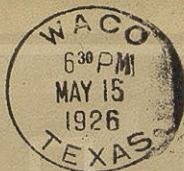


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416 FRANKLIN AVENUE
WACO, TEXAS



Mrs. J. A. Hickey,
Old Glory. Texas.

United States Senate,

WASHINGTON, D. C.

April 26, 1911.

My Dear Sir:

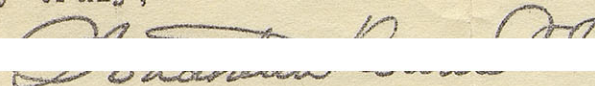
Some time ago, at your request, I sent you a copy of my Senate address on Popular vs Delegated Government in which I explained and discussed the Oregon System of Popular Government in the light of experience up to that date, May 5, 1910. Since that time another election has been held in Oregon and voters of that state have again demonstrated their ability to act intelligently upon measures submitted to them under the Initiative and Referendum. In order that the facts might be made known to the country, I delivered another address on this general subject on February 27, 1911, giving an account of the latest demonstration.

In the latter address I referred particularly to the adoption of my Presidential Preference bill which gives Oregon voters an opportunity, in direct primaries, to express their choice for party candidates for President and Vice President, to elect delegates to National Conventions and select candidates for Presidential Electors. This law is designed, when adopted throughout the country, to destroy the power of a President to force his own renomination or to designate his successor through misuse of Federal patronage. Because of this feature of the address, I gave it the title "Federal Patronage" to distinguish it from the first address on the Oregon System.

In view of the interest you have already expressed in the subject, I am sending you herewith a copy of the second address. I shall be pleased to know what you think of the plan of giving voters an opportunity to express their choice for Presidential and Vice Presidential candidates.

At your request I sent you a number of copies of the first address for distribution. If you think the voters in your state are interested in reading the explanation of progress in Oregon and you wish me to do so, I shall be pleased to send you additional copies of the address.

Yours very truly,


Charles D. Smith

A. H. KIRBY

LAW OFFICES
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ABILENE, TEXAS

HARRY TOM KING

AUGUST 2, 1917.

Mr. T. A. Hickey,
Brandenburg, Texas.

My dear Sir:

Now I have written you two or three times about the \$25.00 you owe me. I saw you in Washington the other day and you told me that you had instructed your wife to send me this check.

Of course, I know nothing about your wife being your financial secretary, or anything like that, but I do want to say this to you, that if you don't pay me this \$25.00 it will be the most expensive \$25.00 that you ever got tied up with, and some day you will wish you had. I hope you understand this.

If I had not been good enough to have come to your rescue you would have been in jail yet the chances are.

Very truly, *H. Kirby*

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I wish to call your attention to the enclosed "Instructions" as they will greatly aid you in distributing Socialist Literature.

My "Easel" method is the greatest thing that ever happened to the "Plutes." They are alarmed. Order a few and you will want more.

Will you kindly forward the names and address of any good active hustlers, especially the local speakers and organizers in your place and nearby towns?

Thanking you in advance for your trouble, I am,

Yours for the cause,

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BOX 66 STATION F.
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All Remittances
should be made pay-
able to
J. Mahlon Barnes

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CHICAGO, ILL., March 27, 1911.

Comrades, Greeting:-

I enclose herewith a couple of petition blanks upon the subject "WITHDRAW THE TROOPS."

It must be a big petition, containing the signature of every man and woman that can possibly be secured in your vicinity

The great mass of the people are opposed to this false pretense patriotism, inspired by Wall Street, the symbol of which is the \$ mark.

Do not wait for a meeting of the local. Start the petitions at once. Quick action is required.

Placard your town with PROCLAMATIONS. Order copies by night lettergrams, charged to this office. Price: One cent each for lots of one hundred or more. Organize with due care a monster anti-military and protest meeting.

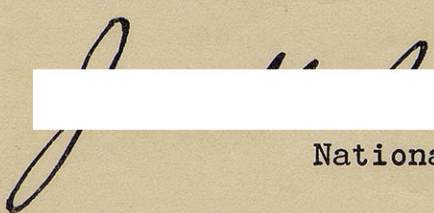
As may be required, paste paper on the petition to increase the length. Mail as soon as possible, but not later than April 10, 1911, address: Victor L. Berger, United States Congress, Washington, D. C.

This is the first petition addressed to a Socialist Congressman--see to it that it is of monster proportions.

Every signature you get is in effect a ballot pitted against the bullets massed at the Mexican border.

Let the voice of the people be heard!

Fraternally yours,


National Secretary.

Box 143 Lovelady Tex
May 25 1920

Mr J. A. Hickey
Old Glory Tex

Dear Mr Hickey
I have just read your ad
in the Diamond Star
regarding the oil possibilities
in Stowall County. I have
been a resident of Stowall
for 12 yrs near Prosser. I was
also a reader and subscriber
of your paper the Rebel.
And always and admirer of
you. And of course after
reading your ad I become
interested in the oil prospects
you speak of. Please send
me some of your literature
etc the sale and price of the
stock. Yours very truly
G. L. Wilk.

Cheburne, Texas. July 3rd, 1920.

My Dear Tom:--

Am again back in Texas and will be in Stamford, I expect, the latter part of the week. Figure on being in Desdemona about Tuesday. Will remain there for a day or two and then come on west to Stamford and to the lease. Of course I will drive out to the farm while there and shall hope to find you at home. Called up Desdemona this morning and got in touch with Harry and he advised me that things were brightening up some for the company. I hope so.

Have an appointment tomorrow with T. B. Williams in Ft. Worth and we are going over a plan for organizing a company which he has in mind. Don't know what it is but trust it is worth while. Will tell you all about it when I see you.

Had a furious campaign in Minnesota and while we lost--had stolen-- the Governor and Att'y General, we carried 54 out of the 83 counties in the state. St. Paul fell down miserably but Mpls did herself proudly. Going to run our candidates on Farmer Labor ticket in the fall and believe we can win. Lots of interesting things to tell you and Grace D. admonished me the last thing to remember her to you and the good wife. She is in Des Moines with her people for a much needed rest.

With best wishes, ~~XXXXXXXX~~ Old Pal, I am,

Yours faithfully,

George D.

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Feb 23/96

Dear Comrade

Your Revolutionary issue
"The Rebel" is Great, Sublime,
I have before me now the Feb 19th
"Rebel" speaking of the "Battle Cry
of Peace", it was given here in a
Magnificent Roman Catholic
Hippodrome, I went in thinking it
was for Peace, & getting excited
screamed out against it telling
the audience it was a "War
Trust film", the manager was
going to get an Officer & forcibly
eject me, but I went out telling
them that I was going to the
Peace & Arbitration Society which
I did, and also joined it,
People went in thinking it was

2 for a Program of Peace and
Women fainted + it kept many
people awake all-night after seeing it,
I hope there is a flaming Hell
for those who put such wicked
& deceiving films before the people,
who in the Masses are longing &
striving for Peace, I have been
a member of Buffalo Local Socialist
party 2 years next April, and
feel as if I had existed in a Dark
Cave until the Light of Socialism
flooded my life & like you I
am a Revolutionary Rebel, at the
wrongs I see inflicted upon the
great Patient Struggling Working
Class who produce everything &
they are bamboozled into looking
for their reward in the Skies
with golden streets & Harps & wings
well, when the Great un-washed

I get that Churchianity Veil
ripped from their eyes they
will demand the things they can
make for themselves right here
on earth. In 1900 I came to your
Great & Beautiful State to get well
from a 15-year attack of Bronchitis
& for 6 months lived at San Antonio
Austin Dallas & Waco & my life
was saved in the "Great Star of
Hope State", & I extend to you
the hand of Comrade-ship,
may yours & my fighting power
never grow less until Wrongs
are righted and the People
come into their own
Enclosed find 50 cts send me the
Hottest Red-Hot Sizzling Revolutionary
paper you can print. Let it
Burn the Press

Ida Francis Waters-King
Office 366 Pearl St Buffalo New York
Volunteer Sociological Worker

Dallas 7/7/8/20

Dear Bro Hickey - Note carefully the
Dallas Dispatch Clipping enclosed.
Although the July 5 - Dallas News
gave us a splendid write up and
this dispatch copied from News
but making it Read as they
the Dispatch wanted it to Read.

Note they refer to me as a
curley wolf while others I tell are
more wild than any of them.

I took your paper Regular when
you publish it. Sunday I followed
you to the door ^{at Labor Temple} when you left (dressed
in white Palm Beach) & asked you
address that - I might write you.

I am an old Time Socialist and
have also been Road & stk Salesman
for yrs - past few yrs oil stk & Lease
salesman. Now what I want is to
get in Oil Business some way
with you or some good oil man. Please
ans. quick. Fred. E. Edwards
General Dallas



E^d Edwards
Dallas
Tenn Tex

Pittsburg Tex
7/30/20

Dear Hickey.

As I see you are
ever at the forefront
on every question
of progress on the
for the general
betterment of the
tailing masses.

after an absence
of five years from
this state I am
back again

The last account
I had of you. you
were under arrest then
your paper was barred
from the mails.

When a deep silence
of four years. when
again I see you

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at the Front still
directing, still en-
couraging, still
pleading for a square
deal, as in the
past your voice has
been on deaf ears
for how easily the
down trodden the
oppressed Farmer
could demand and
command all things.

Is the League doing
any good in Texas?
What ever became
of the "Rebel"?

Give me all
information you
can as I want
to become more
acquainted with

intention of the
League toward the
Cotton farmer
Send me such
Literature as you
see fit

Sincerely yours
for Justice

Clarence B. Leather

Pittsburg

Texas

Route 7.

Cisco, Texas,
June 15, 1920.

Messrs. W.L. Flowers and
H.W. Elliot.

Gentlemen:

As you well know, after repeated inter-views with you in which I strenuously opposed your attitude in that you have refused to consult me in matters of vital importance to the company, and in as much as I have protested against being made a rubber stamp of, and in as much as you pulled another deal last week in which I was not consulted and will possibly continue to act in the future as you have in the past, I have come to the conclusion that I will not bear the responsibility of trusteeship while you place me in the rubber stamp attitude.

Accordingly I find there are but two courses open to me. One is to apply for receivership, which would certainly wreck the company, and the other (which I believe to be the more common sense and just method) is to resign. My attorney, Mr. Owen D. Barker, advises me that, according to ordinary declarations of trust, I can resign with the unanimous consent of the trustees. Therefore, you may consider this letter as a letter of my resignation from the National Workers Drilling & Production Company.

I may say that I would like an accounting of fiscal agency since the organization of the company up to even date, and will be obliged to you if you will attend to that matter at once.

Respectfully yours,

This note is given as part payment for certain lot..., tract.... or parcel.... of land described as follows:

This image shows a blank, aged, cream-colored page, likely an endpaper or flyleaf from an old book. The paper has a slightly textured appearance with some minor discoloration and faint horizontal lines. A large, faint rectangular watermark or ghosting of text is visible in the center of the page, suggesting it was once part of a printed document. The overall tone is warm and historical.

this day conveyed to _____ by _____

And to secure the payment of this note a Vendor's Lien is retained in said conveyance and hereby acknowledged

It is understood and agreed that failure to pay this note or any installment of interest when due, shall at the option of the holder of them, mature all notes this day given by to said in payment for said property. And hereby especially agree that if this note is not paid at maturity and is placed in the hands of an attorney for collection or if collected by suit, to pay an additional amount equal to ten per cent of the principal and interest then due thereon as Attorney's fees.

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Dallas, Texas,
Dec. 9, 1922.

Dear Mr. Hickey:

I handed Mr. Doran the articles you sent in. He brought them back into my office and told me to thank you for having sent them in, but that his sheets were so crowded at present that he would be unable to use them. He asked me to convey to you his regards.

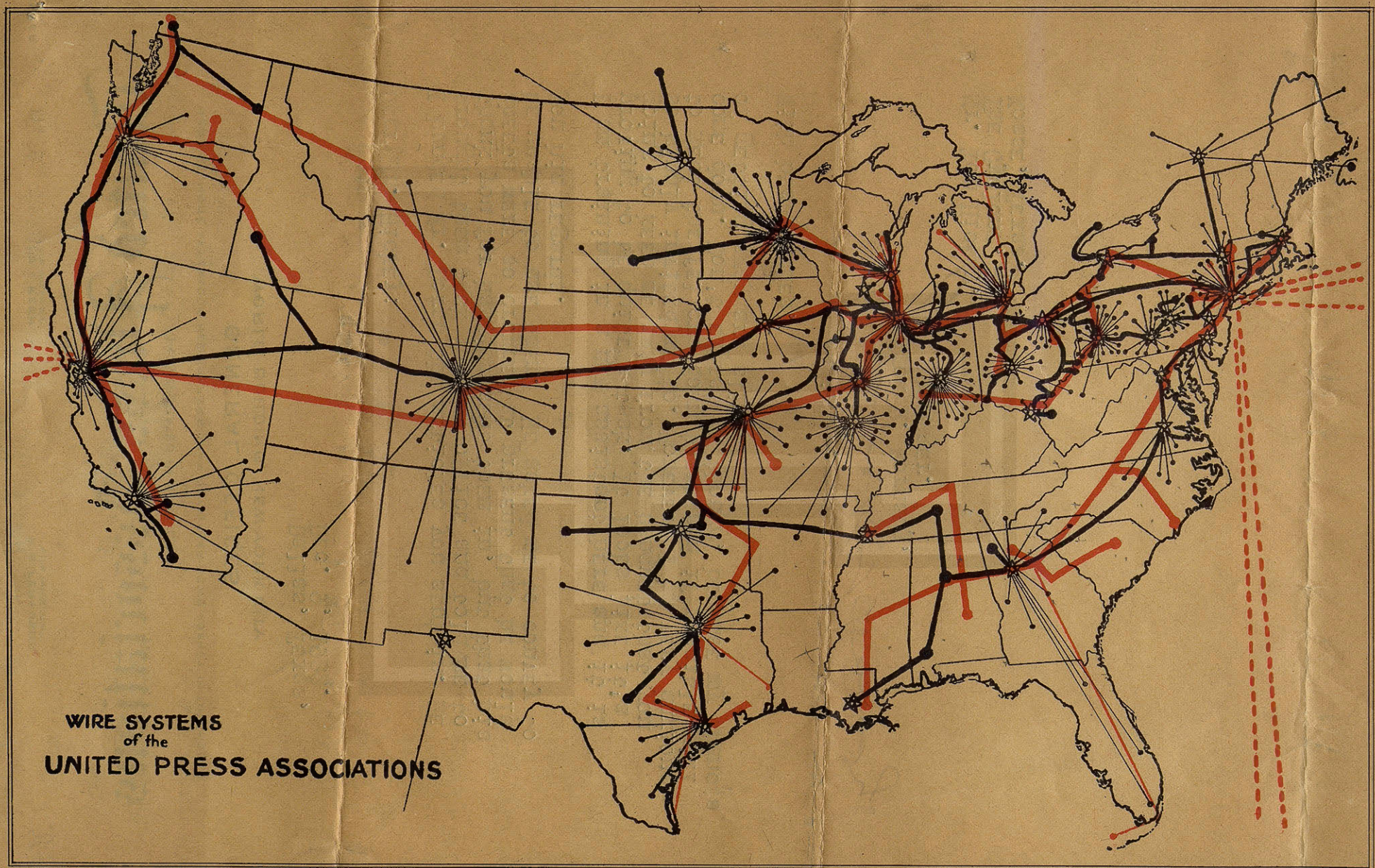
I am training in a new assistant here and it is proving to be quite a task. It looks like it's going to keep me away from the banquet that you so kindly invited me to. HOWEVER, I am very anxious to meet the fellows down there and if possible will come down. Don't expect me though, because my chances of getting away are slim.

With best wishes,

Cordially,

Jack R. Hornady,
Manager.

Mr. Tom Hickey,
The Cyclone,
Kosse, Texas.



Dec. 8, 1922.

Between now and Jan. 1, some big production is expected in the Kosse field and this is the reason why: The Humphreys-Bassett, which is the deep test of the field, is making good progress at 4290. If the pay is not reached at 4600., they will plug back to one of the higher levels where they had a large oil and gas showing. The Allen at 3892, has just finished a fishing job and this Humphreys well will not be drilled to the depth of the Bassett. The Humphreys-Jones, the discovery well, is being swabed and another outbreak of gas and oil is expected.

There is much diversity of opinion as to the depth at which the pay will be found, some operators claiming that it is in the woodbine sand that is discovered at 3400. Such is the theory that the J. L. Thompson and Richard Rader companies, on the King tract, adhere to. The Thompson King No. 1 that had a showing of oil and gas at 3400, is setting casing after taking a core, and expect to bring the well in at this depth within the next week. The Richard Rader well is drilling at 3100, on the same lease, will set casing at the depth of the Thompson. Mr. Rader is on the ground and told the writer yesterday, that he believed that the pay would be found in the woodbine sand. Each of these wells are one mile west of the discovery well.

Another well that should be a completion in the near future, is the Hobbs well, on the Ouzts tract. They are in a very hard formation at 3700 feet, making only three feet a day. This well is located a half mile North of the discovery well. The Revere No. 1 on the Bratten, has set the control valve, after standardizing and is now at 3690.

It is because all these tests are so near completion that the people are confident that a New Years gift, in the form of a gusher that will absolutely prove the field, is expected.

I had a fine interview with the famous geologist, Dr. O. T. Bosworth yesterday. This is the gentleman who purchased \$600,000.00 worth of leases in this field. He expresses extreme confidence in the future of the Kosse field. The interview is published in another column.

✓ Sunday — 900 feet casing
2878 — $8\frac{1}{4}$

petroleum for Amer Gas in
1845 — 122 — sand —
 $8\frac{1}{4}$

Alon = 3780 = $6\frac{3}{4}$
Barrett = 4328 = $4\frac{1}{4}$ - 4600
James = Cemented = breeching over

20/2/12

DR. BOSWORTH INTERVIEWED**BY TOM HIGLEY.

DR. O. T. Bosworth probably America's greatest geologist, and author of standard text-books, such as the geology of the Mid-continent oil field, and the oil fields of Peru, visited the home office of his company in Kesse yesterday for the first time after a prolonged sojourn of Deagu. In as much as he had given me the interview of the year which was published in the I was anxious to renew the acquaintance of the man whom among dozens of other great achievements, first brought in oil below the Arctic circle and shot the amber fluid towards where the White Gulls flow.

Without any preliminaries, I plunged into the burning subject of the outlook for the Kesse field by asking him to tell me in as frank and scholarly way, his candid opinion of Kesse.

"I have not now, and never have had any doubt about Kesse having a magnificent structure, such as would indicate a great oil field. Any one who stood and watched the great stream of oil that poured out of the Jones well, would be readily convinced of that fact, however, I must say that it is extremely difficult to account for the manner in which the well has acted after the initial flow. Many theories might be advanced why there has not been more production from the Humphreys Jones. Imagine for instance that 3000 or 3500 feet from the surface, the rotary drill is going down constantly, the hole is being filled with mud which would have a tendency to choke the sand particularly when the rotary drillers go pounding down at the rate of over 200 feet a day. In this way it is easily possible to pass through the oil bearing sands and then having gone to a lower depth, the oil might break loose from above and thus we would have production, not from where the bits rested on the solid ground, but from a point higher up and then with broken casing and rocks and mud, the well could be choked up. That is one possibility.

Another, is to imagine an oil bearing sand at a certain depth that is on the edge of the structure with water adjacent. The drill goes through, strikes the sand, brings in the production, but after a while the water enters and the hole is ruined.

"How would you remedy the first condition, Dr?" I asked.

"I would like to see a well drilled with cable tools, handled by the best drillers who would pains-takingly test the formation all the way down. Such a test will be of inestimable value, and such a test, the Kosse field has not had yet. True enough they put on cable tools, after they have gone down 3400 or 3500, during which time it is possible that the pay was missed.

"When are you going to start drilling in the Kosse field?" I asked the man who has such profound faith in it that he bought \$600,000.00 worth of leases in it.

"We have not set any date, as yet, we are just watching and waiting developments.

Without any further questioning along this line, the Dr. proceeded to say: It is indeed worth while watching the whole country along here, beginning with Corsicana you come on to a number of fine oil fields like Mexia, Curry, Highland and then on to Kosse with its great Jones well and so on down to the fields below San Antonio and you must be profoundly impressed with the potentialities of this vast oil region.

What about this talk I hear from Curb Stone intelligencia about crevice wells and freak wells and that the Jones well is either one of the other.

The Dr. smiled grimly and said: I do not know what they mean by a crevice well, I cannot imagine any such term applied to a well that has shown a tremendous volume of oil as the Jones showed. That such should be in a crevice or pocket is unthinkable. As to a freak well I do not know what they mean because any freak wells I have seen were those that had an extraordinary gasoline content or because of extraordinary conditions produced an oil practically fit for lubricating purposes. These are the only freak wells I know of and there is nothing remotely resembling them in the Jones well.

We then discussed some trivial matters for a moment and I then brought the subject around to the question of the long wait before the bringing in of the second well. The scholars brow clouded as I spoke of the weary waiting and mentioned the many heart-breaking incidents that occurs where poor people are waiting for the second blessing.

"Don't you know it is the way of the oil game?" said the Dr. We have it in all the fields, both great and small. It was so at Curry where they drilled nine dry holes after bringing in

at Curry where they drilled nine dry holes after bringing in the first gusher, then they brought the second gusher in and the long delayed prosperity appeared. It was so in Mexia, in Desdemonia, Ranger and Eastland and in the nature of things, it must continue to be so.

What is your opinion of the possibilities of a great oil field being found east of the tracks, say seven or eight miles away, was my next question.

I have not gone over that field carefully but it is quite likely that there is a good structure there. I may probably look more thoroughly into that portion of the Kosse district later.

The entrance of a number of the Dr.'s subordinates with maps and reports brought the interview to an end, and I came away with the feeling that we have a great oil field in Kosse and that the Dr. will be one of the great factors in developing it as he has been in far flung fields of Petroleum where he has gained substantial fame.

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Mr. P. A. Hickey Rt 3
Rule Texas
Dear Mr Hickey,

Your circular "Texas Land-
lord - Banker etc"
was forwarded and only reached
me now here.

At the same I saw in
the Star that you was in
the city last night en-
route to Washington. I
was in hopes you had staged
over, + so I hunted for you
during the day without
success so far.

I desired to suggest the
assistance of Judge Joseph D.
Shewalter Lexington Mo



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for in that case Client
and Atty would be surely
in harmony.

As I am told the judge would
hardly ask any fee at
all. Expenses paid to
Washington would be all.
(And the receipts from
sale of the speech he
would deliver there I
believe would easily
defray the expenses for
I think it would be a
classic.)

Put me down for \$5⁰⁰ on
it.

Send him your circular
& correspond with him
also advise me of the



DALLAS, TEXAS.

3
Missouri State Pilgrimage
Kas. City Mo
3110 W. 10th.

Still hoping that I may
meet up with you
yet during my stay

I am
Yours truly

S. Faist

Penton Ark

P.S. From copie of No. 10. Stating
you will note that they
undertook to play similar
games with one as with
you

10 Worth Kansas

12-2-19

T. A. Hickry dear comered
my self Risley and Power
are now at the gate of
the federal Prison Wee
come on our own hook
With out the officers
So Wee havent got our
No yet so you see I cant
giv you my Prison address
So When you go to ranger
you call and see

Mrs Bryant and the
girls there they can giv
you my Prison address
Also When you go to
Ranger see my Cousin
C. C. Bryant a lawyer

11th March

15-2-51

Hello Dicky how is
Bey...?
J. Samuel Powell

L

He is in the P Q Building
at Ranger So you can
correspond with Judge Atwell
at Dallas Well I must close
By saying I Wish you success
in Business

[Redacted]

Gilliland Tex

Dec 13th 19

Dear Sir & Comrade I received your
Letter^{of 6} inist. I wondered what
had become of you and
have scanned the paper
trying to learn something
about your trial but they
were silent on it.

I am going to take your
paper and will do all I can
for it but you must remem-
ber that the people of this
part of Tex has hit it hard
lots of them wont be able
to pay their taxes this
year and I cant see how
they will pull through at-
all and none are able to help
the other fellow. wishing you
all the success for your
paper that it is entitled to
I am as ever your friend
and comrade J. J. Lowrey (over)

P.S

I am writing others in other
parts that has moved away
and they will be able to
subscribe for your paper

yours
K.H.

Des Moines, Ia. Dec. 27, 1919.

My Dear Tom:--

Grace D. and I are down here spending Christmas holidays with her folks and I am taking this occasion to write up a few letters which I have been threatening to write for some time.

I have been hearing from time to time rumors of your oil activities but knew nothing definite until Meitzen, Earnest, came up to the League conference a couple of weeks ago and gave us some inside dope. And what I particularly wanted to write you about, Tom, was that I am going to be in Joplin and southern Kans. during the latter part of January speaking in the interests of The Labor Party and I have it in mind to come to Texas for a couple of weeks and see if I couldn't get a line on some holdings or in some way connect up with some oil development and try to make a little money. You know that Grace D. and I have hammered down the line for about fifteen years now and we have accumulated a little surplus which we are agreed should be used to put us on a little more of a financial footing for the future.

I have another line on a Texas enterprise in which I am very much interested and which I intend to look into anyway. If you think there is any use of my coming over to Desdemonia I'll put it in my itinerary. I'd like to see you and perhaps get a few pointers on the situation in general. The good advise of an old comrade I am sure would be of inestimable value to a green horn before a plunge into the dark and sordid muck of purely financial skyrocketing in which more lambs are shorn than in any other way.

I wish you would let me hear from, Thomas Aloyus, at your convenience. Will be leaving for the trip above referred to about January 15th. Address me, Rm. 510 Endicott Bldg., St. Paul. Tell

me something about how you are getting on yourself and what the prospects are in your locality for dropping a few hundred extra dollars into dry holes.

With best Christmas greetings from the Brewers to the House of Hickey, and trusting everything good comes your way, I am,

Faithfully yours,

[Redacted signature]

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501 FIFTH AVENUE,
NEW YORK CITY

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Gentlemen:

I hereby subscribe for _____ Shares of the capital stock of the
WEST CONTINENT OIL CORPORATION, at \$10.00 per share, and enclose herewith
_____ Dollars, payment in full thereof. Issue certificate
in the name of _____
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SECRETARY

NEW YORK

January 9, 1920

Mr. T. A. Hickey
c/o Desdemona Oil News and Texas Oil Ledger
Fort Worth, Texas

Dear Mr. Hickey:-

I had the pleasure of meeting you in Fort Worth last summer and I am taking the liberty of enclosing herewith a prospectus of the West Continent Oil Corporation, which I organized with the aid of some good business men here in New York after my return.

I would like to have a late copy of the Desdemona Oil News and also the Texas Oil Ledger, and think I would like to subscribe to these papers for the next three months, until I can get back to Texas, which will be as soon as possible. Are there any late maps out showing developments in the northwestern Burnett field or in any district of the Ranger and Desdemona field?

With kind regards and hoping that I may be identified in your mind, I am,

Very truly yours,

ST/EBH

*I organized this Company
after I came back from
Texas & I hope to be oper-
ating shortly with 4 or more
wells-*

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FORT WORTH, TEXAS

April 16, 1920.

Hon. Tom Hicky,
Brandenburg,
Stonewall County,
Texas.

Dear Mr. Hicky:-

Upon my return from Wichita Falls I find your favor
of the 15th, also letter of introduction to the
Mayor of Milwaukee, for which I thank you.

We all exceedingly enjoyed your visit with us
and hope that it will soon be repeated.

Wishing you good health and the very best of
good luck and that your oil will go over the top.

Your friend,

ASG/fw

W. W. HAGEBUSH
LAWYER
SUITE 1003-4 GREAT SOUTHERN LIFE BLDG.
DALLAS, TEXAS

BELL PHONE M. 6586

Desdemona, Texas, January 27, 1920.

Hon. T. A. Hickey,
Old Glory, Texas.

My dear Senator:-

I have been wondering whether or not you have accepted my proposition to sell two thousand shares of my stock in the National Workers on the basis I proposed to you when here, i. e. 40% to you and Mr. Flowers. I know you must be very busy, but I will appreciate it very much if you will take time to write me so that I will know what to do about that part of the stock (2000 shares) that has not yet been issued to me.

I hope you are having good success in Stonewall County, but I am anxious to see you personally so I can raise hell with you about what you said concerning lawyers in "Hickey's column" in the last issue of the Desdemona Oil News.

Had another disastrous fire here yesterday on the south side of Main St. Looked for awhile as if the whole town was doomed. Hurry back.

Sincerely your friend,

[Redacted signature]



SENATE CHAMBER

THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

AUSTIN, TEXAS.

1-23-13

Gov. T. A. Hickey,
Hallettsville, Tex.

Dear Tom :-

I was very sorry you did not get home before I left, as wanted to see you and to urge that you arrange your affairs so as to spend a little time here with us.

the native What became of your "Tobacco Bill" ? It would stir up ~~activities~~. Since you got second place in the vote cast in general election, you are entitled to some consideration, so come on up and get into the "lime light", so you can the better keep informed the readers of the Rebel. The Committee that is to investigate the Attorney General's Department, no doubt, would like to see a copy of the Rebel in which you discussed Lightfoot and Sheppard. If you have a spare copy, send me one.

If there is anything I can do for you while here, let me know.

With best wishes, I am,

Your your friend,

P/B



SENATE CHAMBER

THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE
AUSTIN, TEXAS.

1-29-13

Gov. T. A. Hickey,
Hallettsville, Tex.

Dear Hickey :-

My thanks are due you for the papers. The *Light-*
foot paper I gave to Senator McGregor and the Oklahoma paper I
gave to Fred Stevens, because, he, sometime since, had quite a
controversy with your friend Dr. George C. Rankin, relative
to conditions in Oklahoma.

I expect to come home about Saturday and will make
it convenient to see you while there.

Very truly your friend,

P/B

[Redacted signature]

CHASTAIN & NUGENT
LAWYERS

HAMLIN, TEXAS,

July 25th, 1917.

Mrs. T. A. Hickey,
Rule, Texas.

Dear Comrade;-

I have been so busy arranging bonds in getting the members of the F. & L. P. A. organization out of jail that it has been impossible for me to write you before now.


Myself and Judge Wm. H. Atwell, who is one of the best federal lawyers in the Union, are quite sure that we will free all the members of the F. & L. P. A. in the end, although we have a long hard fight in some of the cases.

Now that most of the funds necessary to the defense of these parties has been arranged satisfactory to all of the lawyers to all of our clients, I shall now address my attention to assisting you and your husband in any way that I can do so. I understand that the charges against your husband are so frivolous that the chances are his cases will all be dismissed, but not knowing the nature of the evidence of the Government against him it would be best for you to take no chances and be prepared for a legal battle.

I am not representing your husband in the capacity of a lawyer, as I understand that he has employed Judge Davis of Dallas, who is a high-minded honorable gentleman and can take care of your husband's case, but if there is anything I can do as a personal friend in seeing that your husband gets a fair and impartial trial I will gladly do so.

I herewith acknowledge receipt of the circular sent to myself and wife in reference to the general conditions of affairs in Texas.

Yours very truly,



CN-D

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BUENAVISTA, TEXAS,

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1917

Mr. J. A. Hickey
Hallettsville Tex.

Dear Tom:-

I wrote you some time ago
to send me the books I loaned you while
I was at Jacksboro, but got no response.

They consisted of-

Joseph Dircher's Phil. Essays 2 Vols
Gustav Meyers Grt. Am. Fortunes 3 " and
M. M. Mangasarian's "The Truth About Jesus" - I
think is the title ^{and} this lecture on Hygeia.

I want to read all of these again ^{and}
when I am through ^{with} them, except the
last two, if you need them you can
have them back again.

With the very kindest regards

I am

Fraternally yours

Semi-Weekly New Era

MEITZEN & WILLIAMS, Props.

Hallettsville, Texas

March 26/21

Dear Mrs Hickey:

Am enclosing check for \$25 herewith and Mr. Hickey was here this week and drew \$15 which make \$40 so send us two of the notes. We have been hard run but will try to take up some more of the notes soon. Just notice that you are not getting the New Era so can put your name on the list as it was no fault of mine that the paper of Fred was ever stopped. Mother and father are back here again from Waco. All of us send greetings. Sincerely,
A.C. Meitzen

Semi-Weekly New Era
MEITZEN & WILLIAMS, Props.
Hallettsville, Texas

April 17/21

Dear Mrs Hickey:
Several weeks ago I wrote you and sent
a check for \$25 and as we gave or
advanced to Mr Hickey \$15 asked you to
send two of the notes but have heard not
a line from you. Mr. Hickey is here and
now wants \$15 more. Is it O.K. to give
him this money and you to give us credit on the
notes. Please let us hear from you. Your friend
Arnold Meitzen

Route 5 Rosebud. Tex.

Nov. 16 - 1917

Mrs. Clara Hickey.

Rule. Texan.

dear Comrade:-

Am writing to
you to let you know I
met your husband yesterday
also this morning and
I think he is the handsomest
man in Tex. except my own
and if you don't be careful
some of these girls down South
will smile at him.

Please excuse all foolishness
Your husband will be at
Lott. Tex. tomorrow at a
speaking. As ever your friend
Mrs. Martha Hughes.

Route 3 Rosebud, Tex.

May 22 - 1919.

Editor:

You will find enclosed
one dollar money order for
Farmers Voice.

Yours Respectfully
Pat Hughes.

Brandenburg, Texas

July 2-19

My Dear Storn!

It is a week
today since we parted,
how my loneliness
increased with the space
between us — — —

I felt relieved when I reached
Brandenburg and found
someone so in need
and deserving — happy to
be of some good —
and dear if I tell you
that Louisa ~~had~~ son (very
naturally) had a grip
twice the size of mine
you can imagine what
I had on my hands.
But I "tackled" it.

Drove to "Mutterkin's" home
that Friday night — and after
having stalked and talked
and rested — I again
longed for you and went
to reading the Papers you
gave me on the way. —
That Larderdale Talk
is great! — and I want
"The Shame of Texas" printed
in leaflet form ~~if~~ to be
used as propaganda,
provided I stay here any
length of time. — Am anxious
to get No 104 —

How are you dear? Where
do you stay or are you going
to Okla? Write me all
about the "Barn" the home

The doors and windows,
and my "Pentec" and
"wood choppers" I fear I am in
the same shape here as
in Hall. no the girls and
Fred don't want me ^{to work} in the
field. — By the way Fred left
for El Campo the first of July,
if he goes to Hall. you will
show him around and
give him sound advice
a boy of his age needs,

I am sorry things happened
as they did, give my
best regards to the bunch,
Mushkin and Sisters also
send this Love to you
but the most is from your Clara.

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WACO, TEXAS,

Nov 12 1916

Sweetheart: Tom

Writing this at midnight
at the new place x I have

heard the roll for tomorrow's
conference x E. R. has
not shown up yet x

Good thing I come x I guess
the boy is busy x He got

over 100 Votes in this town x

I had a gala day x met the
editor of the Semi Weekly

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WACO, TEXAS, 191

Tribune, J. Hayes Overles
He said: "Hick, you elected
Ferguson & you are a wonder!"
Now what do you think of
that? I will try and finish
up tomorrow and get home
Saturday & Alma had a good
time here says Mrs Smith &
She kissed her thinking it
was you & I warned her
Make that mistake &

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WACO, TEXAS, _____ 191_____

I feel lonesome without
you dear old Tom afraid
you cant go home & no
or I'll blow up x Look out for
a nice present x

Your loving Auntie
Tom

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PHONE 93

CONVENIENT TO DEPOTS, THEATRE

AND BUSINESS CENTER

SPRINGFIELD, MO., March 5th 1909

Mr. Karl Walf:

Sagerton Tex

My Dear Comrade:-

I know you will be surprised to get this letter from me but you and all that blessed family treated me so nice I think of you all often and thought it not out of place to write you this letter. I desire to be remembered to the Mother above all else tell her I think of her kindness often in fact all the family feels as near to me as though they were my own.

Have you attended any more debates? like the one at Chilene.

I am now in route to St Louis for a two weeks

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SPRINGFIELD, MO.,190.....

stay there I suppose I will
return to Arkansas.

It is to be hoped
that the Texas movement will
stop fighting each other and
do some work for the cause
in the future. Remember me
to your little girl.

I am yours for our
Common Cause.

Stanley J. Clark
Huntington
Arkansas

The Nickell's Home

D. C. MORRIS
PROPRIETOR

STEAM HEAT
ELECTRIC AND GAS LIGHTS
GOOD SAMPLE ROOM

LEXINGTON, MO. 5-2 1910

Dear Comrade:-

You may think I have
forgotten you but I have not.

I would that you give my
best wishes to the entire
family.

I am yours for all

[Redacted signature]

Alamogordo ⁵/₂₆ 1919
Texas

The Farmers Voice

Dear Sirs

Please find check
enclosed ^{1⁰⁰} for which
send me 50 Copies of The
Farmers Voice May 1 1919

Yours

E H Terbrink
Box 50 Alamogordo
Gray Co Texas

" . . . universal military conscription, a curse—although it may at times be the less of two evils—but in itself a curse to civilization, to nationality, to progress, to humanity, and to education."—Senator John Sharp Williams, of Mississippi, March 29, 1918.

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203 WESTORY BLDG., WASHINGTON, D. C.
TELEPHONE FRANKLIN 5930

January 14, 1919

Mr. T. A. Hickey
Route 3
Roule, Texas

My dear Mr. Hickey:

This is just a note of inquiry to find out whether you are still in the land of the free and the home of the erstwhile brave. Ever since I read the reports of the Walsh Commission some years ago, I have had the feeling that any man who could fight for freedom in Texas must be a brave man indeed. Texas is a rough state, if you don't mind my saying so, without a finicky regard for the niceties of law and justice. But I sincerely trust that this note finds you a free man once more.

Cordially yours,

"When a permanent military policy comes to be adopted, it will doubtless be conceived in a spirit . . . so restrained as in no event to . . . excite the apprehension of nations with whom it is our first desire to live in harmonious and just accord."—From annual report, 1917, of Secretary of War Newton D. Baker.

St. Paul, Minn.

Jan 13 - 1910

TO THE MOTHER.

If I was hanged on the highest hill,
Mother o' mine,
Mother o' mine
I know whose love would follow me still
Mother o' mine,
Mother o' mine.

If I were drowned in the deepest sea,
Mother o' mine,
Mother o' mine,
I know whose prayers would come down to me,
Mother o' mine,
Mother o' mine.

If I was damned, body and soul,
Mother o' mine,
Mother o' mine,
I know whose prayers would make me whole
Mother o' mine,
Mother o' mine.

Mother: Read this to the girls and all others
whom you meet and LOVE x I am in good
health and spirits in spite of the
terrible winter weather x In every waking
hour of every day I think of you x Tomorrow
is my birthday as you know I hope that
your loving arms will be around me
next birthday x
Your loving son
Tom

Brandenburg, Texas.
Dec. 6, 1918

My dear comrade:

The war is over and all restrictions on the weekly newspapers have been removed. I was in St. Paul, Minn. when I heard the glad news. I lost no time in coming back to my beloved Texas where I can again throw my hat into the ring and fight the battles of the landless man as of yore.

My paper will be revived on the first of January. It will be published in Dallas. Its name will be the Voice of the People.

Covington Hall the South's greatest Rebel poet will be my partner. The subscription price will be one dollar a year.

I will need a large number of subscribers so as to secure the second class mailing privilege. I know I can trust you to help me in this matter.

The paper will be devoted almost exclusively to matters of reconstruction in this new era we have just entered. Our part will be to settle democratically the land and money questions.

Please do not delay in seeing your neighbors and friends and secure as large a list as possible at the rate of \$1.00 a year. It will help me immensely if I have these subs here by Xmas day.

My wife and I will regard each sub as a Xmas present.

All cases against me have been dismissed much to the disgust of the usurers and landsharks of the South who caused my arrest for denouncing the Kaiser. Like Abednego I walked through the fire unscathed.

I am in vigorous health. I will be able to turn out a better, bigger and greater paper than ever before in the interest of the land serfs of Dixie.

The period of reconstruction is on. It is officially stated that 66% of the boys coming back from France will want a farm. Properly organized this force will smash landlordism in the ~~South and Abilene~~ *South.* ~~and their kin-~~

I have suffered all sorts of persecution even to the point of facing the deathcell in Abilene and my worst enemies admit that I fought them squarely and never turned my back.

Accordingly I want you to help me in this last great drive that will only end when the landless man is on the manless land and there are homes for all the workers of the nation.

Please send all ~~sub-~~ checks and money orders to Tom Hickey postoffice Old Glory formerly Brandenburg Stonewall co. Texas.

Your faithful friend and comrade

Tom Hickey

Garden Valley Tex
Dec 1918

Dear Mr Hickey

I had indeed that
you are to start your paper again
and I gladly send you my
subscription but having had some
sickness in our family and being
very busy at present I am unable
to purchase any more now

I am still for you and your paper

Your Comrade
G. V. Reinhardt

P.S. Could you give me any information
as to Victor L. Rogers paper that
he was to start at Oklahoma City Ok.
You find enclose a stamped envelope
if you will please reply
G. V. R.

Printer's Ink, the authority on advertising, having thoroughly investigated the matter reports: "A labor paper is far better advertising medium than an ordinary newspaper in comparison with circulation. A labor paper, for example, with 2,000 subscribers, is of more value to the business man who advertises in it than ordinary paper with 12,000." According to Printer's Ink, the Leader's circulation of 20,000 is worth 120,000 of the ordinary newspaper.

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Sept. 17, '21.

Mrs. Marie Boeer,
Rule, Tex.
Haskell Co.

My Dear Mother:

When I came here last week, I had Mr. Ameringer send you some sample copies of the Daily Leader, in which Carl and Alfred bought some Stock last year. The Paper is making a magnificent fight for life, and will win if we all get behind it and push it to the limit, and inas much as I know that your pure heart is in the right place, and your soul is aflame for the cause, I assured Comrade Ameringer that you would do your best to help.

Comrade Ameringer is not looking for any donations, but is anxious to get as many subscriptions as possible. He would be delighted, and so would I if you would send him the names of all the Germans on your Rural Telephone Route, and every other German name you know who would be likely to subscribe for the paper after they had received a letter from him written in German.

The Business Manager of the Leader is also a native born German. His name is John Hagel.

I was shocked to learn from Clara that Alma was bitten by a rattlesnake, and I hope that from the bottom of my heart that the splendid girl has recovered by this time. I earnestly hope that you are in your usual vigorous health with your soul flowing with optimism and your spirit radiating out from your presence as usual.

Your Loving Son,

By _____

Brandenburg, Texas .

Dec/ 6. 1918

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Your faithful friend and comrade

Tom Hickey

Barlow's
July 5th
48ERS TALK
AWFUL ROUGH

**Curly Wolves, Their
Day to Howl.**

"President Wilson should be in the penitentiary and Eugene Debs in the White House," T. A. Hickey of Waco, organizer of the Nonpartisan League, declared in an address at a meeting of the Committee of 48 at Labor Temple Sunday afternoon.

C. L. Breckon of Dallas attacked the declaration of independence.

"It should be rewritten and brought down to date," said Breckon. Breckon said the working man ought to write the declaration, indicating that we ought to have a Bolshevik government.

E. M. Edwards declared that the new party to be formed in Chicago will capture the ballot this year.

In another part of his address Hickey said the 40 delegates from Texas who are attending the Democratic convention at San Francisco are crooks. Hickey said not one of the delegates are working men.

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May 26, 1920.

Mr. T. A. Hickey,
Old Glory, Texas.

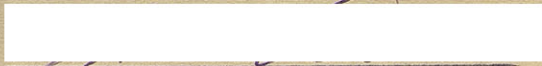
Dear Mr. Hickey:

Am handing you herewith copy of a letter received
by Mr. Flowers from Comrade D. B. Yoder, Butler, Oklahoma.

As you no doubt have a sense of wit and humor,
as well as a sympathetic heart for the "other fellow", I
thought this letter might give you inspiration, at least
food for thought, for an article along this line of
reasoning, as disclosed in his letter.

With ever best wish, I am,

Your comrade,


Bx. 346.

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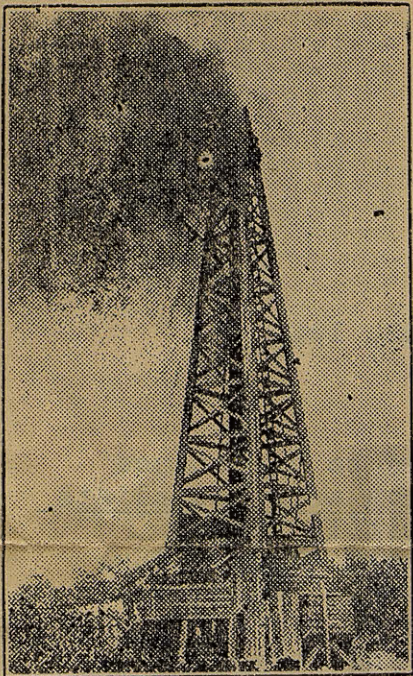
"Butler, Oklahoma, May 23, 1920.

Dear Sir, & Comrade Flowers:

I want to ask you if there would be any chance of borrowing \$500 from some of them million aires Socialists to buy me an engine so i can build me a little flower mill i just like that much, as i have enough to buy other machinery, want it for 5 years at 6% interest. Will give mortgage on the hole mill. Can refer you to any one business man in Butler about my honesty, and caricter. It will make me employer in stead of emploie, will give me liberty and hapiness. Would like to have it rite away so i can get ready for new crop. i do not expect any one will acomodate me, but the old saying is "if you dont ask you will never receive".

I see in the Desdemonia paper that they are spending lots of money for jewels if you see any of them you might show them this and give me some of their addresses and i think i would get some money if i can rite to them. i think i will get some money from the oil, but the thing looks slim to me now, but hope you will soon strike a gusher so you can help us poor devils out of the old slaving system. This is all. Hoping you good luck, and a big gusher,

Comrade, D B. Yoder,
Butler, Okla. "



Even the thought of the Poor
house will vanish when you become
the Owner of a few shares of stock
in one of these Gusher oil wells of
Texas —Buy—before it is too late.

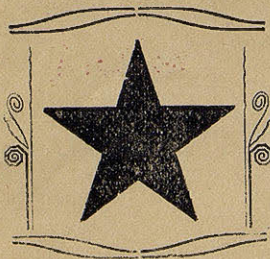


W. H. FLOWERS

Man ~ to ~ Man Oil

Operator

Tyler, Texas
BULLARD, TEXAS



*The following is a copy of an article that was recently
transmitted to the Dallas-Salvador News,
Kindly publish the same.*

To the News:

This is to correct a vicious misstatement in a recent issue of the Dallas Daily and Semi-Weekly News from one Dabney White of Tyler.

White says that he learns that the National Nonpartisan League will quit organizing in Texas. This is to certify that so long as we have the O. K. of the Federal Authorities in Texas, we shall continue to organize in Texas, and as we know and the Federal Authorities know, the League is a legal, loyal organization, we are here to stay. In Mr. White's case, whose ~~well known~~ tactics with reference to anything that favors the farmer are so well known, the wish was merely the father to the thought.

He will learn to his heart's content that he has another guess-coming, and so will the elements with him that were responsible for the illegal treatment and detention of the organizers of whom he speaks.

I also find that "The News" says that in certain states of the Northwest, the League "is classed with the I. W. W." Also that the "League has got itself in bad with the most loyal elements of the Northwest."

Analyze this statement and note the result:

First, who is fighting the League the hardest in Minnesota, for example? The farmers? Not on your life for 50,000 are already League members with 1,000 to 1500 joining each week at present. The wage-earners? Not at all, for the State Federation of Labor of Minnesota has endorsed the League. The ~~smaller~~ ^{average} business men? Not to any noticable extent for the league has no fight to make on them.

From whence then the opposition? From the Big Business interests of course and such of their organs as the Minneapolis Journal, the St. Paul Pioneer Press and from their political tools such as Governor Burnquist. So why shouldn't they howl when the League is after their political and economic scappes? It is from the ^{great} grain gambling, flour milling, water power, packing, steel, railway and other big interests that the lies with reference to the League's alleged disloyalty, all come. Patriotism, said Dr. Johnson is the last refuge of scoundrels. This is true in times of peace, but in war times it is their first refuge.

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This element is most loyal from the standpoint of the noise they make about it, but their deeds won't back up their noise. If the News wants to call them the most loyal element in the Northwest, it is welcome to do so.

Besides, this charge of disloyalty is puerile when you consider just two facts, namely, the great and growing membership of the League among the most respectable farming elements wherever it goes, and the irrefragible fact that from the day of its organization in North Dakota in March 1915, down to this very day, no League organizer or officials has ever been interfered with in his work by Federal authorities anywhere in the nation.

In conclusion I append this clipping from Bryan's Commoner:

"Big Business and Pro-Germans alike. -- The chances for the Farmers' Nonpartisan League carrying Minnesota have grown so bright that the Big Business interests there have taken to arresting the heads of the organization ~~every few days~~ on charges of unpatriotic conduct. The Nonpartisan League had its origin in the fact that such big business interests of Minnesota as the grain buyers and millers used their right to grade to pay it feed prices for wheat used to make flour. In arresting the League Officers, Big Business is showing the same acumen as those pro-Germans who stop their home paper because of its patriotic utterances. -- Bryan's Commoner."

Grand View, Idaho

Dec. 29, -19.

Mr T. A. Hickey.

Wesdemona, Texas.

Dear Comrade ; - Now that you are so busy in "The Oil Game", I wonder whether you have noticed the appeal of "The Appeal to Reason" for help at once, so they be able to buy paper and keep the "Appeal" alive.

I have read accounts in papers from your section (I also receive the Wesdemona Oil News) of how so many Socialists in your section including yourself have made fortunes in oil or leases. And I hope if you and others interested in Socialism have not already helped

the "Appeal" in this Crisis
that you will order as
many Sub-cards as possible
at once. I hope you will
Pardon me for writing you
but when people are busy
they sometimes overlook or
put off things like this
until it is too late, and
the "Appeal" must not die.
I have done what I could
but it is not much
considering the need. I will
not expect any reply to
this letter, but hope the
"Appeal" will receive one.

Yours in the "Cause"

Mary E. Whitson.

Grand View.

Idaho.

Southland Farmer

THE FARM
THE HOME



GOOD CIT-
IZENSHIP.

J. W. CANADA, EDITOR AND PUBLISHER

Houston, Texas,

Dec. 26, 1919.

Mr. T. A. Hickey,
Desdemona, Texas.

Dear Mr. Hickey:-

I am glad indeed to hear from you, even if you are not a Millionaire yet. Meitzen told me recently that you were prospering nicely indeed in the oil fields, and I am glad of it. I hope you will make a million for I know you will use it to good purpose.

I want to thank you for remembering me with some advertising. I am sorry that I cannot take it. As a matter of policy, I do not run any oil stock advertising of any sort, except the one case which you will find in the paper of a refinery which deals with the manufacturing end. This Refining Company has some stock to sell, but its main business, or I might say, its entire business for the present at least, is refining, and it has refineries now in operation and expects to build another one. It is impossible to draw the line with oil stock, discriminating between those that might be good and those that might not be; so the only safe course is not to carry any at all. For this reason, I am not carrying yours, and I am sure you appreciate my position.

I am mailing you copy of the Farmer and have put you on the regular mailing list, for it is a Farm Paper that you will enjoy. You know I do not have the name of being quite so radical as you are, but perhaps there is not a great deal of difference in our views in most matters.

The Farmer is coming along in fine shape now, and has gone over the line as a money-maker so that from now on, instead of fighting to keep my head above the water, I shall be able to carry on a very aggressive campaign to make it the biggest and strongest farm paper anywhere in the South, and certainly it must lead in Texas.

No doubt some time you will be getting down here, and you must be sure to come and see me.

Very truly yours,

JWC:H

Coleman, Tex. 3/9/20.

Mr. T.A.Hickey

Old-Glory, Texas.

Dear Comrade, I am anxious to know what has become of the socialist party in Texas. Nothing is being said about it, and I do not know if there be any party organization at this time.

Will you kindly let me know who the state secretary is, if there be any, and how I may get in touch with him?

Certainly, now of all times, we should have our party organization in working order. Reaction from the war hysteria has set in and millions of people are awaiting the Cooperative Commonwealth. It is nothing short of sacrilege for the socialist party to play the laggard at this time.

Let us not dissipate our energy and usefulness by "monkeying" with "non partison" foolishness and side issues. Socialism is the only thing that will give relief. Let us stand four square without "trimings".--

Brandenburg, Tex
Dec 9 - '18

My dear comrade :

The war is over , all restrictions on the weekly newspapers have been removed . I was in St. Paul, Minn. when I heard the glad news . I lost no time in coming back to my beloved Texas where I can again throw my hat into the ring and fight the battles of the landless man as of yore .

My paper will be revived on the first of January . It will be published in Dallas . Its name will be the Voice of the People . Covington Hall the South greatest Rebel poet will be my partner .

The subscription price will be \$ 1.00 a year . I will need a large number of subscribers so as to get the second class mailing privilege . I know I can trust you to help me in this matter . The paper will be devoted almost exclusively to matters of reconstruction in this new era that we have just entered . Our part will be to settle democratically the land the land and a money questions .

Please do not delay in seeing your neighbors and friends and secure as large a list as possible at the rate of one dollar a year . It will help me immensely to have these subscriptions here on Xmas day . . .

My wife and self will regard each sub as a Xmas present .

All cases against me have been dismissed much to the disgust of the landsharks and usurers of the South who caused my arrest for denouncing the Kaiser . . . Like Abolene I walked through the fire unscathed .

I am in vigorous health . I will be able to turn out a better, bigger and greater paper than ever before in the interest of the land serfs of Dixie .

The period of reconstruction is on . It is officially stated that 80% of the boys coming back from France will want a farm . Properly organized this force will smash landlordism in the South and in the North . I have suffered all sorts of persecution even to the point of facing the deathcell in Abolene and my worst enemies admit that I fought them squarely and never turned my back .

Accordingly I ask you to help me in this last great drive that will only end when the landless man is on the manless land and there are homes for all the workers in the nation .

Please send all checks and money orders to Tom Hickey post - office Old Glory formerly Brandenburg Stonewall co. Texas .

Your faithful friend and comrade

Tom Hickey

on the working class move-
ments. I tell them he
was not built that way.

It would make him
strive more than ever to
the betterment of his fellow
men.

We can raise some
money if you are in need,
don't hesitate let us know.

Also we will soon begin to
pay off the amounts to the
stockholders. With best of
wishes from us all. For a better day
Arnold Merton

Hallettsville, Tex., Sept 20/19

Dear Mrs Hickey:

For the past several months
we have failed to send any
money on the note and probably
you are wondering why.
Our expenses have been
quite heavy, Richard underwent
an operation and the doctors
sure know how to charge, it
cost us \$207⁰⁰ but glad
to say Richard seems to be
doing fine now and must be
very careful or may take

a relapse then it will be worse than before
Also the price of newspaper continues to climb
which means more expense etc etc H.C.L.
Also. Well there are the excuses I have, but
hope to soon be on smooth sailing again.
The Herald man now wants to make something
of a deal with us, consolidate, sell
or something as he is also but hard
by big expenses and no income. The

Cotton crop here is a complete failure and
Corn is rotting in the fields owing to so
much rain but that all helps our cause
though I hate to see the people suffer it seems
it is the only way to wake some of them
up.

Hope Mr. Hickey strikes it rich in the
oil business. Some of the politicians around
here predict Mr. Hickey will now go back

Texas Landlord-Banker Plutocracy

AFTER BEING OUTFOUGHT, OUTGAMED, OUTMANEUVERED BY THE REBEL THEY
CALL ON NATIONAL GOVERNMENT TO SAVE THEM.

Hallettsville, Texas, June 20, 1917.

To the Friends of The Rebel:—

I am writing this to you because I know from the books that you are an old-time admirer and supporter of my paper.

An extraordinary situation has arisen, in which not only my own personal liberty, but The Rebel itself is endangered.

Strange to say, since this war hysteria became rampant, lightning has struck twice around my more or less devoted head.

First I was kidnaped, without warrant or charges and held incommunicado for two days and, second, The Rebel has been stopped from circulating through the mails also without warrant of law or charges of any character, as the following telegram will show:

Washington, D. C., June 7, 3:30 p. m. (Govt.)

Postmaster, Hallettsville, Tex.

Submit to this office future copies of The Rebel published at your place, for instructions before accepting for mailing. Lamar—Solicitor.

This means that 25,000 copies of The Rebel of June 9 are lying in my office and in the post-office, and now the June 16 issue is likewise stopped, and Postmaster Paulus throws up his hands and says: "I know nothing except that you cannot now mail out one copy of The Rebel from this postoffice. I have not heard one word regarding the matter from Washington since I received the telegram from Solicitor Lamar."

Now that the issues of June 9 and 16 are stopped, I presume that June 23 and 30 will be stopped and so far as I can tell the paper is stopped indefinitely.

I traveled 500 miles to this office and on the way consulted the best legal advice in Texas and these lawyers have unanimously agreed that The Rebel is dead on the sayso of one individual in Washington unless I go to Washington, hire a thousand dollar attorney, and appear before the supreme court of the United States and sue out a writ of mandamus against Ex-Governor Dockery of Missouri, (who is now third assistant postmaster general of the United States) to the end that he permit The Rebel to circulate through the United States mails.

Here is the situation boiled down:

These lawyers that I have consulted agree that this is the most high-handed usurpation of power they have ever heard of; that not even war policy justifies it; that there is nothing in the federal statutes even in civil war times like it. There is no precedent for it.

Why did this lightning strike twice around The Rebel, in the kidnaping of its editor and the suppression of the paper. The whole proceedings is so amazing that everybody that has heard of the case is mentally stunned. And just because of the fact that it has come home so close to me who has been holding The Rebel fort for six years, I believe that I am able to give the real inside reasons and they are set out in the following affidavit:

AFFIDAVIT.

State of Texas
County of Lavaca

Before me, Joseph Stanzel, a notary public in and for Lavaca County, Texas, appeared T. A. Hickey, known to be the managing editor of The Rebel, published at Hallettsville, Texas, and made oath to the following statement:

"For the period of six years ending June 30, 1917, I have been in continuous editorial charge of the weekly newspaper known as The Rebel, the policy of which publication was to uphold the principles of the Socialist party and especially to oppose landlordism and usury and to favor legislation establishing use and occupancy as the sole title to land and the collective ownership of the banking and currency systems.

In pursuing this policy I have good reason to believe that I incurred the enmity of the large banking and landed interests of this state.

Among these I regarded Albert Burleson, now postmaster general of the United States, whom I published in The Rebel as being the notorious owner of a large plantation in Bosque county, Texas, where white renters were intensely exploited and lived under miserable conditions and that Frank Walsh was moved to say in his report to the United States government that the tenants of Texas were on the "verge of serfdom;" because of similar exploitation practiced statewide by landlords typical of the Burleson kind.

I further know that while editor of The Rebel I have had to attack in the columns of my paper President Wilson's appointment of Mr. McReynolds to the supreme court of the United States, because while attorney general he had failed to prosecute the Standard Oil Company for violation of the decree of the United States supreme court while he was attorney general, which decree dissolved the Standard Oil Company.

Furthermore I severely criticised the president for appointing one Gregory of Austin, Tex., as attorney general and predicted that he, too, would fail to enforce the decree of the United States court which prediction has been abundantly verified.

Furthermore, I know that I published some eighteen months ago a story to the effect that U. S. Senator Shepard's brother-in-law, Cullen Thomas, a well-known Democratic politician, had played the game of "honest graft" by using first hand inside information as to the location of the new Dallas postoffice and did there and then secure options on desirable business sites in anticipation of the purchase of said site by the postal authorities at an immensely increased value. This story, proven by the real estate transfers of the city of Dallas, led to an acrimonious

(Over.)

...a number of Texas supporters of the ...
...report on a speech I delivered in Amarillo, Tex., in which I stated ...
...me that the present senior senator from Texas has led a drunken, dissolute life in ...
...for a number of years, unable to properly perform his duties, and had sunken so low so that his ...
...former private secretary had stated that he (Culberson) was slapped in the face with a wet towel by a negro ...
...porter in a Washington barroom and was deposited in a corner to sober up.

I further affirm that last October, while candidate for United States senator on the Socialist ticket, I published under a large head entitled "Peck's Bad Boy," a story to the effect that the president of the United States was being orally charged by leading Republican politicians of having been caught in a liaison with a woman named Mrs. Peck from Bermuda, in violation of the Mann white slave act; that I received this information from W. H. Atwell, who for sixteen years had been federal district attorney in the Dallas district.

That I printed this story in good faith is revealed by the fact that Mr. Atwell in the Dallas Times-Herald, about two weeks later, admitted I had quoted him verbatim.

In publishing this story I believed that I was doing the president the greatest possible service, if he was innocent of the crime, because to the best of my knowledge and belief the story was being used with poisonous effect through subterranean channels everywhere in the United States. I believe it was the duty of a real newspaperman to make the issue clear by dragging into the sunlight those who maligned the president—if maligned he was.

That the president did not take up the matter with me direct is to be deplored.

That the suspension of The Rebel by surreptitious means was expected by me eight months ago, is shown by this fact:

About November 1, 1916 in the city of Dallas I met a well-known Democratic publisher named Wilford B. Smith. He said to me:

"Mr. Hickey, I notice that Judge Atwell, who told you the story of 'Peck's Bad Boy,' confirmed your story in the Dallas Times-Herald a few days ago. I admire your chill-steel nerve in publishing something that W. R. Hearst has backed away from. He has had the story in type to run just before election, but he has got cold feet. But while you are not arrested yet, and your paper is not suppressed, it will be suppressed some months from now and the Washington authorities will do it on some plausible pretext.

"For instance some postoffice inspector will drop in with instructions from Washington and find that some flaws occurred in your mailing department or some other flaws in some other department of The Rebel, and they will harass you and finally stop you because they know that you are ramrodding the one absolutely independent paper in Texas and the Texas politicians since the Baltimore convention have not only the ear of the administration, but they are the administration."

My reply was:

"Wilford, I scorn the cattle that would, in the name of the nation destroy an independent press. Tell them all for me, that my room is No. 34, in the State Hotel when I am in Dallas and if they want to come after me in the middle of the night they will find me with my door ajar and my suit case wide open, lying on the broad of my back, sleeping the sleep of a man with a clear conscience."

T. A. Hickey.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th day of June, A. D. 1917.

Joseph Stanzel, N. P. L. Co. Texas.

Wilford B. Smith's prediction has come correct, except that instead of a postoffice inspector it was the solicitor to the Third Assistant Postmaster General in Washington that got me. He didn't even have to find a flaw, but on the instructions of his superiors he exercised a despotic power that could only be equaled by Nicholas Romanoff's bureaucracy in the heyday of its power, when he ordered the suspension of The Rebel, without hearing, trial, charges, law or anything else.

I consider that the national administration has pilloried itself before the world, controlled as it is by Texas politicians of the landlord and banker stripe such as E. M. House, Albert Burleson, Morris Sheppard et al, when it took advantage of the national crisis to crucify a political opponent whom they could not bribe or control.

The proof of this is shown in the fact that the suppressed issue and several preceding issues contained a story from three to five columns weekly, of one of the most bitter attacks upon German militarism. Hence in the nature of things, there could be no excuse of a war measure or patriotic reason for suppressing the leading independent newspaper of the Democratic "solid South." This, coupled with the fact that no other Socialist newspaper, so far as I know, has been suppressed, causes me to believe that it was the pigmy act of Texas peanut politicians that are wobbling around in the seats of the mighty.

And so The Rebel of June 9 has not reached its readers; 25,000 copies are held in my office and the postoffice, whether indefinitely or not I do not know. I know I have missed the second issue and God knows how many more. The question with me at the moment is, what to do.

To send The Rebel by express involves such an expense that it is unthinkable.

The best legal talent that I can secure up to the present time informs me that I must go to Washington, hire a lawyer, and appear before the supreme court and mandamus the Third Assistant Postmaster General, to obey the law and permit The Rebel to go through the mails the same as any other publication that has not violated the law.

In this dilemma in which I find myself through no fault of my own I break my six-year rule of not asking for financial assistance and appeal to you to send me a contribution so that I may continue to fight this case through the two highest courts in the land, the supreme court, and greater than all, the court of public opinion.

From the reptile press I can expect no support, and therefore I state the facts and appeal to you as a friend who will help me fight for the freedom of the press.

Address me with a contribution of \$1 to \$50 or more. Get your neighbors to do the same. Address all contributions as follows:

Mrs. T. A. Hickey, Rt. 3, Rule, Texas.

To contributors I will send free by express prepaid, copies of the suppressed edition telling all about my arrest, and you will see therein another of the reasons why the postoffice authorities stopped The Rebel.

Yours for Justice,

T. A. HICKEY.



NATIONAL NONPARTISAN LEAGUE

Texas Branch

M. S. GOODYEAR,
State Secretary and Manager

P. O. BOX 1109, WACO, TEXAS
202 Cameron Bldg.

J. P. CRAIG
General Organizer

Brandenburg, Texas, December 22, 1917.

Dear Comrade:

This is possibly the most important letter you have ever received.

I believe that the Socialist Party cannot function in any agricultural state in the nation, while the present unpleasantness is on, although it may make great progress in the great industrial centers of our country.

No doubt, you know, that a genuine, progressive movement, known as the Nonpartisan League, is making wonderful progress in every part of the United States where its philosophy and propaganda is known.

The purposes of this League can be boiled down into three words: Proportional, Occupational and Representation. In other words, out of 173 members in the House and Senate at Austin this year, there was one lone farmer, David J. Neill of Eastland county. The other 172 representatives were lawyers, bankers, landlords, doctors and newspaper men.

The League proposes to do in Texas, what they have already done in North Dakota, and that is—elect a farmer for Governor, and go down the line and make a clean sweep that will result in cleaning out all of the old time Big Biz politicians, and placing in the capitol men that directly represent the workers of this state.

The enclosed program of the League is brief, necessarily so, and yet, goes down to the depths.

Here it is:

You will notice that the first plank in the program settles the land question.

The second plank covers the vital question of Interest.

The third question largely settles the question of insurance.

The fourth plank eliminates the parasitic middle men and allows the farmers to go directly with their products to the consumer through the state.

The fifth plank covers the grading of cotton by responsible men, instead of haphazard method that is now being indulged in, and costs the farmers of Texas millions yearly.

The sixth plank is of such definite democratic character, that it speaks for itself.

I am writing you, believing that I know you well enough to know that you want to come whole-heartedly into this great movement.

We must have finances, therefore, we have a dues system. The cost of membership is 42¢ a month, or \$5.33 a year, for which you receive not only the membership in the League, but also the Nonpartisan Leader, which now has a circulation of 150,000 weekly; is profusely illustrated; is twenty pages in size, and costs \$2.50 a year. Not only do you receive this paper free with your membership, but you also will get all the pamphlets, leaflets and other matter that the League is continuously turning out.

If you join the League now, you will pay \$16.00, which will be three years' dues in advance, or up to December 1st, 1920. If you are not prepared to pay up that much at once, you can send a portion of your dues, say three, four or five dollars, and make us a post-dated check, payable on November 1st, 1918 for the balance. I want to say to you that this check will be unsueable and uncollectable. It will be just squarely up to you, and if, because of some unfortunate circumstance you cannot pay the balance next year, just drop us a postal card to that effect, and no one will worry you about it.

On the first of May, precinct conventions will be held all over the state, in which nobody can participate unless he is a member of the Nonpartisan League. There you will select your delegates to the various conventions, in which candidates for representative, senator, congress and state offices are put forward. No nominations are made for county and precinct officers. Texas being a Democratic state, no doubt, all or nearly all, of the candidates nominated, will make the race in the Democratic primaries, just as in North Dakota, the League candidates (regardless of previous party affiliations) ran in the primaries of the dominant party, and all of the League members proceeded to capture the primaries, nominate their candidates and elect them again in the November election.

Just as soon as possible, after receiving this letter, mail to me your application with as much money as you can afford, along the lines stated above in the ninth paragraph of this letter. In any event, write to me for any further information that I can give you.

Finally, I am determined that the land and usury question must be settled in Texas and must be settled right.

It appears to me that THIS IS THE WAY TO SETTLE IT.

Yours for the fight in the freedom of the land.

TOM HICKEY.

P. S.—Address me at Brandenburg, Texas, and I will forward your application to the proper authorities and send you a receipt (as bonded organizer) for the dues paid. Remember, only persons deriving their major income from the farm can belong to the League.

Das geschätzte Frau Bonn-
von Dr. Jockers aus New York der mir mitteilte dass die
ihm seiner mitternächten Läufer geschickt hätten und
dass er ihm "wegen seiner Disposition seiner vorzüglichen
Tätigkeit, seiner blitzenden Gedanken und der fortwähren-
den Fortschritt seiner ausserordentlichen Genie" bewundert
habe, Man könne sich seine Person im Dichter und im
ganzen Mann. Im Verlauf der Disposition bittet er
mich dann, an seinem zu nächststen wöchentlichen Wochens-
almanach mit zu arbeiten. Ich muss Ihnen von Frau
Bonn, für die Herrn Jockers gegebenen Anregung,
von Herzen danken, dann ohne Ihre Einwilligung hätte
ich wohl psychologisch die Initiation genommen, mit ihm
in Verbindung zu treten. Ich werde natürlich Dr. Jockers
bitten zu erfüllen und habe ihm das auch sofort geschickt.
Die müssen entschuldigen, dass ich so lange nicht
habe von mir hören lassen, aber ich war sehr eifrig
mitgeplant und nicht im Stande einen lehrreichen
Lehrer abzufassen, habe auch nicht Literaturischer zu
Stande gebracht, alles was ich habe vollbringen
können, war, aber Wissen wieder aufzufrischen, an
neuen Studien, wie z. B. der Bestimmung der Geschichte
an der Handschrift, sowie zu prüfen. Mit Erfolg muss ich
sich zusetzen. Hoffentlich findet dieser Brief den
bei gutem Wollen, in der abgemessenen Weise, Anfang
sollen nun mit Beschäftigung erfüllt zu sein, was zu
solche freundliche Anerkennung wie die der Dr. J. wesentlich
beitragen, das ist alles was ich Ihnen heute zu sagen mich gerne
erlaubt. Ich bin sicher dass die diese Güte mit
(Rosenberg)

grosser
Erregung
aufmerksam
werden
und die
Sinnhaftigkeit
des
Begriffs