hearts of some mortals here

mortals here.

Pine Hollow District School, Pine Hollow, Tex., May 28, 1918.

HURDLESTON ASKS **RE-ELECTION TO** 

ness is of inestimable value to those control the railroads, to regulate we serve, and as I have had many freight rates and to place the shipyears practical experience in every grown in importance since that time, branch of the railroad business, I and today covers a vast field of feel that during my two years in of-fice I have been of value to the commission. I have been a close student of railroad transportation and operation, having started as a

 as: omptroller: Sam H. Goodlett, Austas.
 A. Halbert, Cole perintendent of Public Instrue W. F. Doughty; Annie Webb ton, Denton, and Brandon Trus Decatur.
 C. McDonald to Talk
 aturday at Cameron 

county will be addressed Saturday afternoon, June 15, in the interest of Governor James E. Ferguson by C. C. McDonald, former assistant attorney general of the state. Judge McDonald Advised me fer get out. Second Burglar—Yer got off easy. First Burglar—Not much I didn't. He charged me \$25 fer de advice.— Boston Transcript. **ORUM'S FRIENDS** Iact that I was unable to make satis-factory settlement with the company and was forced into court to recover damages for injurics sustained. In 1894 I was associated with the Hon. James E. Ferguson in the work of constructing bridges on the exten-sion of the M. K. & T. into Houston, and when elected governor he, appre-ciating the value of practical experifact that I was unable to make satis- state. I have been an active union

ciating the value of practical experi-ence, appointed me manager of the Texas State railroad, in which posi-tion I remained until the death of the Hon. William D. Williams, rail-road commissioner, when I was ap-pointed to fill the years or the to the trailroads and the railroads alike

pointed to fill the vacancy. The state railroad under my man-agement was rehabilitated, and is to-submit my name for re-election and day in first-class condition, and when I left the line it was, for the first I was elected in November of that C. H. HURDLESTON.



WHEN FERGUSO

Deliberate and malicious misrepre-sentation by the daily press of the state as to the size of audiences which IURDLESTON ASKS<br/>RE-ELECTION TO<br/>R. R. COMMISSIONtime in its history, operating on its<br/>own earnings.state as to the size of audiences which<br/>meet to hear W. P. Hobby speak, is<br/>shown in the following letter from A.<br/>S. James, of Mount Pleasant, to the<br/>Following my appointment as rail-<br/>road commissioner in October, 1916,<br/>year, by a majority of \$8,671 votes<br/>over my nearest opponent, to serve<br/>out the unexpired term.state as to the size of audiences which<br/>meet to hear W. P. Hobby speak, is<br/>shown in the following letter from A.<br/>S. James, of Mount Pleasant, to the<br/>times-Herald, Dallas, in which Prof.<br/>James gives evidence of the small<br/>county at 200, and several of the<br/>the speech in his town:nor Hobby yesterday, and many of<br/>that number were dyed-in-the-wool<br/>ferguson supporters. The mayor of<br/>Mt. Pleasant estimates the electors at<br/>the speaking at about 200, the chief<br/>of police at 150, the sheriff of Titus<br/>entered term.in or Hobby yesterday, and many of<br/>that number were dyed-in-the-wool<br/>ferguson supporters. The mayor of<br/>Mt. Pleasant estimates the electors at<br/>the speaking at about 200, the chief<br/>of police at 150, the sheriff of Titus<br/>entered term.

To the Voters of Texas: In placing my candidacy before you for re-election to a second term as railroad commissioner, I do so solely upon my qualifications to fill the office in a manner satisfactory The railroad commission is one of to the public. Practical experience in any busi-Practical experience in any busi-Prac o the public. Practical experience in any busi-the most important offices in the gift he delivered it here some time ago. Under no circumstances could there the state, and the absorbing question the international the sovereign voters of their party shall reign supreme.

## **GODDESS OF JUSTICE**

<section-header>CODDECS OF JOSTICS -FRED WILSON. aged, then where can justice be found in stealing the office from this man that the people had given him?

Why don't the candidates and others come clean and tell the people what they intend to do, in the event Ferguson receives the nomination by the lemocratic voters?

Do they intend to support him, or will they lend their influences to the republicans, like some of the candi-

Does the Hobby faction endorse such a course? If they do not, why don't they say so? The Hobby speak. ers are telling the people that Fergu-son cannot be seated. Will they tell the democratic senators and repre-sentatives to vote for a republican as-pirant? Will they tell the republican nominee that the democratic nominee cannot be seated when elected? Will they assist the republicans in making

Texas a republican state? The spellbinders have of their own accord placed themselves and Mr. Hobby in a very amusing predica-ment, for if they say they will support Ferguson, if nominated, then their pleading and preaching will be buried in disgusting deceit; and if they say they won't support the nominee, then they would acknowledge that they are not democrats and would have no right to ask anything at the hands of the democratic voters.

This section of the state is over-whelmingly in favor of Jas. E. Ferguson's re-election, and the people are standing behind him like a stone wall. Titus county will cast its vote in the July primary by an overwhelming majority for Ferguson. Many of the opposition forces ad-

mit that they cannot command more than twenty per cent of the strength of the county in the coming primary. I have not discussed the women pri-mary electors, but some of the married men are already pointing to the warning by Christ, that "a divided house cannot stand."

A. S. JAMES. Mt. Pleasant, Tex., June 6, 1918.

### Son of Cleveland Is Private In the Army

Philadelphia, Pa., June 12.-Richard Folsom Cleveland, son of former President Grover Cleveland, has enlisted as a private in the marine corps. the second of