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Primary Election, March 2. All Qualified Voters Eligible Progressive Citizens Wishing the City to Grow and Progress and Be A Credit to East Texas Should Vote for and Elect the Present Administration Proven To Be the Most Efficient in the Glorious History of Woodville

THINK 'BOBBIES

Jim Hogg was the first native Texan to be elected governor. He served from 1891 through 1894, two terms.

The first Rotary club was founded Feb. 23, 1905, in Chicago. What a growth Rotary has experienced in the past 24 years.

The calendar for 1893 carries the same dates for the same days as does the new 1940 setup. However, 1893 was not a national election year.

Yoakum, Texas, has a school in which pupils sit in Lavaca county and the instructor's desk is in DeWitt county. Surveys have proven the county line divides the school.

No one knows how many candidates there will be for president of the United States, but new possibilities are being mentioned quite regularly in the daily press.

Before this 1939-40 winter, the coldest winter Texas ever experienced of which there is an official record, was in 1829-30. Most folks think this winter has all the records smashed.

We enjoy receiving a knock through the mails occasionally, because for this reason: We know the knocker is either a subscriber or a borrower, and just naturally reads The Booster.

Be my neighbor's paper. Neither a borrower nor a lender be. The Booster replies eye-for-eye and when Florinus was speaking of borrowing this little old country weekly.

The Tyler County Times of Colmesneil, dated Saturday, November 19, 1898, says: German editors are denied the greatest pleasures of life. One of them has just been sent to prison for making fun of the Emperor.

This February month is very unusual for The Booster folks. It happens the first day came in on a Thursday, publication day. February 29th is also The Booster's publication day, which gives The Booster five publication days for the shortest month of the year.

A heading in a daily paper one day last week made us sit up and take notice. It read: "Mann condemns Hitler's regime." No, it was not Gerald Mann the headline alluded to, but Thos. Mann, German author and Nobel prize winner. Find the story elsewhere.

What would you think if in column one a sentence started and paused not until 293 words had been accumulated? The first Texas Declaration of Independence turns that little stunt in the first sentence. 'Twas adopted at Washington-on-the-Brazos on March 1, 1836.

A philosopher—If running true form—spends this time wondering what the hell, after reading the account of that woman Beaumont man killer, And, say, wasn't that great newspaper stuff. Stuff is right. It does a yellow good, once in a while, to pick up a clean newspaper.

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Representative Otis E. Lock of Zavala Announces For Second Term

His announcement for re-election as State representative from this district was made Saturday by Otis E. Lock, in a statement to the voters as follows: "I take this method of thanking you for your support in the last election and announcing my candidacy for a second term as State representative. It is a well known fact that the representatives who are able to do the most for their districts are the ones who have been there for two or more terms. As we some times say, they know the ropes. "This is one of the most progressive districts in the state and



OTIS E. LOCK.

if re-elected, I will try to capitalize on my experience and seniority by giving you a type of representation that will be in keeping with your progress.

"I would be the first to say that I have made mistakes. It would be superhuman to vote on the hundreds of bills that come up without doing so. But I assure you that all of them were honest mistakes and that I would expect to profit from them in an

LEAP YEAR BARN DANCE HELD BY SENIORS

The seniors of Kirby High school are sponsoring a Leap Year Barn Dance in the gym on Friday night, March 1st. The boys are requested to wear overalls and the girls are wearing cotton dresses and aprons. They have planned a floor show for the spectators and a string band will furnish music. All the proceeds from the dance will be applied on the expenses of the trip they are planning. Admission, couple 50c, stag 50c and children 15c.

NOTICE

It has been announced elsewhere in the Booster of the musical to be held at the Christian Church at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon. There will be a church census taken that afternoon but at an earlier hour, so plan to attend the musical treat at 3:00.

Veterans Foreign War Service Man

E. R. Fenton, field representative of the Veterans State Service, will be in Woodville to assist war veterans and their dependents who have problems of connection with their claims. Fenton has visited here several times within the past 12 months and each time he has been able to assist some veteran and some veteran's dependent in securing Government benefits they are entitled to receive. This time Mr. Fenton is very anxious to see as many war widows and Gold Star mothers as possible, since recent legislation liberalized laws pertaining to widows and Gold Star mothers.

The services of the Veterans State Service office are directed by George C. Betts, whose headquarters are located in the Land office building, Austin. All persons desiring to see Mr. Fenton, field representative for this district, while he is in Woodville, may contact him on Tuesday, March 12.

John Reid was in Houston

Keeping The City's Records Straight For All

A primary election is to be held in Woodville Saturday, March 2. A series of events may give some indication of what it is all about. First, a petition was presented to the County Judge on February 9th to call an election to abolish the City of Woodville, which petition has been circulated by E. F. Pope and W. E. Grammer.

This petition was signed by more than the 100 required by law, but a check-up showed that a large number of the signers were not taxpayers and therefore could not be counted. The election was not called.

Immediately thereafter the same parties presented a petition to D. P. Rock, County Chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee requesting him to appoint an Executive Committee for the City.

E. F. Pope and five others were appointed. The committee met on February 17th calling a Primary Election for Saturday, March 2nd, and set March 1st as a dead line for candidates to file applications to get their names on the ballot. Apparently the ballots would have to be made up between midnight March 1st, and the time for the polls to open on March 2.

Another meeting of the Committee was held on February 17th. After the other members of the Committee had assembled, Chairman Pope announced there was no business to be attended to at that meeting except to accept his resignation and appoint C. C. Hightower as chairman.

Immediately thereafter E. F. Pope, J. T. Lindsey and A. M. Jordan announced for Mayor and Commissioners of the City of Woodville. So far no other announcements have been made.

Colmesneil Glee Club in Radio Program

The Glee Club of Colmesneil presented a fifteen minute radio program over KFDM Friday, February 23, at 11:00 a. m. Five numbers were given: Santa Lucia, by the Glee Club; Faithful Forever, by Ruth Smith; Behold, How He Loves Us, by the Glee Club; South of the Border, by Edwina Collier; Chippareas by the Glee Club.

Notice to People of Woodville

The committee, composed of the pastors and Sunday school superintendents of the Woodville churches, are requesting that as many as will remain at their homes Sunday afternoon between the hours of one and two at which time the religious survey of the community will be made. Posters will be placed in the homes of the people on Saturday afternoon giving information and also bearing a blank form to be filled out and left in the front door in case a family can not be present at the designated hour.

Science Lecture

First Church of Christ Scientist, Beaumont, announced a series of lectures on Christian Science by William L. Kilpatrick, C. S. D., of Detroit, Michigan, member of the board of lecturers of the Mother Church, the First Church

Will Deaton Makes His Announcement for Commissioner Precinct No. 4, Tyler County

I take this method of announcing my candidacy for Commissioner of Precinct No. 4.

I am fifty-eight years old, a farmer, and I have lived for the past nine years in the Town Bluff community.

I feel that I am fully qualified and competent to fill the office and promise that if I am elected, I will give my every effort to get the job done.

Your help will be greatly appreciated.

WILL DEATON.

Gov O'Daniel Speaks At Brenham March 2

With acceptance of an invitation to have a part on the program received from Governor W. Lee O'Daniel, the list of speakers for the annual Texas Independence day celebration at Old Washington State Park near there has been completed. Dr. T. O. Woolley, chairman of the celebration, is receiving congratulations.

The governor, who spoke to 15,000 persons at the park last March 2, decided to return for this year's celebration.

Dr. Homer P. Rainey, president of the University of Texas, also has accepted an invitation to speak.

John H. Sharpe, associate justice of the Supreme Court of Texas, has been designated by the court to speak at the exercises at the park Mar. 2, commemorating the 100th anniversary of the court. The program will honor Gen. Thomas J. Rusk, one of the signers of the Texas Declaration of Independence and chief justice of the court 100 years ago.

Many descendants of General Rusk will be present to pay their tribute to their ancestor.

An additional attraction will be exhibition drills by Company C Infantry, from Texas A&M College, which will act as an escort to the governor. The company is commanded by Capt. Paul Lemm, Jr., The 60-piece infantry band of the college will accompany the cadets.

The Texas Quality Network has arranged for an hour's broadcast of the proceedings from 11 a. m. to 12 noon.

The Walter M. Burrell Texas flag will be awarded to the county named for a signer of the Declaration of Independence which sends the largest delegation to the event.

Rules governing the award of the Walter M. Burrell Flag—Eligible County to compete: The following 25 counties which were named after one of the signers of the Texas Declaration of Independence: Briscoe, Caldwell, Carson, Childress, Coleman, Collins, Collinsworth, Ellis, Fisher, Gaines, Grimes, Hardeman, Houston, Maverick, Menard, Navarro, Farmer, Potter, Roberts, Robertson, Rusk, Swisher, Waller, Zavala. Last year's winner will not be eligible to compete this year.

Registration: It has been requested that the County judge head the delegation from his county. Every man, woman, and child from his county that registers will be given credit in this contest, but they must register before 1:00 p. m. that day. Registration booths will be found on the grounds.

Method of awarding points in contest: The county whose delegation travels most number of miles from their county seat to Old Washington, will be declared winner. In other words this contest is based on a man-mile basis. To illustrate: One man traveling 500 miles will count as much as 20 persons traveling 25 miles.

ROTARY CLUB

Tom Walker, president of the Beaumont Rotary club was the guest speaker at the Rotary club last Thursday night. Mrs. Ann Humphrey, secretary, presided.

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The Texas Highway Commission has approved the Regular State-wide Asphalt Program embracing approximately \$2,500,000. This program includes non-skid seal coats, new asphalt surfaces, leveling-up courses and asphalt surfaces for gravel roads, and extends in general over the entire state.

In announcing approval of the Asphalt program the commission stated that it was the last of the annual programs to be approved and that all available funds for 1940 has been allotted.

The programs that have been approved by the commission during the past few months are the regular 1941 Federal aid program, the annual state-wide construction and better program, and the annual asphalt program. The estimated cost of these programs together with the 1941 secondary and grade crossing programs, add up to the very respectable sum of \$28,000,000.

The commission further said that they especially wanted these facts called to the attention of City, County and Chamber of Commerce officials, who very properly appear before the commission from time to time in the interest of proposed designations or proposed construction projects, so as to save them the time and expense in hurrying to Austin seeking projects when no funds will be available for additional projects until next year.

CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

The Tyler County Cemetery Association has held its annual meeting at the home of Mrs. J. H. Barber, president, on Tuesday, February 27, at 8 o'clock p. m.

The association reported a very successful year. The association has a total of 1,200 members and has a total of \$1,200 in funds.

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Rep. Dies Denies Seeking Judgeship

Washington, United States Rep. Martin Dies Wednesday definitely scotched the report of a New York columnist that he was to be "rewarded" with a federal judgeship in the event Vice President Garner were elected president this year. "I can kill that report right now," Dies said. "I have never discussed such a matter with Mr. Garner, and you can quote me as saying if a federal judgeship were tendered me I would turn it down. I'm just not interested."

Dies expressed the belief that the story, carried by Walter Winchell, was "just another one of those planted yarns about me."

The Orange congressman refused to discuss his political plans for the future beyond stating that he expected to be a candidate for renomination to his house seat and to repeat his previously voiced assertion that he would not run for the senate in 1940.

This did not eliminate Dies' 1942, however, he added. Pressed for a definite statement as to whether he had plans for a senatorial campaign that year, Dies laughed and said, "That's too far ahead to talk about yet."

The second district solon has been frequently mentioned as a strong possibility for the 1942 senate race in the Lone Star state. He admitted he had already received many requests to run from political leaders in various sections of the state.

Sen. Morris Sheppard, incumbent, has already definitely announced he will be a candidate to succeed himself and hang up a new record for continuous congressional service. This early announcement was drawn from the Texarkana solon by persistent reports that he would retire after his present term expires.

The Houston Flower Show

Entries are being received in steadily increasing numbers for the National Flower and Garden Show in Houston, February 28 through March 6th.

Latest arrival in Houston is Billy Baxter of Detroit, internationally known landscape artist, who will enter a naturalistic rock garden, "Mirage", in the show.

Announcement of the Baxter entry grew out of a conference between the Detroit artist and Paul M. Carroll, chairman of the Houston flower show committee.

Clarence Wadsworth, Houston member of the National Flower Show committee, Robert E. H. Land, executive secretary of the National Flower Show committee, and C. Oliver Hooper, landscape architect and installation chairman for the show.

The Baxter will occupy 1,000 square feet. (The Baxter garden will be something never seen before in this part of the nation.) The proper use of perspective is one of the feeling-not only that of a merely a reflection of nature, but that its extent is far greater than is actually the case.

The Detroit artist has won all of his garden contests since his first triumph in several years ago in Japan. His first triumph was when he won the prize for entering a Japanese rock garden show in 1934.

Flowers from the show will arrive at the Houston airport on Friday, February 28, and will be on display at the show on Saturday, February 29.

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