

ACTING LIKE BOYS ON THE JOB

The Men Paid to Keep Down Strife Are Working Up Opposition by Their Acts.

CUTTING A FIGURE IN STATE RACE Prohibition Is the Big Issue. May Narrow Fight to Colquitt and Johnson.

(By W. D. Horanday.) Austin, Tex., July 9.—To what extent are the officers and paid agitators and representatives of the anti-prohibition organization of Texas responsible for the state wide prohibition movement?

It is a question the thinking and more conservative saloon and anti-prohibition element of the Democratic party are beginning to ask. A careful and unbiased analysis of the situation would certainly cause the interests which they were seen to the increasing activities of the men in the pay of the organization to keep the anti-prohibition question alive in this state during the last few years, it would not now be an issue in the campaign for governor.

It is a fact too well known and susceptible of positive proof to be given even an attempted denial that there has not been a legislature for the last 10 years that has not contained as its members, in both the house and senate, paid lobbyists of the liquor interests.

It is hardly conceivable that the liquor men themselves, were responsible for the crude methods which these hired agents adopted to protect the interests which they were seen to the legislature to represent. Instead of accepting and endorsing proposed measures that had for their object the proper regulation of the liquor traffic they employed every kind of tactic within their power to block and defeat such legislation.

Had these legislative representatives of the saloon interests not fought and defeated some of the measures that were advocated by men who were placed upon a higher plane, the agitation for state wide prohibition and the annihilation of saloons would never have reached the importance of a campaign issue.

Bring Rain to Employers. It is clear to the close observer that the paid agents of the anti-prohibition organization are bringing ruin to the very people whom they are supposed to represent. Most of these hired men are professional politicians. Some of them have personal axes to grind.

HARD FIGHTS FOR THE STATE OFFICES

(By Horace H. Shelton.) San Antonio, Tex., July 9.—In the excitement over the race for governor and lieutenant governor the citizens of Texas seem about to forget that there are other important offices to elect and that there is a wide field for selection.

The most interesting of these are the contests for state controller, railroad commissioner, commissioner of the general land office, state treasurer, and judge of the court of criminal appeals. A systematic fight is being made against the reelection of Allison Mayfield as railroad commissioner. He is opposed by L. T. Dashiell, of Leon county, state tax commissioner; J. W. Blake, of Hill county, former chairman of the state Democratic executive committee and at one time prominently mentioned as a candidate for governor, and Theodore Thomas, of Harris county, editor of a truck journal.

The principal argument of the opponents of Mayfield against his reelection in office is the doctrine of rotation in office. He has been in office for 14 years, and it is claimed by those opposed to him that it is time that he was weaned away. Mayfield, while a candidate for reelection, is sticking to his post of duty and doing no campaigning.

In the meantime Dashiell, as one time speaker of the house of representatives and a close political friend of governor Campbell is making a campaign of his own while he is drawing a salary as a state officer by virtue of Campbell's appointment.

By the appointment of William D. Williams to succeed the late commissioner of the general land office, without opposition, governor Campbell got one man on that body. Should Dashiell be elected he would control. That would immediately mean a movement for a cent fare on passenger trains and other radical movements which are pet hobbies of governor Campbell.

It is generally conceded that the race lies between Dashiell and Mayfield, the progress being made by Blake or Thomas. Fight on for Controller. The contest for controller is the free for all race of the campaign with five entries as follows: W. E. Lane, of Tarrant county; D. C. Burke, of Bell county; B. F. Teague, of Washington county; Edwin Waller, of Waller county, and Bob Barker, of Bexar county.

Barker is the most widely known of the candidates on account of his race against Stephens, the present controller, four years ago. At that time he was only beaten by a small vote. Barker is running on a platform which pledges himself to clean out the present set of clerks in the controller's office, who, he claims are inefficient and too perquisitiously active in politics. Barker also favors adopting modern systems of bookkeeping.

E. E. Teague, of Washington county, is now chief clerk under the controller and is running on the platform that his years of service in the controller's office has made him thoroughly familiar with the duties. In case of his reelection he will probably retain all of those who he believes as efficient in the service.

B. F. Teague is a former sheriff of Bexar county and is widely known to the peace officers over the state. He is being supported by nearly all of the peace officers. Canvas Screens Valuable Stock. Screened by a wall of canvas, the Silberberg Bros. jewelry store on the corner of Texas and Mesa avenue is being fitted with new hardwood furnishings.

CEMENT PLANT FOR G. JUAREZ TERRAZAS AND MARTINEZ BACK IT

Chihuahua, Mexico, July 9.—Juan Terrazas, of this city, and Felix Martinez, of El Paso, are petitioning the state government for a concession to build a Portland cement factory at Juarez, Chih. Presumably this is part of the project to build a great cement plant at Juarez. The petitioners state that \$750,000 gold will be invested in the enterprise.

Juan Terrazas is the eldest son of Gen. Luis Terrazas; is a leading capitalist of this city and state and is president of the local chamber-commerce. He is heavily interested in the big cement factory at Hidalgo near Monterey, N. L., and in the glass factory project at Monterey.

VALLEY LAND TRACT SELLS FOR \$60,000

The biggest real estate deal of the week was the transfer of 2000 acres of upper valley land to Cyrus K. Jones by T. W. Zimbleman. The property is known as the Zimbleman ranch and is one of the finest in the upper valley. It is located 10 miles from El Paso on the new Anthony road which passes through the center of the tract.

Would Construct Huge Reservoir on Highlands Above The City.

WATER FROM LARGE ELEPHANT BUTTE DAM

Ed Kneezell has a scheme. It is a good one and provides for the one thing most needed to make El Paso beautiful. It is a lake in the highlands above the city. This was what uncle Pete Kern advocated, but his plan for a park and chain of lakes was so elaborate that it was not carried out.

Instead of bringing the main irrigation canal from the Elephant Butte dam down the damsite in the old bed of the river, where much of it would be lost by seepage, Mr. Kneezell suggests a scheme by which the water could be carried as far as El Paso in a high line canal with concrete sides and bottom.

Many Indulgences Returned. Assisted by J. J. Terrell, of Austin, former land commissioner and a special employ now of the attorney general's department, a vigorous fight to recover the land has been waged. Some of the most prominent gentlemen of southwest Texas have been indicted for false swearing and a large amount of the land has been returned to the state.

Deeds Filled. Satterthwaite's addition to El Paso—Mary E. Allen, now Mary E. Van Mourick, to Frank R. Tobin, lot 8, block 38, H. Satterthwaite's addition to El Paso, Mesa street, between Boulevard and Montana streets; correction deed; dated July 7, 1910.

Two Residences Planned. Few Get Permits—The Daily Record. Building has taken on a little boom after the hot weather slump. Friday permits for construction of residences, with a total cost of about \$7500 were issued by inspector Haggart, aside from that to W. J. Fewel for a one story store. One permit was issued John Figueroa to erect a brick structure on Astoria street, and the other to the Great Texas Realty company for a brick residence on Hutton street.

French addition to El Paso—Benancia Leahy to Peter Escalante V. de Carrillo, lot 12, block 4, French addition to El Paso; Maderia street, between Crockett and Howe streets; consideration \$150; dated June 15, 1910.

Altura Park addition to El Paso—Altura Realty company to Mary A. Hull, lots 39, 40 and 41, block 25, Altura Park addition to El Paso; Altura street, between Myles and Park streets; consideration \$19; dated June 29, 1910.

V. A. Hart and Josephine R. Young (Americans.) J. J. Ritchie and Lucy Chapman (Americans.) Serapio Martinez and Antonio Rodriguez (Mexican.)

CAPLES BUILDING GOES SIX STORIES

By a deal consummated Saturday morning, an additional story will be added to the concrete building now under construction at the corner of San Antonio street and Mesa avenue for Max Posener, who will occupy the entire structure with his millinery establishment. The additional story will give Mr. Posener six floors of space, besides a basement under the entire building.

The building will be rushed as much as possible and Mr. Posener expects to occupy it before the fall millinery season opens.

BOLOGNA SAUSAGE PLANT IN JUAREZ

Chihuahua, Mex., July 9.—The state government has granted Jose Garcia Cuadra, of El Paso, a concession for a bologna sausage factory to be built at Juarez, Chihuahua. When here Mr. Cuadra stated that Pennsylvania capitalists are associated with him in the enterprise; that land for the plant had been bargained for and that \$50,000 Mexican money would be invested in the plant, work to commence right away.

ERECTS BUILDING FROM MILLS RUINS. The old Mills building still lives. Out on the corner of West Main and Putnam street there is a two story brick building, with stone trimmings, built from the materials taken from the old Mills building that was wrecked to make room for the new 12 story structure of the plaza.

WORK PROGRESSES ON ROAD TO CLINT. The machinery and construction equipment for the Clint road has been hauled to the grounds and everything is ready to begin work by the first of next week. Stone will then be hauled by the Caples company's teams and grading operations begun on the extension of the county road.

COTTAGE IS SOLD. H. F. Farnsworth has bought a four room brick cottage on Aurora street in Highland Park from George W. Sharp for \$2250. The property includes two lots, 50x120 feet. The sale was made through Hawkins Bros.

PREPARING CALISHER PLANS. H. C. Trost and J. Calisher have gone to Denver to inspect a number of the modern department store buildings in that city for ideas which will be incorporated in the plans for the new Calisher building to be erected on Stanton and Texas street and which will be five stories in height with a basement and subbasement.

Mutt and Jeff are with us; first appearance today on sport page. Every day in The Herald hereafter.

As soon as the skeletonlike walls of the adobe buildings are removed on the lower end of West San Antonio street, the new thoroughfare will be open from El Paso street to the union station. These houses were bought by the property owners along the new street and wrecked to allow the new street to pass unobstructed to the Davis street connection with the union station.

Just now George Look has enough sand and dirt piled over the upper end of the street to replace McGinty Mill. But this dirt is being carted away as rapidly as it is tossed out of the basement of the Look building and as soon as this work is completed, the street will be leveled and opened for traffic.

WELCH COMPANY WILL BUILD MODERN STORE. The E. B. Welch building on Stanton street, which was partially destroyed by fire in June, will be rebuilt. Arrangements are being made by the owners of the property to rebuild all of the burned portions of the furniture store and a number of new improvements will be added.

One of these will be a passenger elevator running from the basement to the third floor. The interior of the building will be refurnished and the store will again be occupied by the E. B. Welch company with a new stock of furniture and house furnishings, as the Underwriters' Salvage company has taken over the entire stock which was damaged by the fire.

FINISHERS TO COMPLETE WORK

Many El Paso Structures Rapidly Assume Definite Form.

TENANTS PREPARE FOR NEW QUARTERS

The floors are being laid on the first floor of the Roberts-Banner building on the plaza. The tile partitions are being built to separate the different business rooms of the building and the tenants will begin to move in by the first of August.

The Morehouse building is ready for the concrete on the first floor and the supports for the second floor are being built in the steel reinforcing.

The second story of the American National bank building is ready for the concrete mixture, the boxing and skeleton steel work having been completed.

The footing and basement columns of the new Anson Mills building are being poured on the east half of the site, and as soon as the footings are completed the first floor will be boxed for pouring.

The Look building is now being finished on the interior and the basement excavated for the billiard rooms and bowling alleys.

The brick work on the Beckhart building is finished and the interior finishers, electricians and plumbers are at work.

The W. C. A. building has taken its definite form and the roof garden pergola is now being built.

The framework of the Holmes building on Texas street is now built and the inside finish is being added.

KERR BUYS RESIDENCE BUILDING PROPERTY. A. F. Kerr, cashier of the El Paso Bank and Trust company, has bought four lots on the corner of Montana and Lee streets from Matthews & Dyer, upon which he will erect a modern residence which he will occupy as a home. The price paid by Mr. Kerr was \$10,000.

PLANS RESIDENCE IN MUNDY HEIGHTS. E. E. Evans has enlisted in the ranks of the city builders. He has bought two lots on Mundy avenue in Mundy Heights and will build a modern residence. The lots are located in block 7 and were bought from the Newman Investment company.

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VACUUM CLEANERS TRASH CARRIED TO BASEMENT FOR BIG BUILDING

El Paso's new skyscrapers will be as clean as the proverbial Puritan kitchen. Vacuum cleaning plants are to be installed in the Roberts-Banner building, the American National bank building and the Anson Mills building.

NEW MILLINERY CO. TO OPEN SHORTLY

Mesa avenue is becoming the millinery center of El Paso. With Posener going into the new Caples building on the corner of San Antonio and Mesa, and Stiretz already on that street, a new company is to open its doors in a short time on the same thoroughfare.

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