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MUTINY IN THE STERLING RANKS

History records that in the days of Rome that young Spartacus, a fearless Gladiator was condemned to fight his brother unto death in the Roman arena.

At the tragic hour the brothers marched to the arena for the awful ordeal, but when Spartacus saw his brother and heard the shouts of the populace in protest of this inhuman butchery, he revolted and bade his brother come to his side and like a lion bayed, they leaped the ramparts of the arena and in magic tongue Spartacus summoned the yeomanry and defied the kings and queens, and the poor people rushed to the standard and swept the Roman lords from the scene.

History repeats itself. It remains for a similar crime and a similar scene to be perpetrated in Texas where life and liberty are supposed to be held sacred and supreme.

The Austin papers carried the statement on Sunday night that all the Rangers of Texas who are young men in the prime of life and the brothers of the farmers and the laborers and the poor people of the State of Texas, were to be condemned to transport themselves to the East Texas oil area of four counties and then and there flash the weapons of the law to intimidate the voters and if necessary to shoot down the voters of that district and to drive every man from the East Texas oil area that did not have a job and was against Ross Sterling.

But the inhuman scheme didn't work. No sooner than this inhuman order had been issued by the Governor to the Texas Rangers than they began to murmur and to protest and rather than shoot down and intimidate their brothers in East Texas, they gave the Governor to understand that they would not be made the puppets of his inordinate ambition and that their sympathy and their love was for the East Texas voters and that they were indignant at the proposition of a brave Texas Ranger being called upon to shoot down an honest voter because he dared to vote his honest conviction.

The storm among the Texas Rangers raged so high that their resentment alarmed the ignorant Governor and rather than face a justified and righteous mutiny, the Governor hastily reconsidered and withdrew the order, and Monday the Austin American, the mouth-piece of the Governor, carried the headlines that the Rangers would be withdrawn from East Texas. A more damnable attempt by any tyrant that ever lived and ever existed in the history of man than the contemptible desire of the Governor to send armed Rangers to East Texas to shoot down their brothers and their fellow citizens in the exercise of a God given right of suffrage.

TOM LOVE UNDER COVER

In the closing days of the campaign a slander sheet headed "Texas Farm Democrats" and styled a Journal of Agriculture and Democracy, is being handed out all over Texas. Every column and paragraph is a re-hash of the lies told in the Ferguson campaign.

But murder will out, and we are now charging that the Tom-cat Love politicians wrote every word and syllable in the paper and they were afraid to stick their name to it because they knew that they are such spurious coin upon the currency of manhood and is such a crude counterfeit of the tribe of honest men that nobody would countenance their infamous lies in the closing days of the campaign.

We want to emphasize that Tom Love is now secretly managing the Sterling campaign and the Texas Farm Democrat is the insidious weapon used to deceive the people. Let not the voter forget that Ferguson is fighting for more money for the school children of the common schools, and Sterling is opposing it. Let not the voter forget that Ferguson is fighting for a reduction and removal of the taxes upon the farms, and homes in city and country and that Sterling is seeking to perpetuate said taxes and to raise them.

Don't forget to provide for election supervisors, and have each ballot signed by the one who calls it. This, is in accordance with the resolution passed by the State Democratic Executive Committee, looking to the purity of the ballot.

Joseph Weldon Bailey, Jr.

Congressman-at-Large

Place No. 2



A STATES-RIGHTS DEMOCRAT who believes in reducing the cost of government by keeping the Government out of business.

(My opponent Cyclone Davis supported Hoover in 1928)

(Political Adv. Paid for by Friends)

THE MONEY IS WORKING

Maury Maverick, tax collector of Bexar County, up to this last week has been a prominent leader of the Citizens League forces in San Antonio. He was elevated to leadership upon his plea of fighting ring politics and of his vigorous opposition to the delivery of block votes by political leaders.

Time after time has he told his friends in San Antonio that he was going to support the Ferguson ticket because no honest man could vote for Sterling.

Undenied statements by people posted in San Antonio politics the latter end of last week carried the news that something like 25 thousand dollars in cash had been transferred to San Antonio to be used in the Sterling campaign. Concurrent with this undeniable statement comes the announcement by Maury Maverick like a thunder bolt from a clear sky that he is now for Sterling for Governor and he has issued his edict to the voters of his faction to ask no questions how to him, and get in line for Sterling.

His plea that he is doing so because Sterling and his highway commission has promised a six million dollar road program in the next three years is as ridiculous as it is contemptible. Maverick knows that there are no funds in the Highway Department to carry out this promise and he knows that the present Highway Department is over forty million dollars in debt on unpaid estimates and contracts. If he had one ounce of honesty and resentment in his political hide, he would spurn the attempt to buy votes in San Antonio with highway money at the expense of the rest of the taxpayers of the State. He knows that, although the Highway Commission has spent \$217,000,000 in the last five and one-half years, that there has not been built out of San Antonio a 25 mile first class road in any direction.

Hon. Pink Parrish Appeals To Voters

As I enter into the run-off primary for Congressman-at-Large, Place No. 1, I wish to express my sincere appreciation for the wonderful support received in every part of Texas, and to make the following statement as to my position on several issues involved: 1. I favor settlement of claims held by the Veterans of the World War.

- 2. Immediate relief must be given to America's unemployed citizenship. 3. I favor less government in business—more business in government. 4. I have always supported my party and its nominees, and shall continue to do so. Whether elected or defeated, I shall support the nominees of my party from constable to president; and, while I have always voted the prohibition ticket, in my judgment, the Democracy of Texas has spoken.

Lee Satterwhite RAILROAD COMMISSIONER

(Six Year Term)



In run-off Primary, August 27th.

TERRELL'S REPRESENTATIVE REFUSES TO PAY MONEY WHEN AFFIDAVITS ARE OFFERED.

TO THE PEOPLE OF TEXAS:

Now, my friends, we come to the last week of this run-off campaign—the home stretch and since my messengers of last week, I have made a trip through several counties and I want you to know there is a decided SATTERWHITE sentiment among the voters. The people are becoming acquainted with the real issues in this campaign for the first time and don't forget—they all realize now that they will never have lower taxes until they elect men to office who will take an interest in the PEOPLE'S AFFAIRS and not seek the position merely to perpetuate themselves in office.

While I am on this subject, let me tell you that last week in Ft. Worth a Terrell representative, in connection with his denial that State employees on the pay roll of this State had used State owned cars in campaigning for Mr. Terrell, offered to pay \$100 FOR EVERY SWORN STATEMENT THAT WE COULD FURNISH FROM RESPONSIBLE PERSONS showing that this method had been used in Mr. Terrell's campaign. I want you to understand that when these affidavits were presented to him AND THEY WERE FROM RELIABLE CITIZENS AND TAXPAYERS of this State, this representative REFUSED to pay the money. We have these affidavits in our possession and could get hundreds more if it were necessary. LET THEM TRY TO DENY IT—THEY CAN'T DO IT BECAUSE WE HAVE THE DAMAGING EVIDENCE AGAINST THEM.

In last week's article, I stated that Mr. Terrell lacked 134,000 votes of receiving a majority of the votes cast for Railroad Commissioner in the six year term but a later check of the votes cast show he LACKED 143,000 VOTES! In addition to more than 500,000 votes cast for his opponents, there were approximately 110,000 votes polled that were not cast for Railroad Commissioner, which means about 611,000 votes out of the nine hundred and seventy-three thousand cast in the first primary REFUSED TO VOTE FOR MR. TERRELL, notwithstanding the fact that he and his campaign workers used public funds very liberally in an effort to put himself over in the first primary.

They further attempt to make political capital out of the fact that he "Carried" 187 counties in the first primary. The truth is, he got a majority of the votes in only 47 counties and in some of those counties his majority was very small. A check of the official returns show that I had a majority over Mr. Terrell and the other two candidates combined in 22 counties with a plurality lead in 28 others making a total of 50 counties in which I led the ticket.

During my time as a member of the Legislature, I have served twenty counties in the three districts I have represented. The returns show that I carried these twenty counties by a good vote and in nearly all of them with a majority over all. In addition to that, I led Mr. Terrell 1313 votes in TRAVIS COUNTY, the home of Mr. Terrell and the seat of our State Capitol. This justifies me in saying that if the voters of Texas can be made acquainted with the issues as they are in this campaign, I will win this race on the 27th of this month by a majority ranging anywhere from 100,000 to 150,000 votes.

I am appealing to you, voters of Texas, don't be misled into voting to continue a man in office who wastefully and uselessly spends the taxpayers money. Don't forget the contract, for the evaluation and appraisal of the Lone Star Gas Company, was made to pay exorbitant wages such as we have never seen in this State or anywhere else by public officials who tell the people that they are running their department economically, and this—at a time when thousands upon thousands of our taxpayers were without jobs and losing their homes by reason of the fact that they could not pay their taxes. Are you going to continue a man in office who will make such contracts and so flagrantly spend the people's money in furthering his own political whims?

Again I want to say to the voters of Texas that not a person has a promise from me that he will get a job if I am elected, nor am I under obligation to any special interests of this State for favors in the event I am elected Railroad Commissioner.

I want to be elected with obligations only to the PEOPLE OF TEXAS to render a fair and impartial and independent service.

In this last appeal to the voters of Texas, I earnestly hope that you will give me your support on the 27th of this month and I assure you that I will do my dead level best to make good.

Very appreciatively yours, LEE SATTERWHITE.

and, by their ballots, have shown that they desire to have submitted to them the question of the repeal of the eighteenth amendment to the Constitution



of the United States; and, if I am elected to Congress, I shall obey the instruction of my party and its platform and vote for submission.

"LET'S GIVE THE GOVERNMENT BACK TO THE PEOPLE."

PINK PARRISH.



WILLIAM PIERSON FOR RE-ELECTION Associate Justice of the Supreme Court

WON FIRST PRIMARY BY ABOUT 42,000.

Judge Pierson has the confidence and esteem of all who know him. An able judge in the prime of his usefulness, he is a good man in a proper place. Vote for him August 27th. (Advertisement paid for by friends)



G.E. Lockhart

of Lubbock Candidate for State Senator Thirtieth Senatorial District

HERE ARE SOME OF THE THINGS I STAND FOR AND AGAINST:

- 1. I am not a stockholder in nor do I represent any public service corporation. 2. After I am elected, I will not accept employment either directly or indirectly from any public service corporation. 3. I believe in and will urge the passage of laws regulating the prices charged by all public utilities. 4. I am not a member of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce. 5. I favor a law that will give a person a right to redeem his home lost by foreclosure at any time within three years. 6. I will favor the passage of a law that will protect the depositor in failed banks and a law that will put a bank official in the penitentiary for life who receives a deposit when his bank is in a failing condition. 7. I favor the submission of the constitutional amendment to the people to determine whether or not the payment of poll tax should be a qualification for voting in Texas. 8. I favor a law that will exempt all ex-service men with an honorable discharge from a payment of poll tax. 9. I favor a law that will suspend all foreclosures on real estate for a period of years.

This is a fight between the common people and the special interest. If you believe that the people should govern Texas, then vote for me. If you believe that the utilities and other special interest should run the affairs in Texas, then vote for my opponent.

(Political Adv.)

Vote for

LESLIE D. WILLIAMS

of Bastrop County

CANDIDATE FOR

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

21st Judicial District.

Bastrop, Lee, Burleson and Washington Counties

Six Years County Attorney, and Now Serving as County Judge of Bastrop County

(Political Adv.)

ERNEST THOMPSON

Candidate for

RAILROAD COMMISSIONER

(4-year term)



Without making a campaign, Ernest Thompson polled 234,113 votes in the first primary with four opponents in the race. Thompson tried 19 cases during the campaign month. His opponents, Ed Murphy and Olin Culberson, have come out for Thompson because they feel he is the best qualified for the job. They know Ernest Thompson is for the little independent man and the general public welfare.

No political machine whatever is behind Thompson, he is the people's candidate. Every fight that Thompson has ever made has been for the common people and against the big interests.

Of course, the utilities are fighting Thompson. He makes them reduce the rates. They know that Thompson as Railroad Commissioner will force them to reduce utility rates all over Texas thus saving the over-burdened taxpayers millions of dollars annually.

All radio talks by Thompson were paid for by his friends locally.

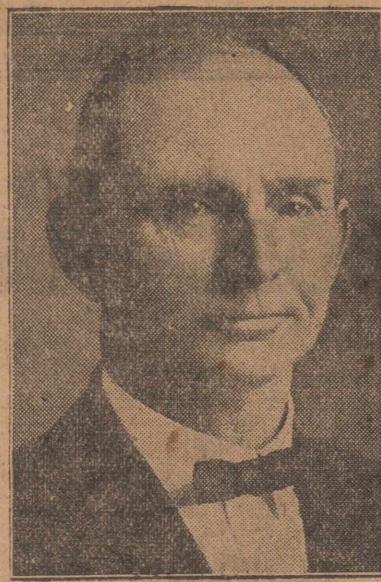
This fighting former mayor of Amarillo is the people's friend. He has fought for many years successfully for the common folks. Let's keep him on the Commission.

Now Mr. Hatcher is running up and down the State trying to create the impression that Thompson is a candidate of Standard Oil and Public Utilities. These very people are now spending thousand of dollars to defeat Thompson, he has always fought them and for the people.

Mr. Hatcher has asked Mr. Thompson where he got the money to pay for his campaign headquarters, etc. That question has been answered and now Thompson's friends wish to know where Hatcher got the money to all of a sudden plaster Texas with political advertising and with false charges against Thompson. Why he did not even spend a dime advertising in the Ferguson Forum until "BIG BUSINESS" began putting up great sums of money to defeat the man they know will always stand and fight for a square deal for all the people of the State.

(Advertisement contributed by Independent Oil Men)

Hon. Geo. B. Terrell Appreciates Support of Hon. Fred W. Davis



To The Forum: I wish to thank the Forum for publishing the letter of Hon. Fred W. Davis last week endorsing my candidacy for Congressman-at-Large.

to raise commodity prices and give the people more purchasing power. The tariff wall built around manufactured goods should be lowered and equalized so that foreign countries could trade with us to enable them to pay the \$11,000,000,000 they owe the United States.

Should Change Bait

To The Forum: Have our Texas editors and politicians gone crazy? The other day I read an article by Peter Molineux. This fellow is supposed to be reasonably smart.

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio.—Republic Steel corporation resumed operations at four sheet mills of the Warren, Ohio, plant, recalling about 100 men to work.

CROCKETT.—Due to improved pasture demonstrations in Houston County by the county agent clovers have

spread so that farmers with bees are getting larger honey crops. George Jeffus has gathered a crop of 1,000 gallons of fine honey.

The Second Week Out

(Continued from page 1)

that he got while in office and that he had never denied it and he was now taking a chance at coming out to attack me in the hopes that I had forgotten about his grafting record.

I told the crowd also that while Tom was Banking Commissioner and Insurance Commissioner in the Campbell administration that he undertook to graft the insurance companies and intimidate bankers politically, and that he was the last man on earth to talk about honesty in office.

Speaking of insurance companies. I notice that Sterling has included in his useless call for the Legislature to meet that he wants them to consider the repeal of the Robertson law.

But Sterling and his friends knew that he will not be in office at the next regular session and that they had to act now if they got insurance legislation passed that would do them any good.

It is freely asserted here in Austin that if Sterling is elected, Tom Love is to be appointed either Banking Commissioner or Insurance Commissioner.

It is also yet undenied that Love and Sells and Sterling and Moody will again help the Hoover campaign in case my wife is nominated and the people can be so informed that a vote for Sterling means a vote for Hoover.

This will be the last word to our friends throughout the state before the election and my wife and I want to take this opportunity to thank our friends everywhere for their continued loyalty and devotion to the Ferguson cause.

We want to impress upon our friends the necessity of going to the polls and refusing to be intimidated by this cry of illegal votes. It is stated here in Austin that all the State Rangers are to be sent to East Texas to drive every working man out of that section that doesn't have a job now.

While Chairman Huggins and the political Court officials are raising so much sand about illegal votes being cast, I want to call attention to the fact that they ought to do what they can to insure an honest count of the vote of honest people at the same time.

I went before the State Executive Committee and had a resolution adopted instructing the State Chairman and the State Secretary of the Executive Committee to instruct all County Chairmen to instruct all Judges or Clerks of election to require every person that counts or calls a ballot to endorse on the back of the ballot his name and that the ballot was counted by him.

I warn our friends everywhere to be on guard and watch the election boxes. All this big talk about illegal voting is done for political purposes and to be used as a smoke screen to hide an attempt to fraudulently account for and record the vote of the people.

But don't forget to vote. Don't forget to urge everybody else to vote. My wife has this election won. We are anxious for the majority to be astounding and impressive so that the legislature will know that the people have spoken for the adoption and the enforcement of the Ferguson platform.

JIM, The Editor.



J. E. HICKMAN Chief Justice, Court of Civil Appeals, Eastland, Texas CANDIDATE FOR Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of Texas (Political Adv.)

Harvey W. Draper FOR State Representative POSITION NO. 2



VOTE FOR A MAN WHO WILL REPRESENT YOU. HIS OPPONENT WAS ABSENT 87% OF TIME IN THE LAST SESSION OF THE LEGISLATURE.

HE STANDS FOR:

Repeal of 18th Amendment. Abolishment of Dean Law. Minimum Wage for Women. Exempt Homestead Taxes. Old Age Pension. For any measure that means relief to the farmers. (Political Adv.)

C. V. TERRELL

FOR RE-ELECTION TO HIS SECOND FULL TERM AS

Railroad Commissioner



LEGEND C.V. TERRELL CARRIED ALL COUNTIES IN BLACK. THREE OPPONENTS COMBINED CARRIED LIGHT COUNTIES. C.V. TERRELL VOTE 366,266 C.V. TERRELL'S LEAD OVER NEAREST OPPONENT 152,957 C.V. TERRELL'S PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL VOTE 42.25 PERCENTAGE LACKING FOR COMPLETE MAJORITY OVER THREE OPPONENTS 7.76 NUMBER OF COUNTIES C.V. TERRELL CARRIED 187 (FROM OFFICIAL ELECTION RETURNS CERTIFIED BY STATE DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE)

VOTE AGAIN IN THE SECOND PRIMARY AUG. 27 for C. V. TERRELL Of Wise County for RAILROAD COMMISSIONER

ROY I. TENNANT WILL NOT RIDE THE FENCE

"I am not going to ride the fence, I am going to cast my vote for C. V. Terrell for Railroad Commissioner."

(SIGNED) ROY I. TENNANT.

(Mr. Tennant polled third place in R. R. Commissioner's race in the first primary.)

C. V. Terrell has never engaged in a mud-slinging campaign and adheres to that policy now.

He is running on his own record of service and asks your continued support on this basis in the Democratic Primary, August 27.

The map above shows what the people of Texas think of him as reflected by the vote given him in the first primary. Let's make it unanimous this time.

(Paid for by Friends of Terrell)

Shall The Major Oil Companies Boss Texas?



W. GREGORY HATCHER

To The Voters of Texas:

Do you know that the Railroad Commission has direct control and supervision of the oil business in Texas aggregating many millions of dollars?

Do you know that the Railroad Commission has direct control and supervision of all oil pipe lines in Texas?

Do you know that the Railroad Commission of Texas has control and supervision of all the trucks and passenger busses and Railroads in Texas?

Do you know the total value of properties and investments under the control and supervision of the Railroad Commission of Texas aggregates over three billions of dollars, and affects the very life of the greatest industries in Texas, and the welfare of hundreds of thousands of people is thus vitally concerned in securing proper officials to rightfully and impartially administer the law and honestly perform the duties of this great office?

A very definite issue has been injected into this campaign.

It is simply a question as to whether the major oil companies shall or shall not dominate the Railroad Commission.

Former State Treasurer W. Gregory Hatcher, is the candidate of the common people in this race. He is opposed by a candidate of monopoly serving by appointment.

Mr. Hatcher's three terms as treasurer proved his worth. He demonstrated honesty and integrity beyond question. Every state warrant was paid when presented, which is an unusual record.

When an official has handled hundreds of millions of the state's funds while drawing a salary of twenty-five hundred dollars a year, and has never let one red cent "stick to his fingers," he should be elected to any office in Texas to which he might aspire.

W. Gregory Hatcher, in public and private life, has always fought the encroachment of selfish interests into popular government.

He is in this race to head off the brazen attempts of big oil companies to dominate the Railroad Commission and thereby stifle competition and strangle the independent branches of this great industry.

These same and identical special interests, which drafted Clem Calhoun to run for Attorney General, are sponsoring and supporting his former law partner, the "Appointed Colonel" for Railroad Commissioner.

The people refused to nominate his political twin and on August 27th, and they will repudiate the Colonel, the major oil companies' favorite, just as they snuffed under his former law partner, Clem Calhoun, at the last primary election.

The election of any man to the Railroad Commission who is under the thumb and domination of the major oil companies and big trusts is a dangerous and wrong thing to do in this free State of Texas.

W. Gregory Hatcher is honest and a man of independent thought and action, and, to further his candidacy, his opponent would use some of the things said in an old controversy, which have long been forgotten by those who said them.

Mr. Hatcher will owe no political debts.

The people of Texas have only one weapon with which to fight this attempt of a commercial octopus to throttle free competition, and that is through their sovereign right to vote.

Not in a generation has such a bare-faced and brazen attempt been made to wrest the authority of government from the people of Texas.

Mr. Hatcher will co-operate with the incoming administration in following the law.

A vote for W. Gregory Hatcher means a vote for honesty and integrity in office, untrammelled and unhindered by obligations and promises to any monopolistic interests, and is a vote against control by the sinister interests which are promoting the candidacy of his opponent.

VOTE FOR—

W. GREGORY HATCHER

For

RAILROAD COMMISSIONER

(Four Year Term)

This Advertisement paid for by friends of W. Gregory Hatcher.