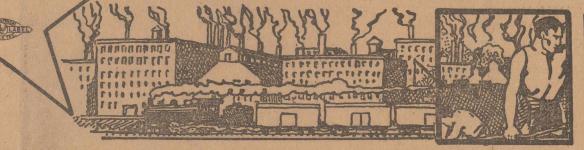
# The Ferguson Forum

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# FERGUSON REPLIES TO MOODY

Daniel J. Moody claiming to be a democrat is fighting and opposing a good woman for a second term in the Governor's office. He brings no charge against her or her official acts save and except that she has taken advice and sometimes follows the advice of her husband.

I am the husband that he has in mind. In his formal announcement some days ago for the first time in the history of Texas politics, he, a candidate for governor, attacks a private citizen, and he unwittingly says that I have greater power and influence than any public official. He says that Texas should not elect a woman governor for the second term because she might continue to take my advice.

If he is sincere in this charge then I suppose when he takes unto himself his bride in a few weeks as announced in the papers he will very promptly and emphatically inform her that she must not even attempt to advise him or confer with him in any way about any official duty or action because it is a crime against the public for him as a public official to take any advice from his wife. In other words wives shall be seen and not heard. They of course can vote for him, but they can not and will not be consulted. Somebody said that America had three great egotists, one being Charles Sumner of Massachusetts and that E. M. House was the other two. I think this statement is wrong and in my opinion Dan Moody is the whole three.

I think the fruit has been pulled too soon and this spoiled child has neither brains nor platform to sustain his candidacy.

**Moses Moody** 

A few disappointed political has beens and a few more so-called high toned city women are kicking up a lot of sand and they say that Dan is the Moses to lead them out of political bondage. And then some of them thinking that would put Dan a little too much out of date now say that he is the new Savior that is sent to save the country and to prove it they say that Dan is just 33 years old and that he has been in office three years, which is just the age of the Savior and the same length of the Savior's ministry. All this may be historically correct, but I want to remind this crowd of fanatics that Moses only saw the promised land and never entered therein and that the Savior's ministry only lasted three years. Dan may be a heaven-bound soldier, but the only time he will ever look like a Savior will be when he is nailed to the cross on the 24th day of July. He may have title to mansions in the skies, but he is a gone fawnskin as far as this world is concerned. He might be a Savior if he had divinity. He might suffer crucifixion if he had a message. Lacking both he is blowed up.

History of Moody's Platform

Let us go back a little and see if we ever heard this argument about the crime of me advising my wife. This tune will be familiar to us all, because it is so recent. It is the same tune that was sung by Felix Robertson, the Klux candidate, less than two years ago. It was the same tune that was sung by Butte, the Republican-Klux candidate just a little over a year ago. All over this state this same charge was made and the people were warned against the awful danger of me whispering in my wife's ear. The people heard the argument by this same bunch of so-called would-be political Saviors and Moses. The people flatly turned it down in two elections by more than one hundred thousand majority. In those two contests where was this same said Daniel J. Moody? He was with the verdict of the people (or was supposed to be) and voted that way and I dare him to deny it. He voted to reject the crowd that was making the same argument that he is making now. If he was right then he is wrong now. If he is right now he was a hypocrite then. He had not then got the Governor's bee in his bonnet. But he no sooner had landed in the Attorney General's office when he began to find something to run for Governor on.

## Personal Attacks

As he has jumped on me I suppose I won't be hung if in my own feeble, stammering way, I venture a reply to his charges. He says that I am a private citizen and

that I admitted that I am "a salaried employe of a railroad." It was not necessary for me to admit anything for I told the people in an open statement to the press in five minutes after I as a private citizen became a "salaried employe" of a railroad. If Dan Moody wants to say that it is a crime to be a "salaried employe" of a railroad then I accept the challenge and I have no apologies to offer. Although my "salaried employe" service ended on Jan. 1, yet I want to say that the "salaried employes" of the railroads of Texas are just as good, just as honorable and honest as Dan Moody and this whole durn silk stocking crowd that is running him.

Yes, I know they call me a rough neck and they say I am uneducated, but I notice they don't forget us "salaried employes" and rough necks when it comes time to pay taxes in time of peace and shoulder a gun in time of war. Say, Dan, how much taxes did you ever pay and just when did you go to war. Did you ever file a plea for exemption from service or ask deferred classification?

## Moody and the Forum

Again Dan Moody says I operate a newspaper carrying expensive advertisements of corporations while legislation affecting their interest was pending. I do not know to what advertisement or corporation he refers. Let him make the charge calling names and facts. I have been running The Forum for nearly nine years and if he wants to make the charge that it is a crime to take advertisements then let him jump on the Fort Worth Star Telegram and the Houston Post-Dispatch whose daily columns are filled with advertisements of corporations while they are supporting him for Governor. But Daniel, it is up to you. If you can show any corruption in the Forum ads, the bridle is off; let the people know the facts.

## Moody Seeks Ferguson Aid

I never saw Dan Moody until about two months before the last primary. In twenty minutes after he met me he asked me to support him for Attorney General. Through the influence of mutual friends I agreed to do so. I never even asked him to support my wife. I kept my promise. He was unknown in the greater part of Texas. My little paper, The Forum, boosted and bragged on him because his friends asked me to do so. The Forum was a wonderful paper as long as it was bragging on Moody for Attorney General, but when it takes a few ads to make a living for its editor then it becomes a great criminal in the mind of this young hero—the only honest man of the age—he admits it.

Ferguson and Highway Commission

Then Dan says that I have sat with the Highway Commission. The whole public is doing the same thing. Dan is mad because they won't sit with him. They said there was something wrong with the Highway Commission. The Governor told me to find out what was the matter. The thing was so big it took me about three months to get on to what was going on. To get the whole dope I not only had to sit with the Commission but I had to sit up with it. From the information which I furnished the Governor she decided to reorganize the Commission and it is now working good. That is why Dan is mad. He wants to run it. He wants to tell them what to build and what not to build. He told a senator that he was going to keep his eye on everybody in the capitol. Old Doctor Sappington, the State Health Officer, is now scared to death because he has heard that this young bachelor is not satisfied with the way he is running the child hygiene baby raising end of his department.

**Moody Renders Service** 

Now I think some people are not fair to Dan and they are so brutal as to say what everybody knows that Dan has not rendered any real service to the state. However, I want to say for him that he is now preparing to render a lasting service to the state. He is fixing himself so he will never afflict the people again as a public official. If he had not announced for Governor the people would have given him a second term and for two years more his office would have been more or less vacant, and outside of close attention to the Travis County Grand Jury and

the Justice Courts, and official dictation to the city officials of Austin, the people would not have had much service in the Attorney General's office. But now Dan has a heart and he will soon eliminate himself and will pester the people no more.

Ferguson and Text Books

Again Dan says that I have had a member of the Text Book Commission connected with the paper of which I am the head. Jumping on the poor old Forum again. He refers to Mr. Frank Chudej, whose name among others was sent to the Governor by the board composed of the President of the University, the President of the A. & M. college, the president of the C. I. A., the president of the San Marcos Teachers college and Superintendent Marrs, as a person suitable and qualified to serve on the Text Book Commission. Mr. Chudej is of Bohemian extraction with more than ten years experience in teaching in the rural schools. He is a gentleman of character and ability. Being so recommended by the board of prominent educators, the Governor thought she was justified in appointing him.

**Moody Against Bohemians** 

Dan Moody does not dare say he is not qualified for this responsible place and he is only mad at him because he is my friend and employe of the Forum and because he is a Bohemian. Say Dan, how many Bohemians went to war before you did from Taylor, where they say they drafted you to run for Governor? I have heard there were more than a hundred, but as you live there I am sure you can furnish the correct information.

Moody Against Ferguson Clerk

But the great crime which in the mind of this 33-yearold kid is that I have become the clerk of the Text Book Commission. In the first breath he is kicking about me being a private citizen and then he tears his hair because I become a humble clerk. I have toted in the wood and water for a year for my victuals and no clothes, and now comes Daniel with a college diploma in one pocket and a marriage license in the other and kicks about me getting promoted to clerk. It ain't fair. I ain't treated right. ought not to be treated so bad. If I don't get more encouragement I am going to quit. I really had hopes, I thought I was coming back good, but when the Attorney General of Texas goes to pawing up the earth every time a clerk is appointed then it is mighty plain that us little fellows ain't going to get a square deal. I am agin Dan Moody for Governor. Not because he is going to bother Ma, but I am agin him because he is trying to take my clerk's job away from me.

**Moody and Marrs** 

Now Daniel, just listen to me. What you and old man Marrs are mad about is that you did not get the book adopted that Marrs wanted. There was only one vote for the Marrs speller and that was his vote, and there were six votes for the book that was adopted, the number required by law. The people who cast those six votes are high class teachers and honest men and women. When you insinuate that there was anything wrong with the text book adoption you slander them and you are not going to deceive anybody by jumping on me. Whenever you get ready to jump on me I will endeavor to keep you from getting lonesome, but in the meantime I want to resent the insinuation that is coming from you and Marrs about there being something wrong in the actions of the Text Book Commission.

Ferguson Challenges Moody

If there is any corruption why don't you report it to the Travis County Grand Jury? You while Attorney General have been with your assistants infesting the Grand Jury rooms for five months, while the important duties of Attorney General have been neglected and you have not won an important case since you have been in office. Why did you not help the Archer County people when the bond litigation was first submitted in Washington?

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## THE FERGUSON FORUM

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## GETTING READY TO DO IT AGAIN

Mr. Thomas B. Love of Dallas is a candidate for State Senator, and in his article of announcement he stresses the fact that he did all he could for Dr. Butte two years ago. He emphasizes that fact in a way that makes it appear the most conspicuous plank in his platform and his principal claim for sup-

Mr. Love's opponent, Senator John Davis, remained loyal to his party and supported Mrs. Ferguson in the general election, though she was not his choice in the primary. The is sue therefore which Mr. Love has raised in his race against Senator Davis is whether party loyalty or party disloyalty should be rewarded. He is asking the democrats of Dallas to make a party deserter their standard bearer in the state

Mr. Love may look upon the democratic party as a mere conglomeration of voters to be led, driven, bartered or be trayed as political whims may urge. He may regard himself as the master of the party instead of its servant, that his will instead of its servant, that his will instead of his party's will should be done, and that he should be privileged to ruin his party in November if he can't rule it in July and August. But his rule-of-ruin tactics will not succeed—if they do the party will be destroyed.

Any democrat has the right in exceptional cases to break his pledge to support his party nominees, though such a right is doubtful; it is conceivable that in the interest of harmony one who has scratched the party ticket should be welcomed back into the next party primary, but it is unthinkable that a party bolter should be permitted to capitalize his perfidy make his desertion the chief plank in his platform, and ask the honor of a nomination at the hands of the party he had

Mr. Love is of course not alone in the attitude he thus as sumes, and he knows it. His feelings are shared by a good many thousands of his fellow bolters who, like him, seem proud of having bolted and apparently are getting ready to do it again. The situation is exactly as it was two years ago. Mrs. Ferguson is again a candidate and likely to be named again as the party nominee for governor, and thousands (though not all) of those who voted for Butte expect to come into the primary this year, prevent Mrs. Ferguson's nomination if they can, and if they fail they expect to repudiate their pledge just as they did before, flop over to the Republican party in November and defeat her if they can in the general elction. That is what Mr. Creager says they will do and no doubt that is what Mr. Love intends to do, and he is hereby challenged to tell the Democrats of Texas whether he will support Mrs. Ferguson in the general election if she is the Dmocratic nominee

The integrity of the Democratic Party must be maintained if it is to live and serve the cause of good government. It might as well disband as to subscribe to Mr. Love's doctrine that a voter has the right to repudiate his party's nominee and then come right back into the next primary prepared to do the same thing again. A political party can not exist on that basis, if such a condition is permitted to continue a party nomination will be worthless. The purpose of a primary is to name the party nominees, and those who are not willing to help elect those nominees have no right to help name them.

I am not opposed to the return of those who voted for Butte in the last election, provided they return in good faith and are willing to respect the will of the party. I do object to the return of those who boast of scratching the nominee two years ago and who know beforehand that under the same circumstances they will do the same thing again this year. I am willing to help elect the next Democratic nominee for governor, whatever his or her name may be. I don't claim the high-handed privilege of defeating my party just because it refuses to nominate the candidate of my choice, and I'm not willing for Mr. Love and his friends to have any such privilege. Before they come into this primary we have a right to a Democratic Governor next November.

Terrell, Texas.

J. ROY HARDIN.

## MEMORIAL COINS TO BE RETURNED

All of the Stone Mountain Memorial Coins which have not been sold by April 1 are to be returned to the federal treas- of March is rare. ury at Washington, according to advices sent out by Hollins N. Randolph, president of the Stone Mountain Confederate Monumental association.

There are many Texas cities which have not yet disposed a word of it. of their quota of these coins and a final drive was made early in the week to sell them. The price of memorial 50-cent coins will remain at \$1.00 each until April 15, when the price will be advanced to \$2.00 each. This advance was decided upon by the Confederate Monumental association by resolutions adopted in February.

## MOODYISM IS COSTLY

Chambers county, evidently is not deluded by certain propa- March usurped April's privilege and furnished showers enough ganda about saving money on road contracts. Discussing a for some time to come. report that the attorney general might refuse to approve further issues of road bonds the Progress says:

piration to be governor, cost the state thousands of dollars political and financial conditions in Texas. and saved it nothing."

That editor has the courage of his convictions and can figure for himself what Dan has done to bring loss upon the

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when larger industrial activity is encouraged.

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will be the best means for getting the truth about the poli- of hate and prejudice.

scribing for the Forum and get your neighbors to subscribe.
You get all the news of the campaign, all election returns and final results in November for \$1.00 which will carry the Forum to you until January 1, 1927.

Washington newspaper reporters will need identification young and Grover Adams, candidates for District Judge; Ben F. jackers for victims to identify. One hi-jacker victim the for Justice of the Peace; Schuyler as suspect as his assailant.

It is interesting and also instructive to note that in the organization of Moody clubs in several cities of the state leading officers and participants are, or at least have been, active members of the Ku Klux Klan. In one north Texas city out of three preachers who boosted the Moody club, two had been for the form of prominent in klan circles.

## IS IT A FAILURE?

C. R. Rochelle, a Dallas citizen, in an article to the Dallas Morning News comments upon the assertions of Dr. J. B. Cranfill and some others to the effect that the Ferguson administration has been a failure. Mr. Rochelle is brief, but pointed in his commentary and it will be difficult to make he average Texan believe that a government which has made the record recited by Mr. Rochelle, is a failure. Here is the way he puts it:

"Dr. Cranfill and two or there others agreed that the Fer guson administration is a complete failure. Now, here is

complete failure to their way of thinking:

"More money in the state treasury than in all history. Not citizen killed by rangers. Penitentiary system paying and out of debt. All state departments functioning splendidly. More good roads than ever before. No martial law declared anywhere in the state. In other words, state government and state in fine condition.

"C. R. ROCHELLE,

If this is a failure then tax payers will welcome more of

## TEXAS POTASH DEPOSITS

an editorial in the Houston Chronicle, in which the interview to justify an indictment. irst was published and then reproduced in the Forum. The

investment will pay a rich return.

"That there are immense, indeed practically inexhaustible deposits of potash in Texas, is certain.

"Dr. Flood is not guessing nor theorizing. He knows by practical personal tests and he confirms what Dr. Charles W. Dabney of Houston and Professor Sellards of the University of Texas and other distinguished geologists have said.

'That we must depend on Germany for our potash, every intelligent person knows, and that we are being charged exorbitant, unconscionable prices for it is equally well known.

quirement embodied in the lease, is that nitrates such as we

following news item:

Pensacola, Fla.—According to figures compiled by E. W. Speed, local freight agent of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company, potash and nitrate cargoes aggregating more than 30,000 tons and valued at \$1,500,000 have recently reached Pensacola. The potash was shipped from Germany and the nitrates from Chile.

"Are the people of Texas willing to continue to pay tribute to Germany to get material to make fertilizers while there are millions, if not billions of tons accessible in the boundaries of their own state?

"Efforts have been made to enlist northern capital in the which, and the fact that it can be more easily mined than that | their whole duty. in Germany, has been made clear, but for some reason the appeal has been unheeded.

"Not only has congress not encouraged the development of potash deposits, but has so fixed the tariff as to facilitate for governor, we won't have any more.

For Constable, Precinct No. 5:
G. E. HAMRICK imports from Germany. 'When such a situation is presented, the action for Texas

to take is for her legislature to make, at the earliest possible day, an appropriation adequate to thoroughly test the area of the potash fields and the depth of the deposit and actually produce potash for market.

"When the statements of practical geologists are in that way confirmed, capital will gladly invest in the production know that they are willing, without reservation, to help elect of potash just as it has done in the production of oil, and those capable of judging say the production will be surer and the profits larger."

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An eleven-inch snow in the Texas Panhandle at the end

The answer by Jim Ferguson to Dan Moody which appears in full in the Forum makes interesting reading. Don't miss

Business is gaining by leaps and bounds in Texas and conditions indicate greater gains in wealth and population than in any previous year.

Judging from the type of weather throughout the country the last week the weather man must have slipped an eccentric and lost his balance wheel.

Texas is now ready for Easter sunshine and flowers but Dallas Women Hear The Anahuac Progress, published at the county seat of for a few weeks can dispense with April showers, because

We ask our friends everywhere to help circulate the "If Dan Moody has his way much longer there will be no road building in the state. He has already, through his as-

As long as chivalry survives in the south southern men will before the Dallas League of Women remove their hats in elevators with women. Courtesy always is becoming and men do not get too busy to practice courtesy. Some of them just fail to appreciate what it means.

Read the Forum and you will keep posted about Texas

Those who wish to know just what Dan did by his highway suits and settlements will find some enlightening records in the statement made by Former Governor Ferguson in his
Texas resources will be developed at a more rapid rate in the statement made by Former Governor Ferguson in his reply to Moody's attack upon him. Read the truth.

Voters, remember that the selection of members of the Fortieth Texas legislature is a matter of highest importance to the whole state. Select men who will serve the whole As interest increases in the state campaign the Forum people and not be subservient to selfish interests of agents

will be the best means for getting the truth about the politicians.

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Tom Love, formerly of Missouri, is seeking a seat in the state senate upon a platform of bolting the regular demoints ticket in 1924. Senator J. Roy Hardin has something to say about the former Missourian and his fellow Klux-Butte bolters that makes interesting reading. Read it thoughtfully.

Washington newspaper reporters will need identification tags if they are to be subjected to being lined up with hi-

Texas is prospering both in public and private affairs. The I to a great crop, so why worry?

## What Will They Say Now, Is Asked by Lockhart Citizen of Foes of the Fergusons

Editor Forum: What will the enemies of the Fergusons say now, since reading the report of the Travis county grand jury, in which this the third grand jury say they used stenographic reports of two former juries went fully into all details, contracts and used testimony gathered from North, East, West and South Texas and failed to find any facts on which one lynching in Texas in 1925, the first year since records have been kept—1882. Not an insane person in jail. All warrants paid in full. All schools in fine condition. Not one that the three grand juries were bought or were the jurors friends of the Fergusons? Hardly. The writer knows many f them, and they are honorable, good citizens. Well, perhaps the prosecuting attorneys were bought off. My understanding is Dan Moody spent a large part of his time with these juries. am confident he was not bought off. Don't believe that can be done, my opinion is he is too honorable a gentleman for purchase, do think he has made several mistakes. But mistakes are not crimes. No, Dan did not sell out, they just cians say Moody will be nominated in first primary. I'm not a politician, failed to find any facts to justify an indictment.

The county attorney—let's investigate him. I have known him about thirty years as an honest, upright citizen and official. The present county attorney, who, if facts had warranted, he would indict and prosecute as the law directs. But Jim Ferguson never had money enough to buy John Hornsby Attention is called to the interview with Dr. Flood, eminent geologist, upon the vast deposits of potash in Texas, in sell his virtue or good name. He just failed to find any facts

Well now there was J. D. Moore, district attorney. Chronicle says:

"We commend it especially to the careful consideration of the men engaged in the production of oil in Texas, and to all other men who are willing to invest their money in the development of the mareial resources of Texas, when such investment will never a rich return. The well how there was J. D. Moore, district attorney. Two kent how there was J. D. Moore, district attorney. Two kent how there was J. D. Moore, district attorney. Two kent how there was J. D. Moore, district attorney. Two kent how there was J. D. Moore, district attorney. Two kent how there was J. D. Moore, district attorney. Two kent how there was J. D. Moore, district attorney. Two kent how there was J. D. Moore, district attorney. Two kent how there was J. D. Moore, district attorney. Two kent how there was J. D. Moore, district attorney. Two kent how there was J. D. Moore, district attorney. or John Jones told me that Henry Smith told him that Dave Jenkins said he was satisfied the Fergusons were getting money for pardons and that they had conspired with road contractors and engineers to rob the state and pocket large sums of money. No, Jim is too honorable to ask for an indictment on such bush-wah as that. Really am embarrassed when Jim meets me. He has such winning ways, so pleasant. He as district attorney did not find facts for an indictment against the Fergusons. But if Jim had gotten facts to justify an indictment, Saint Patrick and Mike O'Brien could not have bought or persuaded Jim to lay down on his job. "Every day more fertilizers are being used, and potash as an essential indispensible ingredient in their manufacture. Congress has just named a committee to lease Muscle Shoals penitentiary, I mean the last in the Neff administration, my in North Alabama, where the government has spent more recollection, testimony showed that cattle had been killed than a hundred million dollars, and one, indeed the main rerecollection, testimony showed that cattle had been killed used by prison officials for private work, thousands of bushels now get from Chile for making fertilizers must be manufac- of corn hauled away, money collected at Ferry boat, embezzled and other irregularities, and what did the investigators "The Manufacturers Record, in a recent issue, carried the do, nothing. Most of those investigators are now members of the last legislature, and published or authorized a statement in mass meeting in Austin that it had been proven to their satisfaction that irregularities existed in several state departments, and that would justify the calling of an extra session of the legislature. All right. Listen, when these three grand juries were sworn in, the district judge, none better in the state, charged the jury to investigate every state department, and especially to diligently inquire into the workings of the state highway department. The judges charge was all any honest citizen could ask. And no indictment against any state official. What answer have you, gentlemen, who were so anxious for a special session? You can't say the judge, development of the Texas potash deposits, the magnitude of jurors, and state, county and district attorneys failed to do

The financial condition of the state is better than ever before, penitentiary on a paying basis, schools in better con-"It is believed that such an opportunity has been ignored dition than heretofore, we hear no complaint about any because many of the big capitalists of the east are interested irregularities in the deaf, dumb, blind, insane, weak minded in German potash production and the development of the children, or pasteur institute. It is true our state has not Texas deposits would mean an end to further importation. recorded any tar bucket parties or street bed sheet parades

LEA BEATY.

Lockhart, Texas.

## A TRIBUTE TO OUR GOVERNOR MRS. MIRIAM FERGUSON

An acrostic by Mrs. Mary N. Brown, Fort Worth

Miriam, high priestess of olden time, Into our lives you came to find, Righteousness trod upon, mercy denied, Injustice overruling the rights of men; All this to thy vision came, Making you Priestess once again.

Fairness and Justice are enshrined in thy heart, Ever faithful and loving to do thy part, Ruled by righteousness and divine sweet love, Grace shall be given thee as to one above. Ever faithful to the task as our governor, Ruled by right like Christ, the Lord, Souls of sadness and despair On thee rely for ways most fair,

Never in duty failing, thy skill most rare.

MRS. MARY N. BROWN. 1025 Washington Avenue, Fort Worth, Texas.

## Jim Ferguson Tell of Pardon Records

Dallas, Texas, March 28.-More and James E. Ferguson, who spoke n behalf of his wife, Gov. Miriam | Health. Ferguson, stated their platforms nis wife's pardon record, stating that she "inherited" a number of worthy cases from her predecessor.

Ref. Ferguson defended ed, and Dr. Ratph Baney, caused by the death of Dr. E. J. Rose, Palestine. vomen to their new duty of exercising the vote.

The local candidates who made short talks included Mrs. Edith Wilmans, candidate for Governor; ohn Davis, candidate for the State didates for Sheriff; Sumpter M. Speake, J. B. Finks and Arthur Velson, candidates for District Clerk. Mrs. Sarah Menezes presided at

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Health Department

Filled by Governor

Austin, Texas, March 25.—Two appointments were made Thursday by Gov. Miriam A. Ferguson to fill vacancies on the State Board of

Vacancies in State

Dr. Joseph R. Froeboesse, San An tonio was appointed to succeed Dr. M. F. Bledsoe, Port Arthur, resigned, and Dr. Ralph Bailey, Gates-

#### Los Angeles Man Is Named by Petroleum Geologists as Head

Dallas, Tex., March 27.-Alexander McCoy of Denver was today elected president of the American Association f Petroleum Geologists, succeeding E. L. Dyer, of New York. Mr. McCoy received 193 votes as against 184 fo John R. Shuman of Austin, the only other nomine Charles R. McCollom of Los An

geles was elected vice president, with 217 votes, Dr. W. J. Beede, of San Angeles received 150 votes for the same office. Fritz L. Aurian of Ponca City, Okla., was elected secretary-treasurer, receiving 218 votes. Dr. C. E. Decker of Norman, Okla. who has held the position the last year, received 155 votes. Dr. John L. Rich of Ottawa, Kas., was elected without opposition, editor of official publications, succeeding Raymond C. Moore, of Lawrence, Kas., resigned.

#### Mrs. Ferguson Will Lead Field Is View of Denison Citizen

To the News (Dallas).

I read in the Dallas News an article entitled "A Moody-for-Givernor Meet-Those good people have a right o call such meetings and support whom they please, I suppose, but the unny thing about it is to think of a ounch of bolters calling "mourners" and inviting all Democrats who supported the regular nominee to come

o repentance I, like J. B. Cranfill, have the oldfashioned notion that when a man goes into the primary he should vote or the nominee or refrain from vot-

ing at all. I cannot agree with Mr. Cranfill, the Ferguson administration has been an absolute failure, while there may have been mistakes made, it is apparent to my mind, taking it all together, it is the best we have had in ten years at least. I notice some politiout I'm going to venture a prediction that he'll be third in the race and Mrs. Ferguson will lead the field. W. T. HODGES
Denison Texas, R. F. D. No. 3.

### Troup Man Gets in State Senate Race For Five Counties

Troup, Texas, March 29.—Gary B. anford has announced his candidacy for state senator to represent the counties of Rusk, Gregg, Harrison, anola and Shelby.

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The Ferguson Forum is authorized to announce the following candidates for the offices listed before their names, subject to the action of the democratic primaries to be held Saturday. July 24, 1926:

For State Treasurer: J. R. BALL, of Travis County

BELL COUNTY

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# FERGUSON REPLIES TO MOODY

(Continued from Page One)

Unless you can produce the facts you ought to stop attacking the Text Book Commission. It is up to you. Put up or shut up.

## Moody's Highway Suits

I notice Dan touched his highway suits mighty light in his announcement. This is the issue upon which Dan Moody and his crowd originally intended to mislead the people with and elect him governor on. All I ask the people to do is to not only listen to the facts but demand the official facts and then I have no fears as to what the verdict will be. Now what are the facts?

## Highway Facts

On April 28, 1925, the Highway Commission by resolution duly entered in writing on its minutes accepted the proposition made in writing by the American Road Company and the Hoffman Construction Company, the proposal of the work for resurfacing the work with asphalt treatment of certain designated State Highways approximating 800 miles. This contract provided that said firms should resurface the roads with an asphalt treatment to be laid in two courses when so ordered by the State Maintenance Engineer. The price to be paid for said two course treatment was thirty cents per square yard. Mr. Moody brought suit to cancel the contracts of these two firms after they had laid one course of the treatment and in substance alleged that said firms had completed their contracts and the price contracted to be paid by the Highway Commission was so grossly excessive and unconscionable as to make it a fraud upon the state. As soon as the Attorney General filed this suit the governor asked the Highway Commission for a statement of facts covering the contracts. The Commission exhibited to the governor a statement in writing from the American Road Company which stated that said company acknowledged the right of the Highway Commission to demand a second course treatment and they were ready, able and willing to do the work, but that on account of Mr. Moody's suit they could not proceed to finish their contract in accordance with the two course specifications. When these facts were known the governor instructed the Highway Commission to appear in court and answer the suit of Mr. Moody charging the commission with fraud, and in view of the fact that Mr. Moody appeared unfriendly to the commission the governor employed two attorneys to assist the commission in making defense against Mr. Moody's suit, which was proposed to relieve the American Road Company from its contract and obligations to lay the second course of asphalt treatment. Instead of Mr. Moody's suit seeking to make the road company do something as it had agreed to do his petition sought to relieve them of their obligation to lay the second course treatment. As this meant great loss to the state the governor ordered the commission, through the attorneys appointed by her, to resist Mr. Moody's offer to relieve the road company of its obligation and to in every way protect the rights of the state.

It will be recalled that at that time there were flaming head lines about corruption in the Highway Department and all kinds of charges were made then and have been repeated down to this good hour. Under these conditions the Highway Commission appeared in court by its attorneys and offered to defend its actions in letting these contracts to these companies and offered to show if given the right to do so that the price paid was not only not unconscionable but was reasonable. I want the people of Texas to know and not forget in future discussion of this controversy that when Mr. Moody was met in court and asked to prove his charges against the Highway Commission he got behind a technicality and refused to meet the Highway Commission in open court and had the court to deny the commission the right to appear and defend itself. I submit that even a common crap shooting negro is given more rights than was given to the Highway Commission when it appeared in court and met Mr. Moody face to face upon his charges. No sooner had the court ruled that Mr. Moody had exclusive right to represent the state and the commission denied the right to appear and defend itself, Mr. Moody and the American Road Company got together and made a settlement whereby the state was to recover judgment for \$600,000.00 to be paid \$286,000.00 in cash and the cancellation of \$314,-000.00 which the company had yet due and unpaid by the state. The total amount of yardage involved in that suit was 4,500,000 square yards. Dividing this sum into \$600,000.00 it shows that Mr. Moody received back 13 3-10 cents per square yard on the total price and by the terms of his agreed judgment and fixed by the court with his approval the American Road Company was paid the sum of 16 7-10 cents per square yard for the one course treatment, and by the terms of the judgment the

American Road Company was relieved of any further liability under the contract.

Let it not be forgotten when in this campaign the price of surfacing treatment comes up for discussion that Mr. Moody agreed in open court to pay the American Road Company 16 7-10 cents per square yard. Whatever else may be said he agreed that 16 7-10 cents per square yard was a fair price for the state to pay for one course and the settlement was made for that sum with Mr. Moody's approval.

After the company was thus permitted to go scot free and the state was left to finish the work of the American Road Company the Highway Commission, just as soon as the winter months were over, advertised for bids for the second course treatment which Mr. Moody had relieved the American Road Company of doing under its contract. There were some seven or eight bids by responsible firms. In order that the small contractor might bid the Commission divided the work into three sections. The lowest bid was 12 cents per square yard for one course treatment, the next lowest was 14 3-4 cents and the next bid was 17 cents, making an average of 14 6-10 cents per square yard to complete the job. Adding the price agreed on by Mr. Moody of 16 7-10 cents it appears that the cost of this work to the state will be 31 3-10 cents per square yard, or 1 3-10 cents more than the price originally contracted for by the old Highway Commission. These are facts that can not be denied and Mr. Moody's foolishness not only has not saved the state a dollar but he has lost the state at least the difference between 30 cents per square yard and 31 3-10 cents per square yard. So all his story in his announcement about the state having paid five times the actual cost of the work is a misrepresentation, and that is putting it mildly.

Let me state it another way. Moody agreed in court to pay sixteen and seven-tenths cents per square yard for one course treatment and then no bid could be obtained by reputable contractors for less than fourteen and six-tenths cents per square yard for the second course treatment. Therefore how can any sane man contend that thirty cents was unreasonable, let alone unconscionable.

The Hoffman Construction Company suit has not been tried, but that company has tendered in open court to the state a second course treatment without cost to the state and Moody has refused to accept it and thereby save the state the cost of the same.

They also offered to settle their suit on the same basis as he settled with the American Road Company and he refused to do that. Why should he be friendly with one and discriminate against the other?

## Moody's Paramount Issue

Now Moody contends that the paramount and vital issue upon which his campaign is to be based is honesty in office and economy in the administration of every department of our Government. All right Mr. Moody we accept the challenge. We will go you one better and say that we are for the Golden Rule and the Ten Commandments, but all of which is high sounding phrases that don't get any body any where. You say that you are for honesty in Government. I agree with you, and if there has not been anybody dishonest you have not said anything or shown any need or demand for your candidacy. If there has been any dishonesty then tell the people who it is. If it has been the Governor I dare you to say so. If you want to say that I have been dishonest then I double the challenge. If the Governor has not been dishonest but somebody else has in some other department what argument would that make for your candidacy. You had just as well understand that I am going to keep after you and make you name some dishonest person in the Government and produce the proof. Otherwise it will show you to be insincere and unfair and I will let the people know. You forgot to tell the people in your announcement that for five long months you have neglected the duties of Attorney General and have hung around and intruded yourself upon the Travis County Grand Jury, trying to get an indictment against me and members of the Highway Commission. You had three Grand Juries and five months time. I am informed that every member of these different Grand Juries voted for you for Attorney General. You were in your home town, in your home court, in the hands of your friends with the right to make the Highway Commission and every other department of the Government produce their books and records and the witnesses in court for your rigid interrogation. Notwithstanding all this you failed to find any evidence upon which you could base an indictment against any official of the State Government, and yet you slander your state by insinuating that somebody has been dishonest in office. If you know of any dishonesty in office and have not reported it to the Grand Jury then you have not been fair with the people. If you have not been able to find any dishonesty then you ought not to slander the people. You pose as a great Bible packing scholar and a Sunday school teacher. Let me commend you to that commandment which says "Thou shall not bear false witness against thy neighbor." There is another commandment along the same line which might furnish you food for serious reflection.

If the American Road Company were so dishonest as you would have the people believe, then how come you to become so friendly with them? What was the agreement under which they readily agreed with you to deposit something over four

hundred thousand dollars in a Dallas bank. Time after time I have demanded that you show this agreement and you have failed and refused to do so. Why is it that your bosom friend Judge Ireland Graves, who was also the attorney for the American Road Company, is now boosting you so high for Governor of this State? Senator T. H. McGregor tells me that you told him that the lawyers in the American Road Company's case got \$100,000.00. I do not know of course what they got. I only know what you told Senator McGregor and I believe him. Under the agreement made by you in court the American Road Company stepped out with a profit of \$900,000. The Governor employed two lawyers at \$1,000.00 each to prevent you from making this trade and now you admit that your friends representing the road company made \$100,000.00. You are a fine man indeed to be kicking about somebody employing a lawyer to protect the interest of the state. So much for your sanctimonious appeal for honesty in Government.

Now let's see about the other end of your paramount issue, economy in Government. The present administration has brought about a net reduction in taxes of more than \$10,000,000 under the last administration under which you were appointed to office. The state tax rate this year will be reduced by more than twenty-five per cent. Now let us see what you have done to help bring about this reform. When you were running for Attorney General you made the statement many times that you could reduce the cost of that department forty per cent and you were elected on an economy platform just like the rest of the administration. When you came into office you found that office had eleven assistants at \$3,600.00 per year. Notwithstanding your promise of economy you went before the Appropriation Committee and had the salaries of every one of them raised from \$3,600.00 per year to \$4,000.00 per year, an increase of more than ten per cent. The Governor in order to make you do at least something toward economy vetoed one of your \$4,000.00 appointees. If you could not reduce the expenses of your own department, then what in the world could the people expect if you were put at the head of the State Government. If as a lawyer you could not reduce the expenses of the legal department you would rattle around like a mustard seed in a gourd when you come to grapple with the question of reducing appropriations in other lines of the Government. If this administration had increased the total appropriations in the same proportion as you increased these and wanted to increase it but for the veto of the Governor, there would have been instead of a \$10,-000,000 decrease in appropriations an \$5,000,000 increase. In other words the difference between what this administration has already done and what you would be expected to do is just the small sum of \$13,000,000. The people of this state can be depended upon to have too much sense to put a \$13,000,000 baby in office.

## Search and Seizure

Dan says he wants to enforce the laws. All right we all agree with him. The Governor approved the law preventing unlawful search and seizure in order that the people might be protected in their constitutional right. The Governor is still in favor of that law. Mr. Moody please tell the people where you stand on that question.

## Moody and K. K. K.

And by the way Dan, I see you have failed to say anything about the Ku Klux Klan question in your platform, and I see that your friends are bragging about the fact that you run fifty thousand votes ahead of the ticket in the last election. The returns show that in the twelve big klan counties of the State, Collin, Cooke, Dallas, Denton, Grayson, Harris, Hill, Hunt, Jefferson, McLennan, Tarrant and Wichita you received a total of 104,273 votes, while your klan opponent only received 63,825 votes, a total majority in these klan counties of 40,448. If you have been really in good faith fighting the klan, then please explain to the people what caused the sudden change of heart in the klan counties from a klan candidate to you. It may be that in these figures we find a reason for you not having a word to say in favor of my wife for Governor when she was fighting the Ku Klux-Butte combination in the November election. Why should you be jumping on the Ku Klux so hard after they voted for you so strong? You seem to have a special trait of forgetting your friends just as soon as they do you a favor.

## Is Moody Fit?

Moody's campaign is founded on youthful ambition and personal hate. His chief advisers and instigators of his candidacy are O. B. Colquitt and Tom Love. Is it any more crime for me to advise my wife than it would be for those two political has beens to advise Moody? I am willing for the people to decide.

Moody is a band box statesman with neither training or experience in any line.

It is agreed among the good lawyers that he is in no sense even a fair lawyer. He knows nothing of farming or farmers. He never tied a hame string or filed a hoe in his life. He knows nothing of ranching or the cow man's troubles. He never roped a calf off for his mother to milk a cow thirty days in his whole life.

He never worked on the railroads or the county roads. He has never traveled—only to Arkansas a short time before Armistice and back home after Armistice.

He never had or managed any business. He has never made or lost an estate of any kind. He has never been a wage earner since he has been twenty-one years old. If there is anything that Moody has ever done that would qualify him to be Governor I would like for somebody to tell what it is.

He was raised a spoiled child in a small town and he is going to get what Paddy gave the drum on July 24th.

JAS. E. FERGUSON.

## Mellon Defends U.S. Policy in Funding War Loans Made to Nations in World Clash

Mr. Mellon, who prepared his ad-

btained short of force, adding that

e administration believed in help

nd not charity toward Europe. Mr

nowden, however, viewed the war cans to the allies through Great Britain as American "gift as a sort

compensation for her late arrival

vation that responsible persons in

his country and in Europe would

not forget the situation that would

exist when most of Germany's war

eparations. "are drawn from the

evastated and war stricken coun-

tries of Europe in an unbroken stream across the Atlantic to that

wealthy, prosperous and great repub-

Calling attention that settlemen

egotiations are pending with France freece, and Jugo-Slovia, the only

uropean nations which have not

unded their debts, Secretary Mellon varned that Europe must balance

budget and fund its debts if it is

o be re-established on a sound basis. With that accomplished, with the

ssistance of American investments,

That market, he deemed

School June 16-23

ne pointed out, Europe will offer to

this nation a healthy and improved

surpluses in order to prevent col-

Motor and Tractor

College Station, Texas, March 31.— The Eighth Annual Automobile and Tractor Summer School at A. & M.

ollege of Texas will open on June

6th and 23rd. This school is ar-ranged to give those working with

as engines, automobiles or tractors

practical instruction in their care

Owners or prospective owners of

nvestment by attending this school

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become a power farmer in order

good practical instructors, and be

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ing Department, A. & M. College College Station, Texas.

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Washington March 27 .- With the

close of business today, the treasury

aid goodbye to out of date tax law of 1924. When the doors open Monday

morning, the tax law of 1926 will

Some of the provisions of the new

adjustments, became effective when

President Coolidge affixed his signa-

many changes in miscellaneous levie

tax on passenger automobiles which is cut from five to three per cent.

then are on cigars, stamps, admis-

Is Robbed of \$1,700

St. Louis, Mo., March 27.—Robbers

armed with knives today cut a pocke

William Herman, 64, negro hotel por

er, but overlooked \$2,324 additiona

which Herman had sewed elsewhere

about his person. The money repre-

sented his life savings. He said he

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Jas. E. Ferguson, Temple, Texas; Mrs. o. S. Nalle, Austin, Texas; Dorrace Fer-son, Temple, Texas.

But He Saves \$2,324

Afraid of Banks He

Other taxes which will be reduced

come into full force.

morrow.

sions and dues.

Annual Gas Engine,

market.

apse of prices here.

epai rand operation.

Philadelphia, Pa., March 25.—The | debt settlement, said "our financia American government's war debt policy was defended here last night by Secretary Mellon shortly after it had Churchill and Mr. Snowden agreed been attacked in the British House of that responsibility for the war debt Commons by Winston Churchill, difficulties rests on the United States chancellor of the exchequer, and for refusing to cancel the obliga-Phillip Snowden, laborite and former tions.

While Secretary Mellon, who spoke dress before the related remarks were before the Union League Club, on made in the house of commons, de clared the debt settlement terms as the most favorable which could be the eve of consideration by the senate in Washington of the Italian

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Before me, a notary public in and for the state and county aforesaid, personally appeared Jas. E. Ferguson, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and savs that he is the editor of The Ferguson Forum and that the following is, to the best of his knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership, management (and if a daily paper the circulation), etc., of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the act of August 24, 1912, embodied in section 443, postal laws and regulations.

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## Business Houses at Jarrell Are Looted By Busy Burglars

Jarrell, Tex., March 29.—Burglars av night in an attempted wholesale urglary.

The Spot Cash grocery store was he only place suffering serious loss The robbers broke into the store an pened the safe, getting \$100 in cash It is believed that they also helped hemselves to other things they want

The Jarrell Mercantile compan vas also entered by the daring yegg who knocked off the knob of the sai ut did not succeed in opening it. check of the stock of merchandise ha not been completed today and it i not known whether they took any hing of importance from the stock. ·The burglars attempted to enter a Drug store, but apparently were

### Doctor at Bartlett Is Run Down and Killed by Train

frightened and abandoned the attempt

to get into the store.

Bartlett, Tex., March 29.-Dr. A. To the People of Texas: northbound Texas Special here Sun- primary to be held July 24, 1926.

the track as the train was rapidly approaching and it was impossible to ring the train to a stop. The body rack and was badly mangled.

The tragedy occurred about 100 ards south of the compress. Dr. Beckman is survived by his Alice, Cora, Edna and Norma Becknan. Funeral arangements had not

been completed this morning. Dr. Beckman had been in illhealth for some time. He was promnent throughout a wide section here and leaves a host of friends in and around Bartlett.

#### Juarez Again Wide Open and Gambling Joints Are Ablaze

El Paso, Tex., March 27.—After several weeks of straight laced prooriety and a 9 o'clock curfew tha automotve equpment, as well as mechanics, will make a profitable across the international bridge, Juar ez is beginning to shake off its apath and show flashes of its former gaiety 'or a while open gambling was abo shed and even the slot machines wer decorated with black covers in the ear rooms.

o lower his cost of production. Therefore, he too must have a prac-ical working knowledge of these ma-The retirement was but temporary A gambling club now is in full opera hines to successfully carry on his on with everything from chuckaick to spinning roulette balls. Mempership is without restrictions and

Many tourists, however, find their interest in Nuestra Senora De Guada-lupe mission, built in 1658, the jail, market, and Fort Hidalgo.

#### Stanton Barber Is Shot and Killed by Restaurant Keeper

Stanton, Texas, March 29.-John Lain, 35, barber, was shot and killed a restaurant here last night, and In All Provisions H. W. Haynie, 45, owner of the rescaurant, is in jail, pending investigation by the Martin county grand ury which reconvened today. hots were fired, all of which took

Verdict of the coronor's jury was "that John Lain came to his death from gunshot wounds fired from a pistol in the hands of Howard W statute, including the income tax re- Haynie."

A grudge of several years standing was blamed for the killing.

#### ture. Congress provided however that Bermuda Where He One of the reduced rates which goes Will Take a Rest nto effect Monday morning is the

New York, March 27.—Andrew W Mellon, secretary of the treasury to day sailed for an Eastern vacation in Bermuda. He was accompanied by his daughter, Ailsa and Miss C. Mc-

Sir Robert Horn, former chancello f the British exchequer, arrived to oid Secretary Mellon good-bye and presented a bouquet of flowers to him

#### Rat Is Passenger containing \$1,700 from the clothes of Stowaway Aboard Big Navy Airship

Wright in Cuban waters. The rat boarded a plane at Gien fugeos, galloped about the structure safety belts and other tasty bits of equiptment.

## Arrest of 2 Women Nips Plot to Free

Dallas, Texas, March 28.—Arrest of two Dallas women at Huntsville Friday night by penitentiary officials is believed by Dallas officials to have hwarted an attempt to aid in a price of two Dallas officials. The second could eat "I use it for colds and biliousness and it will knock out a cold and carry away the bile better and quicker than any liver medicine I have ever found."

Eating too forth. on break by two Dallas men.

the night of March 11, was recovered. A pistol, also stolen, was found in possession of one of the women

#### ANNOUNCES FOR STATE Heroic Calmness of TREASURER OF TEXAS



THE FERGUSON FORUM

J. R. BALL

#### J. R. Ball, of Travis, Makes Announcemnt For State Treasurer

Beckman, for 30 years a prominent oracticing physician of this place, was run over and killed by the

I am a life long democrat, and According to the engineer of the my folks have been democrats as rain, Dr. Beckman walked upon far back as I can remember. I was reared in Fannin County and taught in the public schools of that county vas carried about 50 yards down the of the late World War, I volunteered my services and helped to carry the message of freedom overseas, and struggle for the preservation of those eternal principles as the very foundaion of our civilization

I served under the administration of the Hon. Lon A. Smith in the State Comptroller's Office from January 1921 to January 1925. I am 32 years of age and have a wife and three children.

I feel that my departmental experience peculiarly fits me for the office to which I aspire, and in the event the sovereign voters of Texas ee fit to repose this trust in me pledge an honest, economical and sinses-like administration, and upon this promise, I earnestly and respectfully solicit your support. Very truly, J. R. BALL.

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#### Dallas Manager For Ferguson Campaign Opens Headquarters

ent was made by former Governor E. Ferguson Saturday that Joe Morriss had been appointed secrery-manager of the Ferguson camdays, Mr. Ferguson said, a chairman of the committee and full advisory board would be announced. Mr. Morris temporarily will have eadquarters in the office of Gib . For sizes of canvases, time limit allaway, 706 Linz building. He is and other rules of the contest write

## Briand Makes Jest of Talk That He Is Soon to Take Bride

Paris, March 29.-A report that Aristide Briand, France's premier, is about to marry, met with a firm de-

"Whom could I marry?" asked M. Briand. "A young girl would not take

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farm or ranch

Ballentine, S. C .- Mr. W. B. Bouk-

ight, of this place, gave the following account of his use of Thedford's

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## Teacher Stops Panic of Pupils in Storm

Orange, Texas, March 30.—A modest, gray-haired school teacher is a

Superintendent P. N. Powell of the p his 300 charges March 25 when he eard an ominous roar and saw aproaching a funnel-shaped cloud hildren were ready to march into the building. Quickly the order was given that all were to go to the auditorium instead of to their separate

Patting whimpering, trembling boys and girls on their heads, speaking quietly to them and smiling in their rightened faces as they huddled to gether in the auditorium, Powell went calmly about his duty while the tor-nado roared nearer the building. Above the howling storm and crash-

ing thunder came the sound of tim bers splintering and glass shattering s the schoolhouse was struck and cocked to its foundation. Yet not child among the 300 cried out. For ll of his tenderness in soothing the chool children, Powell was firm in varning the boys and girls that un-er no circumstances were they to ave the building nor scream.

Entire credit for avoiding a panic that might have resulted in the death numbers of the children was given Powell. Unable to make him self heard above the noise of the torado, he went from child to child, peaking to each, dispelling fears and ratching for the slightest outbreak f emotion.

air iron gray, Mr. Powell is described possessing a striking personality. is president of the Orange County Teachers' Association, and his ability democrat, South Carolina, in which as a school man and executive has he said bootleggers made daily gained for him a wide reputation. rounds of congressional offices seek His former home is in San Augustine, ing customers.

#### Paintings of Texas Wild Flowers to Be Given \$6,000 Prizes

Prizes amounting to \$6,000 are beng offered by the San Antonio Art League in a national competition for Texas wildflowers. An anonymous member of the league generously doated the money for the prizes and or the expenses of conducting the contest. This money is already or leposit in the First National Bank of

The contest was announced March 1st by Mrs. Henry Drought, presi dent of the San Antonio Art League Mrs. Drought explained that the beau y and riot of color of the flowers w coming into bloom had inspire the donor to plan this competition in order to call our wildflowers to the ttention of the artists of the na

Any artist in the United States is eligible to compete for the prize of \$5,000 which will also be open to \$1,000 will be awarded for which only Texas artists may compete. How ever, no one painting can be entered for both prizes.

to the President of the San Antonic Art League.

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### Borah Sees Disaster If Some Farm Relief Is Not Soon Adopted

Washington, March 27.—Senator

"We ought to take up the subject." ne said; "we may be able to convince the farmers that there is nothing that can be done for them, that their prob-lems are such that they cannot be reached by legislation." He added, however, that the senate should do something.

Senator Blease, democrat, Sout Carolina, expressed the view that "the farmers don't know what they want," nd urged agricultural industries i the senate to draw up a plan.

Senator Brookhart, republican Iowa, said it was the duty of congres

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to work out the problem.

## Bootleg Suspect Is Taken as Purveyor

Washingon, March 25.—Charged der the constant care of a nurse. with being the bootlegger who few days ago fled from the capitol leaving six quarts of liquor behind A man of ruddy complexion, clear-due eyes, his left arm gone and his home here early today by prohibition agents.

The visit to the capitol followed

### Stir in Washington Society Caused by Wife Suing Husband

Washington, March 27.—Armisted Borah, republican, Idaho, told the senate today that "something disastrous will happen" at the next election unless some farm relief is con- toric colonial mansion, Tudor Place, He asked if the administration had filed here by his estranged wife deabandoned all legislation concerning manding an accounting of property

Mrs. Anna W. Peter, of Debbs Ferry, N. Y., who has lived apart from property under a court order disclosed, she charges, that some of it had been used by Mr. Peter without her authority.

The action came as a surprise to social Washington, although the estrangement of the couple had been mown to many persons for some time. The suit papers make no mention o ny marital difficulty between Mr. and

Mrs. Peter declared her husband had managed the estate for ten years but that she had revoked last June all authority she had given. ince then, she alleged, he had used certain securities included in the property without her consent. No announcement in Congress Halls was forthcoming from Tudor Place, where Mr. Peter has been confined early three years by illness and un-

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