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Ferguson Replies To

I had not intended to take any part in the Attorney General's race. I have taken no interest in anybody's race, but sought to jump on me or the Governor.

As everybody well knows, I secured the appointment of Hatcher by the State Executive Committee in the place of Mr. Terrell, who resigned. He told me on several occasions that when I wired him he was nominated, he liked to have fell over with gratitude, but his gratitude did not last long and in two months after he got to Austin he rushed into the arms of Sam Sparks of Ku Klux fame and he has been doing

I loaned Sam Sparks the money to be elected treasurer on and I gave the treasurer's office to Hatcher. The worst enemies I have in Texas today are these two ex-treasurers. want my friends to know the facts.

political coward if I did not publicly resent and answer his

slander that had been made of his good name to the effect that he was appointed by the Fergusons. He sought to create the idea he thought it a great crime to receive an appointment from the Ferguson administration, but he was careful not to tell the people about his urgent request. He asked me to recommend his brother as District Attorney when he wanted of mutual friends and upon Mr. Allred's urgent appeal I recommended to the Governor the appointment of his brother as District Attorney of the Wichita Falls district. The Governor appointed him and after the appointment, Allred was very profuse with his thanks and he voluntarily promised that he would do anything in his power to re-elect the Governor for a second term.

Recently at Bryan, he said "There is a striking similarity between the race for Attorney General and the race for Governor." He said there were two issues in each race, "one where promises and pledges should be broken and the other government by proxy." He did not talk that way when he wanted the so-called proxy Governor to get his brother appointed District Attorney. He was only too glad then to voluntarily promise to support the Governor for re-election. It looks like men they immediately begin to smite the hand that fed them.

Allred is running for Attorney General, because he convicted Frank Collier whom he says killed a boy in cold blood. If such was the case, then he was a poor prosecutor for Collier only got three years in the penitentiary.

I had really intended to vote for Allred in this campaign, because I thought he was grateful and appreciated the Governor having appointed his brother, but now since he has poked his nose into the Governor's race, I accept the gage of battle and I do not resitate to say that he is the most incompetent candidate that has run for the office of Attorney General in Texas. His record as District Attorney is not up to the average and to elect him Attorney General at 27 years of age would be just as foolish as to elect Dan Moody Governor at 33 years. If the people want a kid government

they can complete the job by electing Allred Attorney General While I never agreed with Pollard's political views and am frank to say I always thought he was somewhat fanatical in his views, yet, candor makes me say he is a man of integrity, experience and ability and by that standard, I know of no man in Texas better qualified to fill that office than Claude

For this reason I am going to vote for him. Allred is the last man on earth to talk about broken JAS. E. FERGUSON.

Governor Ferguson Will Open Campaign in Temple Saturday

Governor Miriam A. Ferguson and her husband, Former Governor James E. Ferguson, will open the second Ferguson night, Aug. 21, at 8 o'clock. The speaking will be in the City park and arrangements will be made to seat as many of the crowd that will attend as possible. It is expected that 10,000 friends of the Fergusons will hear the speaking.

The Campaign Liar

The campaign is coming to a close and we may expect the usual campaign liar in the closing days when it will be too late to deny or explain. Let the people be on guard and swat every new campaign lie that may be told.

Be on the look out.

It always happens in every campaign.

DAN MOODY'S FEEBLE REPLY BE-FORE HIS SILK STOCKING CROWD

At the meeting of the State Executive committee when Lon Curtis, a the Governor's race, except where the other candidate has good lawyer representing Governor Ferguson, filed a pleading setting forth that Dan had violated the law by accepting campaign contributions of Satterwhite and Bobbitt, two avowed candidates for the legislature, Dan ap- ders, of San Antonio, because he would not support Moody peared before the committee and said he wanted to answer the pleading. and appointed in his place Lloyd P. Bloodworth, Grand Fle was accorded the opportunity to speak. In a feeble stammering way he Dragon of Texas. She also called attention to the charge made an eight minute speech by the watch. In that speech he said he had entered the campaign clean and he would come out clean. He said the pleada great volume of business with the bank run by his new ing was insufficient in law and filed for political purposes. He said Mr. Notwithstanding the charge by the Governor appeared in Curtis had made the charge in order to get it in the newspapers and that the all the daily papers Evans nor Bloodworth nor Thompson allegations in the petition were as far from the truth as the east was from the nor any other Klansman alleged to be present has denied north. I was sitting directly in front of this young statesman and I thought the Governor's charge. It is well known that these parties that these remarks were but the prelude to a great speech by the great man are active in the support of Dan Moody in this campaign. I have kept out of the Attorney General's race, but lately that they had told me he was. Imagine my agreeable surprise after mak- As official Grand Dragon of the Ku Klux in Texas, Blood-Allred has jumped the fence and I would consider myself a ling the above remarks he suddenly stopped and quit the drive.

The next day in Austin the papers said that Dan would make reply The first thing he said was that he wanted to answer the to the governor's announcement for the run-off primary and the next day they said he had decided to put it off for two days more, and then they said he had decided to wait until Saturday to answer the governor's announcement.

They advertised a big Moody rally in Dallas and their crowd gathered to resign and go into private practice. Acting upon the advice on Saturday and I suppose the public will be justified in taking the Dallas News' account of who was there and what was said, and from that everybody should be permitted to draw their own conclusion.

Klan Bolters

To begin with, the Dallas News, though now the avowed partisan of Moody, only claimed they had six thousand people. O. B. Colquitt who now is the political and confidential adviser of Moody, claimed that there was a representative from 117 counties. However, in the list of notables present there were not representatives from more than ten counties, including the telegrams. Those participating in the meeting by wire and personpresence were Thos. H. Ball of Houston, Marshall Hicks of Laredo, Cato It looks like fate has given me more than my share of in- Sells of Fort Worth, Tom Love of Dallas, Dr. A. C. Scott of Temple, Sister Zehner of Dallas, Frank Davis of San Antonio and George Purl of Dallas. It was certainly an insult to anybody's intelligence to think that the politics of this crowd had been forgotten. It is the same crowd that two years ago I have never been more than passing acquainted with at Waco were prominent in the Ku Klux convention which headed by Bill I have run for office. He has never run with my political crowd. I voted against him in the last primary.

Hanger of Fort Worth organized the Ku Klux delegation for McAdoo and went to New York and assisted every other K. Klux delegation for McAdoo and went to New York and assisted every other K. Klux delegation for McAdoo and went to New York and assisted every other K. Klux delegation for McAdoo and went to New York and assisted every other K. Klux delegation for McAdoo and went to New York and assisted every other K. Klux delegation for McAdoo and went to New York and assisted every other K. Klux delegation for McAdoo and went to New York and assisted every other K. Klux delegation for McAdoo and went to New York and assisted every other K. Klux delegation for McAdoo and went to New York and assisted every other K. Klux delegation for McAdoo and went to New York and assisted every other K. Klux delegation for McAdoo and went to New York and assisted every other K. Klux delegation for McAdoo and went to New York and assisted every other K. Klux delegation for McAdoo and went to New York and assisted every other K. Klux delegation for McAdoo and Mc went to New York and assisted every other Ku Klux delegation in a fruitless attempt to nominate McAdoo. They tell me that Colquitt has also joined the Klan and is now affiliating with this active bunch of Ku Klux politicians. Each and every one of them bolted the ticket two years ago and they are now trying to lecture somebody on the virtue of keeping promises and pledges.

Withdrawal and Resignation

I have read the full text of Dan Moody's reply to the governor's announcement and it consumes three columns of the Dallas News, which is alleged to be given in full. The first half column is taken up with a long discussion of the necessity of establishing a democratic form of government and he claims that though my wife was elected by the people two years ago that she has taken advice from me. For that reason he says he announced for governor. The next column was taken up in a feeble attempt to try to explain that he had accepted the governor's proposition to withdraw if she led him 25,000 votes. But he was careful not to deny that in his attempted acceptance that he had said that "I accept the challenge issued by Jim in his wife's name." He did not deny that in the newspaper statements that he had called the governor's proposition "Jim's Bluff." His only argument was that he had understood that he had accepted it and the people had uncampaign for nomination for governor at Temple, Saturday derstood that he had accepted the challenge. But Moody has not denied that his acceptance was in the language stated by the governor. Therefore his friends can explain all they want to but the fact remains that Moody never accepted the governor's proposition. If he intended to accept and did not know how to accept then that is another example of his lack of ability as a third class lawyer. Moody did not deny the governor's position that the primary referred to in the proposition made by her included the July and August primaries. Evidently for the first time after his attention had been called to it he has read the law which says that where there is a run-off primary the July and August primaries are counted as one primary. It is true that the governor had a dozen applications for appointment as attorney general as the result of her proposition, but as Moody had not accepted her proposition and had not even given her the courtesy of replying, she did not have the authority to promise the appointment to anybody.

The next column of his argument is that Dan violently complains because the governor did not withdraw from the race after announcing that she would do so. What Dan is really mad about is that the governor would not

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In Governor Ferguson's announcement for the run-off orimary she called attention to the fact that as far back as ast November Hiram W. Evans, the Grand Emperor of the Ku Klux removed the Grand Dragon of Texas, M. A. Chilthat Thomas W. Thompson of Greenville, Grand Titan of North Texas, was present at said meeting, together with other Klansmen mentioned in the Governor's statement, worth issued the following order:

> "P. O. Box 1183, San Antonio, Texas. July 8th, 1926.

"Faithful and Esteemed Klansman:

"A special meeting has been called of members and worthy former members of your organization to be held in the Klavern at 37th and Gorman Streets, Waco, Texas, Thursday night, July 15th,

"A representative of the Grand Dragon's office will be present upon this occasion to discuss with you certain conditions and circumstances now existing which have a deep significance to you. In justice to the solemn oath you have taken you owe it to yourself, and to your family, to be present at this meeting. 'Learn the true facts.'

"Do not mention this letter to any other Klansman. Come and present same at the door, with your name and correct address written plainly below on the line provided for the purpose, whether your dues are paid at this time or not.

> "Faithfully yours, "In the Sacred Unfailing Bond, "LLOYD P. BLOODWORTH, "Grand Dragon, Realm of Texas."

Then just last week from Greenville the following order is issued and put in the mails:

"Office of the Great Titan, Province No. 2, Realm of Texas.

OFFICIAL SUMMONS EXTRAORDINARY

"Greenville, Texas, Aug. 6, 1926. "Esteemed Klansman:

"You are hereby summoned by the fiery cross to be and appear at a special Klonclave of Bonham Klan No. 194, to be held in the McClure pasture, N. W. of town, opposite the Golf links, on August 12th, A. D. 1926, at 8:15 P. M. for purposes which will be explained upon your compliance with this summons. Herein fail not.

"The fact that you are delinquent makes it all the more important that you be present and get this important information, as we must know where you stand and on whom we can depend. Real Klansmen will respond to this call, and we have no place for quitters. Now is the time to prove your

"BRING THIS SUMMONS AND PRESENT IT TO THE GUARD.

"Faithfully yours, "IN THE SACRED UNFAILING BOND,

"THOS. W. THOMPSON, "Great Titan, Province No. 2, Realm of Texas."

At these meetings the sole topic of conversation was how

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I earnestly appeal to our 285,000 friends who voted for me in the primary to go to the polls and vote again. Thousands are changing every day from Mr. Moody. Let our friends raise the slogan VOTE! VOTE!

MIRIAM A. FERGUSON.

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Election Supervisors

Our friends in every voting box in the state are urged to see to the appointment of election supervisors in the interest of Governor Ferguson, wherever they may be deemed necessary. The law prescribes the method of appointment of these supervisors and the proper authorities MUST appoint them when application is made in regular form.

Be on guard at every box and see that qualified voters are permitted to vote. Take no charces. Watch

This fight will be won if our friends will see that our full vote is polled and the ballots correctly marked and honestly counted.

HOW THE THING WAS DONE

Thousands of people do not understand how it was possible to have an average of 150,000 more votes for governor than for the other candidates in the race on the state ticket. It is now developing how the thing was done. In almost every instance where there was a Ku Klux presiding officer he notified the other judges and clerks that he would not need them and in nearly every case new Ku Klux officers and clerks were appointed in their stead. This was done to have friends on the election board who would not object to anything illegal third for the office of District Attorney of that district. The that was done and the evidence of corruption would be suppressed. The scheme then was to increase the vote by at man." Inasmuch as two candidates received more votes than would be increased fifteen and twenty per cent.

least ten per cent of the voting strength of any box and voter in that election we would figure there was a "negro in scratching only the candidates running for governor, leaving Moody's name on the ballot. They would not scratch anybody else on the ballot for fear of detection in case the ballots were recounted. These fraudulent ballots were then crammed into the ballot boxes with nobody to object. This was done in almost every part of the state, but it will be noted that the great increase in the vote was in the cities and big towns where the Ku Klux were the strongest. In many places in Texas they have already burned the ballots notwithstanding the law requires them to be kept for twelve months.

Let our friends demand their rights to have supervisors

in every box and such crookedness can not again be repeated. Just as soon as the grand juries in each county have a chance to investigate there will be wholesale prosecutions and convictions of more crooked election officials than ever before in the history of the state.

WHERE "MA" IS RIGHT

(From Tulsa, Okla., World, August 12, 1926) Why all the shooting about Mrs. Ferguson's decision to forget her bet with Dan Moody and run the race out in Texas? Why condemn the much-condemned and reviled "Ma" because she is doing what is only her natural and necessary duty to her constituents and those who gave her their votes for a second term? To be honest and upright as long as her office permits, that is the only thing she could do. To retire from the race on a personal issue would be to repudiate those who

had given her their faith.

"Ma" Ferguson may have made many mistakes in her brief political career, but her decision to run out the race, to demand the second primary in the face of her word to Moody that she would resign if he received more than one vote more than she, is not one of them. Whether or not the Texas double primary system is ridiculous, unnecessarily expensive and far from politician proof is not the question. "Ma" Ferguson's thousands of votes represent that much trust and that much confidence. For her to fail to make the second run would be for her to repudiate that confidence and break a trust. She owes it to the voters and she is to be commended, not condemned, for her honest decision to pay.

SHALL IT BE MOODY AND MASKS?

(From Fayette County Record) It is either Governor Ferguson and her husband, James E. Ferguson, or Dan Moody and the Ku Klux Klan, the Grand Dragon and the Kleagles. So far as we are concerned we'll take Ma and Pa any time in preference to the hooded crowd. We are not anxious to bring about a condition in Texas like exists in Mexico at present time. We have peace in Texas under the present administration why should we vote for

There are a lot of politicians in Texas who would do anything, no matter how dirty, to destroy the Ferguson family potitically. The plain people, however, see it different and we believe that on the 28th of this month, sufficient numbers will go to the ballot box to give Governor Ferguson another

The Rio Grande Valley of Texas is coming into prominence again with the certainty of the Southern Pacific extension and the prospect that the Katy will build into that section. The possibilities of the Magic Valley wresting citrus honors from California is no longer a dream but fast is becoming a reality. Grapefruit, oranges and vegetables grown in the Valley are superior in flavor to those of which California so proudly boasts. With adequate rail facilities shipments will increase and new glory will be achieved by Grand

PASS IT ON!

We ask our friends to pass this paper on to some one else as soon as the reader has finished with it. In this way the issue in this campaign can be widely distributed. Don't forget it.

Read Governor Jim's speech in next week's issue,

MORRIS SHEPPARD AND DAN MOODY

present race for Governor came to light in Austin this week. t will not be forgotten that Dan Moody supported Earle Mayfield for the senate when Mayfield was elected by the vote of the Ku Klux. In return for that assistance Mayfield has been supporting Dan Moody in his race for Governor. As far back as July of last year Earle Mayfield told a prominent doctor as July of last year Earle Mayfield told a prominent doctor in Wolfe City, Texas, privately, that Moody would be a candidate for Governor this year. Up to ten days ago Mayfield had been zealous in his support of Moody. Mayfield was moved not altogether by patriotism. He felt if he could elect Moody that Moody in return could help Mayfield in his reelection two years hence. With Moody's help he thought that he could the more easily defeat Cullen Thomas or Pat Neff or any other candidate who might run against him. At the same time he had hoped that he would eliminate Moody's possible candidacy by putting him in the Governor's office. Mayfield's course seemed to have been one of politics. Mayfield's course seemed to have been one of politics.

that he told a friend of his in Wichita Falls that he would against Mayfield. Mayfield happened to learn of this statement and he came to Austin with his dander up and there has been a walking of dry bones as a result of Moody's expressed intention. It is known here in Austin that Mayfield's Ku Klux friends promptly served notice on the Moody crowd that if that was to be Moody's attitude then there was nothing doing for Moody in the mother of the point is, he will mail you a banot which you will mark according to your vote and deliver to the notary public. The notary public will mail same to the county clerk and it will be voted in the usual way." ing doing for Moody in the run-off on Aug. 28

This caused the Moody crowd to pause and reflect. The result has been that Mayfield's Ku Klux leaders and the Moody Ku Klux leaders have gotton together around the Ku Klux political altar and have buried the hatchet. It is now an open secret in Austin that the Moody faction has agreed with the Mayfield faction that Moody will not run against Mayfield and that Mayfield and his friends will support Moody in the run-off. The Mayfield faction have further agreed that after Dan has served four years they will support Dan Moody for the place now held by Morris Sheppard and with the combination thus formed it is planned to have a Mayfield-Moody-Ku Klux control of Texas for the next ten years. It is a pretty scheme and sounds well on paper and it in all probability will materialize if the real democrats are so foolish as to join in supporting Dan Moody in the run-off.

MORE ABOUT JUDGE PENDLETON

judge states that he was beaten by "a true and loyal Klansleast ten per cent and where there were large boxes the vote the judge he does not make it clear which one of his oppowould be increased fifteen and twenty per cent.

the judge he does not make it clear which one of his oppoments he refers to. Evidently he is trying to elect one of This was done by taking new ballots to the amount of at them in the run-off by supporting the other. If we were

giving their candidate the lead. "Now it is apparent where Moody got his support. Presto, but, thank the Old Master, she is all right side up so far. the Ku Klux Klan claims the victory; it is in the saddle; it has resumed its insignia, the hood and nightgown; the fiery cross is on high, the ranks are recruited with the intolerant and the timid, the aspiring and the ignorant; those who offend are grabbed up on the streets and whisked away

In the state of Indiana the officers know their master's voice. The Literary Digest says that in Muncie a K. K. judge has sentenced the editor of the Post-Democrat, an anti-klan publication, to 90 days' imprisonment and \$500 fine for con-

tempt. It demands, if it does not deserve, respect.
"If the K. K.'s want to exercise their dogmas to the full,
President Calles of Mexico would doubtless appreciate their migration down there to clean up the Catholics, Jews and others who do not conform to mob ideas."

THE CHURCH IN POLITICS

The Baltimore Evening Sun in an able editorial discusses the tendency of modern preachers to make political rostrums of their pulpits and this tendency is particularly noticeable in Texas just now when the Ku Klux, of which many preachers, in fact a majority of preachers of some denominations, are members, is making a supreme effort to elect Dan Moody

governor.

The Evening Sun editorial is applicable in the present sit-

uation and is as follows:
"History indicates that the hankering of the church to get in politics is one of the ever-present evils of this world. does not show in the small, weak, persecuted denominations. But when a denomination becomes rich and powerful as many American denominations are, then its clergy begin to yearn for flesh-pots. The clergyman with a loyal flock is beset by sore temptation. He knows that by playing upon the prejudices and fears of his communicants he can make himself their temporal leader as well as their spiritual adviser. Some men of the cloth are of sufficient character to withstand this temptation. But others fall an easy victim and seek to become political leaders."

These words are peculiarly timely when we recall that at Dallas last Saturday, Dr. S. P. Brooks, a Baptist preacher and president of Baylor University, a great Baptist institution, made a speech in favor of the candidacy of Dan Moody. Frank Norris, another Baptist preacher, now facing a trial for killing a man, is also boosting Moody. Dr. Brooks, it will be remembered, yearned for the "flesh-pots" of which the Baltimore Sun speaks some years ago when he became a candidate for the United States senate. He is one of the political preachers of Texas going about spreading a gospel of hate instead of the gospel of mercy, charity, love and unselfishness which was given him as a commissioned preacher of the teachings of

GET SUPERVISORS AT YOUR BOX

Take necessary steps to see that supervisors are appointed at your voting box. They are necessary to insure an honest ballot and a fair count. We were denied them in the first which they do so. primary by a ruling of the attorney general, Dan Moody, but in the second primary the required one-fourth of candidates on the official ballot is easily obtained and when they peti- zation champion now the cause of Mrs. M. A. Ferguson and tion for the appointment of supervisors, the county chairman to whom application is made MUST name those supervisors who are recommended by the petitoners.

RULES ON ABSENTEE VOTING

There will be a number of voters whose business or other engagements will take them from their regular voting pre-One of the interesting and far reaching sidelights of the cinct on primary day and the law provides a way for these to cast their ballots and have them counted. The information as to absentee voting and a copy of the official ballot will be supplied by the county clerk of the county in which the voter who expects to be absent on election day resides. The law says: "Any qualified voter who expects to be absent from the county on primary election day may vote by observing the of the klan. The people will rise up

> "Not more than ten nor less than three days prior to Aug. 28, go in person before the county clerk and exhibit your poll tax receipt or exemption certificate. If not personally known to the clerk, you must be identified.

> "The clerk will give you a ballet which you shall mark without assistance and return to him. The ballot will be sealed and voted for you by the presiding judge on election day and your poll tax receipt returned for you to the county clerk, where you may obtain it after election.

Recently, however, Moody became so flushed with the are temporarily absent from the county of your residence, idea of his importance with the vote received in the primary you may still vote by going before a notary public at the point where you are, not more than twenty nor less than ten days only be governor two years and would run for the senate before Aug. 28, 1926, and delivering to him your poll tax receipt or exemption certificate, or making affidavit of its loss,

> Temple will have a larger crowd Saturday night to hear Governor Ferguson and her husband, James E. Ferguson, than Moody had at his state-wide rally at Dallas last Saturday.

"The Schools Must Be Provided For," wails the Houston Chronicle. Yes, Governor Miriam Ferguson proposes to proide for them but Dan Moody does not. Moody is looking after the oil interests which are fighting the means for providing for the schools. Vote for Miriam Ferguson and see in favor of upholding the law should Texas schools open for full terms all over the state. Vote for Dan Moody and get a short term of school for the country Query—Now friends which do you children or add \$4,000,000 to tax burdened farmers of the state. Which shall bear the burden? The billionaire oil companies or the tax-ridden farmer?

Appeal to Mothers to Do Their Duty and Rally to Support of Gov. Ferguson

Editor Forum:

This is a warning call; yea, an appeal to the good people of the state of Texas. We are confronted once more with the ceived from the father of Wat

In a communication to the Dallas News, Sam H. Milliken, James E. Ferguson has been persecuted and he was robbed of the governor's office, you might say. Then his wife bed of the governor's office, you might say. "Oh," they howl, "she said give her one term and she would begged one of these books, saying If I remember right she not run again. themselves with the G. O. P. in order to defeat the nominee there. If they would vindicate her husband and family she K. K. K.'s so it was given to him of their party, who was anti-klan, have been successful in would not ask more for that would be worth more than all Now we find him mixing with and giving their candidate the lead. to her. They have tried to find her failing in many things,

> Language is inadequate for me to express the hatred in my heart for a liar, a hypocrite and a defrauder. So far the freguent name is unblemished.

Here's hoping yet for good times. I will do my bit.

MRS. E. J. TERREL, 300 East Mill Street, Bowie, Texas.

O. B. Colquitt, Ringmaster For the Moody Circus

Mrs. M. A. Ferguson issued her announcement several days ago. Dan would not hazard a reply until he first got to Dallas and received his instructions from Tom and Oscar. Then after due conference with these backers and would be political leaders, and after getting his speech properly drilled into him by them, he essayed to respond to her "political perfidy" in a grand rally held at Dallas.

Colquitt the Ring Master With the Whip There is one thing certain in connection with Moody's campaign. O. B. Colquitt is the ring master. He was vircually in charge when Moody opened his campaign at Taylor. olquitt organized the Free Lance and it has been the official organ of Moody's campaign. Colquitt was completely in charge of their meeting of "indignation" at Fair park. And f Dan is elected Colquitt will be in charge of the governor's office and if he "ain't" you'll hear an awful howl from "O. B." **Political Perfidies**

There is a loud howl because Mrs. Ferguson does not "quit They claim she violates her promise. But she did not have a fair election. No supervisors were allowed to guarantee a fair election. Fraud violates all agreements and contracts.

But what about that bunch of 200,000 voters who went into the primary in August, 1924, promising to support the nominee and thereafter not only refused to do so, but got out and actually went over to another party which their leaders and denominated the "political harlot of Texas?

Then how about that bunch of people, like Tom Love and fore dawn. If you can get things behis supporters and followers who openly stated this year fore the people in their true light, I that if Mrs. Ferguson was nominated they would refuse to keep their promise, but would actually support some other

The Klan in the Saddle The Klan has won. They admit it. They tell you they the primary, k are not in politics. But in our county every candidate who had Klan backing won in the primary of July 24. They are not only in politics as an organization, but it is their purpose and plan to control every office from president of the United people in their true light. States down to constable. And they not only intend to do this, but they will not be very scrupulous as to the means by

What Are We to Do? Let every citizen who opposes this secret political organicarry her banner to victory on August 28. R. R. OWEN,

Corsicana, Texas.

Letters to the Forum

Klan Claims a Victory.

As the first battle is over and as the smoke is clearing away, we hear it is a klan victory. But they yelled too quick, they have proved beyond a reasonable dout that Dan is a tool on the 28th and cast their ballots of disapproval of klanism as they did in

Dear friends, it is our duty to put our shoulders to the wheel and never shirk work. It is our fight. We cannot expect the Hon. Jas. E. Ferguson to fight our battle alone. If you beieve in religious freedom, justice to all, special privilege to none, then adwhere you may obtain it after election.

If you cannot go before the county clerk in person but shall not pass" for our battle cry.

We must do this, each one of us must get one more vote for Mrs. Ferguson that she did not get the 24th. Can we do this? Sure we can. We have influence, haven't we? et the klansmen bluff you that they have the battle won as they would ave you believe. Ask them why they are organizing from the court house to the cow pasture.

Hoping each and every one will do his duty, I pledge myself to fight to ON TO VICTORY. C. H. SPARKS,

206 W. Paschal, Hillsboro, Texas.

Do You Want Ku Klux Government? Editor Forum:

It is but a short time until the election. This is a leizure time. Every one opposed to mob-law, and

prefer; Fergusonism or Ku Klux-

voted for Moody, believing that the K. K.'s were not in politics. Now since their eyes were opened, they are for Governor Ferguson. It s useless to mention their activities, as every one knows about them already. It is characteristic of the Night-Hawks to lie. This bunch of outlaws in Texas (The K. K. K.'s) denied and tried to shield and Richards in Louisiana. Every K. K. K. who denied it, was as ted the crime.

I have a letter now, that I rethe wood pile" and that the candidate whose cause he espouses openly is the one he wants to be defeated.

SOURCE OF MOODY'S SUPPORT

IS EVIDENT

That the Ku Klux Klan is responsible for the heavy vote pleaders say so themselves. Judge D. R. Pendelton, East Texas lawyer and former cyclops, publishes his boast that the selated over Moody's vote she could not resist sending a telegram to Governor Ferguson asking what was her opinion now of the klan being dead.

In a communication to the Dallas News, Sam H. Milliken, 5421 Belmont avenue, Dallas, makes it plain that the klan being dead.

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Did Moody not know Ferguson then just as well as he does now? This poor old man Daniels wrote me that he hoped and prayed that the K. K. K.'s would never get con-trol over Texas as they had of Louisiana. But we can not see by their recent acts that we are in great danger. So let every true democrat and every true Christian get busy and work every day to re-elect this good Christian woman governor of Texas. I have spent part of this Sunday in distributing the Forum. Wise county gave Mrs. Ferguson the largest vote the Fergusons hard

ever received, and in the runoff she vill receive many more. The people dislike the attempt of the K. K. K.'s to fraudulently elect

This was written by a man seventy-five years old who has never

failed to vote for Ferguson.
J. F. CONLEY, Alvord, Texas, R. 3, Box 79.

Smoking Out Klucker Candidates. Edtoir Forum Will try and let you know how the

political situation is here in Parker county as I see it. Lots of people were misled in the first primary and voted for Moody, by the klan claiming they were not in politics but they are beginning to see how they were framed up. I am one of the old original Ferguson men, first, last and all time. Things always look darkest just behave hope yet. We Ferguson men in Parker are getting a line up on all candidates and have smoked some of them out in the open. They sure did swell up something awful right after the primary, b . the man who laughs So pour ' on them. Get speakers

in the field, put things before the

Send me all the literature and papers that will be of interest to the people. I will put them where they will do the most good, also send me Ma's picture for my car.

Here is hoping that we all may live a long time and Fergusonism may never die.

CLAUDE DAY, Millsap, Texas.

DAN MOODY'S FEEBLE REPLY BE-FORE HIS SILK STOCKING CROWD

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withdraw and let him and the Ku Klux have it all to themselves. The governor's position is that she really wanted to retire to private life, but that as soon as she saw that the Ku Klux were claiming the victory as the result of an edict of the Grand Wizard last November she decided that she would be willing to bear any criticism rather than take away from the people the right to say whether they wanted a Ku Klux supported governor or not. Dan nor Evans have denied that the edict of Evans was as stated by the governor. If the people want to elect a man who is the choice of Hiram Evans for governor of this state then Governor Ferguson is going to give them a chance to do so. If they don't want such a governor then she likewise is going to give them a chance to say so. It is ridiculous indeed and an insult to the intelligence of the people of Texas to talk about irresponsible government because I happen to have given my wife assistance in the governor's office and at the same time talk about voting for Dan Moody who is the candidate of the irresponsible and unreliable Ku Klux Emperor and who by his royal edict turned the 345,000 votes which he delivered to Felix Robertson two years ago to Dan Moody in this campaign. The most irresponsible governor that could be set up in any country would be a governor sitting in office to which he had been elected by the vote of the Ku Klux Klan, the members of which promise obedience to the dictates of the government of the Ku Klux Klan to the exclusion of all governments, state and national. So far as I am concerned I accept the challenge from Mr. Moody and his crowd for all time to come on the question of irresponsible government and I say the Ku Klux government is the one I am talking about. If any of our friends want to get weak and falter in this fight which we are making against irresponsible government they can do so, but as for me and mine there is no compromising. I seek no quarter and I will extend none on this question. The question is shall we have a government run by Em- need not think that the governor does not have a good chance to win this perors, Dragons, Titans and Goblins appointed by royal decree or shall we have a government run by governors and officers elected and appointed by Klux Klan in this campaign and as they begin to learn of Moody's violathe people.

The Gasoline Tax

Again Dan Moody says that the gasoline tax is political clap trap and that he is opposed to the levy of any additional tax on gasoline. He says that the citizen pays this tax and that it is not paid by the oil companies but by the consumer of the gasoline. This is the most astounding admission of ignorance and misstatement of facts that was ever uttered by a public officer in Texas. If his statement is ignorantly made then his people ought to put him in the feeble minded institution. If it is intentionally made he is the biggest hypocrite out of captivity. The people don't pay one nickle of this tax and there is no man that owns an automobile in Texas that has ever been called on to pay a gasoline tax. This tax is paid directly by the oil companies through the proper officers into the state treasury. The oil companies as is well known fix the price of gasoline. The public has nothing to do either with the fixing of the price or the payment of the tax. Of course the oil companies will in any event make the people pay all they can stand whether they have to pay a tax to the state or not. Therefore whatever tax can be collected from the oil companies by law is just that much saved to the tax payer and if the government does not levy the tax on these oil companies and an honest count. who have made billions out of the price which they fix on gasoline then the government must levy an additional ad valorem tax on the real estate and personal property of the people of Texas. This is why the general attorney of the Magnolia Oil company mentioned in the governor's statement said that if they could elect Dan Moody on a platform opposed to the gasoline tax that they could save \$10,000,000 a year that would otherwise go relieve the tax burdens of the people.

The Public Schools

The State Board of Education acting under the positive instructions of the law had to fix the state school apportionment at \$11.50 for each child in the public schools. The governor says that \$15.00 is needed and that she is in favor of that sum and the people now are confronted with the two propositions. And they are either to elect Dan Moody on his platform of being opposed to the gasoline tax and then have the people taxed on their boldly telling their members that the election of Dan Moody table. property some \$4,000,000 to raise the school apportionment so the children means that they can parade the streets in hoods and masks cation" is to receive Hiram Western can have a full school term or to elect Ma Ferguson on her platform to tax and terrorize the people without fear of prosecution or Evans as the Imperial Wizard. The the oil companies on the sale of gasoline and save this tax burden from the backs of the people. In other words if the voters want to let the oil companies go free and continue to make billions and tax themselves for an additional amount then let them vote for Dan Moody. If they do not then let them vote for Ma Ferguson. Just let the people remember I have warned in every county in Texas. them in time. If the people want to know where the great slush fund came from in this campaign just let them look around and they will see that every big oil company lobbyist is supporting Dan Moody and voting against the governor.

Mr. Moody's Campaign Expenses

But greatest of all Mr. Moody did not deny the charges made by the governor in her announcement that Mr Moody had admitted in his sworn affidavit that he had received contributions from other candidates in viola- Klan Must March Unmasked tion of law. Everybody had thought that in Moody's promised reply he would explain to the people this charge which directly affects his right to go on the democratic ticket and to hold office. I shall not permit this charge to go unanswered. Mr. Moody in his worn statement swears that he received \$250.00 from each Lee Satterwhite and R. L. Bobbitt, who are two well known candidates for the legislature, and of course Mr. Moody could not Klux Klan, having lost its plea for a Chief of Police Hesse, set forth parade here, hooded and masked, that the klan was eager to stage contributions that they were candidates. Read these three statutes and see if any fair minded man can say that Moody has not violated the law and that by his own affidavit he has furnished the proof of such violation. For six long months of this great cry of Fergusonism Moody and his crowd tried to indict me in the Travis county grand jury. I now call upon the friends of the land approach to a sharden the land approach of the masked parade but lead to shard a proceed to a sharden the land approach of the masked parade but lead approach to a sharden the land approach of the masked parade but lead to shard a proceed to a sharden the land approach of the masked parade but lead to shard a proceed to a sharden the land approach of the masked parade but lead to shard a proceed to a sharden the approach of the masked parade but lead to shard a proceed to a sharden the approach of the masked parade but lead to shard a proceed to a sharden the approach of the shard approach of the shard approach to the parade permit and superintendent of Police Hesse said the police the same approach to a sharden the approach of the shard approach to the parade permit and superintendent of Police Hesse said the police the parade permit and superintendent of Police Hesse said the police the parade permit and superintendent of Police Hesse said the police the parade permit and superintendent of Police Hesse said the police the parade permit and superintendent of Police Hesse said the police the parade permit and superintendent of Police Hesse said the police the police the police the parade permit and superintendent of Police Hesse said the police the p Moody who have been backing him to bring him to trial and if he has any peaked and concealing hood. the approval of the masked parade but pointed out that it would take at

defense to the undisputed facts he ought not to be afraid to submit it to a court and jury.

ART. 267—"Any candidate for nomination in a primary election or his campaign manager or the assistant campaign manager, who shall directly or indirectly himself or by or through another person, give, pay, expend or contribute any money or thing of value for the furtherance of the candidacy of any other candidate shall be fined not to exceed one thousand dollars or be confined in jail not to exceed one year, or both.—Revised Crim. Statutes, 1925."

ART. 268.—"Any candidate or other person who furnishes, gives, or delivers to another person any money or other thing of value to be used in violation of or for any purpose prohibited by any provision of this chapter and any person who receives or accepts any money or thing of value to be used in violation of or for any purpose prohibited by any provision of this chapter shall be punished by a fine not to exceed \$1,000.00, or by confinement in jail for not more than one year, or by both such fine and imprisonment, or by confinement in the penitentiary for not less than one nor more than five years.—Revised Crim. Statutes,

ART. 3173.—"Any candidate who shall knowingly violate, or who shall knowingly permit or assent to the violation of any provision of this chapter by any campaign manager or assistant campaign manager, or other person, shall thereby forfeit his right to have his name placed upon the primary ballot, or if nominated in the primary election, to have his name placed on the official ballot at the general election. Proceedings by quo warranto to enforce the provisions of this article or to determine the right of any candidate alleged to have violated any provision of this chapter, to have his name placed on the primary ballot, or the right of any nominee alleged to have violated any provision of this chapter to have his name placed upon the official ballot for the general election, may be instituted at the suit of any citizen in the district court of any county, the citizens of which are entitled to vote for or against any candidate who may be charged in such proceedings with any such violation. All such proceedings so instituted shall be advanced and summarily heard and disposed of by both the trial and appellate courts.—Revised Civil Statutes, 1925."

Election Frauds

Again I want to call attention to our friends everywhere that they election as the people have begun to learn of the silent activities of the Ku tion of the election law and of his support by the oil companies they are turning away from him in droves. The majority of the people who voted in the primary voted against Moody. There is every evidence of fraud in the election. In Houston county there were one thousand more votes for governor than for other candidates. In Harris county there were 5,000 more votes for governor than for other candidates. In Dallas county there were 3,000 more votes for governor than for other candidates. In Tarrant county there were 2,000 more votes for governor than any other candidate. In the election there were 117,000 more votes cast for governor than for lieutenant governor. There were 151,000 more votes for governor than there was in the attorney general's race. There were 137,000 more votes in the governor's race than there was in the railroad commissioner's race. There were 100,000 more votes in the governor's race than there was in the commissioner of agriculture's race. There was 162,000 more votes in the governor's race than there was in the treasurer's race. These excessive amounts represent in all probability the stuffing of the ballot boxes and we are going to have supervisors in this run-off primary and make this corruption impossible again.

Let the people be not afraid to go to the polls and demand a square deal

JAS. E. FERGUSON.

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best to elect Dan Moody Governor of Texas, and a con- of new members into the ranks. As ders from Hiram W. Evans, of Atlantinual abuse of Fergusonism. If this is not true then let membership still range around \$10 ta, Georgia. Thos. W. Thompson and the said Lloyd Bloodworth tell the and the klan is running its own people what did take place. The people are entitled to ing regalia to initiates, such a paknow. The Ku Klux are riding high in Texas. They are rade it is figured would be profiprevention. All this sacred and unfailing bond business, assemblage was to have been held in Philadelphia incidental to the Sesthese secret summons, these night gatherings makes it im- qui-centennial, until Mayor Kendperative that Governor Ferguson be elected on her platform, among other things, to require the Ku Klux to file a list of klan officials decided to abandon Philadelphia altogether and hold their membership under oath in the County Clerk's office their sessions in the capital.

If the Ku Klux are not trying to elect Dan Moody then izations. The Fellowship Forum, we ask why all this activity just before the primary in July printed here, is filled with lauda and just before the run-off in August. They had not dared recent Chicago conference the Grand to venture out until they thought they had elected a Gov- Dragons of the klan unanimously ernor who would protect them. If the people want a Ku Klux Government then vote for Dan Moody. If you want regalia, including the mask, so vital an anti-Ku Klux Government vote for Ma Ferguson. That was not divulged by kleagle Mueller in his talks with the police. is the issue in this campaign.

Washington Police Answer Kleagle Who Seeks Permit

without pillow case headdress.

L. A. Mueller, Kleagle and Wash15, but wanted to appear hooded. ngton emissary from Atlanta head-

as filed a plea with the police, another "monster parade" here durasking a permit to parade Sept. 13 ing its "third bi-annual klonvocation" scheduled for Sept. 13, 14 and The Washington kleagle suggested

change in the regulations. The Dis-

Last year's parade, in which the are supporting his candidacy. klan boasted of 200,000 and close If the people will elect me counts disclosed upwards of 25,000 Treasurer, these banks over the state in line, was said to have made sufficient impression to lure thousands garment factory at Atlanta, retail-

cation" is to re-elect Hiram Wesley qui-centennial, until Mayor Kend-rick of that city put his foot down on the projected klan parade. The

A boom for the re-election of Dr. Evans is in full swing in klan organtory comment on his regime. At a urged his re-election.

Just why the klan regards full They have their own psychological diagnosis of it and told Mueller the police regulations forbidding masks could not be altered. Major Hesse said he would approve the permit for a parade on Pennsylvania Avenue, between the Peace Monument, at the Capitol end, and Fifeenth Street at the Treasury.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Ferguson Forum is authorized to announ , the following candidates for the offices listed before their names, subject to the action of the democratic primaries to be held Sat-For State Treasurer:

J. R. BALL, of Fannin County.

OWEN P. CARPENTER

For Commissioner, Precinct No. 3: W. M. McDONALD

For State Treasurer



J. R. Ball.

To the People of Texas

I feel very grateful to the thousands of people in Texas, who supported me in the first primary for the office of State Treasurer and I now submit to the people my candidacy for that office in the run-off primary.

I carried my home county Fannin. where I was born and reared, with more than three to one majority over all six of my opponents in the first primary.

I am a married man with a wife and three babies, taught in the public schools of Fannin county for a numthe late World war and held an important position in the State Comptroller's department for four years under the administration of Lon A. Smith, during which time I became

Fergusonism and that he turned his back on Mr. Ferguson simply because Hatcher also thinks that he should publicly endorsed his candidacy and that being George G. Garrett, a broththe race for Treasurer in 1922 on a Klan ticket, and because his name appears on the membership records of Dallas Klan No. 66, because he trict Commissioners, who have full had the nerve to discharge all Antiauthority, had previously announced Klan men from the Treasurer's office they would leave the matter to the and fill their places with Klansmen and also because all the Grand Gob lins of the Ku Klux Klan of Texas

> If the people will elect me their will not profit from their money, and they will see the faces of men in the Treasurer's office who do not get or-

J. R. BALL. (Political Advertisement.)

A Base Appeal

On an editorial in Houston Chron-

Oh, have you read the base appeal And to Dan Moody pray,

Or reason points of law Our guide must be Dan Moody's

And sell our state and "ma." The shady power of wealth combined And if a press controlled

In efforts to confuse the mind And show the power of gold The mugwump dems. who stood with Butte

The preachers and the Klan With all their ethics of the brute Are organized for Dan.

The friends of "Ma" are poor but proud

They can't be bought or driven They are not of the greedy crowd Who claim the earth and heaven, They are of those who see the light Who love the moral law Who want to reason free and right And vote for truth and "Ma." PAT KEELAN.

Navasota, Texas.

Tree Felled by Bee Hunter Wrecks Still And Hurts Operator

Tyler, Tex., August 10.-W. H. Goodwyn, Gregg county farmer, felled a tree to rob a wild bee hive in its trunk, and when the tree crashed to earth, it fell on a hidden still and a moonshiner. The moonshiner was injured and the still de-

Dallas Women Voters Form Ferguson Club and Adopt Resolutions Rapping Moody

Dallas, Texas, Aug. 18.—A large number of women supporters of Governor Miriam A. Ferguson in Dallas met Wednesday morning, in the Junior Ball Room of the Adolphus and organized a "Ferguson for Governor Club."

Mrs. Edith E. Wilmans, candidate for governor in the first primary, and former member of the Texas legislature, was elected chairman, and Miss Elizabeth Baker secretary.

A committee on resolutions was named by the chairman composed of the following: Mrs. W. C. Martin, Mrs. W. H. Wright, Mrs. W. S. Bramlett, Mrs. Joe K. Morriss, Mrs. S. M. Fields, Mrs. M. S. Bannon, Mrs. Edith E. Wilmans.
Speeches were made by Mrs. Wilmans, Mrs. Bannon,

known as the "Mother of the American Legion Boys," R. B. Humphreys, assistant manager in Dallas of Lynch Davidson campaign, and also a member of the democratic state executive committee.

It was altogether a woman's meeting and although there was a heavy downpour of rain this morning the attendance was large and a number of spirited and enthusiastic speeches were made.

unanimously adopted:

THEREFORE, we as democratic

cians in power in this state.

for increasing the salaries of our

better highways at a minimum of cost in the face of the opposition

and blunders of her opponent while

using the powers of the office of

attorney general of Texas for po-

litical aggrandizement, the encour-

agement of legitimate business, the

development of the immeasurable

esources of our state, and generally

the administration of the powers of

the governor's office efficiently, ef-

(3) We deplore the fact that

expose any supposed breach of trust

which he now insinuates Governor

Miriam A. Ferguson has been guilty

of, it being his public, official and

(4) We endorse Governor Fergu-

son's administration during the past

two years and assure her of our loyalty to her cause; of our admi-

office; of her love of justice, tem-

sworn duty to do so.

The following resolution offered

off campaign between Governor Miriam A. Ferguson and her oppo-nent the most effective and effi-

women of Dallas county and sup-porters of Governor Ferguson, in mass meeting assembled, do RE-

number of newspapers of this state, and particularly certain daily papers, are discriminating Governor Ferguson and her sup- called to protest against the charporters in the matter of carrying her acter of campaign which is being messages, through their news col- conducted against Governor Fergu umns, to the voters of the state in son and to lend encouragement, aid that they are minimizing the space and support to her candidacy. allotted to her and them while on the other hand they are assigning large portions of their news columns to the messages of her opponent and his supporters, and in adof her opponent and his supporters, mature and petted little spokesman

in behalf of the voters; and in this connection we commend to said is impeccable and without stain; newspapers, with respect, the creed and we view with alarm even the of a lamented ex-president and journalist, who wrote, among other things, respecting the conduct of his organization and discarded political

Colds, Grippe, Flu, Dengue, the school term for our children Bilious Fever and Malaria. It kills the germs

insertion. Minimum charge 50c. Initials and each group of figures count as one word. Short li seven words—Capitals double.

NASTY, expensive tobacco and snuff habits easily, inexpensively over-Send address fectively, economically and consoncome without drugs. to W. F. Stokes, Mohawk, Florida. ant with sound democratic prin-8-19-3 ciples, then there is grave need in

BABY CHICKS - Hatching every much less of Moodyism. week in the year. I am the only poultry man in the South who ever Governor Ferguson's opponent deems went to England for poultry. In 1923 it either prudent or necessary, even I returned with the largest shipment to satisfy an inordinate political of English White Leghorns ever ambition, to cast by insinuation, inbrought to Am ica. Write for cata-logue and prices. The Original, the public record of the first wom-Oldest Johnson Poultry Ranch in an governor of Texas, and we de-Texas. Wolfe City, Texas. 8-12-t nounce as dangerous to the public weal that autocratic attitude as-

FLETCHER'S FARMING is a \$1.00 a sumed by her opponent which conyear monthly farm, livestock and home journal, but to introduce it into have conference and consultation; more homes all the numbers contain- and in this connection we commend ing the continued story, "The Water Bearer" a thrilling story of a western ranch girl, will be sent to any address for 25c cash with the order direct to Fletcher's Farming, Hondo, have confronted her; furthermore Texas. Send your trial order today. have confronted her; furthermore ALBERTA HOTEL If you prefer, send \$2.00 and get both opponent to tell the people of Texas this paper and Farming one year at the price of the Forum alone. Send not heretofore as attorney general your \$2.00 today. Sample free on of Texas used his vast powers to

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FORTY DOLLARS AN ACRE for gratualtions upon the fact that unland in ten-acre blocks or larger. der her wise and conservative use two miles from tarviated road. Four of the Governor's powers legitimate miles from Floresville, twenty-seven business, large and small, as well miles from San Antonio. Good for as the great body of the people, fruit, berries, grapes, vegetables, poultry. Good fil and mineral local-lieved unequalled by any similar Buy now. C. L. Patterson, period heretofore. esville, Texas. 8-12-6 (5) We commend the first wom-Floresville, Texas.

Winnsboro Organizes Club For Ferguson and Roll Is Signed by More Than 500

that there would not be any charges filed in the special session.

that if any thing is wrong with any for her defeat for the nomination Mulinax, Mrs. J. J. Mullinax, J. by Mrs. Joe K. Morris was adopted by unanimous vote:

WHEREAS in the present run
which were that such one is guilty of a prominent of the state, and any one has evidence of a concrete nature, that such one is guilty of a prominent of the such of the such one is guilty of a promine one has evidence of a concrete nature, that such one is guilty of a nomination of Mrs. Ferguson in the merman, W. S. Summerlin, Dose WHEREAS, two years ago the democratic party by a large majority nominated and thereupon elected ity nominated and thereupon elected ity nominated and thereupon elected in the solution of the WHEREAS, two years ago the ment the most effective and efficient method of getting their respective messages to the voters is through the daily and weekly press through the daily and weekly press through the first woman governor of Texas, being as through the first woman governor of Texas, being as through the first woman governor of Texas, being as through the first woman governor of Texas, being as through the first woman governor of Texas, being as through the first woman governor of Texas, being as the charges brought against the opposition in its determination to rule our great state. If the charges brought against Jim ton, A. G. Coston, J. II.

WHEREAS, two years ago the democratic party by a large major-ity nominated and thereupon elected the grand juries of Texas, that such charges may be investigated. But it is only like the many charges mination to rule our great state. If the charges brought against Jim Pritchett, Mrs. J. A. Mills, Mrs. D. A. Bayine, B. G. Crump, Mrs. J. E. ing Jim Ferguson. It is best for WHEREAS, Governor Ferguson is them, and suits their purpose best, WHEREAS, Governor Ferguson is them, and suits their purpose best, candidate for renomination for to only make veiled charges, and have him indicted. If it is unethical

their own interests? Why not vote for the man who has, and will continue to give his best for your own interest? When any one tells you that Jim is the biggest thief or rasnent and his supporters, and in addition are editoralizing their news columns in behalf of the messages of her opponent and his supporters, and in addition are editoralizing their news studied effort of Governor Ferguson's opponent, Dan Moody, the important of the messages of her opponent and his supporters and his supporters. why Moody don't pen him. Why not get them to furnish the district attorney of their district with any art of the forces of the Ku Klux of her opponent and his supporters, and are thus misleading and beclouding the minds of the voters upon the true issues and the facts connected therewith.

(2) We appeal to the said newspapers to desist from the course set forth above and to treat both candidates alike through their news columns in the public interest and in behalf of the voters; and in this supportion we are for the voters; and in this supporters, mature and petted little spokesman and petted little spokes

him. What the out of state people

an governor of Texas for her fidelity to every public trust; for calling a special session of the legislature to consider the subject of validating "Remember there are two sides to (2) We deplore the campaign of every question. Get both. Be hate and spite being conducted to consider the subject of validating certain road bonds; for the purpose of investigating if it has do pose of investigating, if it be de- W.

position and placing it on a profitmaking plane, restoring and placing the state treasury on a sound cash basis without a burdensome surplus, building more school houses and better school houses, extending the school term for our children throughout the state providing funds. hroughout the state, providing funds of the capital of Texas the political school teachers without increasing tical organization who and which our taxes and thus making it possible to secure better teachers to instruct and mold the minds of our youth, the building of more and satisfied

MRS. W. C. MARTIN, MRS. W. H. WRIGHT, MRS. W. S. BRAMLETT, MRS. JOE K. MORRISS, MRS. S. M. FIELDS, MRS. EDITH WILLMANS.

Committee on Regulations The members of the club pledged themselves to exert their best efforts to bring out the Ferguson voters in Dallas and Dallas county and to lot and a fair count in every box Texas for more Fergusonism and in the city and county.

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ly endorse the administration of Mrs. H. J. Shirey, J. F. Holley, A. A. Miriam Ferguson af Governor of Northam, Mrs. A. A. Northam, W. Now to the democrats who see fit to support Mrs. Ferguson in the second primary, we want to say forces in Texas, who are clamoring Martin, Mrs. A. A. Northam, Mrs. A.

not the accusers bring the facts er second term in the democratic not lay their cards on the table face for Mrs. Ferguson to break pledges, How long the voters of Texas will let the scheming politician gull them into believing such statements, and voting to better the interests of the class that is not, and cannot be their equal, is to be seen. Why vote with the people who are working to best their own interests? Why not vote that your wife votes get some other person to do the same thing, see that your wife votes get out the voter who did not vote in the July primary, and make her governor of

> The membership roll of the club Klan and the big corporate interests which are behind the candidacy of Dan Moody.

Mrs. Lizzie Sellars, Geo. McCowan, C. W. L. Taylor, Pink Bowls, W. Laminack, Jim Crow, S. S. Moore, Mrs. Sallie Sullivan, R. D. Taylor, R. W. Oshields, O. M. Turner, E. B. Martin, R. M. Jones, J. T. Jackson, M. C. Brewer, J. W. Thompson, J. Reynolds, C. N. Mullinax, Mrs. N. Mullinax, J. M. Ward, Mrs. D. Kennington, J. B. Stevens, W. Dykes, R. S. Summerlin, J. Dickson, J. L. Nicholson, B. truthful. Get the facts. I would against Governor Miriam A. Fergurather have one story exactly right son and denounce the unfair methods of her opponent in dodging the fair. Be generous. In reporting a political gathering get the facts; voters in making their selection of and thus yield to the ungenerous and the yield the thus yield to the ungenerous and the yield the thus yield to the thus yield to the ungenerous and the yield the yiel tell the story as it is, not as you would like to have it. Treat all parties alike. If there is any politics to be played, we will play it in our editorial columns. If it possibly can be avoided never bring ignominy to the possibly can be avoided never bring ignominy to the possibly can be avoided never bring ignominy to the possibly can be avoided never bring ignominy to the possibly can be avoided never bring ignominy to the possibly can be avoided never bring ignominy to the possibly can be avoided never bring ignoming their selection of a candidate for governor and in undefined and confuse the public with the cry that the issues and clarify the public the issues and clarify the public mind thereon, for thereby, as we believe, the voters will not fail.

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Several large tracts for sub-division, also small tracts for farmers. Good cotton crop this year. This is a good time to come to the valley while you can see what the crop is producing. We shipped over two hundred cars of onions out of Willacy county this year. Cotton is coming in now. People are coming in from all parts of the United States. If you want to double your money on your investment or buy a farm for a home come on down.

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JIM FERGUSON, EDITOR

DAN MOODY'S FEEBLE REPLY BEFORE HIS SILK STOCKING CROWD

At the meeting of the State Executive Committee when Lon Curtis, a good lawyer representing Governor Ferguson, filed a pleading setting forth that Dan had violated the law by accepting campaign contributions of Satterwhite and Bobbitt, two avowed candidates for the legislature, Dan appeared before the committee and said he wanted to answer the pleading. He was accorded the opportunity to speak. In a feeble, stammering way he made an eight minute speech by the watch. In that speech he said he had entered the campaign clean and he would come out clean. He said the pleading was insufficient in law and filed for political purposes. He said Mr. Curtis had made the charge in order to get it in the newspapers and that the allegations in the petition were as far from the truth as the east was from the north. I was sitting directly in front of this young statesman and I thought that these remarks were but the prelude to a great speech by the great man that they had told me that he was. Imagine my agreeable surprise when after making the above remarks he suddenly stopped and quit the drive.

The next day in Austin the papers said that Dan would make reply to the governor's announcement for the run-off primary and the next day they said he had decided to put it off for two days more, and then they said that he had decided to wait until Saturday to answer the governor's announcement.

They advertised a big Moody rally in Dallas and their crowd gathered on Saturday and I suppose the public will be justified in taking the Dallas News' account of who was there and what was said, and from that everybody should be permitted to draw their own conclusion.

To begin with the Dallas News, though now the avowed partisan of Moody, only claimed they had six thousand people. O. B. Colquitt, who now is the political and confidential adviser of Moody, claimed that there was a representative from 117 counties. However, in the list of notables present there were not representatives from more than ten counties, including the telegrams. Those participating in the meeting by wire and personal presence were Thos. H. Ball of Houston, Marshall Hicks of Laredo, Cato Sells of Fort Worth, Tom Love of Dallas, Dr. A. C. Scott of Temple, Sister Zehner of Dallas, Frank Davis of San Antonio and George Purl of Dallas. It was certainly an insult to anybody's intelligence to think that the politics of this crowd had been forgotten. It is the same crowd that two years ago at Waco were prominent in the Ku Klux convention which headed by Bill Hanger of Fort Worth organized the Ku Klux delegation for McAdoo and went to New York and assisted every other Ku Klux delegation in a fruitless attempt to nominate McAdoo. They tell me that Colquitt has also joined the Klan and is now affiliating with this active bunch of Ku Klux politicians. Each and every one of them bolted the ticket two years ago and they are now trying to lecture somebody on the virtue of keeping promises and pledges.

Withdrawal and Resignation

I have read the full text of Dan Moody's reply to the governor's announcement and it consumes three columns of the Dallas News, which is alleged to be given in full. The first half column is taken up with a long discussion of the necessity of establishing a democratic form of government and he claims that though my wife was elected by the people two years ago that she has taken advice from me. For that reason he says he announced for governor. The next column was taken up in a feeble attempt to try to explain that he had accepted the governor's proposition to withdraw if she led him 25,000 votes. But he was careful not to deny that in his attempted acceptance that he had said that "I accept the challenge issued by Jim in his wife's name." He did not deny that in the

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newspaper statements that he had called the governor's proposition "Jim's Bluff." His only argument was that he had understood that he had accepted it and the people had understood that he had accepted the challenge. But Moody has not denied that his acceptance was in the language stated by the governor. Therefore his friends can explain all they want to but the fact remains that Moody never accepted the governor's proposition. If he intended to accept and did not know how to accept then that is another example of his lack of ability as a third class lawyer. Moody did not deny the governor's position that the primary referred to in the proposition made by her included the July and August primaries. Evidently for the first time after his attention had been called to it he has read the law which says that where there is a run-off primary the July and August primaries are counted as one primary. It is true that the governor had a dozen applications for appointment as Attorney General as the result of her proposition, but as Moody had not accepted her proposition and had not even given her the courtesy of replying she did not have the authority to promise the appointment to anybody.

The next column of his argument is that Dan violently complains because the governor did not withdraw from the race after announcing that she would do so. What Dan is really mad about is that the governor would not withdraw and let him and the Ku Klux have it all to themselves. The governor's position is that she really wanted to retire to private life, but that as soon as she saw that the Ku Klux were claiming the victory as the result of an edict of the Grand Wizard last November she decided that she would be willing to bear the criticism rather than take away from the people the right to say whether they wanted a Ku Klux supported governor or not. Dan nor Evans have denied that the edict of Evans was as stated by the governor. If the people want to elect a man who is the choice of Hiram Evans for governor of this state then Governor Ferguson is going to give them a chance to do so. If they don't want such a governor then she likewise is going to give them a chance to say so. It is ridiculous indeed and an insult to the intelligence of the people of Texas to talk about irresponsible government because I happen to have given my wife an assistance in the governor's office and at the same time talk about voting for Dan Moody who is the candidate of the irresponsible and unreliable Ku Klux emperor and who by his royal edict turned the 345,000 votes which he delivered to Felix Robertson two years ago to Dan Moody in this campaign. The most irresponsible governor that could be set up in any country would be a governor sitting in office to which he had been elected by the vote of the Ku Klux Klan, the members of which promise obedience to the dictates of the government of the Ku Klux Klan to the exclusion of all governments, state and national. So far as I am concerned I accept the challenge from Mr. Moody and his crowd for all time to come on the question of irresponsible government and I say the Ku Klux government is the one I am talking about. If any of our friends want to get weak and falter in this fight which we are making against irresponsible government they can do so, but as for me and mine there is no compromising. I seek no quarter and I will extend none on this question. The question is shall we have a government run by Emperors, Dragons, Titans and Goblins appointed by royal decree or shall we have a government run by governors and officers elected and appointed by the people.

The Gasoline Tax

Again Dan Moody says that the gasoline tax is political clap-trap and that he is opposed to the levy of any additional tax on gasoline. He says that the citizen pays this tax and that it is not paid by the oil companies but by the consumer of the gasoline. This is the most astounding admission of ignorance and misstatement of facts that was ever uttered by a public officer in Texas. If his statement is ignorantly made then his people ought to put him in the feeble minded institution. If it is intentionally made he is the biggest hypocrite out of captivity. The people don't pay one nickle of this tax and there is no man that owns an automobile in Texas that has even been called on to pay a gasoline tax. This tax is paid directly by the oil companies through the proper officers into the state treasury. The oil companies as is well known fix the price of gasoline. The public has nothing to do either with the fixing of the price or the payment of the tax. Of course the oil companies will in any event make the people pay all they can stand whether they have to pay a tax to the state or not. Therefore whatever tax can be collected from the oil companies by law is just that much saved to the tax payer and if the government does not levy the tax on these oil companies who have made billions out of the price which they fix on gasoline then the government must levy an additional ad valorem tax on the real estate and personal property of the people of Texas. This is why the general attorney of the Magnolia Oil company mentioned in the governor's statement said that if they could elect Dan Moody on a platform opposed to the gasoline tax that they could save \$10,000,000 a year that would otherwise go to relieve the tax burdens of the people.

The Public Schools

The State Board of Education acting under the positive instructions of the law had to fix the state school apportionment at \$11.50 for each child in the public schools. The governor says that \$15.00 is needed and that she is in favor of that sum and

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the people now are confronted with the two propositions. And they are either to elect Dan Moody on his platform of being opposed to the gasoline tax and then have the people taxed on their property some \$4,000,000 to raise the school apportionment so the children can have a full school term or to elect Ma Ferguson on her platform to tax the oil companies on the sale of gasoline and save this tax burden from the backs of the people. In other words if the voters want to let the oil companies go free and continue to make billions and tax themselves for an additional amount then let them vote for Dan Moody. If they do not then let them vote for Ma Ferguson. Just let the people remember I have warned them in time. If the people want to know where the great slush fund came from in this campaign just let them look around and they will see that every big oil company lobbyist is supporting Dan Moody and voting against the governor.

Mr. Moody's Campaign Expenses

But greatest of all Mr. Moody did not deny the charges made by the governor in her announcement that Mr. Moody had admitted in his sworn affidavit that he had received contributions from other candidates in violation of law. Every body had thought that in Moody's promised reply he would explain to the people this charge which directly affects his right to go on the democratic ticket and to hold office. I shall not permit this charge to go unanswered. Mr. Moody in his sworn statement swears that he received \$250.00 from each, Lee Satterwhite and R. L. Bobbitt, who are two well known candidates for the legislature, and of course Mr. Moody could not make anybody believe that he did not know at the time he received such contributions that they were candidates. Read these three statutes and see if any fair minded man can say that Moody has not violated the law and that by his own affidavit he has furnished the proof of such violation. For six long months of their great cry of Fergusonism Moody and his crowd tried to indict me in the Travis County Grand Jury. I now call upon the friends of Moody who have been backing him to bring him to trial and if he has any defense to the undisputed facts he ought not to be afraid to submit it to a court and jury.

Art. 267. "Any candidate for nomination in a primary election or his campaign manager or the assistant campaign manager, who shall directly or indirectly himself or by or through another person, give, pay, expend or contribute any money or thing of value for the furtherance of the candidacy of any other candidate shall be fined not to exceed one thousand dollars or be

confined in jail not to exceed one year, or both. Revised Criminal Statutes, 1925."

Art. 268. "Any candidate or other person who furnishes, gives, or delivers to another person any money or other thing of value to be used in violation of or for any purpose prohibited by any provision of this chapter and any person who receives or accepts any money or thing of value to be used in violation of or for any purpose prohibited by any provision of this chapter shall be punished by a fine not to exceed \$1,000.00, or by confinement in jail for not more than one year, or by both such fine and imprisonment, or by confinement in the penitentiary for not less than one nor more than five years. Revised Criminal Statutes, 1925."

"Any candidate who shall Art. 3173. knowingly violate, or who shall knowingly permit or assent to the violation of any provision of this chapter by any campaign manager or assistant campaign manager, or other person, shall thereby forfeit his right to have his name placed upon the primary ballot, or if nominated in the primary election, to have his name placed on the official ballot at the general election. Proceedings by quo warranto to enforce the provisions of this article or to determine the right of any candidate alleged to have violated any provision of this chapter, to have his name placed on the primary ballot, or the right of any nominee alleged to have violated any provision of this chapter to have his name placed upon the official ballot for the general election, may be instituted at the suit of any citizen in the district court of any county, the citizens of which are entitled to vote for or against any candidate who may be charged in such proceedings with any such violation. All such proceedings so instituted shall be advanced and summarily heard and disposed of by both the trial and appellate courts. Revised Civil Statutes, 1925."

Election Frauds

Again I want to call attention to our friends everywhere that they need not think that the governor does not have a good chance to win this election as the people have begun to learn of the silent activities of the Ku Klux Klan in this campaign and they begin to learn of Moody's violation of the election law and of his support by the oil companies they are turning away from him in droves. The majority of the people who voted in the primary voted against Moody. There is every evidence of fraud in the election. In Houston county there

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were one thousand more votes for governor than for other candidates. In Harris county there were 5000 more votes for governor than for other candidates. In Dallas county there were 3000 more votes for governor than for other candidates. In Tarrant county there were 2000 more votes for governor than any other candidate. In the election there were 117,000 more votes cast for governor than for lieutenant governor. There were 151,000 more votes for governor than there was in the attorney general's race. There were 137,000 more votes in the governor's race than there was in the

railroad commissioners' race. There were 100,-000 more votes in the governor's race than there was in the commissioner of agriculture's race. There was 162,000 more votes in the governor's race than there was in the treasurer's race. These excessive amounts represent in all probability the stuffing of the ballot boxes and we are going to have supervisors in this run-off primary and make this corruption impossible again.

Let the people be not afraid to go to the polls and demand a square deal and an honest count.

JAS. E. FERGUSON.