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Announcements Are Now in Vogue, Read 'Em

TO THE CITIZENS AND VOTERS OF TYLER COUNTY

I am announcing my candidacy for re-election for another term for the office of Tax Collector of Tyler County. I have always been first, that I am very anxious to you for your support and approval that you gave me two years ago. I was elected by a good margin, and I will surely thank you for the support you gave me. I will be at the July Primary.

I desire to say that I intend to respect my record in office for the past two years, as you know, and if you think that I am a faithful and efficient officer, I trust that you will see fit and proper to give me support for re-election.

I have earnestly and conscientiously endeavored to do my whole duty in every respect and I certainly will thank you for re-electing me again if you so desire.

With best wishes, I remain,
Your obedient servant,
C. B. SPURLOCK.

J. W. GETSINGER ANNOUNCES

After due consideration I have decided to run for Commissioner of Precinct No. 1, Tyler County, subject to the will of the voters at the Democratic Primaries as of July 23, 1932.

I have long been a resident of this county, a life-long Democrat, and this is the first time I have ever announced as a candidate for County Commissioner.

I have a broad acquaintanceship throughout the county and a warm friendship. I do not feel it necessary to go into detail of the duties of a commissioner, but if I am fortunate in receiving the nomination at the primary, and am elected in the November election, I shall make every effort to fill the office in an acceptable manner to my clientele.

Very truly,
J. W. GETSINGER.

TO THE VOTERS OF TYLER COUNTY

Although my name has already appeared in another Tyler County paper, as a candidate for the office of County Judge of Tyler County, I now take this method of further presenting my candidacy to the voters of Tyler County.

I was born and raised in the county, and served the county six years as clerk of the county court and ex-officio clerk of the commissioner's court. During my six years' experience as clerk, I had occasion to familiarize myself with the records and duties of the different county officers and feel that with my knowledge of the duties of the County Judge's office I am qualified to perform the duties of the office honestly and efficiently.

I am for the strictest economy in the expenditure of the county's funds, thereby reducing the burden of taxes as much as possible. Between now and the primary election I shall endeavor to see every voter personally, but should I fail to meet you personally I am asking you in this announcement to give my candidacy careful consideration, and if, after doing so, you feel that I am qualified to fill the office in a creditable manner, I shall appreciate your support.

Thanking you in advance for your consideration, I am yours truly,
M. C. TATUM.

Have you paid your 1931 poll tax?

Descendant of Hero of Evangeline

DESCENDANT OF REAL LIFE

MEMO OF "EVANGELINE" DIES AT HIS RESIDENCE HERE

After riding the cattle range for many years in the county for more than half a century, "Uncle" Hiram Arceneaux, a great-grandson of the hero of Longfellow's poem "Evangeline," died at his residence at 1418 College street, one day last week. He was 78 years old.

Arceneaux, the great-grandfather of "Uncle" Hiram, was the great-grandfather of the veteran cattleman who died here.

This Hiram Arceneaux family settled in the "Texas" country of Louisiana in 1804. He had been a resident of Jefferson county for 30 years, much of his life here being spent on the old Arceneaux ranch near Stamps, La.

"Uncle" Hiram was noted for his quiet life in the country, and he was in the habit of visiting his relatives in the county.

Annual District Boy Scout Meet at Doucette

The annual district meeting of Boy Scout executives for Tyler County was held at Doucette Monday night, Jan. 18, in the community hall.

W. H. Gunn, scout executive of Beaumont, was present and outlined the duties of the different committees.

The Doucette troop in full uniform gave a demonstration in foot movement, and formation drill, after which two of the boys gave an Indian dance and their own musical interpretation of "Coming Around the Mountain."

Enthusiastic talks were made by Messrs. J. H. Kepness, Powell, Paschall, A. King and others and it was agreed to hold another executive scout training school at Doucette this spring, at which time Chester, Cherokee and Colmenseil, as well as any other communities interested in scout work will be invited.

P. H. Powell read the advancements made by the different troops and it was encouraging to note progress made by the boys, especially of the Doucette troop which is only one year old.

February 18 to 25 is anniversary week of the Boy Scout movement and Rev. Hall and A. King of Doucette and Lee Emory and Jay Kelley of Woodville were appointed a committee to arrange a program in keeping with the occasion.

Officers were elected for 1932 but the writer was not furnished with all names so these will be published later.

A vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Gunn for his presence also the friendly interest he has always manifested toward us. Resolutions were also made thanking W. M. McDonald for the efficient work he did while in this area and Mr. Kelley was instructed to convey in writing to Mr. McDonald the thanks of those present.

Twenty-five of Woodville and Doucette were present and about 80 scouts.

BOGEY MAN

A man who is a joy to millions and a heroic figure in the world of comedy may be nothing but a deceptively villain in his own town, or even in his own family. Thus mused Groucho Marx, the only mustachioed Marx of the four Marx Brothers who are appearing Sun, Mon. and Tues. in "Monkey Business" at the Crescent theatre.

During progress of the filming of "Monkey Business," Groucho was planning the fourth birthday anniversary of his little daughter, Miriam. Needless to say, Miriam was making plans also. "May I come to your party, dear?" Groucho asked the girl one evening at supper. "Oh, no," Miriam replied, "you'd scare the children."

NEGRO PRIMARY EXCLUSION CASE IS ORDERED REARGUED

Washington, Jan. 18.—The Supreme Court ordered the appeal of L. A. Nixon, El Paso negro, re-argued. It was not announced what point in the previous argument the court wished clarified. Nixon is contending that the Texas law allowing Democrats to exclude negroes from the primaries is unconstitutional. His suit several years ago forced a revision of the law.

Judge J. E. Sturrock was a business visitor in Houston Friday.

Have you paid your 1931 poll tax?

Boycott Recommended With City of Houston as the Objective Point

The following resolutions passed the East Texas County Judges and Commissioners' Association, will be of interest to readers of the Booster residing in Tyler County. Harris County has started something that if carried through to a successful conclusion would prove detrimental to all small counties in the state.

The case is now on at Houston. It is being freely predicted the trial judge will dismiss the case, before it is ever presented to the jury for deliberation. The commissioners of Harris County started the case and are hiding behind the skirts of that old woman known as Miss Jane Unconscionable. One of the strange things in connection with this case, is the trial is before a jury. This jury is supposed to pass upon the constitutionality of this law regulating the distribution of the fees collected from the sale of license plates. Those who know something about law are wondering how a jury of laymen are to be supposed competent to pass upon the constitutionality of ANY law. The resolutions follow:

Houston, Texas, January 14, 1932.

To the members of the East Texas County Judges' and Commissioners' Association.

We, your committee on Resolutions, beg to report as follows:

Whereas, the Commissioners' Court of Harris County has caused to be instituted in one of the District Courts of said County a suit to have declared null and void the law now governing the distribution of automobile registration fees, and

Whereas, the law which it is sought to have set aside and held for naught provides that the first \$50,000 collected in automobile fees during any one year shall remain in the County where collected as a part of the road and bridge fund of said County, to be used in building and maintaining county lateral roads, and that all collections above \$50,000 shall be remitted to the state highway department on a 50-50 basis until said sum shall reach \$175,000 and that thereafter all monies collected shall be deposited to the state highway department.

Whereas, if this suit should prevail, instead of permitting counties to retain all automobile fees collected up to \$50,000 they would only be allowed to retain 50% of whatever amount might be collected, which would seriously cripple the lateral road work in all of the smaller and poorer counties of the state, since many of them do not now collect as much as 50% of the amount they are permitted to retain, and

Whereas, practically all of said counties have voted the constitutional and statutory limit of 30c on the \$100 of valuation of all property in the county for road and bridge purposes, for use on their lateral roads, which said 30c tax, together with the automobile fees they are now receiving is insufficient to maintain their lateral roads in anything like a proper manner, and

Whereas, practically all of the counties in the Houston trade territory have voted bonds to assist in building permanent state highways leading to the city of Houston, thus extending to the trade territory of Houston business interests, for which they are now paying an ad valorem tax of from \$1.50 to \$2 on each \$100 valuation of all property in the county, and many of the citizens who are paying this road bond tax are small home-owners who live on lateral dirt roads which become almost impassable in wet weather, and derive but little direct benefit from said State improved highways; and

Whereas, said state highways for which said counties have so heavily bonded themselves, as well as many of the lateral roads in said counties, are used by the business interests and citizens of Houston and Harris county, in many instances, more than they are used by the citizens of the counties in which they are located; and

Whereas, some of the counties in the Houston trade territory have bonded themselves heavily, and almost exhausted their resources, to contribute to the construction of State highways which do not even approach their county seats, but which do extend from the city of Houston to other trade centers—as is the situation on Highway 35, known as the Houston-Silverton highway, where same passes through the county of Trinity, and

Whereas, the citizenship of Houston and Harris county some five or six years ago organized what they were pleased to call the "Hug the Coast Highway Association," for the purpose as stated in the letter-heads and in the literature of said organization to get the county in the Houston territory and the Gulf Coast area "Out of the Mud," and a drive for membership was made by said organization at a charge of \$2 per annum per member, and many of the citizens in the territory surrounding Houston, and outside of Harris county, for a distance of 100 miles or more took out memberships in said Association from year to year, and paid said charge of \$2 per membership until said organization was taken over by and merged with the good roads department of the Houston Chamber of Commerce, and

Whereas, under the influence of said organization, many of the smaller and poorer counties in this section voted large bond issues to assist in building permanent highways to enlarge and extend the trade territory of Houston and Harris county; and

Whereas, one of the daily newspapers of Houston, in its New Year edition of this year, points with pride to the splendid highways of Harris county territory and the Gulf coast area, which have been made possible only through the co-operation and at the expense of the smaller and poorer counties (Number one, continued on last page)

Rockland Bridge Now Open For Auto Traffic

A temporary approach on the south side of the new Neches river bridge at Rockland, on highway No 40 is now open to traffic. High water in recent days has stopped operation of the ferry.

A temporary approach about a mile long has been constructed on an old tram road, and traffic is now going over the new bridge.

The opening of the new bridge is not official, but to meet the high water problem the bridge has been pressed into service.

The bridge is nearly completed, only the "dolling up" work yet left before turning the bridge over to the Federal government for acceptance.

Due notice will be published in the Booster when the bridge shall be accepted officially.

Crews of maintenance are working on earth approaches and also on a deal of the earth road work where the exceptionally heavy rains have made shoulder maintenance work necessary.

UNEMPLOYED MAN MURDERS OWN SON AND TAKES HIS OWN LIFE

Livingston, Texas, Jan. 19.—Funeral services were held at Mt. Rose cemetery, near here, Monday for Houston Campbell, 59, and his son, James, 11. Rev. P. R. Dawson of the Livingston Presbyterian church officiated. The father and son lived at a logging camp 12 miles south of here and their bodies were found late Saturday night in the woods near the camp.

A verdict of murder and suicide was returned at an inquest by the justice of the peace from Shepherd. His theory was that the man had shot his son and had then taken his own life. Campbell, formerly an employe of the Texas Long Leaf Lumber company, had been out of work for some time, and friends said he had become despondent. Two daughters and a son survive.

GREAT SNAKES

The Avon Park Sun springs this unrattle snake story. "An enraged G.I.T. rattlesnake bit through a six-ply front automobile tire when driven over by T. W. Arline of Tampa and R. C. Epperson of Avon Park the other morning while enroute from Okeechobee to Avon Park. The snake was crossing the road some distance out of Okeechobee and was not observed until it was too late to stop the car. The driver was not one of the hit and run kind, and after running over the snake both motorists got out of the car to finish the job the automobile had begun. The snake was found clinging to the tire, its fangs piercing through the outer shield of the tire into the inner tube.—Florida Times-Union.

EVERY OTHER FARM OWNS AUTOMOBILE

Washington.—An automobile on every other farm throughout the country, and a telephone on every third farm was reported yesterday by the census bureau. Motor trucks, stationary gas engines, electric lights and tractors on every eighth farm indicated the extent to which American farms have become mechanized. Payment of \$46,482,865 to power companies by the farmers for electric light and power was reported. The telephone were installed on 2,139,194 farms, or 34 per cent of all.

Jasper, Texas, Jan. 14—Vernon

Hopson, 9, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Hopson of Colmenseil, Texas, died at a local hospital last night from a ruptured appendix. The body was taken to Smith's Ferry today for burial. Surviving are the parents, a sister and two brothers. Mr. Hopson is a teaming contractor.

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8-lb. Boy Born to Mr. and Mrs. Hobby Tuesday

Former Governor and Mrs. W. P. Hobby, 2115 Glen Haven boulevard, Houston, are the parents of a son, W. P. Hobby, Jr., who was born at 8:20 a. m. Tuesday at Hermann hospital.

Both Mrs. Hobby and the eight and one-half pound baby were doing nicely Tuesday afternoon, according to a report from the attending physician.

Governor Hobby is president of The Houston Post-Dispatch. Mrs. Hobby formerly was Miss Oveta Culp, parliamentarian of the Texas house of representatives.

PORKERS ALL LIT UP

University of California experts are on the way to developing phosphorescent pigs which will glow at night. Research for a cure for narcotic enteritis discovered the cause of the disease as a lack of calcium and phosphorus in the blood. The students have come to believe that enough phosphorus may be administered to make the porkers luminous, but just what they will be good for has not been announced.—New York Times.

What they will be good for, should be obvious enough, at least to a Texas student. Perhaps the need is lacking in California.

Phosphorescent pigs, and luminous cows, are just the thing for stocking the State highways.

Live-stock owners should be compelled by law to feed their animals phosphorus so the motorists can see them at night.

SNOW SWEETS LOS ANGELES

Los Angeles, Jan. 16.—Rain was predicted Thursday night when Southern California pulled up the covers and went to bed, but when it awoke Friday it had between a half inch and a half foot of snow in its face.

It was the most colossal joke ever staged on the fair Southernland of California, and Los Angeles, chief claimant in the boast of a summer climate when the rest of the country shivers, smiled weak acknowledgment that the biggest laugh of the jokster was within its own city limits.

A search of the city's weather bureau records disclosed that never before in the history of the weather bureau, which is 54 years old, has snow fallen in Los Angeles. The measured fall was two inches.

"People will say it has snowed here before," said Col. H. B. Hersey of the weather bureau, "but it never has. What we got early Friday morning can be put down as a real old-fashioned Eastern snowfall." The fall was accompanied by a low temperature of 34 degrees, the coldest since 1922 in Los Angeles.

The snow began falling about 5 a. m. and continued an hour and a half. It remained on the ground about two hours. Then the sun came out for a short period and routed the enemy quickly.

The storm got the populace as excited as though a major catastrophe had happened.

Radio Advertising Under Sen. Fire

Washington, Jan. 12.—The senate expressed a growing dissatisfaction with the present use of radio facilities for commercial advertising today and instructed the radio commission to give it all the facts.

A resolution by Senator Couzens, republican of Michigan, calling upon the commission to report on the feasibility of restricting the use of radio facilities for commercial advertising purposes.

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Just Thinkin'

by Charles S. Kinnison.

The Little Town

I've tramped the cities up and down,
From north to south and east to west,
But after all, the little town,
It seems to me, is best.
I like its quiet restful days—
Without the rush and noise,
I like its unpretentious ways,
I like its girls and boys.

The little town provides its thrills
The same as cities do—
But there is not the pace that fills
Life's cup with bitter brew;
They find their fun in simple things,
With little pomp and show,
And yet, true happiness it brings,
As those who've tried it know.

Perhaps some think that I'm a "rube"
To feel the way I do—
And some might say "That guy's a boob!"
And maybe that is true,
But "rube" or not, I'd be content
To be of small renown—
Have quiet fun, pay little rent,
Within some little town.



