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Fergusons Winning Easily

Ross Sterling, on the Run, Goes Up a Tree. Joins Texas Tree-Sitters Association.

(From the Pitchfork, Dallas)

This issue of the Pitchfork has been delayed one week in order that I might more intelligently discuss the second heat in the governor's race. A Sterling state-wide mass meeting was announced to be held in the main dining room of the Adolphus hotel August 4th, at which Mr. Sterling would appear and make a speech. I had never so much as seen Mr. Sterling; I wanted to take a look at the gentleman and see him in action before taking my fling at the governor's race. I was not only disappointed but utterly amazed at what I saw and heard at that meeting.

From the limbo of things dead, decayed and forgotten, the ghost of old Tom Ball was beckoned into being. I don't say this disrespectfully as I never speak even frivolously of those who have passed away. It did seem to me, however, that the ringmasters of the Sterling circus were hard up for a "lead horse" when they trotted out old Tom—who, in days gone, drank more red whiskey than any prohibitionist in Texas. He could always tell the difference between Feruna and eight-year-old bourbon licker and governed his tastes accordingly.

I looked over the crowd and recognized many faces that I have known for years—road-contract thieves, material men of all kinds, construction and fidelity bond grafters—a bunch of political and commercial pirates as soulless as ever cut a throat or scuttled a ship on the high seas. On the faces of that bunch of crooks I saw a look of hunger—hunger for the political pie counter—a hunger as poignant as was ever registered on human countenance. I have seen the hunger of a starving babe, tugging at the withered breast of poverty. I have seen the hunger of a Texas tenant farmer, surrounded by Republican prosperity, start a day of hard work with a breakfast composed of corn dodgers and blackstrap molasses. I've seen the hunger of a fifteen year old boy for a pair of bell-bottom britches so big around the ankles that he could outshine all other cake-eaters who might congregate around the corner drugstore. I've seen the look of mingled hunger and expectancy on the face of a starving hound pup as he looked in vain upon the juicy hams of a cottontail rabbit disappearing into a brushpile. I've seen a famished earth, scorched by the drouth, lift her thirty lips to skies of brass and beg for rains that came not. But, so help me God, I never saw thirst or hunger that fairly screamed for relief like I saw on the faces of those road-contract and bond grafters who swarmed around Sterling's banner at the Adolphus hotel last Monday. Each one

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Sterling Man Says Voters for Ma Are Beer-Swimming Bohemians and Dutchmen

Dr. E. O. Boggs, of Spring, a loyal Ferguson supporter since James E. Ferguson first entered politics, sends the Forum the following letter which he received from a Sterling supporter in Dallas. The letter was written in answer to a communication from Dr. Boggs that appeared in the Dallas Dispatch and is as follows:

Dallas, Texas, August 8, 1930

E. O. Boggs, M. D.,
Spring, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I notice from your letter written to the Dallas Dispatch that you boast of having supported Jim Ferguson in all of his campaigns and intend to support him in the next.

I have you sized up as the hayseed backwoods country doctor who never reads anything but the Ferguson Forum. You no doubt have never amounted to anything in the medical profession or you would not continue to live in the little village of 180 population which you claim as your answer.

You and your crowd vote with the beer swigging Bohemians and Dutch. I will admit there are too many of your sort of cattle in Texas for the good of the state but I don't think you are in the majority.

This intolerant attack upon thousands of loyal American citizens in Texas recalls the days of that un-American organization, the Ku Klux Klan, and is in keeping with the characteristic high-brow, silk-stocking, white-collared bunch that holds Sterling rallies in palatial hotels, gorgeous ball rooms and imposing private homes, where the plain people, including the honest citizenry which Sterling's supporters denounce as "beer-swimming Bohemians and Dutch," are not in the least welcome.

Ferguson Victory Means Relief for Suffering Texans

To The Dallas News:
Judging by the scant attention paid to the matter by speakers in the present campaign, they are ignorant of the distressed condition of thousands of people in Texas who work for a living, in both town and country. When I say thousands, I mean thousands, who are coming to suffer for the actual necessities of life, and for

whom there is nothing better immediately in sight. They are, moreover, of a class liable to make their necessities known only when compelled by actual suffering.

Neither of the run-off candidates for Governor was my first choice, but in view of what may be expected in the way of scandalous governmental cost by the present regime, estimated by its record, the Fergusons look like the safest bet for the taxpayer, estimated by their platform promises. The recent raise in State taxes, meantime, affords little encouragement for other view.

R. R. CLARIDGE.
Salmon, Anderson County, Texas.

Ferguson Speaking Dates

THIRD WEEK

Terrell _____ Wednesday, Aug. 20, 8 P. M.
Fort Worth _____ Thursday, Aug. 21, 8 P. M.
Marlin _____ Friday, Aug. 22, 8 P. M.

JUST BEFORE WE VOTE

The campaign between myself and Mr. Sterling is now coming to the close.

He and his supporters have spoken of me in terms not complimentary—yea in most cases disrespectful. I have not replied in kind and let them have their way. God has given me courage and strength to stand any ordeal for the good of our state.

The avaricious hand of corporate wealth is so bent on ruling Texas, that respect for man or woman has been thrown to the winds and any other candidate would have received the same unfair and inhuman attack which I have received.

But, as a Christian, I must turn the other cheek and forgive those who smite me.

Right is mighty and will prevail.

I urge the people to turn out and vote their sentiments.

We are making a fight for our country's good and the liberty and happiness of our posterity. We must not falter.

I am deeply grateful for the loyalty and devotion of our friends to our common cause.

Let us go to the polls and record our vote for the good of our children who shall come after us.

We can forgive our enemies but we must not forget to vote.

MIRIAM A. FERGUSON.

THE LAST ROUND

Well boys, we are up for the last round. I am going strong and we have the political liars on the run.

In prize ring parlance Moody is groggy and wobbling. Sterling is holding on to the ropes and his backers are in the act of throwing up the sponge in admission of defeat that is sure to come next Saturday.

I have during last week traveled over West Texas and I found without doubt that my wife will get at least sixty per cent of the Small vote and I believe it will be much more than that.

Sterling and his mouthpiece, Walter Woodward trailed me in West Texas, and some significant things happened.

My first date was at Clarendon on Tuesday. This is in Donley County and adjoins Collingsworth County, where Senator Small lives. More than 100 people came from Wellington, Senator Small's hometown. Included in the list was Senator Small's brother and his wife, who brought me the message from Senator Small's father that he would gladly support my wife. The mayor of Wellington likewise, the mayor of Shamrock was in the crowd that came and they all assured me my wife would carry every county adjoining Senator Small's home county.

I had fully 6,000 people to hear me speak and the Courthouse yard was full to the limit.

Now listen, Clarendon only has 2,000 people. Sterling, the next day opened his Panhandle campaign at Amarillo which has 35,000 population. The Amarillo News, which is supporting Sterling, stated that Sterling only had 1,000 people. This proves beyond doubt that Sterling is blown up in the upper panhandle country.

Sterling makes a pitiful showing. One day he reads something that has been written for him. The next day he don't talk at all but sits on the platform like he did at Lubbock and exhibits himself like a big rhinoceros in Barnum and Bailey's show. Then the next day he lunges forward like a big boar in a cane brake and tries to talk and then his friends go away in disgust.

Sterling is the first candidate the people ever saw that can neither think, speak, read or write something in support of his candidacy for office.

It is no longer a secret that his backers are considering very seriously of pulling him off the track during the last days of the campaign under the plea that he is sick, and then depend on the hired gang of Walter Woodward, R. E. Taylor, Top Water Davidson and their ilk to make a sympathy plea.

They are trying to pull Moody off the track also, but he is still claiming the right to cuss me. In no speech by Sterling or his clackers has one of them defended the Moody administration.

At Floydada I had 7,000 people and at Lubbock, only 50 miles away, Woodward and Sterling followed me and only had 800 people and Sterling did not speak.

All over West Texas the people are giving Sterling's campaign the horse-laugh about calling me a proxy candidate while Sterling is having to carry Walter Woodward along to speak, think, read and write what Sterling says from day to day.

If ever there was a figurehead in politics everybody agrees that Sterling is it.

At Colorado City in Mitchell county I had 6,000 people to our speaking and at Sweetwater, only 40 miles away, Sterling had 2,500.

At Aspermont in Stonewall county I had 4,000 people in spite of the rain.

At Breckenridge, in Stephens county, I had another 7,000 crowd and Sterling had 2,500 at Ranger.

In the 78 counties which gave a lead to Senator Small my wife was a close second and Sterling was a poor third. As Sterling has turned turtle on his bond issue and as he has no other issue and has had no more sense than to let the people see him his campaign has blown up in these parts as bad as it has in others.

The big daily papers are still giving the Sterling campaign the best of the deal and they are suppressing important charges that I am making and which are not denied.

For instance, at Breckenridge I read copies of the official records of the Comptroller's office showing that Sterling's Lumber Company had for years engaged in the sale of liquor and that William Strauss, Sterling's campaign manager, had also for years been in the liquor business at Bellville, Texas, yet the Dallas News and the Fort Worth Star-Telegram and the Houston papers would not print a line of my charge.

They are getting desperate and the people are learning every day that the Sterling campaign is backed and run by three ex-liquor dealers, to-wit: William Strauss, his

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Sterling and Strauss Both Were in Whiskey Business Official Records Disclose

While Ross Sterling, Walter Woodward, Dan Moody and other henchmen of the multi-millionaire oil baron of Houston are digging up records the Forum ventures to call their attention to some records, they have overlooked.

First there is the record of Ross S. Sterling, of the Dayton Mercantile company, in the years 1910-13 engaged in selling whiskey in wholesale quantities, although now proclaiming that he always has been a prohibitionist.

Next there is the record that his present state campaign manager, W. Strauss, pursued the occupation of saloonkeeper in Bellville several years before the Dayton Mercantile company, of Dayton, Texas, was chartered.

While discussing records it looks as if the "Big Fat Boy" will find his troubles multiplying and he will have to do a lot of explaining especially to the good women of Texas before whom he has been posing as a life-long teetotaler and prohibitionist and a foe to the "traffic in booze."

The official records of the state department of Texas show that the Dayton Mercantile Company, a corporation organized under the laws of Texas, with an original capital stock of \$25,000, and doing business at Dayton, Liberty County, Texas, was incorporated on May 24, 1910, by J. F. Matthews, J. B. Sterling, R. S. Sterling, W. T. Jamison and Roy Hankamer. It was a close corporation, all the incorporators being directors and officers. Their business was so good that they increased their capital stock by an amendment to their charter from \$25,000 to \$40,000, on August 14, 1911. The increase of \$15,000 capital stock was subscribed and paid for as follows:

Name	P. O. Address	Amount Subscribed	Amount Paid in
R. S. Sterling, Houston, Texas		\$ 4,500	\$ 4,500
F. P. Sterling, Saratoga, Texas		4,500	4,500
J. B. Sterling, Dayton, Texas		600	600
B. G. Sterling, Dayton, Texas		300	300
J. F. Matthews, Dayton, Texas		3,000	3,000
W. T. Jamison, Dayton, Texas		600	600
Roy Hankamer, Sour Lake Texas		1,500	1,500
Total		\$15,000	\$15,000

R. S. Sterling was a director and J. F. Matthews was secretary and treasurer.

This concern was engaged in the wholesale liquor business and the law at that time required that a concern engaged in the wholesale liquor business must every quarter file a sworn statement of the amount of liquor sold, consisting of spirituous, vinous or malt liquor or medicated bitters capable of producing intoxication, with the comptroller of the State of Texas and a gross tax of one-half of one per cent be paid to the state thereon.

In the comptroller's office is filed the sworn statement made by the Dayton Mercantile Company by its secretary and treasurer as follows: From July 1, 1910, and for the quarter next preceding January 1, 1912, gross tax was paid on \$9,823 worth of liquor sold.

For the quarter next preceding October 1, 1912, the company paid tax on \$1,240.00 of liquor sold.

For the quarter next preceding January 1, 1913, they paid tax on \$790.00 worth of liquor sold.

That is a fair wholesale liquor business for the little town of Dayton, situated, Houston on one side and Beaumont on the other.

Let it be remembered in this connection that it was in 1911, while Sterling was in the whiskey business at Dayton, that the state of Texas went through its most bitter and aggressive campaign for state-wide prohibition. Did Sterling support prohibition then?

Now, the "Big Fat Boy" may try to escape responsibility of being in the wholesale liquor business just like he is trying to escape the responsibility of the collapse of his two insurance-business corporations in Houston, by claiming that he was only in the "proxy" wholesale liquor business, but while he might not have actually rolled the kegs of beer and gallons of liquor out, he sure did accept the profits, and tried to get the profits into the Sterling family, as he and the other Sterlings subscribed for most of the increased capital stock and he must have liked the business mighty well to do that.

An examination of the first report filed, dated January 13, 1912, shows that this concern was delinquent, but the state officials in checking up on them, made them pay this delinquent tax and a penalty of \$4.90 in addition.

These records are all on file in the comptroller's office and the secretary of state's office and open to inspection of any citizen.

Attention is called to the fact that when the "Big Fat Boy" picked his lieutenants to conduct his campaign, he chose for his state-wide manager, W. Strauss of Houston and the records of the comptroller's department further show on page 12 of the Retail Liquor Dealers' list of license, that a license was granted to Strauss and Strauss, of Bellville, Austin County, Texas, on January 14, 1908, and that is where W. Strauss lived before he moved to Houston and information is that Bill Strauss actually did operate a saloon there at that time.

He (Sterling) picked a lawyer, Townsend, of Dallas as North Texas campaign manager and it is currently reported that he is the attorney for the Anheuser-Busch estate interests in Texas.

Wholesale liquor business, retail liquor business, "busted" insurance companies, standard oil connections, subsidized press, road bondage, down-right ignorance and inexperience in governmental affairs, all are included in the Sterling record.

Mrs. Ferguson Is Loyal Friend of Boys of the Plow

Boys of the plow! It is you who believe in Jim Ferguson and his good wife as being your true friends in State government. You have taught that the grafters can not boss Jim by his works and that he has as high a regard for your welfare as those higher up in life. That your

children's interest spell the same in his eyes as those of the wealthy. If you realize this to be a fact and you want a Ferguson to be our next governor, then be on hand at your voting box Saturday, August 23rd, you and your good wife and cast your ballot for Miriam A. Ferguson in order that Texas may not be plunged deeper and deeper in debt for our poor old crowd to dig out of the ground.

Yours for a square deal to us, as well as others.

J. C. HOLCOMB.
Greenville, Texas.

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STERLING RALLIES ARE REAL SILK STOCKING, PINK TEA AFFAIRS

Convincing proof that the Sterling campaign is one of boodle, buncombe and high society quality is furnished by the fact that "Sterling Rallies," at which voters of every class, from the silk-stocking crowd down to the overall-clad, sweat-soaked toiler with oiled hands in field and shop, are supposed to gather, invariably are held in roof gardens atop million-dollar city hotels, or in "crystal" ball rooms, elaborately decorated and richly carpeted breakfast rooms or in palatial private homes of the exclusive "high society" folks who are working for the oily multi-millionaire.

In Beaumont a "Sterling Rally" was widely advertised and voters invited to attend. It was held in the roof garden of Beaumont's newest and costliest hotel. In Houston "Sterling Rallies" are held in parlors of the richly furnished Rice Hotel owned by Sterling's fellow multi-millionaire Jesse Jones. In Dallas the Baker and in Fort Worth the Texas Hotel are rallying points for the Sterling forces.

In Austin when meetings are not held in the Austin hotel roof garden or one of its gorgeous parlors or ball rooms they are held in the palatial homes of wealthy citizens in the exclusive society sections of the capital city. Only last week four of these Sterling rallies were called in Austin, held in different but highly select sections in the homes of well-known anti-Fergusonites.

While loudly and eloquently heralding their candidate as having risen from poverty, through hard labor and drudgery to his present lofty altitude in riches, these Sterlingites really do not expect or intend that ordinary voters from the working classes, from the shops, from the dusty furrows of the farm or from the grimy ranks of common labor, shall attend. Why, if a farm woman, with unrouged cheeks, her hair incased in a "permanent" and her form decked in a calico or gingham dress, or her husband, in blue shirt, open at the neck, stained with honest sweat, and in overalls and wearing dusty brogans, should happen to be deluded into supporting Sterling and after having read some of the profuse invitations to "all Sterling supporters" to attend a rally, should manage to get by the uniformed "balloon" and elevator operator and present themselves at one of these exclusive, "pink tea," silk stocking Sterling rallies, in one of these million-dollar hotels, they would be fully as welcome among the society ladies and gentlemen as an angry nest of hornets at a bathing party.

THAT DALLAS FERGUSON CROWD

That Ferguson crowd at Dallas Monday evening August 11 was so large that even the Dallas News dared not estimate it at less than 20,000 and others more capable of judging the size of public gatherings said that there were not less than 35,000 in that sweltering cheering, earnest throng and thousands of them belonged to that class of which the Dallas News speaks so disparagingly in its editorial columns as "faces that are work-worn and weary. Down-hearted tenant farmers, dispossessed mortgagors, jobless day laborers—simple and unpretending, perhaps, but desperately in earnest."

Yes; thousands of desperately earnest voters who defy the admission of the News and the jingle of Sterling's gold in their determination to vote for their own best interests and for the best interests of the great state of Texas. Truly it was a great gathering and if the observing editor of the News who saw in faces of other Ferguson audiences the pinch of poverty the "work-worn" expression and the questioning character of their loyalty," happened to be at that meeting he had opportunity for further observation of the loyalty of Ferguson's followers and more evidence of the poverty which millionaire trusts and combines, and heartless money sharks have inflicted upon these toiling thousands who look to the Fergusons as their only hope of escape from absolute penury and hunger.

HITS SCRIPPS EDITOR

(From El Paso Evening Post, August 12, 1930)

There has appeared something in this campaign for governor of Texas far more important to these United States than the result of the election, viz: The eminent editor of a great Texas journal, M. E. Foster, is quoted as witheringly denouncing the attempt by one of the candidates to buy editorial opinion. As the very foundation of this government rests upon an unbribed press, the switching of this apostle of pure press ethics is alarming, indeed. He is now quoted as pronouncing the wealthy, predatory demagogue, whom he so overwhelmingly condemned as being "big-hearted and generous" and urging "Sterlingism," as against "Fergusonism."

Voters should realize the tremendous importance of this issue and overwhelmingly denounce at the polls the threatened danger of a controlled press, other than which there could be no greater universal calamity.

HENRY TOWLE

MIKE HOGG MEANT WHAT HE SAID

Mike Hogg has denounced Sterling's extravagant expenditure of money to influence Texas newspapers as an "Orgy of Wealth Run Wild." The crude attempts to buy the governorship of Texas for Sterling caused this son of the Immortal James Stephen Hogg, to say in his warning to the people about this orgy, of wealth run wild:

"Doctrines that are as dangerous as they are demagogic are being preached by men who have never done one thing for Texas in a crisis.

"Promises that can never be fulfilled are being made. The country press is being flooded with cashier's checks for advertising and for editorials.

"Great dailies, that are being run by the business office and not by editors, are putting forth the propaganda of big business."

The voters will take heed of this situation Saturday and will send Sterling back to his palace there to meditate upon his mistake in assuming that the governorship of Texas could be bought with his gold.

Don't fail to vote Saturday and be sure your vote is correctly marked and correctly called and counted. To insure this have supervisors appointed wherever necessary to watch the balloting and check the counting.

A WORD FOR THE "WORK-WORN AND WEARY"

M. E. Lynch, has written a communication to the Wood County Record, published at Mineola, in which he cites from the Dallas News' editorial that paragraph which depicts Ferguson supporters with "faces that are work-worn and weary. There are faces there that have known the sharp pinch of poverty. Down-hearted-tenant farmers, dispossessed mortgagors, jobless day laborers—simple and unpretending, perhaps, but desperately earnest and utterly in the toils of the wizardry of words."

Mr. Lynch then makes the following comment upon this attempt of the News to disparage and ridicule toil-worn voters who seek through the election of Mrs. Ferguson to get relief from the oppressions of increasing tax burdens and the threat of a further impoverishing bond issue, which is Sterling's sole bid for election:

A great philosopher once said that "Those whom the Gods would destroy they first make mad" and in our opinion the Dallas News, the herald general of the forces of privileges and monopoly, has in a fit of anger lifted for a moment the veil of hypocrisy, and exposed their brazen face in its true likeness, the prostitute of privilege and Red blooded Texans stop, read that paragraph and ponder its meaning and think what it implies. A great newspaper speaks with scorn and contempt of "faces WORK WORN and WEARY, faces which show the PINCH OF POVERTY, of DOWNHEARTED TENANT FARMERS, of DISPOSSESSED MORTGAGORS and JOBLESS LABORERS."

So in a fit of anger, with one grand gesture, this great newspaper voices its true creed and expresses the opinion that with millions of people of Texas, that only those who are fortunate enough to bask in the sunshine of prosperity and plenty should have a voice in government.

History has an uncanny way of repeating itself. At the very birth of this nation, another honored citizen of Scottish ancestry advocated the same system of government, Alexander Hamilton. He was opposed by another who like Jim Ferguson traced his ancestry back to the warm blooded sympathetic Gaelic Tribes, one who like Jim Ferguson, was the champion of and placed his trust in the common people, in those whose faces were work-worn and weary, in those who know the pinch of poverty, in the down-hearted tenant farmers, in the dispossessed mortgagors and in the jobless laborers. He, like Jim Ferguson, bared his breast to the javelins of the "best people" and upon his head was poured the scorn and contempt of the "elite press," and like Jim Ferguson, he carried on to victory. He was the author of that deathless thought, "that all men are created free and equal"—Thomas Jefferson, the Great Democrat.

ROBBED OF JOBS BY BUSES

The Interstate Commerce Commission reports show the number of persons employed by the railroads of the country to be the smallest during June in many years. This heavy reduction in the number of railroad employees, is explained by the commission as being due to the "steady recession in traffic which has taken place this year."

This recession in traffic is caused by the increasing number of road-hog buses which cumber the taxpayers' highways and imperil life and limb of travelers in small cars.

According to the commerce commission's estimates given out August 13, the average number of railroad workers employed during June was 1,564,269, a decrease of 9.9 per cent from the number employed during the same month last year.

It compared unfavorably also with the 1,572,567 employed in railroad operations during April, one month before.

When Mrs. Ferguson is elected the ponderous commercial trucks and buses, which use the roads and wreck them without adequate compensation, spread death and injury in their wake and rob well-paid employees of the railroads of the means of support for themselves and their families will be driven off the taxpayers' roads. Railroad workers all over the state are working for the election of Mrs. Ferguson.

THE REAGAN BRAND OF HONESTY

Honesty in the days of that grand old "Commoner" John H. Reagan, was not interpreted according to the Ross Sterling standard of honesty of today. This is revealed through a communication published in the Dallas Morning News over the signature of John W. Craig, 310 North Texas Building, Dallas. Mr. Craig's communication is as follows:

The Hon. John H. Reagan, fittingly referred to as the "noblest Roman of them all," was first nominated for congress while the convention was being held in Palestine. At the time Judge Reagan was holding his district court in Kaufman.

The committee waiting on him to notify him of his nomination suggested to him that he could continue to hold his judicial office until after the election and that, if he was elected, he could then abandon his judicial office, while if not elected, he could still remain judge of that district.

To this suggestion Judge Reagan very promptly replied that the first act he would perform after accepting the nomination would be to resign his office as judge; that he did not believe it was politically honest to hold one office while at the same time seeking to secure another. In these days of much prating about "honesty," I am just wondering if Judge Reagan's code has become obsolete and archaic, or rather is not the principle he then laid down worthy of present-day emulation!

The present-day code, at least in the case of the chairman of the highway commission, seems to be "Hold all you have and get all you can!"

Protect the ballot by having supervisors appointed as the law provides.

Vote Saturday and register your rebuke of the brazen attempt of greed, gold and gall to buy the governorship of Texas for Dan Moody's man, Friday Ross Sterling.

Jim Ferguson will speak in the Texas League baseball park in Fort Worth Thursday, August 21, at 8 o'clock in the evening. There are seats in this park for 15,000 persons and also plenty of parking space for autos.

A correspondent of the Houston Gargoyle writing from Galveston says: "I am one of the 'unthinking masses' who look upon 'Old Jim,' not as a hero, but as a very human man, smarting under unjust accusations, humiliations, and calumnies, doing his level best to 'hob up serenely, with a smile,' and give his enemies and traducees 'as good as they send.'"

While Sterling has announced that he is in favor of trucks and buses as at present permitted to hog the highways, the evil of the practices of these road hogs have become so flagrant and defiant that Sterling's highway appointee in charge of the highway patrol has been driven by complaints from sufferers from these practices to try to curb the usurpation of the roads. Chief Patrol Officer Phares after a trip to the Valley said he found that huge trucks, overloaded in both weight and size, have been guilty of operating without proper headlight and brakes and of speeding, and "road hogging." Yet Sterling gives approval to this kind of imposition on the taxpayers.

SENATOR SMALL NAILS A LIE

Persistent efforts of Senator Woodward and other Sterling benches to deceive the people into believing that Senator Small will take the stump for Sterling in this campaign have been denied by Senator Small on several occasions, but in the face of a strong denial printed in the papers of August 13 Woodward repeated his assertion on the 14th that Small will take the stump for Sterling.

Senator Small while in Fort Worth August 13 gave to the press a denial of Woodward's statement. When he reached Austin August 14 Senator Small again was confronted with the published statement by Woodward that he would take the stump for Sterling. Again he denied it and again Woodward repeated it.

Senator Small in a frank and manly statement issued after the first primary announced that he would not undertake to influence his supporters as to whom they should vote for because he credited them with intelligence and judgment which made them capable of reaching a decision for themselves.

These persistent and repeated falsehoods which misrepresent Senator Small are strictly in keeping with the kind of campaign Sterling and his henchmen are waging while crying out loud about "honesty and decency."

LYNCH DAVIDSON SAYS STERLING IS WRONG

(From Statement Issued by Lynch Davidson)

"Mr. Sterling believes it right to hold the office of highway commissioner while running for governor. I believe such a proceeding unethical, unfair and calculated to destroy the efficiency of the highway department by imparting partisan politics into the organization. Thus far Mr. Sterling has been one hundred per cent wrong on all his governmental ideas. What reason have we to believe him right on the bond issue. We disagree again. Mr. Sterling believes Texas should be loaded down with a bonded debt. I know it is not necessary. To the contrary quite unnecessary. Out of current highway revenues we can pay off county road bonds issued for cardinal highway construction as fast as they mature and also build roads as rapidly as they can be economically and efficiently built."

QUESTION FOR MOODY TO ANSWER

Wanted to know—By an Austin voter if Governor Moody wouldn't be doing his duty to the people of this grand old Lone Star State, by staying in his office and attending to his official duties instead of campaigning for a man Moody knows is not qualified to fill the office if elected. Is Moody a servant of the state of Texas or a servant of Sterling? This voter addresses these words to Moody: "If you are so honest go back in your office and give the people your time."

Clint Small Supporter Says Mrs. Ferguson Is Preferable to Sterling

Editor Ferguson Forum:

I voted for Clint Small in the July primary. Who should I vote for in the run-off? Sterling or Mrs. Ferguson?

That was the question. I never doubted that the multi-millionaire candidate was a "Christian gentleman," in a certain way. But when it developed that the whole Sterling campaign in the run-off was in the hands of relentless Hoovercrat-politicians and Ku Kluxers refusing to pledge themselves to support the Democratic nominee whether Mrs. Ferguson or Ross Sterling were nominated I turned my back on the entire Sterling-Kluxer abomination and shall vote for Mrs. Miriam A. Ferguson Aug. 25, next.

The position of the Sterling leaders in the present campaign borders on insanity. In effect they say:

The Democrats of Texas are about to choose, by a majority vote, a candidate for governor. They must choose between Ross Sterling and Mrs. Ferguson. Sterling is honest and a Christian. Mrs. Ferguson is not. Therefore if Mrs. Ferguson is chosen we Hoovercrats shall bolt, bolt and either support the Republican nominee or run a candidate of our own.

Here you have the position of the Sterling outfit stripped of all beffering devices and in its stark nakedness. In their intense hatred the Sterlingites do not hesitate to insult a woman whom the people of Texas have just honored by giving her a 70,000 plurality over Sterling. The Sterling campaigners even go so far as to insinuate that it would be a "disgrace" to make Mrs. Ferguson Governor of Texas. Disgrace! If any Texas Governor has ever disgraced his state it is Dan Moody who refused to shake hands with Mrs. Alfred E. Smith at the Houston convention two years ago. On that occasion our Governor, in his stupid self-conceit and ignorance, exhibited a piece of "Southern chivalry" that made the Nation gasp. And yet, this same Dan Moody has the hardihood to hint that Mrs. Ferguson as governor would be a disgrace to Texas. I believe that the masses of the people regard Mrs. Ferguson as better equipped, mentally and spiritually, for the governorship than Ross Sterling is.

However, the desperate campaign methods of Mr. Moody and the rest of the Sterling chieftains is partly understandable. They have been compelled to invent a new "issue" for the run-off. They had to scrap the two issues exploited in the July primary. Both the \$350,000,000 road bond proposition and the anti-Tammany racket proved a boomerang. So Sterling, Moody and Love put their heads together and adopted "Honesty in Government" as the issue for the August primary. They hope that their new slogan will work wonders and place Sterling in the Governor's chair. But will it?

Think of it! In July Tom Love denounced all of his opponents, including Ross Sterling as detestable "Tammanyites." In August the same Tom Love hugs Sterling to his bosom as his dearest political ally. The spectacle is comical enough to evoke a

guffaw from a bronze statue of Sitting Bull.

Yes, Sterling and Love now come before the people hand in hand, the former repudiating his \$350,000,000 road bond proposition, and the latter forsaking his anti-Tammany holism. They wish it understood that they never discovered until after the close of the July primary that "Honesty in Government" was the real, genuine issue. This "issue," of course implies that Mrs. Ferguson is not honest; that Texas cannot have an honest administration with Mrs. Ferguson in the Governor's chair. So they are going to make this a mudslinging campaign of the worst sort. Such phrases as "proxy" and "impeachment" and "Fergusonism" are to be exploited to the limit.

And yet the adversaries of Mrs. Miriam Ferguson are mighty "sweated," fearing that their fulminations will fall on deaf ears. The Dallas News of Aug. 3 bewails the fact that "Jim is a master of platform appeal" and that the masses believe in him. "No matter what the charges against him are, he is their Jim," laments The News.

In 1928 hundreds of thousands of honest Southern Democrats were misled into bolting and voted for Hoover, the Republican presidential candidate. In 1930 every Southern state is full of disillusioned Hoovercrats repudiating the leaders of the bolting orgy, and asking:

Did we really accomplish anything in the interest of prohibition when we put Hoover in the White House and brought about the defeat of our own party? Would the liquor situation today be any worse than what it is if Alfred E. Smith had been elected President? Would Mr. Smith have been as indifferent toward the unemployment problem and the economic depression as Mr. Hoover is? Where is the "prosperity" which the Hoovercrat chieftains told the farmers and wage-earners would follow upon Hoover's election? Above all, is Smith wetter than Hoover? Didn't Hoover recently announce his support of the dripping wet Dwight Morrow of New Jersey who in many circles is spoken of as the Republican candidate for President in 1932?

Well, Hoover did. The platform of the Hoover-supported Morrow is identical with that of Al Smith. Morrow stands for the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment says that the saloon must not come back. Smith said that over two years ago. Morrow says that prohibition should be enforced as long as it is the law. Smith said the same thing in his campaign speeches of 1928.

The bulk of the Southern Democrats will never again be misled into bolting. From now on they'll follow the example set by that dryest of all Democrats, the father of the Eighteenth Amendment, Hon. Morris Sheppard, who in 1928 voted for the Democratic presidential candidate, supporting the Al Smith ticket from top to bottom.

FRANK WYMAN.
102 1/2 W. 14th St., Ft. Worth, Tex.
Vote for A. E. King of Throckmorton for Commissioner of Agriculture. (Political Advertisement)

When Ma Comes Rolling Home

There'll come a time my dear old friends,
When Ma comes Rolling Home.
Back to the old time Democracy,
Never no more to roam;
When Bonds go whirling, with Ross Sterling,
Down to Moaning Foam,
And times will be much better,
When Ma comes Rolling Home.

They say old Jim will set the sail,
And tell her how to guide it,
But there's one thing certain, sure as sin,
Sterling cannot sit astride it;
The Ship of State will not be late,
With Ma and Jim to guide it,
By People's Choice, they're sure to win,
Yes, Ma and Jim will ride it.

Now, all ye Men of Texas,
Join with the Women, help us,
Let's lick the bonds from Texas Lands,
Before those same bonds lick us;
Let's make old Sterling stay at Home,
And keep his Bonds and Sharks there with him,
That we may have good Statesmanship,
With Ma and farmer Jim.
R. C. ROLAND.

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Reaction to Dallas News Editorial Wins Voters to Standard of Mrs. Ferguson

(From Wood County Record, Mineola, Texas)

In well tutored terms, cautious and deliberate, following the policy adopted a few weeks ago, the Dallas Morning News issues another editorial in behalf of the candidacy of Hon. Ross Sterling, candidate for governor. We quote one paragraph which struck us as the keynote of the whole editorial and we pass it to our readers as a masterful utterance worthy to be considered:

"There is something pathetic as well as monitory in the expression that his supporters wear as they turn their faces up to him in the midst of his speeches. There are faces there in his crowds that are work worn and weary. There are faces there which have known the pinch of poverty. Downhearted tenant farmers, dispossessed mortgagors, jobless day laborers—simple and unpretending, perhaps but desperately in earnest and utterly in the toils of the wizardry of words."

The words just quoted speak a great truth, which this seasoned publication may well remember and which most likely relates a different meaning than it intended to tell.

In this particular rampage to crush down all opposition to Mr. Sterling, the Dallas News has opened the gates to greater majorities to his opponent, even herding into the opposition's fold, those who never before entered the following of Mr. Ferguson, or Mrs. Ferguson, and when we say this, we mean it personally, because we never voted for Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson in primary elections in our life and we have had ample opportunity to do so. But if what the Dallas News says is truth, and we assume it to be true, then we now must change our course order all hands abroad, place our destination toward that seaport which houses those who are poverty stricken, downhearted, tenant farmers, dispossessed mortgagors who with jobless days and desperate, clamor for a newer and more prosperous day, and contribute toward the alleviation of their wants. Thus we take up the candidacy of Mrs. Jas. E. Ferguson, who is recognized and heralded by her enemies, as the true representative of the masses. And may we ever be found on the side of the laboring classes.

It is quite evident that the News is well incensed, with hate darkling as the swift winter hail, and with fear of a landslide for Mrs. Ferguson in the second primary.

We say, that any candidate who stands squarely for those who are in such a deplored condition, yet perfectly earnest, is entitled to our most serious consideration and will get it. While on the other hand we would be loathe to lend our support to that Capitalist, that Wizard of Finance with millions, that man who does not recognize union labor and who never employed union labor within the confines of his immense refineries, that man who revels in his wealth while thousands of Texans hunger—we are hesitant to support him—we fear he has lost his touch with average people, we in fact are afraid to place in his hands the direction of the state's affairs, with his connection with the big oil interests in Texas, fearful lest he might unconsciously lend a helping hand toward the oil interest to get from the State of Texas those rich oil lands which will mean so much to the state and its taxation. Why we fear this, we explain on account of his associations. The oil interests are his friends. Until only a few years ago he was the head of the Humble interests and even today his sister is vice president of that great company. We don't want to place our state government in the hands of a capitalist. He possibly has now come to that station in life of which Shakespeare spoke: "This common proof, that lowliness is young ambition's ladder, whereunto the climber upward turns his face, but when he reaches that upmost round, he then unto the ladder turns his back, looks into the clouds, scornful the base degree by which he did ascend."

With the financial conditions of the country as it now is, if there ever was a time in which we need a man in governor's chair who would listen to the plea of the hungry, who with up turned faces show the pinch of poverty, and who would stand by these citizens, it is now.

Safety First Is Urged by Toiler Who Follows Plow and Hopes Ferguson's Win

Editor Ferguson Forum: If you have room in the pages of the best paper in America, the Ferguson Forum, I would like to say a few words for safety first. My bruised and battered hands have just laid down the plow handles to take up the handle of a paint brush not make a living but to belted out a bare, scant existence.

Mr. Editor and fellow voters! My appeal is plain and simple. I plead for only three considerations:

- First: I appeal to good reason; lay aside all prejudice.
- Second: Please read for yourself the record of the Fergusons.
- Third: Please read the Ferguson platform, through and through.

Friends I feel that I have made a fair and honest, appeal. God bless and save our state!

Mr. Editor, if the good people of Texas will only appeal to their sound reason and the Good Lord hears our cries for FREEDOM we will surely have Mrs. Miriam A. Ferguson for our next governor.

Yours for better government and safety first,
R. V. SCHMITTOW, A Forum reader.
Yantis, Texas, Route 2.

Organized Labor Advised to Seek Truth on Issues

To Organized Labor:—

Hon. Robert B. Gragg, Deputy Commissioner of Labor, by appointment of the present administration addressed the Sterling workers' rally which—quoting the Austin American—"filled the large court room,"—last Saturday. "This is not a political campaign. It is a crusade for civic integrity," said Mr. Gragg. Isn't that funny?

Mr. Gragg, Deputy Commissioner of Labor, by appointment of the present administration, knows better than the writer that ALL the labor troubles of large proportions were brought on with a "general" of IMMENSE WEALTH in the background—there was Frick at Pittsburgh, Hanna at Homestead, Gary at Gary, Daly at Butte, Rockefeller at Colorado, Otis at Los Angeles, and then locally, Hon. W. P. Hobby, now howling for Sterling, daddied the Open Port Bill. Now, how can you afford to vote for Mr. Sterling?

Do not be confused, Hon. Ross Sterling has no connection whatever with "what sterling is to silver." HIS THREE HUNDRED and some odd MILLION dollars in road bonds is a mere postage stamp compared to the natural resources of this grand old

state and the crowd behind Mr. Sterling like "natural resources." Its Mrs. Ferguson for all us people who "hit a pay roll" weekly; get on his wagon. Mr. Gragg, splendid gentleman, well posted on labor and economics, should not lead you in all things and great minds are sometimes warped by "existing circumstances."

Ladies and gentlemen, don't be pinesless but go and vote, even if it must be for Mr. Sterling, but please give the matter some serious calm consideration.

Many of you know me,
WORKING MAN.
Austin, Texas, August 12, 1930.

A New Disease

During the past few weeks a new disease that at first baffled the medical profession, made its appearance in many sections of Texas. Those afflicted became very grouchy and ill tempered, and would begin a tirade of abuse and slander, saying mean nasty things about people that are better than they are. In the worst stages they develop a vicious mental derangement, and will prattle and mumble about honesty in government, declaring they are going to leave the State after Aug. 23. After a thorough investigation of the causes of this disease, it has been called MABEAT-US (MA-BEAT-US). A vote for Mr. Ferguson is a sure prevention.

Sterling Wants to Divert U.S. Highway on Border to Run It Through His Ranch

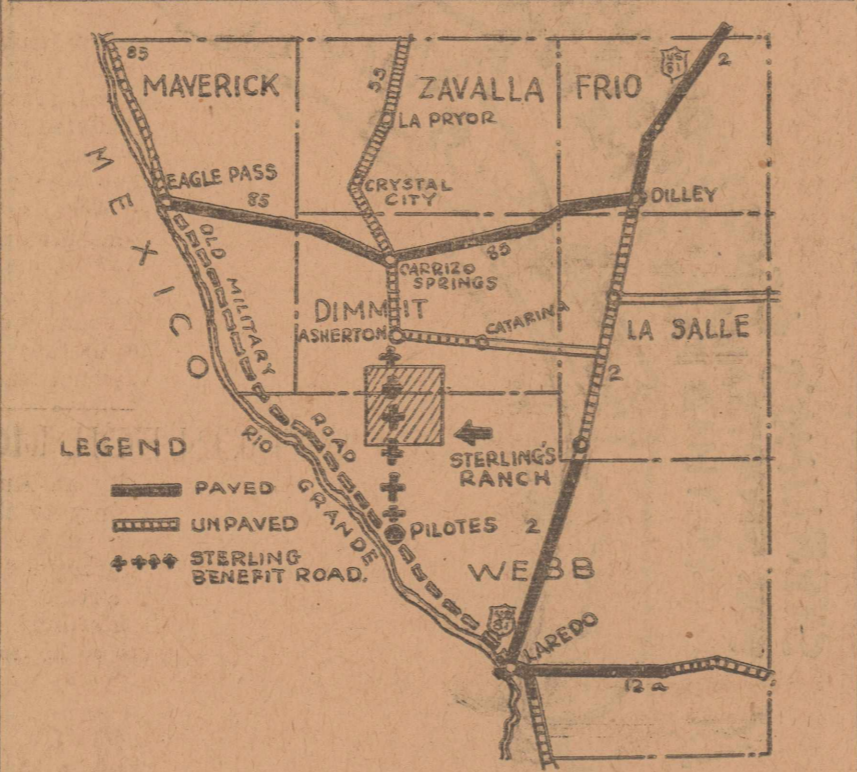
The United States Government for national defense purposes, has long advocated the re-building and keeping in good shape the Old Military Road from El Paso to Brownsville along the boundary line of the Rio Grande River.

Between Eagle Pass and Laredo, the road with comparatively very little expense, could be put in first class condition, but Mr. Sterling, for selfish purposes of his own does not wholly agree with the United States government and their engineers, and is not particularly interested in the national defense of the country, and insists that instead of the road from Eagle Pass to Laredo following the old road

tically uninhabited, not a house within thirty miles, but if he can have the taxpayers build this road with their money, he can then subdivide his ranch, which he now has in view, and sell it in small tracts for an enormous profit.

Just another example of honesty and efficiency in government.

On Meridian Highway No. 2 running from Canada through the United States to the city of Mexico and through LaSalle and Webb counties in Texas, which highway is paved in Webb county from Laredo, north to the county line, there is a gap in the highway from Encinal in LaSalle



county to Dilley, Texas in Frio county unpaved a distance of forty-two miles. The contract was let for this pavement in June and the contractor had his equipment on the ground and ready to work but not a lick had been done on the road until August 13, when he received instructions from Austin just ten days before election to begin work.

The real reason for orders delaying this work was that it was a club held over the free citizens of LaSalle county who voted for Mrs. Ferguson in the first primary to try to force them to vote for Sterling August 23.

Just another example of honesty and efficiency in government and if you can't buy your way into office club your way in if possible.

bed, he wants to leave the old highway about fifty miles Northwest of Laredo and run due North with a paved road to Carrizo Springs and thereby lengthening the road and State Highway engineers are now actually surveying that route; though the Highway Department, has heretofore, when it suited them, changed roads in order to shorten them without any regard to leaving towns off of the new road.

The selfish reason why Mr. Sterling wants the state highway to go North from Pilotes to Carrizo Springs is that it will pass through his twenty or thirty thousand acre ranch located in Webb and Dimmitt counties, which ranch and that section is prac-

Old Confederates Promise Support to Mrs. Ferguson

We, the undersigned Confederate soldiers of the Texas Confederate Home, Austin, Texas, do hereby bind ourselves to support M. A. Ferguson for governor of our beloved state of Texas. With confidence we are L. B. Jones, James Johnkin, J. C. Harrell, R. F. Scott, H. S. Harris, T. B. Harrell, M. Ropes, H. C. McDonel, J. C. Wilcox, A. E. Palmer, D. E. Darnell, J. B. Triplett, T. T. Griffin, G. D. Ferdue, A. J. Smith.

FERGUSONS AT FORT WORTH

There are comfortable seats for 15,000 persons in the Ft. Worth baseball park where the Ferguson speaking will be held Thursday, August 21 at 8 p. m. Also plenty of parking space for autos.

EDGAR WITT FOR Lieutenant Governor

TO THE MEN AND WOMEN OF TEXAS:

I have known Senator Edgar Witt for more than twenty years, and like scores of others have been the beneficiary of his goodness.

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Won't you vote for him for Lieutenant Governor? ONE WHOM HE HAS HELPED. (Political Advertisement.)

PAT M. NEFF'S ELECTION ASSURED

Former Governor, Pat M. Neff, Chairman of the Railroad Commission and a candidate for an elective term carried two hundred and thirty-one of the two hundred and fifty-three counties of Texas and received almost two hundred thousand more votes than his opponent who ran next to him.

Notwithstanding he was almost nominated at the first primary under the law, a runoff was made necessary because he lacked a few thousand votes of receiving a majority over the combined support of the other three candidates.

Loftin Launches Second Campaign in His Home City

HENRIETTA, Texas, Aug. 20.—Judge Reuben Loftin, candidate for state senator from the 23rd district, opened his campaign for the second primary Saturday, August 2 in his home town. He spoke to a crowd of nearly 1,000, which was said to be the largest crowd that has attended a political speaking in Henrietta in several years.

He opened his speech by expressing his gratitude to his many friends and supporters in the 23rd district for their votes in the first primary.

He laid stress on the need for a law that would permit the state to cooperate with and aid cities and communities in establishing and maintaining junior colleges.

"It costs the state \$450 annually for each student in the university," the speaker explained, "whereas the cost would be only \$100 per student in a junior college. Also the students would be enabled to remain at home for an additional two years during the period of life in which their characters are most easily molded."

Judge Loftin also announced his plan for an elective highway commission to be composed of one man from each of four state districts and one commissioner-at-large. He said that there should be an elective highway commission and that the commission should be forced to maintain an office at Austin which would be open six days a week. He pointed out

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Honest—Qualified (This advertisement contributed by a friend.)

that at the present time the highway commission had no central office and did not meet often enough.

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Think It Over Is Sentinel's Advice From Nacogdoches

Under the caption "Think It Over" the Nacogdoches Sentinel furnishes the following interesting compilation concerning some of the features of the July 26 primary.

Cone Johnson, of the State Highway Commission, a Moody appointee tearing his shirt against "Fergusonism." Smith county where Cone lives gave Mrs. Ferguson a big lead in the recent primary. In other words he carried Smith county.

Judge Ely, another member of the Highway Commission is from Taylor county and Mrs. Ferguson carried Taylor county.

Mark McGee—General Mark McGee who is vociferating against Fergusonism. Mark is from Brown county and Brown county gave Mrs. Ferguson a big plurality over all the other candidates.

Dan Moody is doing all he can against Mrs. Ferguson. Dan is from Williamson county and Williamson county went for Mrs. Ferguson at the recent primary election.

Taylor county went for Mrs. Ferguson. The Abilene papers are against Mrs. Ferguson.

Anderson county went for Mrs. Ferguson by a big plurality. The Palestine Press is fighting Mrs. Ferguson.

The Galveston News is not for Mrs. Ferguson. Galveston county was carried by Mrs. Ferguson.

Mrs. Ferguson carried Lamar county. The Paris Morning News is against Mrs. Ferguson.

Mrs. Ferguson carried her home county of Bell. The Temple Telegram, published in Bell county is fighting Mrs. Ferguson.

McLennan county was carried by Mrs. Ferguson. The big dailies of that county are against Mrs. Ferguson. That is the home of S. P. Brooks and Pat Neff and Senator Witt, all against Mrs. Ferguson and Baylor University, solidly against Mrs. Ferguson.

We might go on and on and name counties that were carried by Mrs. Ferguson in which newspapers are located that are fighting Mrs. Ferguson. It is about time the people were waking up to the fact as to what newspapers are their friends and be governed accordingly.

Labor Unions in El Paso Are For Mrs. M. A. Ferguson

(From El Paso Evening Post Aug. 12)

R. C. Hobson, 111 N. Kansas, president of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, Lodge No. 300, believes that 80 per cent of the individual membership of the local unions will support "Ma" Ferguson in the runoff Aug. 23. He wrote this to L. A. Weiss, Houston, general chairman of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, Southern Pacific lines.

Hobson wrote Weiss that press reports published here indicated labor unions of Houston have endorsed Ross Sterling.

"This information was forwarded here by ex-governor Hobby," Hobson wrote. "If my memory serves me right, this same Mr. Hobby was governor of Texas and was the proud executioner of the 'open port' law, one of the worst and most unfair laws that was ever proposed against labor. This law was later declared unconstitutional by the courts."

"The Central Labor Union and other labor unions of this city have not as yet publicly endorsed either Ferguson or Sterling, but of the several active officials and members with whom I have talked, are rendering favorable support to Mrs. Ferguson."

Weiss replied that it was difficult to say just what certain leaders of the labor movement will do.

"My information," he wrote, "is there will be no endorsement in Houston. I understand the transportation and railroad organizations are quite firmly behind the candidacy of Jas. E. Ferguson, due to the fact Ferguson was the first governor in the United States to come out unqualified in favor of eight-hour day."

Sterling, Weiss stated, was praising his operation of the Dayton & Goose Creek railroad, which he owned until it was taken over by the Southern Pacific lines. Weiss said brakemen on this road received less pay than those with standard organization privileges.

NEW YORK JOBLESS 234,854 WASHINGTON, Aug. 21.—A total of 234,854 jobless or 3.4 per cent of New York City's population of 6,959,195, was announced for the nation's metropolis in the census bureau's unemployment count.

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(Political Advertisement) (Contributed by Friends)

