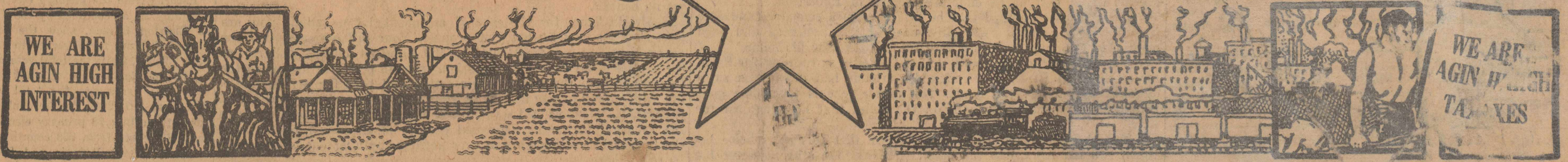


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Hudspeth Gives Mayfield Assurance of Support in His Fight With Connally

Congressman Claude Hudspeth is giving his support to Senator Earle B. Mayfield in the run-off contest with Tom Connally for the nomination as United States Senator. The El Paso congressman wired Senator Mayfield promptly after the first primary when the result assured a race between Mayfield and Connally pledging his support and giving his reasons for preferring the senator to Connally and telling why he thought the voters of Texas should support Mayfield. His telegram follows:

"El Paso, Texas, July 31, 1928.

"Hon. Earle B. Mayfield, Austin, Texas.

"While our relations personally have always been pleasant as you know I did not support you for Railroad Commissioner nor for U. S. Senator giving my support to Senator Culberson. I voted for Mr. Owsley Saturday. Remembering your statement of Tariff views to me in Washington last March which coincided with my position since I became a voter and which means the life of the livestock and farming industries of my district I shall support you in the run-off against Mr. Connally with my whole strength. Surely the people will not elect a man to the Senate who as far as my recollection goes in ten years service with him cannot point to a single bill with the name of Connally that has passed either body. If Mr. Connally has any claim upon the livestock and farming interests after voting against and fighting both emergency tariff bills I fail to see what he bases it upon. The sixteenth district is still democratic by fifty thousand. Will you speak in it. Now is the time to give the people the facts. You can safely trust them when they know the facts.

"CLAUDE HUDSPETH."

Officer of Straton's Church Differs With Preacher Over Smith

Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 15.—Justice William Harmon Black of the New York Supreme Court, president of the board of trustees of the Calvary Baptist Church, in a formal statement given out here today shows with

the attitude of Dr. John Rosch Straton, his pastor toward Gov. Alfred E. Smith.

Justice Black, who is visiting here, said that "Dr. Straton's attack on Governor Smith does not represent the attitude of a great many of the Baptists in the United States." Asserting that no other church members have the individuality that Baptists have, since they are not governed by church conventions or rules, the Justice declared it was "not surprising that Baptists feel free to express themselves on every public subject and in doing so, Dr. Straton is well within his rights, provided he is informed as to the facts.

"He is the ablest orator, in my opinion, in the Baptist Church, and knows more about the bible in a minute than I will ever know, but I believe, without conceit, that I know more about political history than he will ever know.

"I do not know that I would not be so profoundly interested in Gov-

ernor Smith's success if I had not known him intimately for 25 years and if I did not know that he is the cleanest, most loyal man in politics today."

Justice Black said he did not want the impression created, however, that he was "an enemy of Dr. Straton."

"I have been with him throughout his pastorate at Calvary Church and am still with him in everything but his attitude toward Governor Smith."

Methodist Pastor Is Rebuked by Stewards For Attack on Smith

Little Rock, Ark., Aug. 15.—The Rev. H. D. Knickerbocker, pastor of the First Methodist Church here, criticized in a statement signed by a majority of the board of stewards of his church for attacks from the pulpit on Governor Smith and Senator Robinson a few days ago, has requested a transfer to another pastorate, Bishop H. A. Boaz announced.

Senator Robinson is a member of the Knickerbocker church. By a vote of 64 to 26 the stewards and trustees of the church decided to rebuke the pastor and he was granted an indefinite vacation from his duties as pastor.

Pastor Knickerbocker was at one time pastor of the First Methodist Church in Austin.

CONNALLY, DOUBLE DEALER-BOLTER

Tom Connally is running true to form in his campaign for senator. He is for anything or against anything that he thinks might help or hurt his chances for election. He is at his old time tricks.

I remember during his first race for Congress I was walking down the street in Temple and I met one of the Methodist stewards, a praying prohibitionist, and he told me he was for Connally because he had satisfied him on prohibition. I went on a little further and met a saloon keeper and he told me that he was for Connally because he had satisfied him on prohibition.

From that time on I have had my eye on Tom Connally in politics for I knew that any candidate who could satisfy a saloonkeeper and a Methodist prohibitionist the same day on prohibition was handing somebody a package. Go up into Connally's district and get the real low-down on him and you will find that he got into Congress by political duplicity on prohibition.

But the game is getting a little too big for him and he is getting in hot water every day.

For instance, now in one breath he is begging the crowd who say that Al Smith has bolted the platform on prohibition to vote for him and in the next breath he claims that he was right in bolting his party and voting with the Republicans against the Farm Relief Bill because he says now that Al Smith is against the McNary-Haugen bill. In other words he is trying to play Al Smith both ways. But, of course, his scheme ain't working because both sides have discovered him. His plot is covered so deep that it shows on the other side.

Earle Mayfield opened his run-off campaign in Fort Worth last week on Monday night. Connally opened his campaign in Fort Worth also on Tuesday night. After Connally was in Fort Worth Tuesday and of course read Earle's opening speech which appeared in the papers.

MAYFIELD'S CHARGE NO. 1.

Mayfield shot the charge at Connally that he had been in Congress nearly 12 years and was now on only one lonely committee in Congress and that was that he was only a member of the Foreign Affairs committee. When I read that charge I thought that Mayfield had put his foot into trouble and I waited to read the report of Connally's denial and for the list of committees he was on.

But lo and behold, Connally, although following Mayfield in the same town within twenty-four hours, did not deny Mayfield's charge that Connally was only a one committee member of Congress. If he is not a single barrel Congressman and a muzzle loader at that then it is my treat.

It is well known by even the 12-year-old school boy that Congress acts by committees to which all legislation is referred and if a member never gets on any important committees it is evident that he ain't there with the goods and don't know what it is all about.

Indeed it would be a shame and a disgrace for Texas to elect a Senator who had been in the lower house of Congress for 12 years and had only gotten on one non-important committee. He was evidently put on the committee on Foreign Affairs, because it was thought that he could not be of much advantage on Home Affairs.

If a man can sit in Congress 12 years and only get on one committee then there can't be but one ignoramus bigger than him and that would be the hair-brained politician from Texas who is now trying to tell the people that Tom Connally is a statesman.

Ye Gods, it is pitiful!

Mayfield then called attention that he had been in the Senate for only a little over five years and had spent two years in his contest, yet he is on six important committees to-wit: (1) Agriculture, (2) Interstate Commerce, (3) Banking and Currency, (4) Public Buildings and Grounds, (5) Claims, and (6) Inter Oceanic Canals. All these committees are of great importance.

Let any fair-minded man who lays claim to just ordinary intelligence consider this and he will be bound to admit that there is no comparison between the two men in point of accomplishment. If it takes Connally 12 years to get anchored on one committee it would take him 72 years to get on the committees that Mayfield has got on in five years. It is just plain arithmetic if you want the facts.

MAYFIELD'S CHARGE NO. 2.

Mayfield charged that though Connally had drawn \$100,000 in salary for 12 years in Congress he had never been the author of one general law; and offered to donate \$50.00 to the Marlin graveyard for dead politicians if Connally would name one general law that he had passed. In other words there had never been a Connally bill proposed or passed in Tom's 12 year term.

Well, when I read that charge I was cock sure that Mayfield had lanced an intestine good and deep, although I had not kept up with the record. I just couldn't believe that such was the case. But by Golly, when Connally's time to answer came he just simply did not answer and did not even attempt to deny Mayfield's charge.

So here we have all these Southern Pacific lawyers headed, by Hy Garwood, going all around over the country telling the people what a great statesman Connally is, although he has been in Congress for 12 years and has never been the author of even one measly bill of general legislation. The railroad lawyers are just misleading the people because there is nothing in Connally's record to prove whether he is a statesman or a shoemaker. Even the humblest shoemaker would feel ashamed if he had been in Congress 12 years and had not proposed at least one general law for the good of the people.

On the other hand Mayfield charged and Connally did not deny that he had offered in the five years he had been in the Senate at least six different important bills, and succeeded in passing three most important bills to-wit: (1) The Cotton Classification bill which prevents dog-tail from being carried as merchantable cotton to make it appear that a big surplus is on hand to beat down the price of good cotton. This bill alone will save the cotton farmers \$100,000,000 on one year's crop. (2) Mayfield passed the bill preventing the secretary of Agriculture from giving out advance estimates on the size of the wheat or cotton crops, and (3) Mayfield passed the bill taking away from the United States Interstate Commerce Commission the right to stop the building of a railroad with in any one state.

Connally did not deny any claims of Mayfield simply because he could not deny them. Really I am bound to admit that Mayfield has some earmarks of the statesman. If he accomplishes as much in the next six year term as he has in his first term we all may have to revise our estimate of his ability. Anyhow he has done so darn much more in five years than Connally has in 12 years I know I am justified in voting for Mayfield to prevent the Connally affliction of the people. Boys just come clean. Connally just ain't there with the goods.

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Earle and Tom's Battle at End of First Week Assures Big Victory for Mayfield

(By The Forum Staff Correspondent)

Austin, Texas, Monday, Aug. 13.—Up to the recent primary Austin refused to become interested in the senate race. Somehow or other the politicians who live in Austin either from fear or don't care influence failed or refused to express any interest and but little preference between Mayfield and Connally.

But it is different now, Austin is now engaged in a red hot battle over politics and especially the senator's race.

There was a meeting here Saturday attended by many people from different parts of the state, which was called for the purpose of starting the campaign for the national ticket headed by Governor Smith and Senator Robinson. It was remarked by one well informed newspaper man that in his opinion out of the 300 out-of-town visitors who took part in the meeting there were not a dozen original Smith men in the meeting and that most of those who did the loudest talk were those that were eleventh hour converts who jumped on the Smith band wagon after enough votes had been pledged to Smith to nominate him.

But this is often the way in politics and those who were the most silent before the primary very often become the loudest shouters for the nominee after the primary. It is asserted by many people that if Governor Smith's campaign management in Texas does not undergo some rearrangement so as to give the real and original Smith people some recognition there will be trouble before the Fall election that may become serious.

One very ardent Smith supporter has said quietly without wanting to be quoted that it was to be regretted that prominent Catholics like Mrs. Sevier of Austin and John Boyle of San Antonio were becoming so prominent already in the Smith campaign and that if such a course was persisted in it would give corroboration to the charge already made that if Smith were elected we would have a Catholic administration.

One very strong Connally man at the meeting said he was sorry that Connally had raised and was continuing to inject the Ku Klux issue into his race with Mayfield and that if Connally should be nominated on that issue in the primary it would reopen old sores and resentment which would find expression in the November election. In any event the new leaders who attended the Austin meeting are becoming somewhat alarmed at the mess Connally has stirred up by raising the issue that was thought to be settled in Texas — an issue which has been declared by those high in the party councils to be a last year's bird nest.

In the mean time the campaign between Mayfield and Connally is being pressed with renewed vigor by both sides.

Last week a meeting of Connally's friends attended by 25 prominent citizens of Austin including some five or six prominent ladies met in Austin and laid plans for an active campaign for their candidate.

Then in answer to this Mayfield's manager called a meeting of ladies and more than 250 responded in person to the call for the meeting which was held in a large downtown hotel. The meeting was enthusiastic and militant. Connally's record on child labor, the Maternity law and Woman Suffrage was held up in no uncertain terms.

One prominent lady said that: "When organized labor sought to put through the Child Labor Amendment, and prevent the Mills, the Sweatshops and the Mines from working the little children of the poor for a few pennies a day, thereby robbing the little lives of the sweetness of childhood, and keeping men from honest work by such brutal and heartless competition, and that bill came before congress. Mr. Connally voted against it, — and by his action he sent the little children back to toil and labor in the mill and sweat shop."

Another prominent woman also called attention to the fact that: "When the motherhood of the land looked anxiously to Congress for relief and when Senator Sheppard was trying to put over the Sheppard-Towner Maternity bill of November 19, 1921, as shown by the Congressional Record, Page 8032, MR. CONNALLY VOTED AGAINST THE MOTHERS."

Then when the cheering had subsided another prominent lady reminded that: "When the equal suffrage amendment allowing women the right to vote came up, Connally, did not have the nerve to vote for or against it," and she cited page 93-4 Congressional Record, May 21, 1919, to prove her statement.

On every hand it is freely asserted that Connally has lost nearly all the women supporters he had in the first primary. He would probably have never received them in the first primary, but for the fact that his votes on the measures which are dear to the women were either not known or had been forgotten until now.

As Mayfield's record on all these issues has been so orthodox and clean cut he is reaping a great advantage in his race with Mr. Connally.

Connally and the Barbers.

Another issue that Connally is being confronted with is his vote against the barber bill in 1903, when he was in the Texas Legislature.

It now develops that in 1903, as shown by the House Journal Page 847, the barbers of the State were trying to pass a bill for the improvement of their vocation as well as the morals and training of their members by providing for reasonable apprenticeship and the keeping of clean and sanitary shops and equipment for the protection of the public against transmission of disease. The record shows that Connally, then a member of the legislature voted against the bill and in addition voted to postpone the bill indefinitely.

It is learned that there are nearly 5000 Union Barbers scattered throughout Texas and since Connally's record on this law has been resurrected they are becoming active in opposition to his candidacy. This influence alone through their families and friends will be at least 30,000 votes. There is more politics talked in barber shops than there is in churches—or at least as much.

Mayfield and Railroad Men

This last week's campaign developed the fact the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen through their President W. G. Lee, certifying to a clean cut revolution, have endorsed Mayfield's labor record in general and emic terms, while he has been senator. As this organization is part of the four brotherhoods which include almost every railroad man in Texas it will mean at least 50,000 votes for Mayfield.

Connally and Trust Legislation

Another charge against Connally by the labor people is that when Connally was a member of the legislature in 1903 he and McDonald Meachum introduced an Anti-Trust bill.

As the bill was so drastic, the railroad men of the state and other representatives of organized labor introduced an amendment to the bill exempting labor organizations from the bill. By the terms

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Notice To Our Readers

We are sending to Forum Subscribers a few extra copies of this week's issue and we will greatly appreciate if these extra copies are handed out to voters whether friendly or unfriendly. Don't fail. It is important.

One of the Connally managers here in Austin said he dared the Forum crowd to poke their faces into this senate race. Boys let us accept the dare. If we but stand together in this race we hold the trump hand. We do not have to get a majority to win. If we add our vote to the Mayfield vote we will name the senator and our crowd is on top again in Texas. It is the best chance to get our hog back, that we have had in a long time.

The Forum army can decide this race if we but stay together. We must hang together. If we don't they will want to hang us separately.

We appeal to our readers to help us make the last charge and victory is ours.

THE EDITOR.

Mayfield Opens in Run-off Senate Campaign With Hot Shot at Connally's Record

(From Dallas Morning News) Fort Worth, Texas, Aug. 6.—Senator Earle B. Mayfield took to the air Monday night and the opening guns of his campaign for re-election to the United States Senate were heard over the radio, the speech being broadcast over station WBAP.

ment of all of the farm organizations of our country and which was the only farm relief measure that had a chance of becoming a law.

Senator Mayfield's address followed much the same lines as those in his campaign in the first primary, his attack, however, now being narrowed down to Mr. Connally.

When I accept the Democratic nomination for the United States Senator at the Democratic State convention in San Antonio in September, 1922, I stated that I would go to Washington to represent all of the people of Texas, without respect to religious, faith or creed.

I am the author of the bill that passed the Senate unanimously at the last session of the Congress which prohibits the Secretary of Agriculture or any member of his department from making predictions as to the future prices of cotton.

For many years our State has been torn asunder by bitter, personal, abusive, mud-slinging campaigns. I am sure you will agree with me when I say that Texas has had enough of that character of politics.

Mr. Connally has been a Congressman for twelve years, and I am now serving my first term in the United States Senate. While comparisons are always odious, yet a comparison of my records will be interesting and instructive to the Democrats of Texas.

In the first primary, Mr. Connally devoted most of his time to an attack upon my election to the Senate in 1922. That election occurred six years ago and Mr. Connally has never complained about my election to the Senate until he became a candidate to succeed me.

I passed through the Senate twice a measure giving railroads the right to extend their lines into undeveloped sections of Texas without being compelled to secure the permission of the Interstate Commerce Commission in Washington.

I have supported every measure coming before the Senate for the relief of agriculture while Mr. Connally lined up with the stand-pat Republicans of the North and East and voted against the farm relief measure which had the indorse-

ment of all of the farm organizations of our country and which was the only farm relief measure that had a chance of becoming a law.

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It is true that Mr. Connally offered in the House an amendment to the agricultural appropriation bill, providing \$50,000,000 for a scientific investigation to discover new uses for cotton.

Mr. Connally has also said I am not the author of the cotton classification law, that directs the Secretary of Agriculture to make a survey of the "carry-over cotton" in the United States by staple length and grade.

On Dec. 13, 1926, the second session of the Sixty-Ninth Congress, I introduced in the United States Senate S-4746, being "A Bill Authorizing the Secretary of Agriculture to Collect and Publish Statistics and Grade of Staple Length of Cotton."

My bill (S-4746), as amended, was returned to the Senate for concurrence or rejection of the House amendment and on Feb. 28, 1927, page 5689, as shown by the Congressional Record, upon my motion, the Senate concurred in the Jones amendment.

Mr. Connally, in discussing my vote on the Walsh resolution to investigate the power companies, has so framed his statements as to create the impression that I voted against any investigation of the power companies whatever.

When we voted upon the Walsh resolution we were confronted with two propositions. One proposition was to have the investigation conducted by a committee of five Senators appointed by a man who owned millions of dollars of stocks in the power companies, and the other was to have it conducted by the Federal Trade Commission.

Mr. Connally knows all this, but his real purpose, in attacking my election to the Senate in 1922 was to attract to himself the anti-Mayfield vote, so that he could get into the second primary.

OSCAR CALLAWAY FOR CONGRESS OF COMANCHE

Presents His Views on Pertinent Questions of the Race Read the Facts Concerning the Record of R. Q. Lee as a Successful Railroad President

- SEND CALLAWAY TO CONGRESS HE CAN SERVE YOU NOW. -HE KNOWS THE PROBLEMS OF THE FARMER AND STOCKMAN -HE HAS HAD SIX YEARS EXPERIENCE IN CONGRESS. -HE OPPOSES GOVERNMENT BY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS. -FARM RELIEF WILL COME ONLY WHEN THE FARMER IS REPRESENTED. -HE CAN SERVE YOU WITHOUT WAITING TO LEARN HOW.

Col. Lee, in a circular mailed to all the voters of the district said: "VOTE FOR R. Q. LEE BECAUSE HE IS A SUCCESSFUL RAILROAD PRESIDENT, WEST TEXAS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PRESIDENT, BUT GREATER THAN ALL, A MAN WITH A VISION FOR THE BETTERMENT OF FARM OPERATIONS THAT WILL BRING WEALTH AND HAPPINESS TO THE FARMERS OF WEST TEXAS."

Do you think, Mr. Lee, that the people of the 17th Congressional District should elect you to Congress because of what you did as president of the C. and N. E. R. R.?

I have not had time to examine Mr. Connally's entire record, but glancing through his record for the last two Congresses, I find that he followed the lead of Congressman Tilson, the Republican leader of the House, thirty-six times during the Sixty-Ninth Congress, and six times during the few days that he attended the last session of the Congress.

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Mr. Connally left Washington on March 15, without securing a leave of absence from the House. The Federal Statutes provide that deductions may be made from the salary of Congressmen who are absent without sufficient excuse.

Who had \$50,000.00 stock in it that you got for ten cents on the dollar? Was it N. X. Rosenquest of Eastland, whose stock you got for fifty cents on the dollar? Was it J. O. Olson of Cisco, whose stock you got for fifty cents on the dollar?

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Date of submission to Interstate Commerce Commission, Nov. 18, 1926. Provision for acquisition by the applicant of a controlling interest in the stock of the carrier is contained in a contract dated September 1, 1912, between the applicant and R. Q. Lee, President of the carrier.

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Ray came around and paid me for our stock. I was perfectly satisfied with the deal, but in a few days I was at Breckenridge, talking to a friend. He told me his brother got a dollar for dollar for his stock so I knew something was wrong.

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MAYFIELD'S CHARGE NO. 3.

Mayfield charged that notwithstanding Connally had been shedding crocodile tears over the good women, begging, pleading and praying for their votes, that he had not voted for the woman suffrage amendment.

Connally had his chance to deny, but he did not deny. The good women have now discovered duplicity Tom and they will not be fooled by him again.

MAYFIELD'S CHARGE NO. 4.

Mayfield charged that Connally voted against the Child Labor Amendment, which had the endorsement of organized labor and all the women's clubs of the nation.

Connally did not deny because he could not deny. It is beginning to become apparent why all the big corporations are supporting Connally.

MAYFIELD'S CHARGE NO. 5.

Mayfield charged that Connally had voted with Congressman Tilson, the Republican leader, 36 times during the 69th Congress and six times during the few days he served in the last Congress.

Connally did not deny the charge, and here again we can see why Tom is so thick with the Republicans and Heflin, who continues to abuse the democratic nominee. Old Tom is running true to form. He is telling both sides a funny story at the same time, just like he did on the Ku Klux question. Boys he won't do. I know him. Vote for him if you want to, but don't say I did not give you warning.

MAYFIELD'S CHARGE NO. 6.

Mayfield charged that Connally left Congress to come to Texas to push his campaign, without legal permission when the Farm Relief Bill was up and that he had drawn \$2,083.32 from the National Treasury in violation of the Federal statutes and for which he had rendered no service whatever.

Whether this is true or not I don't know, but I do know that Connally had his chance to deny Mayfield's charge and his speech following immediately after Mayfield and he did not deny the charge and therefore I believe it is true. The most ignorant school boy knows you can't leave school in time of books without telling the teacher and getting permission, and yet here is this single-barrel statesman so called actually running off from Congress to run for office when he was supposed to be on the job. I know he would not have amounted to anything if he had been there, but his friends ought to make him give that money back.

But where Mayfield tore Connally wide open was in his answer to Connally's charge that Mayfield had in voting to investigate the power companies voted with the power companies to refer the investigation to the Federal Trade Commission instead of having the investigation by the Senate.

Mayfield said that he had consulted with the democratic leader, Senator Robinson, and upon his advice as minority leader voted to refer the investigation to the Federal Trade Commission, just as Senator Robinson, now the democratic nominee for Vice-President, voted.

So now it appears that Connally has bolted the democratic leadership of the party in the House, and by so doing has bolted the democratic nominee for Vice-President. If this ain't so, then let Connally stop all this big talk about Mayfield's vote on the public utility question. Mayfield presented letters from Senator Walsh and Senator Brookhart, authors of the investigation resolution, stating that they were perfectly satisfied with the investigation being made by the Federal Trade Commission to which Mayfield voted to refer the investigation.

Connally said that Mayfield, A. P. Barrett and myself all met in a room in an Austin hotel and that, because Barrett is connected with a power company, we have entered into an agreement to buy the Senatorship.

I have not talked to Mayfield five minutes all put together in seven years and never met him anywhere with Barrett or anybody else and any statement to this effect is not true. Connally seemed to think at Houston that it was a great privilege to talk to me at length when he was begging me to support him, but as soon as he finds out that I don't think he is big enough for the job he is now seeking, he thinks I am a very dangerous citizen.

MAYFIELD'S CHARGE NO. 7.

In answer to Connally's charge that Mayfield was too thick with the Ku Klux, Mayfield charged that Connally had voted for him in the run-off primary against me and that after the trial at Corsicana and all during Mayfield's contest in the Senate for his seat that Connally professed to be his friend and often expressed for him his very best wishes.

Connally did not deny either proposition simply because the charge is true. But it is old duplicity Tom. Here he was giving his best wishes and his vote to an ex-Ku Klux Senator silently and secretly and now when he wants an office what a hell of a crime he thinks a Ku Klux was. I don't think much of the Ku Klux as everybody knows, but I would rather trust my government in the hands of the worst Ku Klux that ever wore a robe than to turn it over to a double-dealer who gives encouragement to both sides and is true to neither side, and deceives all sides.

If Mayfield should never have gone to the Senate, let it not be forgotten that Connally helped to put him there. While just a few of my friends are criticizing me for voting for Mayfield now, after the Ku Klux question is settled, yet they seem to be anxious and willing to excuse Connally for doing the same thing they are now condemning me for. If my dissatisfied friends want to be fair they ought not to object to me doing now what Connally did in 1922 in voting for Mayfield.

Again, Connally was for Felix Robertson in 1924. If it is so blame bad for me to be for Mayfield when he is no longer a Ku Klux then why was it not worse for Tom Connally to be for a real Ku Klux? Why is it so bad for me to vote for an ex-Ku Klux and it was such a virtue for Connally to support two Ku Klux candidates that I fought all over Texas?

Mayfield was my open political enemy. Connally was my secret enemy who played both sides. I leave it to any fair minded man which one I should vote for. If you were in my place, brother, what would you do?

So help me God as long as there is breath in my body I am not going to stand idly by and see any double-crossing, double-deceiving ignorant politician go to the Senate on the Ku Klux issue when he secretly gave counsel and encouragement to the Ku Klux when me and my real friends were fighting the battle of our lives to perpetuate the great principles of constitutional government.

The time has come for this double dealing in politics to stop. Already these Southern Pacific lawyers are going all over South Texas and with a wink and a nod and a punch in the ribs are giving our German and Bohemian friends to understand that Connally is alright on prohibition and that he is liberal and will be their friend, and at the same time Connally is following all around over North and West Texas telling what a great prohibitionist he is.

Our Jew friends can vote for Connally if they want to, but I want to remind them that when the Ku Klux was whipping the Jews around Waco and Dallas, it was when Connally's cousin and now political friend was the Cyclops of the Waco Klan and Mayor of Waco.

Our Catholic friends can vote for Connally if they want to, but when they do it I want to remind them that Connally is opposed to our government stopping the wholesale execution of Nuns and Priests in Mexico. If you don't believe it, just try to get an open letter from him on the question.

While denouncing the Ku Klux and raving about religious liberty, Connally wants our government, founded on religious liberty and political freedom, to sit idly by and see your people pour out their blood in Mexico because of their religion.

All these years I have cried out against these outrages at the risk of my life and at the expense of personal sacrifice and now if the answer shall be your vote for Connally then do not complain if somebody feels that you are unmindful. If your conscience will not let you vote for Mayfield then in Heaven's name do not vote for a worse enemy, frankly admit there is no duty for you to vote for Mayfield, but at the same time there is no excuse to vote for Connally.

JAMES E. FERGUSON.

Mayfield Tells How Connally Supported Him in 1922 Fight

Sherman, Texas, August 15.—Senator Earle B. Mayfield, candidate for re-election to a second term in the United States Senate in an address here Tuesday night stated that in the first primary Mr. Connally devoted most of his time to an attack upon Senator Mayfield's election to the senate in 1922.

"That election occurred six years ago and Mr. Connally has never complained about my election to the senate until he became a candidate to succeed me," said Senator Mayfield. "If my election to the senate was as bad as Mr. Connally says it was, it was his duty to denounce it at the time and to give such assistance as he could towards ejecting me from the senate. However, he supported me in the second primary, and in the general election of 1922 and all during the contest of my election to the senate, professed to be my friend and often expressed for me his very best wishes.

"The sub-committees of the committee on privileges and elections of the senate, composed of 3 Republican and 2 Democrats, for a period of 23 months, conducted an investigation of my election to the senate and reported unanimously to the full committee that I was entitled to my seat in the senate. The full committee on privileges and elections, composed of 7 Republicans and 6 Democrats, reported unanimously to the senate that the charges against me were without foundation in fact, and the United States Senate, composed of 53 republicans and 43 democrats adopted the report unanimously.

"Mr. Connally knows all this, but his real purpose in attacking my election to the senate in 1922, was to attract to himself the Anti-Mayfield vote, so that he could get into the second primary. In the first primary, I did not reply to any of Mr. Connally's attacks upon my honor and character. For 22 years, the democrats of Texas have honored me with public office, and that in itself is a sufficient reply to the attacks which Mr. Connally has made upon my integrity."

Pastor's Plea Fails to Get Acquittal in Mann Act Violation

Prescott, Ariz., Aug. 15.—Rev. Arthus Blaine Brooks, former pastor of the First Christian Church of Ponca City, Okla., appeared here as his own attorney in his trial in District Federal Court here on violation of the Mann act charges, and to the jury that was trying him he presented an hour and 25-minute plea in his defense.

He outlined to the jury the cost to the government and society which he claimed would be great in the case of his conviction, and characterized himself as a "Southern gentleman." He was found guilty by the jury which heard his plea for acquittal on the grounds that he could do more for humanity out of prison after 12 minutes' deliberation and waived the customary delay in receiving a judgment. He was sentenced to 18 months in the prison at Carson City, Neb.

Blanton's Manager Backs Mayfield in Race With Connally

Fort Worth, Texas, Aug. 15.—R. C. Winters of Abilene, former campaign manager for Thomas L. Blanton, has joined the camp of Earle B. Mayfield, candidate for the nomination for United States Senator.

Winters has been named West Texas manager for Mayfield; it was announced from Mayfield headquarters here.

The following telegram was received by the Associated Press from Winters:

"The elimination of my good friend Thomas L. Blanton in his race for the United States Senate has caused me to pause and consider the other candidates for the office. After looking the field over, it is my firm conviction that the incumbent, Earle B. Mayfield, can render more service the people of Texas than any other candidate. I am therefore supporting him in the second primary" and urge my friends to do likewise.

Auto Crash Causes Death of Woman by Broken Milk Bottle

Meadville, Pa., Aug. 15.—Mrs. Alice Jennis, 62, met death in a peculiar manner here.

Knocked down by an automobile while carrying a bottle of milk, Mrs. Jennis was killed when the bottle broke and fragments of glass cut a deep gash in her neck.

Leaf Worm Appears But Menace so Far Regarded as Small

College Station, Texas, Aug. 15.—Careful observation during a trip just completed extending from Dallas to San Antonio, Corpus Christi, and to the Lower Rio Grande Valley, as far as Brownsville did not reveal any damage being done by the leaf worm, nor were there observed any individuals of the insect, tither as to worm or as to adult moth, advises R. R. Reppert, entomologist, Extension Service, A. and M. College of Texas. These observations revealed that the cotton crop is practically free of damage by this insect to this time.

Since his return, however, two live individuals of the worms have been sent to Mr. Reppert from Nueces county. Serious damage was not reported and the presence of these worms of interest only as showing that initial infestation actually exists.

As stated in a previous press letter, weather conditions will determine largely whether this infestation will develop to serious proportions. Frequent showers over the state will be favorable to the rapid multiplication of the insect. It is not believed, however, unless serious infestation now exists in some sections not yet reported, that the cotton growing area as a whole need fear any serious damage for the next two weeks. Weather conditions will largely determine the situation.

Report has been made of a light infestation of the worm near Spur in Dickens county. This combined with the rains several days previous in many sections of Texas might lead to a heavier infestation.

Funds of Hospital at Abilene Shifted From Paxton's Bank

Austin, Texas, Aug. 15.—At a meeting of the state board of control the question of the transfer of the funds of the Epileptic Colony at Abilene from one bank to another was brought up and the following resolution offered by Roy Tennant, member of the board, was unanimously adopted:

"Resolved, that Superintendent T. E. Bass of the Abilene State Hospital at Abilene be requested to change the funds he holds in an Abilene bank to some other bank other than the one from which these funds were removed recently."

A second resolution by Tennant says:

"Resolved that in the future no superintendent or storekeeper of any institution administered by the board and that no member of the Board of Control shall transfer an account from one bank to another until the matter has been brought to the attention of the Board of Control."

This resolution was also adopted unanimously, as was one proposed by Dr. H. H. Harrington, as follows:

"Resolved, that the secretary be instructed to notify the superintendent of all institutions that there shall be some rotation of bank funds from one bank to another subject to their discretion where equal safety can be had, and that state banks be given preference as depositories for these funds."

After the board session Chairman Walthall told newspapermen that Governor Moody had requested him to endeavor to switch the funds from the Citizens National Bank of Abilene to some other bank. George L. Paxton, Moody's father-in-law is president of the Citizens National. The amount involved is about \$81,000.

R. B. Humphrey Heads Speakers Bureau in Behalf of Mayfield

Dallas, Texas, August 15.—R. B. Humphrey, world war veteran, former member of the state legislature and practicing attorney of this city, has accepted the position of Director of the Mayfield Volunteer Speakers' Bureau, for Senator Earle B. Mayfield, candidate for re-election to a second term in the United States Senate. Mr. Humphrey will maintain headquarters in the Adolphus hotel.

In commenting upon his election to head the Mayfield Volunteer Speakers' Bureau, Mr. Humphrey said:

"The pleasure naturally incident to being selected to head the Mayfield Volunteer Speakers' Bureau has been immeasurably enhanced by the extremely cordial spirit of co-operation encountered on every hand and from all over the state. In support of Senator Mayfield's candidacy it is my purpose to assist in carrying to the people the honest message of a splendid record during his first term in office. We will endeavor to furnish an able and reputable speaker to fill every engagement requested.

Oscar Callaway Is Having Hot Battle For Congress Seat

Up in the Seventeenth congressional district which has been represented by Tom Blanton there is a warm campaign in the run-off contest for the nomination between Oscar Callaway former member of congress and R. Q. Lee of Cisco.

Callaway is a vigorous and effective campaigner and he is making things interesting throughout the big district. He is a lawyer, stockman and farmer and has made his home in Comanche many years and has a large and loyal following in the district. He is basing his campaign on his experience and training gained in his former service in congress and interest in the fight is measurably as keen in the Seventeenth district as is the interest in the state-wide contest over the senatorship between Mayfield and Connally.

Mother of Tunney's Sweetheart Confirms News of Engagement

South Bristol, Maine, Aug. 15.—Formal announcement of the engagement of Gene Tunney, retired heavyweight champion, to Miss Josephine Lauder of Greenwich, Conn., was made here by Mrs. George Lauder, Jr., mother of the girl.

The formal announcement followed rumors of the engagement that have been prevalent since the heavyweight titleholder defeated Tom Heeneey, New Zealand challenger, July 26, and a few days later announced his retirement from the ring. Tunney is visiting at the summer home of the Lauder family here.

NOTED SHRINER IS DEAD

San Luis Obispo, Cal., Aug. 15.—Samuel P. Hedger, 73, past potentate of the Mystic Shrine, and past exalted ruler of the Elks, died here.

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Austin, Texas, Aug. 15.—The University oil royalty investment fund now owns government bonds aggregating \$9,268,600 and the monthly accretion is about \$150,000 under present oil prices.

KIRBY NOT A CANDIDATE Houston, Texas, Aug. 15.—John Henry Kirby has announced withdrawal for election as state senator from this district. Kirby said duties as Texas finance director for the democratic national executive committee would occupy all his time and he had "no ambition to hold public office."

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