

JUDGE J. O. TERRELL ON "WHAT AILS TEXAS"

(Part of recent address by the Republican candidate for governor.)

In some way my friend Colquitt has been rebaptized into a new faith. I am not certain that I am the person who did the baptizing, but do charge me credit for his conversion. As you know, he has been for years a radical of radicals, and in his speech at Dallas, at a banquet a short time ago, he practically admitted that fact by saying, "Suppose I confess it. I do not desire credit for the change!" For years the Democratic party in Texas has insisted upon radical legislation against what they call the "special interests," by which they meant the business interests of the state. They have been really endeavoring to believe they could assist the agricultural interests by crippling the business interests, while, as a matter of fact, an injury to one is an injury to both. This drastic legislation has gone so far that it has passed the bounds of common honesty and disregarded the established rules of justice and right. I have already said the Democratic party usually claims right and justice as Democratic principles, but it does not practice them in Texas. I have not desired to make every digression along this line, but I will point out a few.

Practice vs. Preaching. 1—Your state laws provide for two boards to fix valuations on railway property in Texas. The members are sworn to perform their duty faithfully, and their decision ought to be characterized by the fairness of a court of law. One of these boards fixes the valuation on which the railroads are compelled to pay taxes, and the other is allowed to earn money declares that valuation to be only about \$210,000,000. There is not a man here or elsewhere who can defend that situation for a single moment. The supreme court of Washington recently declared such a condition to be unconstitutional, yet it exists in Texas today, and I presume Mr. Colquitt is in favor of it, because he has not said he is opposed to it.

Gouging the Corporations. 2—About one-half of the property rendered for taxation in Texas is shown by the records to belong to corporations. The corporations may about three-fifths of the entire taxes of the state. In other words, one-seventh of the property of the state pays three-fifths of the taxes, and yet somebody occasionally complains that the corporations we have are ruining the state.

3—If a manufacturer or business man in the state of Texas should agree with a competitor in business to raise or lower the price of any commodity, and that fact could be proved upon him, he would probably land in the penitentiary. You know that under our queer laws it is just as illegal to lower prices as to raise them, and it is also an offense to agree to let them be raised or lowered. On the other hand you read in the papers daily where men who are engaged in agriculture meet and agree to fix the price of cotton, cotton seed, wheat, oats or anything else they may have to sell, and yet no one dare question them, and they do so. As a matter of fact their right should not be questioned. They should be allowed to meet and combine to obtain a fair price whenever their products are selling too low, but on the other hand every man who does so should be allowed to meet and combine to obtain a fair price or an unreasonable price. The fairness and unreasonableness of the proposition should always be the controlling factor in determining whether they combination was lawful or not. I have merely mentioned this, and I could mention many others if I had time, and these conditions have been the products of Democratic legislation and recommended and approved by Democratic governors for years past.

Helped Convert Colquitt. As I have said, I claim some credit for Mr. Colquitt's conversion. Two and a half years ago at Fort Worth I delivered the first speech that has been heard in Texas for many years, denouncing existing legislation, and it was widely printed not only over this state, but over the United States. I was generally denounced at home and widely praised abroad. Some of the papers in Texas printed my criticism and denounced my denunciations as absolutely false. The denunciation that gave greatest offense was one to the effect that "Texas was hostile to capital." I believe I received at least 20 copies of newspapers in the state in which there were marked articles denouncing the statement as a falsehood.

But now Mr. Colquitt has changed over, and Hon. Sheb Williams of Paris, his campaign manager and present Democratic chairman, has come to my rescue in a way that is most interesting to my admiration. In an address to the people of Texas, published on the 24th of last month, Mr. Williams says "the policies declared for by the 10th plank of the Democratic platform, and asserted by Mr. Colquitt, mean business emancipation. Under them our laws will no longer meet foreign capital at the border, nor expropriate investments by embargo." You will note that Mr. Williams said that they will no longer do it, this means that they have been doing it, and that is more than I said when I declared that Texas was hostile to capital.

Williams Talks Like Republican. Mr. Williams went further in his remarks, and while he was saying what way he talks like an enthusiastic Republican. Now we have some politicians in Texas who are just the reverse of Mr. Williams. They talk like Democrats, but they vote like Republicans. I am not inclined to blame them for this, but I believe that Mr. Williams is deserving of mention as the greatest Republican orator on the Democratic side in the present campaign.

Listen further to what he says about the policies of Mr. Colquitt: "They will remove those many obstacles against which Texas, because solely of her extraordinary resources, has been able to make slow headway, and enable the people of this generation, the common people, the farmer, the artisan, the laborer as well as the banker, the merchant, the professional man and the

capitalist—to realize in substantial benefits the destiny of Texas."

Now this is good enough for a Republican to utter, but what has been the trouble all the time? Whose policies did he intend the development of Texas in the past? She has been Democratic for more than 40 years, and if during that time anything wrong has been done the Democratic party is responsible for it. If Texas has been injured the Democratic party is responsible for it, if she is behind other states in any particular the party that has reigned for 40 years ought to be held accountable. God knows that in natural resources she is without a peer on the face of the earth. It is the fault of her laws, or of the important agricultural and mineral products. Texas can show them all. What other state produces cotton, wheat, corn, hay, oats, alfalfa, fruits, sugar, rice and truck gardening? Some states can produce them all, but what state other than Texas can produce them all? Some states have granite quarries, some states have water powers, some states have coal deposits, some states have iron ore, some states have oil—Texas has them all. Will other states can equal her in the production of live stock, beef, mutton, and wool? In natural resources Texas is the garden of the Lord, and if in any respect she is behind her sister states in industrial development it is the fault of her laws, or of the demagogues who made and executed them.

Colquitt Saw the Swing. I am pleased to say that Mr. Williams and Mr. Colquitt stand for material progress in Texas. If I helped to make them change their minds, and if I did not help make it directly, I hope I helped to make it indirectly. I read a few days ago an editorial in the Southwestern Farmer at Houston, Tex., the editor of which is the well known Frank Putnam. It was about to state on a 10 or 12 years swing in the other direction. I did not share his view, but it was apparently correct.

Mr. Colquitt saw, according to his statement to Mr. Putnam, that there was a swing coming and he proceeded to swing himself in the opposite direction upon the railway commission, he declared that the railroads ought to haul passengers at 2c a mile. I suppose that he has granted a motion for a rehearing upon his own judgment. But that does not change the fact that he has swung, and the only way that I have is will he stay swung or will he swing the other way if he sees that the public is about to swing? Personally I have not changed my views on these things. I stand today as I have always stood, believing that conservatism in government is the hope of the people, and particularly of what is known as the common people. I stand for conservatism, and believing that rather than the dangerous and injurious to the people, I stand against radicalism.

Whose State Is Texas? But the question that concerns me most is whether or not Texas will continue to be a Texas. The fact that the laws are costing her citizens thousands of dollars annually. This legislation has crippled her resources, has kept down her public free schools and has inflicted damage upon every citizen who lives in Texas. Let me compare with you for a moment the products of imperial Texas with those of the little state of Rhode Island. In order to make the comparison more odious I will call Rhode Island the state of senator Aldrich. I stand today as I have always stood, believing that conservatism in government is the hope of the people, and particularly of what is known as the common people. I stand for conservatism, and believing that rather than the dangerous and injurious to the people, I stand against radicalism.

Worship of Party. Fellow-citizens, you have devoted the greater part of your life to the worship of something which you call a political party. According to all definitions, it is not a political party, because political parties are associations of people who think alike on current political topics. I fear that in your devotion to what you call party, you have lost sight of the devotion which you really owe to your country. I also fear that this devotion to party has overcome your better judgment and the better judgment of the people of Texas, and that by reason thereof the industrial development and financial injury inflicted on our people.

In speaking to you tonight I have not attempted to play upon your passions, but I have appealed solely to your common sense. I think like I do, I want you to have the courage to vote as I do. I do not wish you to vote with me or for me unless you think I am right. Republican success in Texas will mean much to this state in industrial development, and will bring money into the pockets of all the people. Aside from that, it will give you better government, because those states are governed best where the contending parties are more nearly equal in strength.

Nearly half a century has passed since the bugle blasts of Appomattox were heeded, but you know, and I know, that dislike of the north is the only cord that holds southern Democrats together today. For almost half a century southern statesmen dominated the union, and yet for nearly half a century they have had practically no part in its councils. It is your fault, and yours only. It is your fault, and yours only, in failing to break the bonds of memories. You must teach your boys to consider living issues if you wish them to become rulers of men. If Texas should go Republican, it will be a blessing to the people of the South.

Chief Charge Against Democracy. But Texas has a complaint against the Democratic party which far exceeds anything that I have uttered tonight. It can learn to do without money, and even without the comforts of life, but in the poorest of men there is a hope born of nature and inspired by love, that their children who come after them shall be more fortunate than their parents have been themselves. To bring welfare to the rising generation, one thing is absolutely essential. Education is the greatest blessing which a parent can bestow upon his children. As has been truly said, "Education is the most valuable of all assets. It cannot be lost, it cannot be stolen, it cannot be taken away. When misfortune has scattered riches, and poverty has conspired to furnish a formation for a fortune or consolation for the one that was lost."

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Terrible Suffering

Eczema All Over Baby's Body. "When my baby was four months old his face broke out with eczema, and at sixteen months of age, his face, hands and arms were in a dreadful state. The eczema spread all over his body. We had to put a mask or cloth over his face and tie up his hands. Finally we gave him Hood's Sarsaparilla and in a few months he was entirely cured. Today he is a healthy boy." Mrs. Inez Lewis, Baring, Maine. Hood's Sarsaparilla cures blood diseases and builds up the system. Get it today in usual liquid form or chocolate tablets called Sarsatabs.

E. Evans, general agent of the conference for education, states in discussing our free schools: "The average term for schools in the country districts is only 111 days, and in the independent districts 124 days, and an average in all districts 124 days, which is 29 days less than the average school term for all the states of the union. Over 2,000 schools in Texas run less than five months and 291 schools have terms of less than three months, but the average of scholastic age residing in country districts, an average of 47 out of every 100 were absent from school each day, and 17 out of every 100 children did not even enter school."

Colquitt Preaches Nothing. In his speech at Dallas the other night, Mr. Colquitt declared for legislative rest. He declared he had asked the people of the state what laws they wanted passed, and they answered none. The audience which he addressed at Dallas, according to the report, was of a similar mind, and repeated again: "Give us a rest." The poor fellows have been chased so long by the lawmakers that they really do not know that they are entitled to fair treatment. They do not know that the government was made for their benefit, and that the sum and substance of all laws ought to be the welfare of the people.

I regret to say that I cannot assist in this program of standing still. In fact, since that speech was made, some of the worst legislation that Texas has ever known has been passed by a Texas legislature at the command of Gov. Campbell. If Mr. Colquitt insists on such a program, I shall insist on worrying him occasionally by a suggestion that he ought to do better. I insist that our laws should be made similar to the laws of the progressive states of the union, and that it is silly for us to forbid all trusts from doing business in Texas, while we are buying from these same trusts the products which they manufacture elsewhere. I wish them to come down and help us pay our taxes.

I heard a man say last week that he did not want to see Texas trampled like Pennsylvania. I have a little scrapbook which I carry along with me, and I pull it out and read to him the statement which I recently copied from a Democratic Pennsylvania paper: "Pennsylvania is entirely free from debt, and with the annual revenues exceeding those of any progressive state of the union, and yet for us to forbid all trusts from doing business in Texas, while we are buying from these same trusts the products which they manufacture elsewhere. I wish them to come down and help us pay our taxes."

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can, within 25 years some youth who now reads her soil would be proud to see the cotton that is spun in the United States. And it will shine on Texas. I turn my eyes to the future. I believe that they will yet see the "Glory of the coming of the Lord." I may never enter the promised land, but I can see the mountain tops. The wilderness may bury the present generation, but the next shall enter Canaan. Old prejudices will surely pass away. The light shall penetrate the darkness and this imperial state, boundless in natural resources, glorious of climate and fertile of soil, shall come unto her own.

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SCHOOL BUILDING PLANNED AT YSLETA Stone From Old Courthouse Will Be Used for Foundation of Structure. Ysleta, Tex., Oct. 15.—It is said that with the other many improvements in the lower valley, Ysleta is to have a new \$10,000 school building. It is said that the stone of which the present house is built, will be used for the foundation of the new building. Ever since the county seat was moved to El Paso the old courthouse has been used for the school building.

Miguel Lopez has returned from Arizona and has opened his meat market. Mrs. Morris Loewenstein gave an elaborate dinner in honor of her husband's 74th birthday. A delicious menu was served to the guests who included the family and intimate friends. Rev. H. P. Bond has been appointed by conference to again be pastor of the Methodist church here. His congregation made an earnest request that he be reappointed. J. H. Bacon is here from his ranch to receive a large shipment of hardware to be used on his well which is being dug on his ranch.

GRAHAM COUNTY FAIR IS A SUCCESS AT SAFFORD Prohibition Wins Throughout the County; Safford Man Injured in Collision With Automobile. Safford, Ariz., Oct. 19.—The Graham county fair closed after an interesting three days' affair. The different exhibits and horse races attracted a large crowd. Safford, Layton and Lone Star schools were out in full force and many interesting races took place between the schools. The horse races between the Freeman triplets attracted no little attention. In the evening a dance was given by the fair association. Judging of stock took place in the morning. In the afternoon the Safford band furnished music. The automobile races and cowboy relay race finished the day. Brier's hall was the scene of a jolly dancing party in the evening, music was furnished by the Solomonville orchestra.

Monday was local option day, much interest was manifested as it promised to be a close vote, the dry won by a 108 to 82 vote. The entire valley voted the saloon must go. George A. Olney met with quite an accident while returning from Solomonville. In turning to pass a wagon, the steering wheel refused to work, throwing the car down a steep embankment. Mr. Olney was thrown from the car, receiving a deep cut below the knee and several other bruises, confining him to his room for several days, the auto was wrecked, both front wheels being splintered. Herman Hill and family are recent arrivals from Douglas and will make their future home here. The Safford band assisted by the Layton band will give a concert in Brier hall Friday evening, for the benefit of the band.

The picnic luncheon given on the lawn at Robert S. Patterson's home was a most enjoyable affair. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. George S. Andrus, Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Robinson, Mrs. W. D. Robinson and J. N. Robinson and wife, of Globe. Many cases of typhoid fever are reported in and around town. Lon Wardlow, who has been quite ill for some time, is improving slowly.

DEPUTY SHERIFF GREET IS BUSIEST MAN IN TOWN In the olden days the town crier was some personage in his own right. He announced the important events from the street corners and served all the important papers with much ringing of his bell and crying of "Oh-ye! Oh-ye!" In this day and date this process is entirely too slow. Instead the papers are given to Capt. W. D. Greet and he does the rest in his hit and run style. Busler than a circus press agent, Capt. Greet has been subpoenaing witnesses, summoning jurors and rolling cigars for the council for the state, who were too busy to perform this service for themselves. During the past two weeks deputy sheriff Greet has served a basket full of papers. He has assisted in summoning the four special-judges for the Leech murder trial and has subpoenaed the witnesses in this case. In addition to this work he has rounded up the witnesses in the Frank Lawson murder trial and is now at work getting service on the witnesses for the Marshall Jackson murder case.

Peter A. Rowe, six years inspector of immigration here, will leave today for Buffalo, N. Y., where he has been transferred. CAN YOU SAVE A DAY? TOBIN.