

## Will Hogg Challenged By Houstonian for His Slurs Upon Ferguson Supporters

Editor Forum: I am attaching hereto copy of a letter this day addressed to Will C. Hogg in regard to his recent utterances given publicity through Houston Post-Dispatch and other dailies. I have also forwarded copy to Houston Chronicle for publication, but do not expect them to publish it. J. N. SNELL,

#### Houston, Texas, May 31, 1926.

Houston, Texas, May 29, 1926.

#### Mr. Will C. Hogg, Houston, Texas.

Dear Sir: Your recent utterances given publicity through many of the big daily papers of this state have come to my notice this date. You are quoted as saying, "Every decent thinking man must have an innate abhorrence of the things for which Jim Ferguson stands." Of course you mean women when you say man, for you refer to the voters or the people who think, both male and female, whether voters or not, and especially do you refer to Texans by birth or adoption for it is in Texas that things most vital are at issue. These papers refer to you as the son of former Governor Jim Hogg; this I presume is done for the purpose of giving some weight and dignity to your statement above referred to, however, I venture to say that if your worthy sire were alive and about he would today be found battling for the rights of the people along with the thousands of living voters who voted for him when in our midst, and I am certain he would not be heard giving utterance to such expressions as yours referred to.

Your statement can mean either, "every decent thinking man or woman, or every thinking decent man or woman," any event the meaning is the same for if one fails to think decently he certainly isn't decent, and if he isn't decent then he won't think decently. I take it that you meant what you said, therefore, I say to you that a man of your supposed standing, living in an atmosphere of refinement, culture and almost inexhaustible wealth largely inherited from your father's estate ought not to have made such an indecent remark, for when you did so you offended and insulted the memory of your illustrious father, whose eminent service to Texas is the Beacon light to all who have come after him. You also insulted many thousands of living admirers of you illustrious sire, thousands who followed him from his ver humble beginning in east Texas, and who fought with him through the Hogg-Clark campaign are today supporting Gov ernor Miriam Ferguson and Jim Ferguson and are doing so ernor Miriam Ferguson and Jim Ferguson and are doing so honestly and conscientiously, thinking as decently and acting as decently as you can think or act or any of your humble ancestry. Your father was glad to refer to his humble origin for he knew the truth of the following quotation: "Honor and shame from no condition rise, act well your part, there all the honor lies." It is hoped by the friends of your father that you, too, will in time come to appreciate that simple verse. and when you do, you will cease to use so recklessly the English language in referring to your fellow citizens who differ from you. To be intolerant and puffed up with one's own importance is the nth degree of egotism and results in indecency and immodesty, and you know, 'that the lack of decency is the lack of modesty, and the lack of modesty is the lack of sense.' Hundreds of my acquaintances and friends, now old and gray, once fought in the ranks for your father, when he was poor, humble, and struggling. My own father, a poor man then, a poor man now, fought in his humble sphere for our Governor Hogg, the governor and politician who when campaigning did not mince words, but called a spade a spade and a hoe a hoe and took little thought of where the chips fell these same friends, acquaintances and my father and mother are standing, fighting for Governor Ferguson and her hus band, Jim; for the governor and her husband stand for practically the same principles and things your dad stood for. I self with the things your father stood for, fought for, and in a measure, accomplished. I know you do not spend much of your time in Texas, but while you are basking in your luxurious palace on the Pacific coast this summer, or perchance, while you are in your New England domicile, or better still, while you stretch and yawn at Palm Beach as the balmy Gulf breeze sooths your con-science and restless spirit, take a look into Sister Pennybacker's Texas History, look your honored dad's picture in the face, commune with him; he will come to you, listen to him; he will whisper softly into your sub-conscious mind words of wisdom. Rise up, while the spell is on you and return to Texas in haste and gird about you the armor of your worthy sire and do battle as he did in the interest of the masses, the great commonalty of this state against the classes and the privileged few, do this and you will find yourself side by side in the ranks with the majority of your father's living friends and supporters, horned hand farmers, shop workers, laboring people, the great perspiring, throbbing workers who are supporting Governor Ferguson as against this Don Juan Moody and his cohorts, Hobby of Blue Ridge fame, Colquitt of chicken salad distinction, and Hiram Evans, the dentist of recent dotoriety. With best wishes for your return to the principles of our fathers, I am yours,

## YOUNG VOTER TELLS WHY HE IS FOR GOVERNOR FERGUSON

Editor Forum: I wish to express my opinion on the gubernatorial race. I am a college boy and have taken part in only one election. I did not vote for Mrs. Ferguson, because, (with the exception of the K. K. candidate) it made little difference with me who was elected governor for neither of the candidates had ever been tried in the governor's chair.

But, we have now tried Mrs. Ferguson one term, and I am proud to say that she has not only made a success, but she has done more for the welfare of Texas citizens than any other governor that ever sat in the governor's chair.

As for Dan Moody he may make a good governor, but he may not. So why go searching for others to try in the governor's chair, when Governor Miriam A. Ferguson, this good hearted woman, has stood the test. By the help of God she has brought Texas to the light. She paid the state treasury out of debt. She put the K. K. K.'s out of business in Texas and this, friends, was the most degrading band of men that ever was organized. They were flogging and tarring honest men and women. This sounds like ancient times when man knew no better, but it was so in Texas.

Now they say this band is supporting Moody. For what purpose? In order that they might put grand old Texas back into a turmoil as it was before Mrs. Ferguson took the chair? What are you going to do, labor men? Put on your thinking caps and put this little meddlesome fellow out of our great administrator's way. She is trying to make Texas a state worth living in and has not the time to be bothered with pests. If the above about the Klan supporting Moody be so how could an honest Texas citizen, a citizen with a conscience who believes in equal rights among men, walk to the polls and vote for Dan Moody? Dan, you have two classes of supporters—one, the K. K. K.'s, the other is the class of Texas men who have hardened their hearts years ago against Jim Ferguson and have not the welfare of Texas on their minds. They refuse to see.

The state of Texas has prospered more in the last two years than in any other two years during the history of the state. I would like for any one to show me one thing that "Ma" did not do for the betterment of

## Dates For 43 Speeches By Jas. E. Ferguson Announced

Former Governor James E. Ferguson Tuesday announced from Austin speaking dates in behalf of the candidacy of Governor Miriam A. Ferguson for re-election covering forty-three engagements the closing speech to be made at Austin on the evening of July 23, the night before the first primary. In announcing these dates Former Governor Ferguson issued this statement:

"In giving out these 43 speaking dates over the state which takes me only as far north as Vernon and only as far west as Midland, I realize that there are many points which I regret not to reach and I may receive the criticism of some of my friends.

"However, I want to call attention to the condition that now confronts all the candidates of this campaign. The continued bad weather and the lack of interest has produced a condition in Texas politics unheard of in many years. Here we have it the first of June and there have been scarcely more than one dozen speeches made in the race for governor. There are only 53 days from now until the July primary, seven days of which are Sundays, leaving only 46 days for campaigning.

"In this time it will be impossible for any candidate to make more than a portion of the state. I have distributed my speaking dates as much as possible to meet the convenience of our friends who might want to come and hear the issues of the campaign discussed. There is no requirement for the governor to make speeches in this campaign for the reason that no attack has been made upon her administration and none can be made. However ,she will, as far as her strength will permit, visit as many places as possible and personally thank the people for their continued loyalty and support.

"I am making this campaign largely because

Sincerely,

211 E. 26th St., Houston, Texas.

#### **MOODY CONTRADICTS SELF**

#### (What Moody Said at Burnet)

J. N. SNELL,

(From Moody's Opening Speech at Taylor)

"The patrol system for the maintenance of roads would insure honest service and make more certain that the state receives a dollar's worth of work for every dollar spent." Burnet, Texas, May 31.—The patrol system of maintenance of highways as recently adopted by the State Highway Department is to give work to an army of employes to aid Jas. E. Ferguson, former governor, in the re-election sought by Governor Miriam A. Ferguson, Attorney General Dan Moody, candidate for governor, declared here Monday. Texas that was within her power to do. Friends, she is at the wheel of Texas and is steering old Texas on to the best it has ever been. She has done it in two little years. Then why not give her four or even more? Then if there is as much good done in Texas these next two years that this good mother will occupy the governor's chair as there has been done the past two years, the name of Ferguson will never die in the hearts of Texas citizens. I call Mrs. Ferguson mother because she is not only a mother of her own children but she is a mother to the children of grand old Texas.

band, Jim; for the governor and her husband stand for practically the same principles and things your dad stood for. I invite you to read the history of your state and acquaint yourself with the things your father stood for, fought for, and in \* measure accomplished

> In conclusion I wish to say that after realizing the value of the present administration to the state of Texas, I have decided to join the majority of Nacogdoches county and cast my vote for "Ma." Wishing Mrs. Ferguson a clean sweep, I am,

> > Yours respectfully,

BENNETT A. GRAY,

#### Chireno, Texas.

### VENERABLE TEXAN SAYS THERE'LL BE NO RUN-OFF

Editor Forum: Herein find one dollar for which send me the Forum until January. I want to keep posted all through the campaign.

I am 83 years old and Jim and his wife are the best governors I have ever helped to put in office. Mrs. Ferguson need not worry about her success for I don't think there will be any run-off this year. She will be so far ahead of Dan and Lynch in July they won't be known in the race. If I was Dan I would go away back somewhere and sit down, and as for Lynch, well, he don't count for anything.

Say, did you ever think about what sort of people they are that have been persecuting Jim and his wife? They must be the descendants of that old mob that crucified Christ, stoned Stephen to death and cut John's head off. I don't think they will have any associates in the lower regions except Judas, Arnold and Burr. They with an evil spirit condemn the governor for pardoning so many prisoners. Just think how many happy homes she made by sending those men home to their wives and children and think of the other good things she has done that no other governor has done.

What's the use to write more, she'll be the next governor and we'll have two more years of peace.

J. H. THORNTON, Meadow, Texas. they are attacking me and my friends are expecting me to make a defense. I shall endeavor to not disappoint them. I especially request our friends everywhere to come out to my appointments and by their presence show their opposition to the hate campaign now waged in Texas."

#### SPEAKING DATES

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Beaumont	June 2, 8 p. m.
Houston	June 3 8 n m
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Corpus Christi	June 5 8 n m
McAllen	June 7 8 n m
Harlingen	June 8, 8 p. m.
Cleburne	June 10 3 n m
Waco	June 11, 8 n m
Hillsboro	June 12, 3 p. m.
Corsicana	June 12, 8 p. m.
Vernon	June 14 3 n m
Wichita Falls	June 15, 8 p. m.
Sweetwater	June 16, 3 p. m.
Midland	June 17, 3 n m.
Abilene	June 18, 8 p. m.
Cisco	June 19 3 n m.
Rockdale	June 22, 3 n. m.
Marquez	June 23, 3 n m
Jacksonville	June 24, 3 p. m.
Tyler	June 25, 8 n m.
Marshall	June 26 8 n m
Linden	June 28 3 n m.
Clarksville	June 29, 3 p. m.
Paris	June 29, 8 p. m.
Bonham	June 30, 3 n. m.
Farmersville	July 1, 3 p. m.
Denton	July 2, 3 p. m.
Weatherford	July 3, 3 p. m.
Plum	July 5, 3 p. m.
Brenham	July 6, 11 a. m.
Livingston	July 7, 3 n m.
Lufkin	July 8. 3 p. m.
Nacogdoches	July 9, 3 p. m.
Center	July 10, 3 p. m.
Henderson	July 12. 3 p. m.
Brownwood	July 14, 3 p. m.
Ballinger	July 15, 3 p. m.
San Angelo	July 16, 3 p. m.
Stephenville	July 17, 3 p. m.
Fort Worth	July 20, 8 p. m.
Dallas	July 21. 8 p. m.
Waxahachie	July 22, 3 p. m.
Austin	July 23, 8 p. m.

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## DAVIDSON'S MANAGER CORRECTED

When James West, a merchant and well known business man of Bonham, received a letter from Jos. W. Hale, manager for Lynch Davidson in the campaign for governor, telling him that Manager Hale had been informed that Mr. West was not supporting Governor Ferguson this year and soliciting his support for Davidson, the Bonham merchant lost no time in correcting Manager Hale and emphasizing the fact that he is stronger than ever for Governor Ferguson. Mr. West forwarded to the Forum a copy of his letter to Manager Hale and it is given here:

"Hon. Jos. W. Hale, Dallas, Texas.

"Dear Sir:-Yours of the 24th at hand and I hasten to comply with your request as to my attitude in the present a reenactment of article 1 of section 9 of the State Constitution campaign, more especially in reference to my supporting Mrs. and the same provision is incorporated in the federal docu-Ferguson. Our mutual friend, referred to, has made a mis- ment. But it costs more to take advantage of a constitutional take, as I shall support Mrs. Ferguson and for the following provision than a simple law and many would be persecuted "The law is as ancient as time and as perpetual as the sun, the moon and the stars. It is divine. The first law of good reasons:

"First, I endorse her administration insofar as I under-stand. Doubtless you remember when she went into office our county jails had many feeble-minded inmates who could not have the care of our state asylums. This alone obligates all Christian people to support her because she has taken these unfortunates out of the jails. Our penitentiary system should not do. The howl for its repeal by some good men was in a deplorable condition.

"Our state is in need of two years more of just such ad-ministration as we have had the last two years. I am a demo-crat from principle; have never bolted the ticket. I fear many life-long democrats were swerved by misrepresentation and prejudice to quit the good old party for the sole purpose of defeating Mrs. Ferguson through misunderstanding as to the unjust persecutions of her husband, who was one of the best governors the state ever had. Most people remember that there was no cause for the disturbed conditions that grew out of the impeachment of Governor Ferguson, who has done more for the state of Texas than any governor since Tom Campbell's administration. However, I hold Mr. David-son in high esteem as an honorable, high-minded gentleman.

"As a democrat I shall vote to give our present governor a second term as has been customary where the administration has been good.

#### "JAMES WEST.

"Bonham, Texas." P. S.—I am sending this to the Forum subject to your J. W. disposal.

## HONESTY OR POLITICAL BUNCOMBE?

In the Athens Review of recent date appears a signed communication bearing the name of W. E. Callaway in which Mr. Callaway discusses all the candidates for the gubernatorial nomination and has something to say about their self-asserted claims for preference. He does not name the various candidates but leaves no doubt as the identity of each and here is what he says of one whom it is easy to recognize as "Fighting Dan:'

"Another one wants more honesty in government. That "Another one wants more honesty in government. That certainly is very desirable, and very much needed. If we could know that we could get it by voting for him I feel sure that we should all turn out en masse, a solid body, and put him over without a dissenting vote. But—but are we sure that we would have any more! Do his official acts in the past assure us that such would be the case? While he won in the courts on the road contracts there is a large class of real intelligent. That "The Brookshire News publishes some items that indicate that the klan is perniciously active in that good old county. "Some folks say the klan is dead in Waller county," says A. B. in his "Tit for Tat" column in the News. "No, it is not dead— that is its natural smell. ""The Klaws publishes are the past assure that is its natural smell. on the road contracts, there is a large class of real intelligent people who honestly believe that we lost thousands of dollars ago. The next day Judge Perry had an opponent for county of Hamelin-until the cops interfered. by the success of his suit, and there is good reasoning in their judge. Now the Kluxers are using their salutation word, argument. If this be the case, was it honesty or political bun-combe that actuated him? If honesty, how and why? If po-"The Tax Payers association removed the fiery cross from what the present holder of that title is worth. Suffice it to litical buncombe would he be a safe man at the helm of state? The answer must be given in July."

### THE FERGUSON FORUM

VOTERS WILL NOT TOLERATE

DODGING

Candidates in Texas will not be permitted to dodge an-

swering the question whether they favor retention or repeal of the "Search and Seizure" law. Moody has replied to several Grimes county taxpayers that he will not state his attitude

because the Fergusons are trying to make this law an issue in the campaign. Moody will find that the voters of Texas have

made this issue and not the Fergusons and that he cannot

escape making his position known. The Coleman Democrat

Voice in a recent editorial under the caption "Gaining Mo-

mentum," warns candidates who have kept mum thus far on

this question that they will be smoked out before the final

"As a political question the 'Search and Seizure Law' passed at the last session of the Texas legislature is gaining

momentum. Some candidates for state office so far have

been mum but the chances are they will be smoked out be-

been mum out the chances are they will be smoked out be-fore the final day and people will know 'where they are at.' "Repeal of the law would jeopardize the privacy and sanc-tity of every home and every automobile for the convenience of a few officers and would be equivalent to granting them a free pass into places that have been private since time began. "The law is not vicious. The law is not new. It is deeply rooted in the state and federal constitutions and if it should be repealed men will still be at home in their own homes and

be repealed men will still be at home in their own homes and will not have to suffer willful intrusion.

troglodytic homes against unwarranted invasion. Men will

do as much regardless of law. Its repeal or modification will

ciates. The result will be governmentally beneficial. It will

hasten the dawn of the day when office seekers can be what they are rather than what they are not and never were."

"MUD-SLINGING" BY MOODY

publisher, in commenting upon Moody's speech at that place

eminds Dan when he talks about "mud-slinging" that it was

Dan who opened his campaign with "mud-slinging" and gives his opinion of the Moody campaign with midd singling that give "The address delivered by Mr. Moody in Cooledge a few days ago can only be characterized as a work of abuse and

vituperations, such as probably never before uttered in a po-litical campaign in Texas. Mr. Moody accuses Mr. Ferguson of 'mud-slinging' but it will be remembered that Mr. Moody

opened his campaign first with abuse and 'mud-slinging

against the Fergusons. Mr. Ferguson said in his opening

speech that he could not answer Mr. Moody's charges in soft words, for a soft answer would fall on barren fields. Mr.

The Cooledge Herald, of which J. E. Laney is editor and

The people are going to demand an expression. The

"The first paragraph in the Search and Seizure law is but

day of election. The Democrat Voice says:

## ONE HOORAY TOO MANY, FOR DAN To The Tune of

"Auld Lang Syne."

The Collingsworth Standard in an editorial under the cap-tion above makes plain what its editor thinks of Dan's chances for nomination as governor of Texas. The Standard approves Jim Ferguson's appellation in which he said Dan is a "smart kid from a small town." The Standard's view of the "One Hooray Too Many," is that "Hooray" uttered by Amon G. Carter at the Thanksgiving day football game at A. & M college. Here is the way the Standard sizes up Dan's candidacy

"It looks like phrase-making Jim has coined at least one phrase which will stick-not because Jim coined it but because of its entire aptness. Jim called Dan Moody 'A smart kid from a small town,' and Mr. Dan appears to be doing everything possible to earn the appellation.

"Dan Moody's announcement for the gubernatorial chair is reminiscent of the story about the young chap who felt qualified to start an apiary because he had been stung by a bee. As attorney general little Dan didn't rattle around in his job too much, not because he filled the job to capacity but because he sat still and kept his mouth more or less shut.

"But being governor of the state of Texas is something else again-as Dannie will find out when the votes are counted.

"But Daniel is not to be blamed, entirely, for his altogether unwarranted move. Of all the things for which Amon G. Carter could have yelled 'Hooray' at that football game down at College Station he had to pick the one calculated to have the most far-reaching effect. It will never be under-stood by the people of Texas nor by his friends nor possibly by himself why he didn't yell for Al Smith or prohibition or the third party or a low tariff.

"But, be that as it may, here is where Dan is culpable. He has reached the age of maturity and should be, even though has reached the age of maturity and should be, even though he appears not to be, able to reason. Everybody, including Dan Moody, Jim Ferguson, Lynch Davidson and Jim Saddler knows that Amon G. Carter isn't in a position to elect any-body to anything. The one thing which Mr. Carter, and also Dan Moody, evidently overlooks is the fact that it takes votes to elect a candidate to office and where Amon G. Carter and a great many demagogues may result in a political calamis going to corral any votes is a puzzle beyond the power of even the most astute, or even the most simple-minded to anpendulum is swinging back into position and men are voting for measures and principles rather than for friends and asso-

"Mr. Carter owns a newspaper, true enough, but Mr. Car-ter also uses that newspaper for the furtherance of his own personal and private interests, overlooking entirely the fact that the ownership of such a piece of property might be uti-lized not only to his own advantage but to the advantage and for the benefit of his friends. Speaking frankly, Amon G. Carter has a penchant for associating with and being photographed in the presence of 'who's who in America,' and you may take your own word for it that the votes which elect candidates are not to be found in the roster heretofore mentioned.

"Dan has hitched his wagon to the wrong star, if star he be, and when it's all over young Dan is going to find that he might have done better to have listened with his ear to the ground for the echo of that little hooray which was unwittingly emitted down at the football game."

### HOUSTON LABOR JOURNAL ANNI-VERSARY

The Houston Labor Journal, with forty-four pages of excellent editorial, news and miscellaneous articles, liberally interspersed with advertising from financial, commercial, de-velopment and material supply concerns and factories, celled brated its thirty third birthdox anniversary with its issue of velopment and material supply concerns and factories, cele-brated its thirty-third birthday anniversary with its issue of Friday, May 28. In its epitome, "Looking Backward Over Thirty-Three Years," the Journal recalls some things that show with what tremendous strides the world has moved in a third of a century. Here are just a few extracts: "When this paper began its career, Houston had about 30 000 inhabitants: now it has approximately 250 000."

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"The automobile was unheard of, but the lad who had the price to hire a horse and buggy was the candy kid."

"The girls then wore dresses that touched the ground, and state's taking complete charge of the had one of them appeared on the streets in a present-day rig maintenance program have not been "The Kluxers held a meeting near Waller a few nights she would have had a crowd following her like the Pied Piper worked out but that ultimately a pa-

"The wealthiest man in Houston then was worth possibly

Yes, Dan's the man We mean to can When Election Day comes round We know his plan To use the Klan We know it by the sound.

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THURSDAY, JUNE 3, 1926

We see the sheet In dark retreat, We see the tar and lash We'll get his goat The day we vote And he will be our hash. III Just watch us rip That pillow slip; Just listen while it pops. We'll feed our eagle A K. K. Kleagle And give our dogs Cyclops. We are unafraid Of Ku's Brigade And all their wily ways. We have the stuff To treat 'em rough Whatever Daniel says.

We know the Klux Are wicked bucks Their fight is all in vain, We'll lick the Klan And "Fighting Dan" In spite of Love and Crane. VI

Old Evans too, And all his crew Will meet an awful fate A star I see It's Ma, and she Will run this mighty state. The owl must hoot In bad repute, The eagle's on the wing,

We'll fill the air With Dan's red hair; So Sing, Oh, Brother, Sing. ANTI KLUX.

#### **Road Maintenance Is** Taken Over by State Says Highway Head

Austin, Texas, June 2.-Maintena ance of all state highways is being taken over by the state, Hal Moseley, chairman of the highway commission, said.

By the middle of June, 64 contracts for the maintenance of roads in about 150 east, northeast and central Texas counties will have expired. Contracts for some of the counties already have expired, and the state is carrying on maintenance.

The maintenance contracts let to contractors by the preceeding high-way commission headed by Frank

were let to "political favorites of the administration, many of whom had no experience in road contracting."

Mr. Moseley said all details for the trol system would be placed in operation. This plan of maintenance is

Moody failed to state how in any way he would conduct the affairs of the governor's office if elected, but his speech, as above stated was full of abuse and, in a great way, earned the application given him by Mr. Ferguson-'he's a smart kid.""

## THE KLAN IN POLITICS

Hi Evans' persistent assertion that the klan is not in poli-

## OLD FASHIONED DEMOCRATIC IDEAS

Bolters and tentative bolters who say they will not vote for the nominee of a democratic primary if their choice is defeated cannot claim the privilege of voting, either morally or legally, in the opinion of that old-fashioned democrat, Frank Gaston, who edits the Granbury News. Gaston has hooded bunch on any issue, as they have well armed themweathered many stormy political campaigns in Teaxs and selves with poll tax receipts-and you will find that any cannot always has his chosen candidate been victorious, but to this date he has not bolted or threatened to bolt. Here is their vote will be sorely disappointed when the final vote is what he says of the Tom Love stripe of office-seeker, officeholder and pretended democrat:

"The man who says he 'will not vote for Ferguson,' or 'I will not vote for Moody,' if nominated, has no right to take part in a democratic primary. Circumstances may arise where a man cannot conscientiously vote for a party nominee, but if he knows and states in advance that he will not support a candidate if nominated, he cannot claim a vote either morally or legally."

All of which is according to true democratic doctrine, but when self-anointed saints set themselves up to dictate to Texas democrats and say they will follow the democratic standard as long as they can control its nominations but no farther, there can be no doubt of the truth of Frank Gastoh's statement that they are not entitled either legally or morally to vote in a democratic primary.

Building construction in Texas is at a high record.

The Texas Press association meets in annual convention next week in San Antonio. The newspaper men will be royally entertained.

The greatest small grain harvest Texas ever has seen is being garnered and farmers are happy. The state treasury has cash to meet all demands and school teachers are not hawking vouchers about among money sharks. Why worry?

The Houston Post-Dispatch's attempt to show that Dan Moody was inducted into service in 1917 was so patently false that it bowed to a challenge by a Houston citizen and printed a correction saying that a mistake had been made and that Moody to a man." This is the statement made by V. V. War-Dan was inducted into the army in 1918. Even then the wick, business man of Waco, in an interview given the editor Post-Dispatch was not fair and frank enough to say that this of the Fayette County Record while both were recently in

The "Anti-Ferguson Dope" that Moody has been mixing for many months, according to the Baird Star seems to have become spoiled from long mixing or some other cause and its operation has been slow and the Star says there was no life in the campaign until Jim Ferguson "Shot a lot of high life" into it at Sulphur Springs. This is the way the Star puts it: "Jim Ferguson at Sulphur Springs shot a lot of high life into to join any secret organization to prove my 100 per cent the campaign for governor that will put some life into what hitherto has been about the dullest campaign we have any recollection of. Dan Moody has been mixing anti-Ferguson to be sufficient evidence to prove the quality of Mr. M'Clellen's dope for eight or ten months but the cold winter or something Americanism and there are thousands of others like him all seems to have spoiled a lot of it."

the court house dome, and by gosh, they are going to see to it that it stays off. The hooded bunch may as well under-saloons 33 years ago." stand right now that their Punch and Judy stuff is not fool-

ing anybody. "Eighteen months ago Judge Perry slammed on the brakes against the use of the people's court house as a Klan Klavern.

which may be another reason why 'many friends throughout counted."

WILL SHOW THEIR APPRECIATION

#### (From the Fayette County Record)

The Ferguson administration is one of the most successful, if not the most successful, from the standpoint of economy and reduction in legislative appropriations that Texas has ever had. Mrs. Ferguson is the first woman governor we have ever had, and the people of Texas are going to show their appreciation of her untiring efforts in behalf of the taxpayers and are going to nominate her for a second term on the first ballot on July 24. This will be nothing but right, for she is entitled to a second term and should not be forced to fight two campaigns to secure the nomination, which belongs to her without a contest.

Texas shows a consumption of gasoline averaging 600 gallons yearly for each motor vehicle registered. At present prices that means that more than \$100,000,000 yearly is paid out by Texas motorists for gasoline. What a joy ride that means!

The status of the gubernatorial campaign as seen by the veteran editor of the Baird Star is "Mrs. Ferguson against the field." The Star says: "When Dan Moody first entered and Zim's speeches it will be seen that it is Mrs. Ferguson against the field.'

induction took place in September, just sixty days before the signing of the Armistice. traveled extensively over Texas.

> Candidates for various offices mostly resent being accused of klan affiliation or receiving klan support and an instance of this is the case of H. B. M'Clellen, candidate for tax assessor of Milam county, who brands as false the charge that he is or ever has been a klansman. "I have never found it necessary over Texas.

saloons 33 years ago.

The Labor Journal also reminds us that politics were as warm, or warmer, in those days a third of a century ago as they are now, and this paragraph recalls one of the most hectic and memorable of Texas political campaigns:

"Jim Hogg was governor of Texas, having just been elected after a campaign that made the present scrap between Ferguson and Moody look like a tea party.'

The Labor Journal always is neatly printed, newsy and earnest in its championship of the cause of organized labor. The bell is nine inches long and four Earl V. Aten is the editor and Victor B. Andrew is the business manager. The Forum extends fraternal greetings and regarded by Mr. Ellis as an unusual hopes that at the end of the next thirty-three years the Labor relic and is one of many Mr. Ellis has. Journal may be able to record still greater and more astound-ing strides toward the front. ing strides toward the front.

## ONE EDITOR'S ARGUMENT FOR VOT-ING FOR MRS. FERGUSON

The editor of the Orange Grove Observer is emphatic in his opposition to kluxerism and Moodyism and in his last issue says: "If for no other reason we would support Governor Ferguson for reelection for having disrobed the Ku Kluxers and pulled the mask from their faces." But that is not all that Editor S. A. Pipes of the Observer has to say about the campaign and the candidates. He says in another place

"If Dan Moody is not a Ku Kluxer, he is at least the can-didate of the Ku Klux Klan. \* \* \* \* Dan Moody will get at least two and probably three votes out of Orange Grove with five or six going to Lynch Davidson and the balance to 'Ma.' It's too bad that we are so divided at Orange Grove. \* \* \* \* One of our prominent citizens who has been sporting a flaming red poster on the wind shield of his car, 'Dan's the Man,' is evidently getting 'cold feet' as the poster is no longer to be seen.

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If "Hi" Evans, the imperial wizard of the Ku Klux Klan, don't shake hands until "He" gets there he will go a long, long time without a handclasp.

Texas democracy is aroused and will rally to the standard the court, Goutcher had referred of efficiency and achievement in the administration of state to Judge Johnson and the arresting officiers as represented by Governor Miriam A. Ferguson.

ewhat similar to the "sectionized"

#### Cowbell of 1853 Is Found on Farm Near **Bell County Capital**

Belton, May 29 .- A cow bell bearing the inscription "M. Cross 1858" has been found on the Shanklin farm The bell is nine inches long and four and one half inches wide. The bell is have been highly polished by him, trinkets of pioneer days and many other interesting articles. Mr. Ellis has been making a collection of relics of this kind for a number of years.

Hose Is Turned Into Home of University **President by Boys** 

Austin, May 25.—Furniture and carpets in the office of President W. M. W. Splawn of the University f Texas and other offices in the building were damaged several hun-dred dollars last night when the lower floor was flooded with water from a fire hose. The hose, run-ning full force, was discovered sticking through a window in President Splawn's office this morning. The office and lower floor of the building was covered with about one inch of water. No explanation of the affair could be offered by university of Texas officials.

#### Spanking Is Given Insolent Offender By Muscular Judge

Dunkirk, N. Y., June 2 .- Judge took George Goutcher, 42 years old, over his knee in his private of-fice the other day and spanked him, Goutcher was before the court for disorderly conduct on complaint of his wife. After administering the thrashing, Judge Johnson sentenced the prisoner to five days in jail but later suspended the sentence on the plea of Goutcher's wife.

The spanking was in the nature of punishment for contempt of court, as before his arrest, officers told

### THURSDAY, JUNE 3, 1926

## Mrs. Ferguson Not Only **Governor Whose Acts of Mercy Preachers Scored**

Editor Forum: Mrs. Ferguson is not the only candidate for governor who has been abused for tempering justice with mercy in the use of the pardoning power. The late ex-Governor Bob Taylor of Tennessee was similarly abused. The Rev. Sam Jones was holding a revival in Nashville when Bob Taylor was governor, and in one of his sermons he severely abused the governor for what the latter's enemies termed "wholesale pardons." A newspaper reporter was present and when the sermon was over he went to the home of Governor Taylor, awoke him and read to him the attack of the evangelist, and asked him if he had any comment. The governor dictated the following. "Governor Taylor having been shown the above article said that he was surprised to learn that the evangelist was against the pardoning power for he said if it had not been for the pardoning power of Almighty God Sam Jones would have been in hell 20 years ago." The following are a few of the extracts from the speeches

of Governor Taylor replying to his critics on the pardoning power: (The words are not the same in the different publications from which they are taken but substantially the same.)

same.) "There are two columns of the human race ever moving onward. One is the happy column, ringing with laughter and song. Its line of march is strewn with roses. It is hedged on either side by happy homes and smiling faces. The other is the column of sorrow, moaning with suffering and distress. I saw an aged mother with her white locks and wrinkled race swoon at the governor's feet; I saw old men tottering on the staff with broken hearts and tear stained faces and I the staff with broken hearts, and tear stained faces, and I heard them plead for their wayward boys; I saw a wife and seven little children, clad in rags and barefooted, in mid-winter fall upon their knees around him who held the par- Charlie Stone, Gene Ferguson all doning power; I saw a little girl climb upon the governor's knee and put her arms around his neck; I heard her ask him

knee and put her arms around his neck; I heard her ask him if he had little girls; then I saw her sob upon his bosom as though her little heart would break and heard her plead for mercy for her poor, miserable, wretched father. "I visited the penitentiary and looked in and saw the ghastly stripes of shame and the pallid faces of crime moving from the scorn of their fellow men. There was not a smile nor a single peal of laughter; but a melancholy ghost of song still lingered behind the iron bars to comfort languishing love.

love. "I saw ten thousand outstretched hands and heard ten thousand piteous cries for help; and the critics raised their bristles, and the scandalmongers showed their teeth and said, 'You shall not listen to their cries;' but humanity said, 'You 'You shall not listen to their cries;' but humanity said, 'You must,' and I did. I saw youths, whose offenses were not heinous crimes, dying in disgrace, and I turned them out and gave them back to their mothers-some with a new home and some to die.

"I saw repentant men who had suffered long enough, and sons, appears to have forgotten how I sent them back to their starving wives and children. And the same interests tried to deprive I said: 'Let the critics frown and rail, let this heartless world him of a second term by running condemn, but he who hath the pardoning power and doth not temper justice with mercy, will on that Great Day cry for mercy and mercy will be refused him.' For, thank God, the stream of happy humanity that rolls on like a gleaming river, and the stream of the suffering, distressed, and ruined of earth, both empty into the great ocean of eternity and mingle Check for \$1,052,488 like the waters, and there is a just and merciful God who will judge the merciful and the unmerciful." THOS. C. ANDREWS.

McKinney, Texas.

**Ferguson Clubs Organized** To Wage Campaign to Give Second Term to Governor

### THE FERGUSON FORUM

**Echoes of Ferguson Opening Speech Add Enthusiasm to Race** 

Echoes from the great meeting t Sulphur Springs May 22 when the campaign of Governor Miriam

A. Ferguson for re-election as governor was opened are pouring in from all directions and friends write to the Forum that the Governor will receive a larger vote than in her first ace in their respective voting baxes. One of the most enthusiastic mem ers of the motor cavalcade that nade the long hike from Temple to greet Bell county's distinguished

daughter on the opening of her campaign is Sant Roddy, of the firm of Roddy Brothers, Temple, a lead ing merchant and director in the City National bank of Temple. He said it was the greatest and mos enthusiastic gathering he had ever seen at any political meeting and he returned to Temple firmly convinced

that Mrs. Ferguson will be re-elected by a larger majority than in 1924. Dr. Guy Sherrill, of Temple, anther member of the cavalcade carried the national colors on his car

during the trip with Joe Osaba as Others who pronounced the Sulphur Springs meeting the greatest political assembly in Texas history were: W. W. Wallace of Holland, Scott Wallace,, Judge R. E. William-son, Miss Dovie Belle Strausburger, H. Patterson and wife,

"Personal observation and inquiry

during a recent visit among old friends in Texas, with later informaion received from them, convince me you will beat Dan and Lynch in the orimary as emphatically as you will beat the Klan-Republican nominee in November. If Oscar Colquitt wants to speculate a little with me on this, I'm agreeable. Oscar, backing the big rich against the Fergu-

**Closes Transfer of** Kerrville Hospital

Austin, Texas, June 2 .- The Texas general fund has been enriched by State Highway Magazine reporting ican Legion Memorial Hospital at Kerrville. Warrant for that net amount was brought to Austin by Dr. H. H. Harrington, chairman of the State Deard of Control who

**Special Session Will Not** Be Called Until Fall Is Answer of Gov. Ferguson

Austin, Texas, June 2-The Texas legislature will not be convened in special session until September or October, is and prosperous. the decision announced by Governor Miriam A. Ferguson in her reply to J. A. Kemp, chairman of the statewide committee which presented to her a draft of a bill for the validation of road bonds believed to be affected by the United States Su-preme court decision in the Archer county bond case. The governor's decision was mailed to Chairman Kemp at Wichita Falls Monday and in it she says:

"This will formally acknowledge receipt of the communication of May 17th presented by you and other prominent citi-zens composing the committee having in hand the matter of calling the legislature in special session for the purpose of passing legislation that will relieve road district bonds of the effect of a decision recently rendered by the supreme court of the United States in what is known as the Archer county case

"There is also attached to your said communication a copy of a bill prepared by prominent eastern bond attorneys who are of the opinion that said bill will meet the situation and validate the road district bonds heretofore issued in different parts of the state.

"I have sought the advice of able attorneys upon the bills presented and I have been advised that it is not quite clear that these bills will meet the objections raised by the supreme court of the United States in the Archer county case. I am having the matter further considered with a view to doing everything that can be done to remove any embarrassment that may arise as an incident to this decision of the court.

"However, I believe you will quite agree after having re-ceived all the facts that it would be impracticable at this time to convene the legislature in special session for the reasonto pass the special acts presented by you under even a sus-pension of the rules. If there should be any extended discus-sion of the bills, as in all probability there would be, the legislature would be in session until long after the election if the bills presented by you were passed. I believe you will agree with me that the importance of this legislation makes it imperative that it be considered at a time when the political atmosphere is not surcharged with partisan discussion.

"Therefore, I have decided that it will not be best to convene the legislature in special session at this time, but I will defer the matter until some time in September or the first part of October, and in the mean time I will have such investigation made as to the sufficiency of the bills presented by you and if there seem to be no intervening legal objections I shall be glad to call the legislature in special session to consider this matter and some other special matters, including the

apportionment for the common schools. "I want to thank you and the members of the committee who have had this matter in hand for your patriotic interest in this important matter, and I assure you that it will be my purpose to maintain the financial honor of the state in all things."

# Scenic Highway of Texas **Through Picturesque Part**

general fund has been enriched by \$1,052,488 as a result of the United States government buying the Amer-State Highway Magazine reporting

neer.

reek and through the Brady Creek Valley. A richer farming country cannot be found and a more contented and prosperous people cannot be found. You then enter the Welcome Gates of the City of Eden, Concho county, Texas, which is located on a hill and the beckoning lights are always shining. This town is the ter-

minus of the G. C. & S. F. Railway and has a population of some two thousand people who are contented

You now leave on the last lap of fifty miles of this story and you travel over an open country over a good work. I am wondering how-road that has been built of earth and ever, if he has not weakened his road that has been built of earth and one that cannot be excelled for smoothness. You pass out of Concho of one upon whom the Invisible Emcounty and enter Tom Green county. pire and the Butte crowd seem to ikewies named for that great and have centered. I can not help havgrand soldier and hero, you pass ing a feeling of commiseration for through a country that you can see Mefo because I am sure that he as far as your vision will permit. You feels out of place in the company then enter that metropolis of West he is now keeping. I am sorry to Texas the progressive and growing have put him to so much trouble in locating "The Bird Like Town of city of San Angelo, Texas a city of some twenty-five thousand, a city of Snipe" but let me say that just such fine homes, contented people-people who meet you with a glad hand, and the only city this writer has visited that has an enormus electric sign cress the main street reading "Welcome". This city claims to be the 'Rainbow's End" as likewise they have another giant electric sign across

he main street which reads: "The Rainbow's End, San Angelo, Texas." This city is the home of the Division Engineer's office of Division No. 7

and that gentle accommodating and courteous gentleman, Mr. H. L. George s Division Engineer, whose code of thics and consideration of his fellow man are as gentle and kind as a woman, yet endorsed with intellegence and determination that will surely carry anyone to sucess. Mr. George has as his able assistant in the maintenace of the State Highway in Division No. 7 Mr. Cecil Jackson, T. A. Bendy, Aaron Cummins, of Ozona. Crockett county; A. R. Holman of oncho county, Sanford Roe of Junction, Kimble county, W. E. Hagood. Mason, Mason county, C. S. Jamison of Mertzon, Reagan county, E. L. Woods of Brady, McCullough county and a more proficient, hard working bunch of men cannot be found. They even work and drag the roads often during the night as well as during the takes until the roads are again placed in excellent condition for the accommodation of those who might wish to travel it. I do not believe that any person in Texas can be found who is striving harder to render real courteous and lasting service to the

people of Texas than the employees of the State Highway Department, Division No. 7. Before I close I am constrained to

give your readers a close-up of an-other picture which I believe deserves special mention and that is this: The division shops and warehouses are also maintained at San Angelo and Hon. Joe Burkett while State High-way Commissioner likewise selected a man to be in charge of same, who

ments at all over his section of Texas as he did in Division No. 7, then in-deed the people of Texas are under lasting obligations to him for they the bighest type. In selecting Dr. H. H. Harrington, chairman of the State Board of Control, who received it May 26 in Washington in the final act in the purchase of the hospital. Texas also is relieved of any further responsibility of mak-ing appropriations for the upkeep Cooper, Texas, June 2.—A Fergu-son for Governor Club has been or-ganized here. G. M. Baker, a farmer who formally lived in Bell county, was elected county chairman and manner of the Ferless. He has mended and overhaule same in a manner that has convinced and astounded the most skeptical. He is a mechanic of rare and unexcelled ability. He gives his entire time to the upkeep of the division machinery He makes trips as far as one hun or engine, returns to his shop in the wee hours of early morning to assume command of the operations of the shop. This man has to his credit not one complaining word although he works from eighteen to twentyfour hours each day. He is all that the word congenial means. He is all that the word gentleman stands for and last, but not least, there is no better mechanic than he, possessed with an executive ability that few

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#### Mefo Reminded That **Folks in Country Are** For Gov. Ferguson

Editor Forum:

I am enclosing a copy of a letter that I wrote to Mefo and his comment thereon. I have always admired Mefo and recognize the valiant service he rendered his state and country by his stand against that insidious foe to authorized government. All honor to him for his position by espousing the candidacy places, or in other words the boys and girls in the forks of the creek will give to Ma multiplied thousands of votes.

Yours very truly, W. O. STEELE, Snipe, Texas, May 18, 1926.

The letter of Mr. Steele to the Chronicle and Mefo's comment thereon are given as follows:

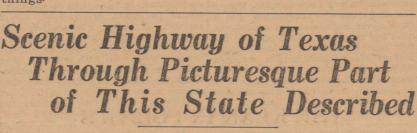
Snipe, Texas, May 12th, 1926. Dear Mefo:

While I have been an admirer of our column for quite a long while, now find that I must take issue with you on your stand in the comng gubernatorial contest. In fact can not understand a man of your character, who has always opposed unarchy and chaos lining up with nen of the Tom Love type. It seems o me that the incident of the fiery cross on your lawn would at least be a sufficient reason to keep you from herding with this crowd.

When we remember that our fore-athers crossed an unknown sea and braved the perils of a hostile wilderness in order that they might have religious freedom, then should we not be fair enough to give the Catholic and the Jew this same privilege? I must admit that you and The Houston Chronicle have been potent factors in combatting this fanaticism which must necessarily lead to chaos and ruin. Now why spoil your good work by falling in line with the element you have been fighting.

In my judgment you have picked a losing candidate. The people have always given a second term to their governors. There is still strong opposition to the Ku Klux Klan and its political leaders in Texas. Scattered throughout Texas are thousands of Modern well equip-ped Rural school buildings which stand as monuments to the efforts of Former Governor Jas. E. Fergu-son in his attempt to equalize eduernor's office for another term.

Yours very truly, W. O. STEELE By Mefo: Yes, there is a town in Texas called Snipe. It's in Brazoria county. W. O. Steele writes us and jumped into the most popular camp in hopes of getting a little credit for the victory.



was elected county chairman and was elected chairman of the Fer-in the State House whether the State to do that yet I wish to give you as how beautiful the road is and how Was elected county chairman and was elected chairman of the tet in the state house when the state to use when the state is composed of City Tim O'Connell of Palestine was to reduce the state tax rate at its will be of interest to the people of try is, is to travel it. By traveling try is, is to travel it. By traveling the state at its will be of interest to the people of the state at its will be of interest to the people of the state at its will be of interest to the people of the state at its and the state at its will be of interest to the people of the state at its and the state at its will be of interest to the people of the state at its and the state at its at its and the state at its at i Attorney C. C. McKinney, former elected permanent secretary and July session. There are some who

County Judge Joel H. Berry, Rep-resentative H. H. Moore, J. W. A committee was appointed to ar-slight reduction possible, which, if Pickens, J. C. Tynes, John Talley, range for another meeting of all the true, would mean the first time the J. L. Wickersham, Joe Lilly, County Ferguson supporters Saturday, June state tax rate has been below the Commissioner W. A. Wallace, R. V. 12, at which time some prominent Rose, J. A. Lilly, J. A. Monday, speaker of the state will address the ber of years. R. P. Jones, C. A. Cockrell, M. C. meeting.

Wheeler, J. E. Smiley, J. M. Minrate at 77c, all the constitution al-rate at 77c, all the constitution al-rate at 77c, all the constitution al-lows, being 35c each for general pur-

Sandlin, Grover George, Byron guson for Governor Club of 53 Bates, W. L. Scott and T. N. El-more. An active campaign will be good. Mr. Ferguson has been asked conducted throughout the county. to speak here some time during the campaign. He will have the largest

Palestine, Texas, June 2 .- A large crowd that was ever in Carrollton. number of the supporters of Gov-ernor Ferguson met at the offices of Yours for success, ELBERT A. THOMPSON.

#### **Runaway Colt Lands Plans Complete for** Actually on Top in Tilt With Big Auto

Butte, June 2.—An automobile

and a frisky colt collided on a road near here recently and the colt for the annual convention of the came out on top, both Iterally and Texas State Teachers Association, figuratively. which will be held in El Paso Nov.

The automobile was passing a corral just as the colt leaped over 25, 26 and 27, are practically comthe fence to escape from cowboys, pleted, according to President J. M. who were trying to rope it. Bledsoe, President George W Fra-Bledsoe. President George W. Fra-

It landed in the road squarely in front of the automobile, leaped College the Colorado State Teachers College at Greeley, and J. R. Grant again and came down on top of the Arkansas State department of of the car, crushing the top and smashing the windshield. When the wreckage was untangled, the occu-latest engaged for addresses. Mr. Bledsoe believes that the El pants of the automobile, Bert Mynard, a prominent rancher, and C. Paso convention will be one of the Morrison were found to be suffer- most largely attended in the history ing from cuts and bruises. The of the association. He expects to ancolt pranced off down the road, nounce complete plans for the conapparently unharmed. vention within a few weeks.

Mother of 8 Charged With Bootlegging Is

Wheeling, W. Va., May 29 .- Mrs. 119 victims of the Ben Wood mine explosion, and mother of eight children, pleaded guilty the selling liquor before Federal Judge W. E. Baker today, but the court, hearing her tale of bad luck, paroled her for a year.

Released by Court tains of West Texas, as well as a glimpse of Old Mexico. Emma Beerlitch, widow of one of the Boy of 4 Years Is

Dragged to Death By Runaway Mule

are being arranged for the conven-

**Annual Convention** 

Counsel for the woman, appointed by a mule for more than an hour, the by the judge, said that shortly after 4 year old son of Isaac Conn, a farmer residing near Glenwood, was found he declared. Added to that is the The next town you reach is the litshe was widowed by the mine blast, she was awarded compensation by the state, but that \$1,000 of the money was lost when the bank of Ben Wood

of the family was thrown out of work when a mill closed and the widow was the only support of the big family. The mule became was working. The mule became in the opinion of the tax expert. All of this will go to offset the drouth effects and to build an in-crease in valuations. The next town you reach is Fred-body was found, a trace chain was the only support of the big family.

year. constitutional maximum in a num-

Last July the board fixed the rate at 77c, all the constitution alposes and for school purposes and 7c for pensions. The schools always need all the money they can get, therefore, any possible tax reduc-tion would be out of the tax for general purposes. most skeptical pessimist.

Present tax values in Texas ag-gregate \$3,602,217,000 and \$c on scenery that will fascinate you beeach \$109 would mean \$1,080,665, yond your fondest dreams is the Pedernales River. You travel for or about the amount of the deposit made to the credit of the general fund by Dr. Harrington. That might forecast a tax reduction of \$c in the most beautiful curves and winding round and round the meanders of the duce that assessment to 32c and the river traveling over a road that a few of State Teachers total state rate to 74c, which would years ago would have been considbe Ic less than the maximum of 75c observed prior to last year be-fore the pension maximum was raised from ic to 7c

raised from 5c to 7c. The state automatic tax board kept to a degree of excellence that

Several attractive automobile trips the taxable values of Texas this The first town you come to is the

tion visitors, to give them a view of for many years. the Rio Grande Valley and the moun-Mr. Stewart said the increase last year was approximately \$115,000,-000 over the preceding year. He town you reach is Johnson City, counsaid that while the drouth might have shrunk values in some of the sixty-five couunties affected by last lation and located in a picturesque

year's dry spell, these decreases country among the blue bonnets hills will be more than offset by the heavy oil development of the last tiful flowers and the fragrance is

Gilmer, Texas, May 29.—Dragged twelve months which preceded it. twe for you to gaze upon and for kissed by the gentle refreshing winds Now fields and larger production placing such sweet odors in the air

stant glitter from the red gravel pro-You can leave Austin on State duced by the lights from your car. Highway No. 20, which leads in a Mason county is one of the thirteen northwesterly direction; you will trav-el over some of the prettiest and best the State Highway Department and supper, repairs some tractor, grader or ongine returns to his shop in the maintained roads in Texas; you will Mr. L. H. George is Division Engipass through a country that for beau-

ty can not be excelled; you will be charmed beyond the most vivid dream The next town you reach is Mason, county seat of Mason county, a very of expectation; you will be surprised beautiful town of possibly three thouand will travel roads that for smoothsand souls. This town has most wonness, beauty and being maintained to derful opportunities for those who the highest point of efficiency will wish to invest in a real live boosting surprise and completely fascinate the town. The citizenship is made up of The first point of real beautiful people who really live and observe the Golden Rule.

Before you reach the town of Mason you cross the beautiful Llano rivmiles and miles making some of the er and one is tempted to stop and cast his line for some of the finny tribe which abound in this clear sparkling stream.

You leave Mason and continue to travel a road of smoothness and just as you leave the confines of Mason county you cross over another stream which sends towards the Gulf beautiof same has been and is yet being The state automatic tax board will meet about July 20, or four days before the primary election, to fix the state tax rate. The law requires the County Tax Assessors to submit estimates to the Comp-troller not later than July 15 of their probable taxable values of their board must meet within five days thereafter to fix the tax rate. The law ful pure clear water, which also teems thereafter to fix the tax rate. The board could meet as early as July ance Contractor, are due and deserve the credit and praise of not only the and a bigger bunch of boosters could 16, or a week before the primary officials, but of everyone who travels not be gathered together than are in election, to fix the rate. J. W. Stewart, chief tax clerk of county line as no smoother or better seat of McCulloch county. This town the Comptroller's Department, pre-dicted there will be an increase in this road. homes. The citizenship of Brady and year. He has handled the figures beautiful little town of Dripping McCulloch county is made up of the Springs, Hays county, a town of a highest type; the writer is reliably

informed that many times the county jail stands with open doors. The atmosphere is filled with good will and peace on earth to men. You then leave Brady going westerly and for sixteen miles you travel

through one of the richest farming sections of Texas. You can see hundreds of acres in every direction cov-Oats casting gentle waves for miles;

of West Texas. You now come to the beautiful litle town of Melvin on the banks of the Brady Creek situated

amid a very rich productive farming country. Melvin is only some twenty years old yet it looks from the size

men possess.

#### Daring Leap Through Air by Fireman Saves Mother and 2 Babies

New York. June 2.- A fireman's op of a swaying ladder three stories high resulted today in saving a moth-er and her two small children from being burned to death in a Harlem tenement fire.

When fire apparatus arrived at the tenement, a woman was seen standing at a third floor window with a child in her arms, all chance of escape cut off by flames. A ladder was thrown up and Firemen Revello and Reilly raced up the rungs. Standing at the very top Reviello was still out of reach of an iron grating below the window. As he called to the woman to drop the child into his arms she fell back into the room, overcome with smoke.

Crouching on the top rung of his swaying ladder Reviello sprang into the air, caught the grating and pulled himself into the flaming room. He passed the woman, thinking her child

was clutched in her arms, down to Reilly. Then he dropped back through the air to his ladder and descended. As they reached the street the woman moaned out that her baby was still in the blazing room and Reviello repeated his earlier performance, and saved the baby.

#### Cheating the Jews

Natural-born American-Why have you fellers appropriated the Jews'

\$15 Invisible Alleged American-Well, haven't we split it three ways? Cash Register company and will thereof to be much older. It is pro- We are giving the Jews hell and the have to pay the latter company

J. HOWARD CUMMINS,

### Houston Man Heads State Ticket Named By Texas G. O. P.

Dallas, Tex., May 29.—A complete slate of republican candiates headed by Harvey H. Haines, general manager of the Houston Chamber of Comnerce, was recommended here today by the state ticket committee created by the republican conference in Fort Worth, May 22.

The ticket is recommended to the republican voters for their first statewide primary, it was announced by Leonard Withington, secretary of the party's state executive committee. The state ticket committee, appointed to select candidates from a list proposed at the conference, delivered last Tues-day in Houston and again Friday in San Antonio, completing the ticket today.

W. H. Holmes, a leading oil man of Amarillo, is recommended for lieutenant governor. The others recommended by the committee are: attorney ourageous leap through air from the general, C. K. McDowell of Del Rio, former republican state chairman; comptroller, Ripley A. Hanrick, cotton man of Waco; treasurer, Joe Keebelmann, banker of Weatherford, Parker county; commissioner of agri-culture, Robert Colton of Mount Enterprise, Rusk county farmer and former railroad man; state superintendent of public instruction, Mrs. Hallet Reynolds, El Paso, leader in civic work and woman associate member of the republican state executive committee; land commissioner, Mrs. Sarah Kenezes of Dallas, assistant United States district attorney, former manager of the Butte campaign: associate justice of supreme court, G. N. Harrison of Brownwood; associate justice of court of criminal appeals. D. Dotson of San Antonio, lawyer. Colonel Haines, the standard bearer, was a lieutenant colonel in the army in the world war. He is 58 years old and was born of American parents in Canada.

The committee announced that hose named would make an active campaign if they are nominated in the primary. The campaign, it was said, will be on a straight Texas republican line up. ......

#### Ruling in Patent Suit.

New York, June 2 .- The National ash Register company infringed on 44 patents owned by the Remington damages for losses sustained, it was decided May 24 by Judge Manton, of Dallas, Texas. the circuit court of appeals.

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# Some Letters To the Forum

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**Editor Forum:** 

Please allow me space in the Forum to say I think the people who vote in the Democratic Primary this year. we have been minus a Governor since ought to insist that candidates for you left us until she came to our as-Governor, Attorney General and State sistance a little over a year ago and Representative offices shall state how got things, a good many things at they stand on the Search and Seizure Law and Anti-Mask Law.

named who favors the repeal of these laws. They are based on the fundamental principles of our government, as handed down to us by our forefathers in our National and State bright. Constitutions. Every one familiar with the history of our government knows this to be a fact.

Those who favor the repeal of the Mask Law are mostly Ku Kluxers or Ku Klux sympathizers. Some people may be fooled by the plea that the Ku Klux Klan is not in politics. This writer has felt the effect of the Klan in a business way and in two political campaigns, while a candidate for representative, at the very time its leaders were proclaiming that the Klan was not in politics.

I am out of business and politics now and can say what I please with-out their having any comeback at me either in a business way or political-

The candidate for a high office who evades telling how he stands on important issues should be scratched when it comes to voting. J. J. STEPHENS,

Gilmer, Texas.

Good Woman Prays for Ferguson Victory.

Editor Forum: Enclosed you will find a one dollar bill pinned to your ad, for which please send the Forum to B. F. Latham, Quinlan, Texas, R. 2. He is my son and Ferguson man from head to

foot, heart and soul. Mrs. Ferguson will get all the votes that we old Democrats can control for we are well pleased with her administration and want her for our Governor again and are going to do all we can to give her the second term, which she is entitled to. I am praying for her success and I know the Lord will hear us when we cry unto Him and He will help us out of our troubles. Do wish I could write all I want to but I can't, too old and nervous-in my 87th year. I am the same old lady that heard you make speech in Greenville in June, 1917. I have taken the Forum ever since Bless you for still sending it for the more I read it the better I like it and the stronger my faith grows in the Fergusons. Send me some papers to distribute among the people.

Don't know as you can read this

Write J. F. BROWN Beeville, Texas If you want to buy a

Candidates Should Tell Their Stand. | but hope you will understand that we are for Mrs. M. A. Ferguson for

our next Governor. She has made east, straightened up. Now if we can or Moodyism. with the help of our blessed good

This writer does not intend to vote Lord and our good faithful friends for any candidate for the offices just keep Mrs. M. A. Ferguson an- are now sidetracked and we are to of any administration that I reother term after this our state will choose what kind of ism we want in member and my first vote was for be in much better condition than it has been for years and I think we (f isms, Hobbyism, Neffism, Hoggism, governor, will, for the prospects are pretty Fergusonism. I enjoyed Hoggism and

Now please don't forget to still send my paper. I thank you ever so much for your kindness. I have done all I Moody has monkeyed with every decould to make my Forum go as far partment in the state and if elected Search and Seizure law and the Anti- as it would. Send me more papers. governor would try to tell me how to I'll help all I can. run my farm.

Now if you put this in the Forum well and good. I am too old to put an article in a paper straight from Believe me your true and faithful riend, now and always,

SARAH V. LATHAM, Quinlan, Texas.

Thanks God for Noble Governor. Editor Forum:

I am a reader of the Forum and ike it fine for the many good letters which it contains.

Will say in regard to the Goveror's race, I am not interested in but ne and that is our dear Mother M. Ferguson, the best of all in my esimation. I am not very far advanced n politics, but can see what she has already done for our State during this first administration and I think pracice makes perfect. Am sure another term in the Governor's chair would make her far better. We all know that she is better qualified for the next term than she was the first, so why not every good moral citizen urn out on the 24th day of July and give the dear Christian hearted woman all the votes we can. I am for her so strong that I would like to cast a dozen votes for her. There never was, nor never will be, such a Christian to occupy the Governor's chair. Oh how I do pray that she can remain there where she is now seated. I am doing all in my power in her behalf and I want the world to know

that I am for her and her alone for Tyler, Texas. R. 1. Governor. She has done more good during her administration than ever was done for the Lone Star State by

Editor Forum:

any governor, so let's cleave to her I saw "Ma's" opening address in Record-Telegram of Sunday, also your until Gabriel blows his trumpet.. God has blessed us all with a Christian own address and I see that Mr. Moody hearted Governor. Thanks be to God accepted "Ma's" proposition, but I or the Christian hearted Governor; she has made so many happy, and have never have seen his acceptance will continue to do likewise. May God bless her and her good husband May over his signature. In Monday's paper, however, I see Mr. Moody's denial of every assertion you made in defense of "Ma's" administration. the wish of one who loves her dearfor the good she has done in the ast and if I live until July 24th will uarantee her my strongest support. With best wishes for dear Ma and Pa With best war, Ferguson, I am, MRS. J. M. NEILL, "Ma" for Governor and don't want Dan, nor are they going to give "Ma" Tenaha, Texas. Enjoys Reading Forum.

July primary election. Enclosed please find check for \$1 for which send me your paper for the porter of the Fergusons and The For-It isn't really necessary that I sub-

earned, I am, the paper in order to con- for them for five miles. They read Earnestly and sincerely yours,

#### THE FERGUSON FORUM

against Fergusonism. That's his plat- the race to amount to much by in his first speech were Fergusonism. form and all that Moody charges the July 24th. Fergusons with is Fergusonism

Moody knows better than to be specic in any particular charge, he knows he is specific it would be proven a alse charge.

ould bring specifically would be disproven, so he just charges Fergusonism and I hope Ma will agree with him. They are now together on the issue, it is now up to the people of Texas to choose between Fergusonism

The other candidates in this race penitentiary on a paying basis, made 24, and you will think Coxey's army is after you.

Culbersonism and Fergusonism, but I

I am sure God will protect a good

primary two years ago. The manhood and womanhood of

Texas are not ingrates. They know when the goods have been delivered and all the ecclesiastical high brows and hyprocites in this state cannot select a Governor. They claim Ma is not the choice of the people-that circumstances made her Governor. Well, she was second in first primary two years ago and first in the second-then only democrats had spoken, but in the fall election everybody voted and the K. K. K. contin-gent of the Democratic party voted with the Republicans and after three races that year the whole people of Texas elected Ma by over 100,000 votes. So Ma is the choice not only of the Democrats but of the entire citizenship of Texas. This like all other

fallacies proclaimed by her enemies falls flat on investigation. The farmers and working people of Texas elected Ma two years ago and by the eternal gods we are going to do the same thing again this year. J. LEVI JOHNSON,

People of Texas Want Ma.

This is no surprise to any one. The proposition made was a wide one and very much in favor of Dan but had ambitious as it were. Entirely too been wider it would have been just he same. The people of Texas want

chance to lose as will be seen in It is well known that I am a sup-

um goes like hot cakes since it is known that I have them friends come

them and talk them in this place

"Ma" will get 75 per cent of all votes

cast if not more. The only oppositio

Ferguson for?

persecute the present administration in two years. Go on, Dan, if you pension him. Yes, have you voters take great pleasure in handing them sure he and lots of others would do likewise, they would pay him most any price just to get him out so they could get what they want. But remember of the taxpayers' pocket not of their

> P. B. GALBREATH. 304 Fannin Street, Austin, Texas.

Editor Forum:

ord. There had to be something I will have to get the Forum in done. She had a great deal of help. the pardon board, the judges, the attorneys, the county officers, she order to get at what is going on. The other side will so cover up their dirt until no one can see what was very Christ-like in trying to they are. By reading both sides we make something of a citizen, giv-ing the poor down-trodden a chance can get a view as to the facts.

do something, and make his liv-Religiously I am an Apostolic I am sure God will protect a good christian woman that has made good and reward her by touching the hearts of Texas voters when on the 24th day of July the returns will show 100,000 votes majority over her gigan-tic accuser, God will not permit a young, wiry, ambitious politician to destroy a good christian woman.

Ma will get 1,000 more votes in tration the last two years and will mything that uses violence in any them holler three times louder than they stand, voted for Butte but them holler three times louder than they stand, voted for Butte but every one that was true to his ob-ligations and to his country voted. under the Fergusons. The people heart of sister Ferguson and our repare pleased with the search and resentatives to pass a law to uncover when old Colquitt was governor and our heads and let the world see us. I how much the state was in the hole

guson holds the reins of government of Texas. And as long as Pa is there to advise her things will run smoothly. If he gets the Captitol on wheels and can keep the K. K. K. off his wagon he will be "going ome," don't you think?

inguished persons in the United States, will run at the head of Texas government for the next two years in spite of the lies told on them. I am closing hoping Ma will run primary.

Locker Texas.

for it Say, sister Ferguson, I am glad you have a penitent heart, you and your old Jim that is what they call him, I

never saw him. That heart of sorrow and mercy God will love, but God pity that iron clad chain of prevaricators that are after you and Brother Jim. They may flourish here, but God will do my utmost to persuade others to fix their doom for he said "revenge do likewise. I have been in the serv- not for vengeance is mine, I will reice of the state, off and on, for a pay, thus saith the Lord." I have no desire to change some-

> this earth move on. H. MINGS,

young to occupy the governor's chair. He is not sufficiently seasoned so to speak. To my mind it would simply be a case of the "shoe being too small for the foot," should Moody be elected. We are all anxiously awaiting the results at Sulphur Springs. Wishing both yourself and the gov-

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will have smooth sailing for years to in old 'ouston county, where the Fergusons have always led the ticket I have often thought of Will Hogg's by a good majority, sure do want piece in the Houston paper when he down and The to visit us sometime grand jury five months trying to persecute the present administration in two years. Go on, Dan, if you ever thought how he would pay Jim, out to the people.

Your friend always TOM WHITAKER Grapeland, Texas, R. 2, Box 50.

if you please they would pay him out True Democrats Will Vote For Mrs. Ferguson.

own. Had you voters ever thought Editor Forum:

what these old birds have it in for Jim I will soon be seventy years old. Have lived in Texas about forty-A man told me sometime ago the five years of my life. I was raised reason they fought Jim was because in the grand old Democratic State he won't let any one dictate to him of Alabama, where the Democrats and that he didn't consult any of the voted for the nominee; if they did leading politicians of Texas. I told not get their choice they voted for him I was sure glad to hear him say their broter's choice. They did not that for that made me that much stain their hands and their charstronger for Jim Ferguson. Say, have acter by turning over to the Repub-you country folks like myself ever licans to beat their party as they thought how the town folks are? I do in this grand and noble State am going to tell you just how they are and how I am prepared to know, 'cause I have always lived in the straight in the face.

ligations and to his country voted Just stop and think how they did for Ma and that bolting bunch will have to fly the track in July for the never did believe in the law of suf- when Jim Ferguson went into the Democrats of Texas are for Miriam

frage, but as we have got it, I feel my duty to make the best of it I can and to have gotten in bad with that old Ferguson-the best governor the State has ever had and I defy contrawhen it was put up to me to take the political bunch for if you remember diction She stands above her emenies. They

choice between K. K. ism and Fer- then that bunch dug up all about that are of the Georgia Klucksoath bound gusonism it was easy to decide. Now chicken salad on old Colquitt but old to support the man that their gobbler or line up in what was before me I them have their way about things over thank God there are plenty of Demo-mustered all I could and put my there at Austin, but Jim Ferguson crats in Texas to put Mrs. Miriam crats in Texas to put Mrs. Miriam Ferguson, who stands for all the people of Texas, both rich and poor, E. F. SEALE,

Ovalo, Texas, R. 1.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Ferguson Forum is authorized to announce the following candidates for the offices listed before their wouldn't let him put his name on the ticket, they knew what side their names, subject to the action of the bread was buttered on, they knew that democratic primaries to be held Satthe laboring and farming folks would urday, July 24, 1926:

be solid for him, but that didn't do For State Treasurer: any good. Mrs. Ferguson put her name on the ticket and the boys

- J. R. BALL, of Travis County. BELL COUNTY
- showed them where they were at. Didn't they? That sure did hurt some For County Assessor: that I know so well. I am only too W. T. HARRIS glad to express my opinion that I be-H. H. RAY lieve that Ferguson will beat Lynch E. B. BRIDGES

For County Judge: OWEN P. CARPENTER

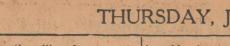
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A. L. (ROY) MONTEITH For Commissioner, Precinct No. 3: W. M. McDONALD

S. E. WHITE W. F. BLUM JR.

For Constable, Precinct No. 5: G. E. HAMRICK

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Now, Dan, the Ku Klux said in 1924 come. People are beginning to realize that they couldn't vote for you for now much Moody has already attorney general for you were too

Moody knows that any charge he after going in office on Jim Fer-would bring specifically would be dis-Democrats of Texas will never have no fear that Governor Ferguson stand for the first woman governor will be defeated. I think Dan will to be turned down on the second come out in the election like the man term of office, after Ma has given said about his c rn. He said when the people a square deal and put it began to shoot it missed the stalk. more money in the treasury, put the Well, Dan, we will meet you on Ju'y

Proud of Helping Ferguson. I am proud of Ma's pardon rec

Texas has had the best adminis- violence. Bless God I am against but cut them off and you can hear

seizure law and we know it will stand the test as long as Ma Fer-

The Fergusons, the two most dis-

S. E. OWEN.

Eager to Help Governor Ferguson. Editor Forum: Opinions of voters at the present time seem to be in order. I have never taken active part in politics. It never made a great deal of difference to me who was elected governor. I do, however,

want you to know that I am strongly in favor of a second term for our resent governor, I shall vote for her. Not only will I vote for her, but I will

number of years. When pay day comes, under Ferguson rule, we know thing good for something untried. that we are going to receive cash, not God bless you in your effort to help script. Nearly all with whom I have talked are not particularly antago-

nistic toward Mr. Moody but the con-Loop, Texas. sensus is he is working too fast, too Warns Voters Against Being Duped. Editor Forum: Would you please agree with one of your old time friends. Just listen

until 1879. I am 67 years old. I lived east of Three Forks and the to the political horns blowing-please watch as well as pray-throw not Wallaces and Fergusons lived on the your pearls before swine for if you west. They were highly respected to they will finally rend you. I no- citizens. Mrs. Ferguson was born and tice some scheming going on that raised there and so was Jim. ernor the success you have so justly does not altogether agree with my Ferguson was the daughter of Uncle honest opinion that I will not men-tion in fhis appeal to the honesty of Rev. James Ferguson and he was the J. N. DENNISON. our Lone Star people. Let's go to first man I ever heard preach. We business for a while and see whether or not and why we have not reasons our little log school houses and at to believe in our administration. Proof of the pudding is enjoying through the week. He ran a little the eating of it. The people are now water mill on the Salado, everybody beginning to see far enough ahead to in our country went there to mill enjoy the sweet smell of that pud- Jim's father died when he was quite ding-that our Governor has been young, so Jim went out in the world cooking for us the beloved people of for himself and family. He made a our Lone Star State. Can't you see a success, later he was our Governor show up of everything fair-how if and made good. Later on when he by persuasion you be carried from was elected the second term they your path of duty by political sharpers and snipers and if you do try to put another in the Governor's place and try to destroy the good influence she has for your own benefit, then will I be forecd to believe that you have been duped and do not really know your duty towards yours and your neighbors and friends. "Love thy neighbor as thyself." Well, it 120,000 majority. She is out for the second term and will be elected by seems that Jas. E. Ferguson is the 200,000 majority. Dan Moody is out one big fellow that the would-be Govstumping the State against her, since ernor if he could be has to fight from fighting her from day to day she took the stump. Let him kick, clear out her seat. It is a dirty shame the conof ill fitting harness that he is trying tempt he has shown her. He will get to wear, if he wants to, but remember what is coming to him when Jim that Ma Ferguson has the Governor's opens up his artillery. If I was Dan regalia on and we know that she is Moody I would resign and leave the needed there another term for she is State. He won't carry his own counentitled to it. When Jim gets through with ty. We know, dear friends, ladies and Dan defending his great and noble gentlemen, that our old friend, Jas. E. wife, Dan's wife won't know him. Ferguson is well able to take care of What a pity and shame for a young himself. We long to have him come man to be led into such a trap by to Center and tell the people the porist, the regustions have put the going to get solid of balls totes, in stood there and not have been moved litical situation of our State. We they put out a state ticket. There to tears? Many times I was forced is not a mother's son that would vote is not a mother's son that would vote or shed tears though I was a man will know him better when Jim comes and introduces him more to the peoto Mrs. Ferguson's support. Hope to any mistakes by listening and not ing him a majority of 200,000. Pampa, Texas. dislikes to take away our better judg-Says Dan Is Already Done For ment. Editor Forum: Yours for the welfare of our State, Please let the Forum come on-it J. L. DOGGETT,

when I had to cast my ballot for Ma Colquitt took the limbertail and let shoulder to the wheel and thank God when we common folks elected him to I was blessed for my effort. I am not the Governor's chair, they sure were sorry nor ashamed of our governor, but feel proud that I helped to put just because they couldn't get everyahead of the crowd, in the first her there. Thank God the big papers thing they wanted. Jim kinder cut go so far as to help defeat Dan. say her platform is a masterpiece of them off and when you cut a man off intelligence but they had the audacity you know just how he feels. to claim she never wrote it. Blame I know for I am a farmer and have been cut off and it hurts, so you know strange thing that old Jim can do

such good intelligent instruction for how those old birds felt about Jim cutting them off, so they thought they our government and can't get credit would impeach him and they did. They were afraid of him so they

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vince myself that "Ma" is the proper candidate to vote for but I get lots of ick out of Jim's replies to little Dan's Knocks on Ferguson. I am for "Ma" first, last and always and so is Limestone county by a large majority. A. B. THOMAS, Groesbeck, Texas.

Editor Forum:

rest of this year.

Wants More "Fergusonism." Editor Forum: As I presume all on the Rural School. andidates for governor are now in he field with their various bottles of dope for the suffering people of Tex-

as, we will take a look at their cards as they lie on the table before us. Three women and three men now appear before the people of Texas asking to be made governor. One of these women is now governor and asking for her second term. All the rest, men and women, don't want her retion. elected. They all have their different easons for defeating the present governor, one says Jim is governor deacto, another says Ma pardons too

speak in favor of Dan Moody. They many poor devils and no rich ones, are all Ferguson voters here. another claims to have all the busi-I am on a public highway and nothness ability of Texas bottled up and one has all the honesty of Texas in his pipe which he smokes. All agree the Gulf to the plains it is principalthat Fergusonism is a terrible thing ly Ferguson for Governor. I am not much on writing but I am Hand it may be to them.

when it comes to talking and relating Now let us see what Fergusonism s: Fergusonism certainly is what the facts. It looks to me like Dan had their hearts. better step down and out while quit-ting is good. The Republicans are Fergusons are doing. Let's see some

epartments. This is Fergusonism. Second, they put the penitentiary on paying basis when through two predecessors of Ma last a million against her administration and there lollars a year. This is Fergusonism. Third, they have not sent rangers to nen while on strikes. This was done in this Smith county during Neff's convince the people that he is not the cause our good governor is named term. When the shop strikes were on Tyler was full of rangers. They would not let people bunch together on the streets, neither would they allow a striker to complain of his treatment surely marshalling their hosts to that truth. A preacher in Austin, and and when they did a Winchester or ixshooter was jabbed in his side, free ple.' speech was a thing of the past, one

oor boy was killed while on picket luty in Tyler. This is not Ferguson-Fourth, a spirit of Christianity and mercy has held a leading part in dailies up here are like Mr. Moodyhis administration. This is Ferguthey can't, or won't, tell the truth.

not even by accident. Fifth, the terrible night mare of the Yours to the end, K. K. K. hung like a cloud over the FRANK (DAD) ADKINS, people of Texas. No man or woman

Ft. Worth, Texas, (Birdville). knew when in the dark of the night, whether he was safe in his person, the Ma Far Ahead in San Saba. iver bottom floggings and the tarring and feathering are no more. Ma won't I am writing to let you know

and feathering are no more. Ma won't allow this now, and this is Fergusonmy opinion as to the county of San

Sugarland, Texas.

s the "Klan" and its supporters and **Old Peace Officer Condemns Howlers.** they do not like to talk about the Editor Forum: Now for a few Governor's race. They can be countwords to the people that are doing so much howling about our good and ed one by one, it is generally too many pardons, and graft in Highway Christian hearted governor showing Department or failure to call special mercy to the unfortunate human besession-if you can get one to talk ings that they might go to their loved you can tell just where he is at. ones and become good citizens and I see Dan's denial of Jim's record more. Now place yourself in the po-

sition that I was in during the year I have been here forty-five years 1883 and 1884-you would see and and from five to seven months was as witness something that would almost as long as the rural school ran until melt a heart of stone and that is the Jim Ferguson was elected the first kind of a heart you have if you have time and up to that time a renter had to pay money rent in advance with a 1883 I entered into a contract with bonus on the side to get land to cul- Bailes & Hall of Waco, Texas, who at tivate, and many other improvements that time were the state contractors came with the Ferguson administra- for conveying all persons that were convicted and had penitentiary sent-

Lest I forget: The Volunteer Fire ence to the penitentiary. I took a Department of Grapevine, Tarrant sub-contract, having in my territory county, had an all-day picnic Saturforty-six counties, my countles being day and refused to let Mr. Colquitt west of the Colorado river to the Rio Grande river. Many times I have stood at the jail door and looked at

the poor wife and little innocent chiling to do but ask questions and I find dren-at times would be as many as that from East to West and from four or five little ones there to bid goodbye to husband and father. It makes no difference what this poor unfortunate man had done-love for

husband and love for daddy was in Could you people that are doing so

much howling about pardons have against a Christian lady for the sec- 32 years old and had been a peace ond term, though she was guilty of officer for many years. My heart al-all charges made by Dan Moody ways went out for the unfortunate and be sure that you do not make ones and more especially the poor litare no charges against her except the innocent ones only half clad and using the brains that God gave you. those that Mr. Moody manufactured, hungry ones. Now you folks that are We should not be prejudiced. We knock down and shoot poor working and they will not, nor cannot, stick doing the most talking about pardons should not ever allow our likes and in the minds of the public. Dan may deny all he wants to but he cannot cause of howling about pardons is be-

favorite of the "Klan" and the only Ferguson? We know that there are chance they have got to put on their some people in this country that hate gowns and, pillow slips again is to Jim Ferguson so much that they elect Dan Governor, and they are would not let themselves tell the

effect, "but they can't fool the peo- when I say a preacher I mean a "Ma" Ferguson will win out Christian man, said from his pulpit by 200,000-there may not be any April 18 that there had been lies unoff to it. It looks that way to me enough told on Jim Ferguson to aland I often hear it expressed. Stay most stagnate the state of Texas. I not buy you anything, you could not take one of these high-powered guns and change a Ferguson vote. We are like a 4 year old boy said to one of about Jim Ferguson as my grandpa

children about Jim now.

ism. So when you come to find out what Fergusonism is, it is not so bad after all. I will take some more of it in county; Davidson is next; Moody Dallas and must have accidentally think a little and don't let those old since that mob kicked Jim out of mine, I am sure I would not like a falling down just as fast as time for about the first words he uttered you must vote. If you do then they Well, Jim, your many good friends the material and the best shape it has ever been in since that mob kicked Jim out of both Farming and the broke down politicians tell you how office.

Center. Texas.

Farmers Are Backing Fergusons. Editor Forum:

Will you allow me a small space things that any man has made. in your paper just to let the vot-Don't see how he can have the gall ers of this giid old Lone Star State to ask the people to elect him govknow just how Brazoria county is going in this coming election? Will ernor after doing what he has-he in the fight and keep your friends said, "Amen, that is true." I want to say this that all this roaring will be said to say this that all this roaring will be said to say the t and Dan is going to get the Ku Klux start after being elected on the Fervote and a few old broke down politiguson ticket but there is one thing cians. Then Ma Ferguson is going to ers are going to back Mrs. Ferguson the hard working folks can see that

neighbor's houses and labored

and Dan both in the first run in Bra-

A friend and supporter,

From an Old Bell County Man.

I was born and lived in Bell county

zoria county.

Angleton, Texas.

Editor Forum:

raised a howl to oust him and the State University and Legislature put him out, and that same old clique. and klan have been fighting him ever His good wife, Mrs. M. A. Fergu-

W. L. MARSHALL,

son, came out for Governor to rescue his good name and was elected by

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