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POLITICS

Da

JAKE G. GUERCIO

IL COSMOPOLITAN POLITICAL CLUB SCEGLI I SUOI CANDIDATE

Domenica scorsa questo club politico ebbe la sua riunione per scegliere i candidate per vari uffici per le prossime elezioni del primo Maggio. La lista dei candidate non sarà pubblicata finché slavra' il permesso del suo Presidente Art Passavant e credo che si pubblicherà al prossimo numero. Non si dimenticano tutti i membri di questo club per il Picnic che sidara' domenica 29 Aprile al Green Spring dove sono invitate tutti i membri e le loro famiglie, e i candidate che parteciperanno alla candidatura di diversi uffici. Non dimentica che anche il Professor Doozlebuts sarà presente con tutto il suo stato maggiore che da pochi giorni sono ritornato del lungo viaggio della colonia dei Nudi

Noi sappiamo il nome di due individue che vanno ingiro per i diversi uffici dei candidate che dicano che per moneta le fanno avere il voto di tutti gli Italiani, a noi poco ce ne importa quando moneta questi signori d'industria faranno, cretini sono quei che ce la consegnano ma pero' prechiamo a questi signori di finirla una bouna volta a parlare male del nostro giornale, altrimenti noi publichiamo i loro nome.

RE-APPORTIONMENT THESE SONGS

Now that two of the three candidates for governor are out to woo populous North Alabama, after having pitched their campaigns heretofore largely in the Black Belt and South Alabama, a great deal more is being heard about legislative re- apportionment.

Both Col. Bibb Graves and Maj. Frank M. Dixon are making the re- apportionment issue their theme songs in their present swings into the hilly country, but Judge McCord, the third candidate, who is in South Alabama, has been talking re- apportionment all along.

Judge Leon McCord, of Montgomery, Candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor of Alabama, has just closed an intensive speaking tour of Birmingham and Jefferson County. His supporters and campaign managers say they are greatly encouraged by the reception the jurist received in this section.

Judge McCord favors light wines and beer but is opposed to the sale of hard liquors unless the voters demand it at the polls.

So do the Italians?

VOTE FOR GEO. E. SPENCER



For The Legislature

The Italian Friend

(Pd. Pol. Adv. by G. E. Spencer)

Judge H. P. Heflin

Having served as solicitor and circuit judge, Judge Heflin is eminently qualified for re-election as Circuit Judge No. 3 Criminal Division of the Tenth Judicial Circuit.

Judge Heflin in conducting his campaign is running entirely on the splendid record he has made on the bench. His record in the Alabama Supreme Court and in the U. S. Supreme Court is one of the best of any judge in the history of Alabama. He is known to all members of the legal profession of Jefferson County for his unusual ability as judge not only of law but also of men. In all cases appearing before him his record shows that he always tempers justice with mercy and gives a fair and impartial trial to every one regardless of what walk of life they may come from.

(Pd. Pol. Adv. by H. P. Heflin)

Robert J. Wheeler Candidate For Circuit Judge No. 2

(Now Occupied by Judge John P. McCoy)



ROBERT J. WHEELER

During the closing days of the campaign I wish to say to my friends, who have been so loyal to me in my race for Circuit Judge No. 2, that we undoubtedly have the fight won. During the past ten days, it has in the first Primary on May 1st, is assured.

All that is now required is for us to maintain in tact our battle lines. Let every one who favors my election stand firm, and keep up the fight, and the victory will be ours on May the 1st.

No man has ever had more loyal support than I have had in this race. Though I have been most unjustly and cowardly assailed; though underhanded method have been employed by Judge McCoy to compass my defeat; though this man has issued and circulated secret, unidentified and scurlious circulars in direct violation of both the spirit and the letter of the election Corrupt Practice Act; and though he has stopped so low in his malignant efforts to drag down my good name into the miasmatic mire where he, himself, stands, yet all his sinister machinations have fallen harmless at my feet.

And this vindication of good name is due to the sence of fair play and justice, which is so immanent in the hearts of my supporters, and in the hearts of the self-respecting voters of Jefferson County.

And now I thank every man and woman, and boy and girl, who have contributed in any measure to the success of my campaign for decent government, and for maintaining inviolate the incorruptability of the courts of Jefferson County.

(Pd. Pol. Adv. by Wheeler Campaign Committee)

William C. Fitts, Candidate For Solicitor

April 13th, the Honorable Graham Perdue speaking in the interest of the candidacy of William C. Fitts, Jr., for Solicitor made the following statements:

"I regard the office of Solicitor in many respects as the most important public office in Jefferson County, and I am convinced that Mr. Fitts will give the people most efficient and satisfactory service at a time when it is so sorely needed. The office is important because it is the barometer of law enforcement in this County, if not in the entire state, and an efficient and courageous administration of its affairs is vital to the security of the property, happiness and lives of our people.

The more crimes comitted, the greater the cost to the tax payer, and of course the reverse of this is true. It has been said, "In every civilized community of the world, in every state and in every community of this country, crime exists in almost exact proportion to the extent that crime is adequately punished". If that statement is true, and I believe it is, then there is something wrong with the leadership, aggressiveness and effectiveness of our present Solicitor, Birmingham's criminal record is so great that it should bring a blush of shame to our cheeks.

It is urged against Mr. Fitts that he lacks experience in the criminal practice. This is being used against him in an effort not only to confuse the uninformed voter and to minimize his splendid qualifications for this office, but to magnify the importance of the experience Mr. Bailes has had while holding this office for the past several years. If experience in public office is the sole yardstick of qualifications, then a man who has never held a particular public office need never aspire to hold it. It would mean perpetuating in office the office holder himself, because his opponent had not had an opportunity by actual service to gain experience. In this connection, I wish to say this: If I mistake not, Mr. Bailes himself was blessed with intimate knowledge of the criminal practice when he received the appointment as Solicitor, and judging from the present record of crimes in the County, his years of experience have availed him little. It is my observation that Solicitors or prosecuting offices are not usually made from lawyers who make a specialty of criminal practice, but from these engaged in the general practice of the law. It is from this field that Mr. Fitts offers himself for your consideration. In partnership with his father, he has had wide and varied practice and has conducted the trial of important cases efficiently and successfully. In my judgment, his legal training coupled with his experience in the general practice of law, his natural ability, his aggressiveness, his leadership, his enegy, his ambition, his honor and integrity stamp him as one who is unusually qualified to perform the duties of this most important office in a manner most satisfactory to the law-abiding people of our County."

(Pd. Pol. Adv. by Fitts Campaign Committee)

ITALY AGAIN

It turns out now that we are about to turn to Italy for another new insperation to revamp the ocean mail contracts. Italy has a plan in force now, devised in 1926, which includes subsidies for "contract services" and construction bounties to encourage the building of new tonnage.

A feature of the Italian system is that her subsidized lines are divided into two categories, the "useful" and the "indispensable". The former are engaged in foreign trade and the latter make up a transport system employed between Italian ports, the colonies and Southern European ports. Lately small tramps have been allowed a subsidy on a voyage basis. We might indeed profit by turning to Italy for insperation in this respect. Her merchant marine seems pretty healthy just now.

C. J. Griffith



At the time I announced my candidacy for Judgeship Number Three of Jefferson County I had become convinced that the people wanted to elect to office men of ability and with a desire to serve their fellow men. That they wanted to serve as Judges of their Circuit Courts men who would do that which was best for the entire citizenship, granting no special favors, recognizing no special class and showing no partisanship.

Judge H. P. Heflin, the present incumbent, has lived at the expense of the Tax Payers of Jefferson County for almost forty years and has refused and still refuses to cooperate with the presiding and associate Judges by trying Civil cases after the Criminal Docket is finished. Judge Heflin refuses to aid in this manner the lowering of the costs of our County government and as a result is idle more than one third of the time thereby wasting the tax payers time and money while litigants, witnesses and jurors in other divisions of the courts are waiting for cases to be tried and with thousands of cases pending on our Civil Docket.

If Judge Heflin is re-elected it means that more than one-third of the term for which he is elected and paid for with the tax payers money is wasted. It means an unnecessary cost of thousand of dollars each year to litigants, witnesses and jurors of the County. It means for almost one half of a century he will have lived at the expense of the citizens of this County by giving more than one-half time service for full time pay.

I believe the man elected to this position be both capable and willing to try any cases assigned to him, that he should have the interest of every citizen at heart and should use the office and his influence in every reasonable manner in reducing the costs of the court to the tax payers and that he should be willing to work for he people a full day every day and treat the office and himself as a servant of the people rather than the people a servent for him. I do not believe we should any longer retain in office men who refuse to give their full service to the people when elected. If we are to perpetuate men in office throughout a life time, then our democracy has failed and the education of the youth of our land does not serve the standards which we advocate. Since 1916 I have tried hundreds of Civil and Equity cases as well as many Criminal cases and feel that from both study and experience I am qualified to give to this office and to the people the service required.

I promise, if elected, I will cooperate in every reasonable manner with the presiding Judge and Associate Judges in expediting the business of our courts, at the same time giving every person a speedy, fair and impartial trial at the lowest possible cost to the tax payer.

(Pd. Pol. Adv. by C. J. Griffith Campaign Committee)

ALLA FAMIGLIA

Esprimiamo le nostre sentite e sincere condoglianze per la morte dell'oro stimato sposo e padre signor Andrea Trippi.

—Il Gladiatore.

George Huddleston Votes Against Helping Miners

"Labor" Paper Publishes Editorial Regarding Mrs. Roosevelt's Plan Of Assistance

Congressman George Huddleston who is recognized as one of the worst enemies of Americas War Veterans, was given an opportunity on the 28th of February to show whether he is a friend of labor or a representative of big business in the Congress of the United States and he promptly and definitely

lined up and voted for big business and against the unemployed coal miners and their families.

The facts are embodied in an editorial from "Labor," the official publication of the Railroad Brotherhoods and which editorial was made a part of the Congressional Record from which we quote as follows:

"Labor" Editorial

"Mrs. Roosevelt has a plan for what she calls 'subsistence homesteads' She is trying it out among the coal miners at Reedsville, West Virginia. The scheme contemplates a decent house with sufficient ground for a garden, and the establishment of a factory to make furniture for Uncle Sam's post offices. This would give the coal miners and their dependents a chance to get some kind of employment outside the mines.

Congressman Louis Ludlow induced the House to adopt an amendment to the post office appropriation bill which forbids the Post Office Department co-operating in the establishment of the furniture factory. Mr. Ludlow said he wanted to protect the Keyless Lock Co., of Indianapolis, and made a moving argument to show that this particular concern would be destroyed if Mrs. Roosevelt's scheme went through.

Labor thought it might be well to ascertain just how worthy of protection the Keyless Co. might be, and these facts were developed:

The Keyless Lock Co. conducts one of the worst anti-union plants in the country and its employees get the lowest wages paid in Indianapolis for that class of work. The Machinists' Union and other labor organizations have been endeavoring to reform the institution for 25 years and have not succeeded. The president of the Key-

less Co. is Arthur R. Baxter. He has a very interesting record. Mr. Baxter served in the Indiana State Senate for four years. He voted to repeal the full-switching and nine-hour bill, and compensation for injured working men. He introduced an antipicketing bill and a state constabulary bill, both drafted so as to inflict a maximum of injury on workers struggling for a square deal.

Should Mrs. Roosevelt's plan to let a little sunlight into the lives of coal miners be wrecked in order that this kind of a concern may be preserved?

The answer will be supplied by the Senate when the Post Office appropriation bill comes before that body."

Vote No

After this editorial appeared the Senate voted in favor of the coal miners and the bill was sent back to the House to see if the House would agree with the Senate. After a long debate in which it was made clear that to vote "No" was to vote against the poor, unemployed, destitute coal miners and their wives and children, Mr. George Huddleston voted NO. Our readers might be interested to know that he was the only congressman from Alabama who voted "NO." During the debate on the bill the following statement was made by Congressman Edminston, a representative of Congress from West Virginia:

Bad Conditions

"Mr. Speaker, my colleagues, Mr. Randolph stated to you in his address that this factory under discussion was in his district. Naturally, therefore, it is not in my district. However, I do know conditions in West Virginia. During the

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Whetstone Denies Receiving Fees

W. E. Dickson



W. E. Dickson was born and reared on a farm in Blount County He attended the Agricultural High School at Blountsville, later graduating from Birmingham-Southern College. He was elected to and served in the State Legislature from Blount County, and later from Jefferson County. For many years he taught in the public schools of this State, sixteen years of which he taught in North Birmingham. He was principal of the North Birmingham School until he resigned in 1921 to become a candidate for City Commissioner of the City of Birmingham, to which office he was elected and which office he held for twelve years.

IMPARTIAL — EFFICIENT — HONEST.
(Pd. Pol. Adv. by W. E. Dickson)

Tax Assessor Whetstone declared Wednesday he did not have "one cent" of the more than \$16,000 in fees which the County Commission Tuesday made demand upon him to pay into the county treasury.

At the same time he charged members of the commission with "playing politics" in instructing County Attorney Cabaniss to institute legal proceedings against him to force payment into the treasury of these fees and commission. Whetstone pointed out that he does not have these fees, as claimed by the commission in its resolution passed Tuesday, and for that reason could not pay them to anyone.

"I have refused to accept the fees because there is now pending before Judge McElroy a case that will determine whether I should accept the fees, "Consequently, I am keeping my hands off these fees until the court decides what disposition should be made of them."

Whetstone pointed out further that, although the case has been pending in court for more than a year, the commission did not see fit to take any action in the matter until 18 days before the primary.

"Because I am a candidate for county commissioner and an opponent of a man who is being supported by two members of the commission, they are now making an attempt to misrepresent my position in the matter," declared Whetstone. "So far, my integrity has never been questioned by anyone except men who are opposing me in this campaign. My record before and since I was elected tax assessor is open to investigation by anyone. I am proud of it.

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GEORGE HUDDLESTON VOTES AGAINST HELPING MINERS

(Continued from page 1.)

boom times of the World War and shortly thereafter there was a great influx of people from all over the country into our West Virginia Coal fields because they could earn from \$10.00 to \$15.00 a day digging coal down there. Now, that day has passed. The mine owners are broke. Those people are out of work. Hearing of this condition, our charming First Lady of the Land, at her own expense, went into the coal fields of northern West Virginia to investigate and see if those conditions were as bad as she had told they were. I think it is the most conclusive proof that she found dire conditions existing there when she went back upon three or four occasions, spending her own money soliciting the aid of her friends to contribute money, that she might send clothes, canning materials and food to those destitute miners in northern West Virginia. It is her idea, I believe, that this factory should be built there to give employment to 125 of these families who, under this subsistence program of the Department of the Interior, are given five acres of land and a home. The object of this factory is to give them part-time employment so that they can pay back to the government over a period of 20 years for their land and their homes. If those 125 destitute West Virginia miners' families are going to wreck the furniture business in a very poor position to start with. They are not going to make any furniture to sell to anybody. They are going to make it to put into the post offices of the United States."

"Brown Speaks"

The following interesting statement as regards the merits of this bill was made by Congressman Brown of Kentucky:

"The government wants to do something for the unemployed. Every place you go, you hear the cry, if you give them this job it will compete with our industry. They made money out of our Kentucky mines, then left their unemployed miners as a charge on the state; and now, when the United States government tries to help these men, they say, 'Whatever you put them to doing they will compete with us.' If you were to follow the argument on out you would be against subsistence homesteads, for if these hungry men are allowed to raise gardens, they will compete with the gardeners; if they raise meat or bread, they will compete with the farmers. There is no other conclusion to this argument than that if you put them to work they are going to compete with somebody somewhere. If we would allow these 15,000,000 hungry people in this country from competing with anyone, we will just have to let them starve.

"The president has started on a national planning program and this is one of the steps in the program. If we on this side of the aisle, because we have a furniture factory back in our district are going to be stamped into following a group here who do not believe in the new deal, who do not believe in what it stands for, and who represent, as they have for many years, entrenched privilege in this country, we are going to strike a death blow to the president's program which he has

tried to work out down there at the White House.

"Last spring we followed the leadership of the president. We followed him in connection with many things that some of us did not want to, perhaps, but because it was part of his program we supported him. I think the chairman of the committee will bear testimony to the fact that the proposition this afternoon is a part of the president's program."

Oliver Supports

To Alabamians it would be quite interesting to read what Mr. Oliver of Alabama had to say on the floor of Congress with reference to the bill:

"I consider the Senate amendment, which is the subject of this discussion, a most humane measure. No group of workers has suffered like our coal miners. Many of them have seen their field of gainful employment actually destroyed by the development of electric power, by pipe lines, and the lessening of the public demand for coal. Their trade in many sections is rapidly vanishing.

"This bill makes possible the establishment of what may be termed an adult training school in connection with subsistence homesteads. Those who oppose the bill should for like reasons oppose all Federal appropriations for vocational education which seeks to encourage the establishment of vocational training schools for our young people in the various trades. The pending amendment makes possible an industry for deserving miners out of employment and with little or no chance to ever be again employed in mining to serve an apprenticeship and to learn a trade so that they may find employment in a new field of endeavor. These miners have families and have always in the past found lucrative employment, but for reasons outlined above this employment has largely disappeared. I know many of these miners in Alabama and they are in absolute need and I am hopeful that subsistence homesteads can be established for them like those in West Virginia. These men are not enemies of labor and labor is not hostile to any effort which seeks to give them employment. Who can consistently support navy yards and arsenals and other government activities of like kind and fail to support the Senate amendment now before the House for consideration? It offers an opportunity of honest work to good citizens whose trade has been taken away from them and I hope will be favorably voted on by the House."

Opposes Masses

In the face of all this, Mr. Huddleston, who claims to be the friend of the coal miners and the working people in general, voted "NO," thus casting in his lot with the forces of greed and plunder that have during the past 12 years brought our nation and its people to the household of despair. Whatever Mr. Huddleston may have been in the past, he is no longer the friend of the masses and it can truly be said of him as it has been said of many like him in the past: "The Voice is Jacob's choice, but the hands are the hands of Esau."

BIRMINGHAM POST ENDORSES WALTER BROWER FOR CONGRESS IN THE FOLLOWING EDITORIAL



WALTER BROWER

Time for a Change

After 20 years of sending George Huddleston to congress from this district, the time is ripe for a change. Mr. Huddleston is out of step with the Roosevelt administration lacking in influence with his colleagues and impotent in protecting the interests of this district in the lower house. Our witness that Mr. Huddleston is out of step with President Roosevelt is Mr. Huddleston himself. Before the Birmingham Real Estate board last July, Mr. Huddleston said: "Many of the recovery acts of the Roosevelt administration are steps toward collectivism, for which we must pay the price. What we must keep in front of us is a return to our ancient trust in individualism." A speech to warm the cockles of the heart of Herbert Hoover but of no appeal to the men who have elected Mr. Huddleston to congress in the past.

The great majority of Mr. Huddleston's constituents do not regard the Roosevelt program as something to be cast aside at the earliest possible moment for a return to "rugged individualism" of the Hoover brand.

On the contrary they look upon the president's ideas concerning industrial control and a planned economy as permanently sound, and they should be represented in congress by a man who shares that view.

We cite the further fact that Mr. Huddleston voted against President Roosevelt on the measure to modify the gold standard, calling it "dishonest and amounting to a repudiation" of national obligations. We cite that he voted against the repeal amendment, which later carried by a two to one majority in his own district, and that he voted, in the Hoover administration, for a national sales tax, definitely against the Democratic concept of the proper approach to national taxation.

Although he has been in congress for two decades, Mr. Huddleston today is not chairman of a single one of the 47 house committees and is a member of only one. There is not another member of the lower house of as long a tenure who is not the chairman of some committee and a member of three or four others.

It is not in keeping with the policies of this newspaper to make a "pork barrel" plea for the Birmingham district, but everyone must recognize the necessity of being represented in Washington by a man who is able to obtain for this region its reasonable share of federal projects and federal offices.

Mr. Huddleston has failed abjectly in this connection. His own campaign literature cannot show one achievement in the past four years in this connection. When the veterans' hospital project was allotted to Alabama, it was generally thought to be assured for Birmingham, but Congressman Oliver took it out from under us and gave it to Tuscaloosa. As a final stab we lost also the Veterans' Bureau offices with 300 population and a heavy payroll.

With Mr. Huddleston's ineptitude—his conversion to ultra-conservatism—proved, it remains only to choose from the other three candidates the man to replace him. In our opinion Walter Brower dominates the field.

Mr. Brower is able, liberal, aggressive. His brilliant representation of the people in the rate fight which saved electric consumers in this district \$300,000 annually proves he is a man who puts principles above personal fortune.

His platform is comprehensive and progressive. He will bring to this district the honor and the emoluments which are its due.

To the laboring classes of this district, whose rights under the National Recovery Administration have been

The Dissertations of

Professor Doozlebotts

We have been greatly beset with candidates, campaign managers and voters asking whom, in our opinion, we consider the best candidates for the various offices. The Doozlers have reported that the country is still Democratic and so it behoves each and every individual to vote the straight ticket. However, had we been given the selection of candidates, we surely would not have selected so many lawyers. We would have preferred more successful business men. Be that as it may, the stream of cards, hand-bills, folders and other publicity material continues, so much so that our able secretaries are unable to cope with the avalanche which followed the recent selection made by the Great Big Political Organization. Neither the members nor the candidates themselves know how they stand and are continuously calling the office of the Doozle-orum to learn their status. We are very thankful that the end is near both for the candidates and all the Doozlers. But the governor's race is the one that is the most interesting. Each of the candidates for the office are making statements to the effect that he has already cornered the bulk of the votes. First we have Bibb Graves with his tremendous powerful organization whose followers claim that he is consistently forging ahead and already has sufficient votes pledged to assure him of election in the primary. Then we have the former Democratic Committeeman who claims to have all the votes in the northern counties and all of Mobile County tucked away in his vest pocket. It seems also that Washington is very much interested in the campaign of Judde McCord. And last but not least we have Major Dixon our own Birmingham who is said to have all the votes of Jefferson County and is making steady strides in garnering the votes of both the southern and northern counties. This city is strong for him, because he is a local man.

It is our belief that the Literary Digest should be called upon to take a straw vote of the possibilities of the race. Perhaps in the course of the next few days, state papers in the larger centers of population will try this system themselves. We even believe that the GLADIATORE might go in for something of that nature.

The next race of most interest is the one for County Commissioner. Here we have four candidates who are making the race very interesting. First of all we have Rad Batson who claims he has the county vote solidly in his favor but who is weak in the city. He states, however, that he will have sufficient votes in the county to elect him as the next commissioner. Then we have Bill Dickson the learned professor who is backed by the leading municipal county officers and in some cases taking steps of a questionable nature to assure his success. Then we have Doc McTyeire who will garner numerous votes from both city and county due to the divergence of opinion concerning the local candidates. And lastly we have Whetstone whose fight seems to be centered against Bill Dickson and who has been holding office at the court house for many years. At the present time he is receiving considerable support from the many friends, he has made during the years spent as a public official and reports say that he is getting more and more power as the race progresses.

There seem to be so many other important and not so important offices that are being contested but we regret that the Doozlers have not yet prepared the data necessary to enable us to present our views. We believe, however, that we still have enough time left in order to present our views of the other candidates before the Primary.

April showers bring May Flowers. We sincerely hope and trust that the flowers that May bring will be of the same nature as our Mayor of New York Fiorello, the little flower. But what is of paramount interest is the question of promises made by the candidates. We are keeping open our eagle eyes to see that we receive all those many things that were promised in return for our support. We live in hope.

trampled upon by certain reactionary employers, he will be a militant champion calling for full enforcement of the law.

Jefferson county can obtain the full benefits of the new deal only by electing a new dealer to congress. The man is Walter Brower.

(Pd. Pol. Adv. by W. Brower)

ITALIANI:

Tra i diversi candidati a Governatore emerge sopra a tutti per le sue alte qualita il popolare avvocato FRANK DIXON ex-maggiore nella guerra mondiale. Dotato di profondo cultura di un onesta incorruttibile e di un coraggio eccezionale egli e' l'uomo che oggi puo risolvere le assillanti questioni concernenti lo stato di Alabama, quello stato che da Dio dotato d'ogni benedizione e ricchezza, ora in pericolo di disastro economico per colpa di poco scrupolosi governanti.

Molto sperpero si e fatto dei fondi dei contribuenti con il risultato di tasse e tasse. Questo deve cessare. Uu riordinamento politico con sistemi nuovi, con i dee piu moderne adatte alla presente situazione e necessario. Persistere con dei vecchi sistemi adatti cento anni fa quando i bisogni erano diversi sarebbe semplicemente criminale. MR. FRANK DIXON benche giovanissimo ha studiato a fondo uomini e cose del nostro stato d'Alabama e' sara' per noi l'uomo della provvidenza se eletto. Ardente sostenitore del nostro Presidente Roosevelt egli ha un programma da svolgere nel nostro stato cosi complesso che merita l'appoggio d'ogni persona dabbene e' specialmente degli italiani sempre ad appoggiare chi ha forza lealta e coraggio.

Questo glorioso mutilato di guerra l'avvocato FRANK DIXON ha lasciato parte di se stesso nei campi insanguinati di Francia neutre combatteva per il trionfo della giustizia. Ora ha scelto un nuovo campo per combattere. Quello politico. Vi e' entrato con l'istesso entusiasmo e' coraggio dimostrano nella guerra mondiale. Per il trionfo dell'onesti per la chiarezza, per la produttiva per un square deal per tutti eleggiamolo.

Italiani, Connazionali:

Il programma dell'ex-maggiore FRANK DIXON, e esteso, preciso, Senza riandare alle ultima amministrazioni, a cio' che non e' stato fatto o a cio che e' stato fatto male la storia sarebbe lunga dolorosa. Ma tutto e stato analizzato dall'avvocato FRANK DIXON che ha esaminato coscienziosamente l'organismo dell'Alabama e' ne ha pronto il remedio per i mali che ci affliggono.

Connazionali:

Votiamo tutti per MR. FRANK DIXON, Noi italiani, sinceri ammiratori del coraggio, dell'onesta, della cultura non possiamo mancare all'appello votiamo tutti compatti:

FRANK DIXON, GOVERNATORE

(Pd. Pol. Adv. by Frank Dixon Campaign Committee)

Il Candidato Per Gli Italo-Americani PER COMMISSIONER

W H E T S T O N E ' S TWELVE POINT PROGRAM



L. A. WHETSTONE

Candidate for County Commissioner

Democratic Primary May 1, 1934

Whetstone ci assicura che se lui sara' eletto italiani saranno impiegati nel suo dipartimento.

(Pd. Pol. Adv. by L. A. Whetstone Italian-American Campaign Com.)

1. Consolidation of offices of Tax Assessor, Tax Collector, Treasurer, and License Commissioner into a Comptroller's department.
2. Elimination of the requirement for the annual assessment of property for taxation.
3. Adoption of thrift plan of tax payments.
4. Formulation of an intelligent highway program.
5. Institution of an effective budgetary control of County finance.
6. Creation of a centralized purchasing department.
7. Elimination of private use of county cars.
8. Installation of a sustained program of economy.
9. Election of all members of County Commission simultaneously.
10. Operation of Hillman Hospital for charity cases only at much less expense, through non-political control.
11. Restitution to the State of County convicts, giving our highway work to free labor at far less expense.
12. Retention on the Board of Review of an official thoroughly experienced in tax matters—one who has, through his years of service as assessor, proven himself sympathetic with the tax payer.

ITALIANI VOTATE PER JAMES A. SIMPSON Per State Senate

Il candidato che non tiene pregiudizio per la nazionalita' o religione

The voter of Jefferson County are fast becoming conscious of the fact that SIMPSON is the best qualified for STATE SENATE.

If you believe in sending men to the Legislature and Senate who are going there to represent the people of the County and not to get themselves a job. Vote for JAMES A. SIMPSON.

(Pd. Pol. Adv. by Simpson Italian Campaign Committee)

ITALO-AMERICAN VOTATE PER IL NOSTRO AMICO FORNEY W. BRANDON

Candidate for Deputy Clerk

(CIRCUIT COURT, CRIMINAL DIVISION)

You want trained man in office who have the education and experience that qualify them to do work efficiently and economically.

The Italians Vote and Support Appreciated

(Pd. Pol. Adv. by F. W. Brandon)

LEIGH M. CLARK
Candidate for Circuit
Judge No. 10

Honest government demands that the administration of justice be divorced from politics. A judge who studiously "plays to the galleries", and who uses his high office primarily as a vehicle to publicize his own professed righteousness with the single motive of perpetuating himself in office is a positive menace to the administration of justice.

I announce my candidacy for Circuit Judge of Jefferson County, tenth division, sincerely resolved that, if elected, considerations of personal popularity or notoriety will be without influence upon my decisions.

The consolidated court system now obtaining in this county contemplates that a judge should cheerfully cooperate with his associate judges whom the people have chosen. This is indispensable to the achievement of the most efficient and satisfactory functioning of the courts. A judge who has demonstrated that he is so constituted as to be always out of harmony with a program looking to the administration of the judicial system as a unit, a judge who is incapable of working in cooperation with others, a judge who is an inveterate nagger and faultfinder, is a misfit. I will do everything within my power to dispatch business speedily; and at the same time work in harmony with the other judges whom the people choose.

The spirit of fair play prevailing in America would condemn a judge for maneuvering in the clerk's office for the assignment to him of particular cases which may be easily and quickly tried, with a view of misleading the people into believing that he has dispatched more business than his associate judges who take cases just as they come. Never shall I do this; nor shall I ever be so destitute of moral courage as to jump out of a case which I have started, and attempt to "pass the buck" to my associates.

I faithfully promise always to be courteous and considerate of jurors, witness, litigants, and counsel, and others having business in the court. I will see that witnesses are always accorded proper respect. I will require the clerk and the bailiff to be courteous and accommodating to all who have business in the courts. A judge must always remember that the courts were created to serve the litigants, and not the litigants to serve the courts.

The competency of a trial judge cannot excel his record in the higher courts. The good people of this county will not permit a judge to hide his miserable record of reversed cases behind a smoke screen of self-praise, and fault finding of the system under which he operates. If my record in the Supreme Court should not prove to be at least above the average for other trial judges of the State, I will confess my incompetency and resign.

I promise to select as attaches of the court competent men. I will not place men in these positions every few weeks in order to build up for myself a corps of paid campaigners, political propagandists and literature distributors, and thus hazard justice at the expense of the taxpayers.

If the people see fit to choose me I give my word that I shall endeavor to the best of my ability and strength to be conscientious, studious, diligent, courteous, punctual and just; that I will not be swayed from the path of duty by public praise; that I will not use the office for the purpose of advancing personal ambitions or increasing my popularity, but at all times do my best to administer justice according to the truth and the law.

(Pd. Pol. Adv. by Leigh M. Clark)

**Jannazzo Making
Good In Gotham**

News from New York has it that Izzy Jannazzo, known as "Tiger" in Birmingham and Districts, is making good in the welterweight ring. The bright lights attracted Jannazzo two years ago when he left Birmingham, then a featherweight and an amateur.

A year ago Izzy turned toward the professional ranks and entered the welterweight class. At the present time he weighs 144½ pounds.

Entered against Joe Rossi this month at the Broadway Arena in Gotham, Jannazzo gained a draw by a brilliant finish and the crowd seemed pleased with the even-Stephen decision. He's another Alabama boys the fans in New York like.

**ANNIVERSARIES OF INVENTION OF TELEPHONE,
GRANT OF BASIC PATENT, OBSERVED IN MARCH**

**Third Month Sees Anniversaries
of Many Important Dates in
Development of Service**

The month of March is of peculiar historic importance in the development of the telephone industry. Within its 31 days fall the anniversaries of two of the most significant events in connection with the invention of the transmission of the voice by wire: the speaking of the first complete sentence ever transmitted clearly by electricity, and the granting of the fundamental telephone patent. Other dates in March have also marked milestones along the way to today's universal telephone service.

Inventor Born on March 3

The first of these March red-letter telephone days is March 3. On March 3, 1847, Alexander Graham Bell, inventor of the telephone, was born, at Edinburgh, Scotland. On March 3, 1876, his first telephone patent was allowed by the officials of the Patent Office at Washington. This patent was formally issued four days later, on March 7, 1876; it has been called the most valuable basic patent ever issued, and is now preserved in the American Telephone Historical Library, in New York.

There seems to have been a sentimental attachment in the mind of Bell between the allowance of his patent and the date of his birth, for many years after, while testifying in an important patent case, he fixed the date by saying "I remembered this from the fact that it was my birthday, and the allowance of my patent came as a sort of birthday present."

Organization of A. T. & T. Co.

It was also on March 3, in 1885, that there was filed in the office of the Secretary of State, Albany, New York, another document that takes high rank in the history of the development of telephone service in the United States. This was the certificate of incorporation of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, organized for the purpose of carrying on long distance service between the various local telephone companies which had been established throughout the country.

Bell's telephone patent was formally granted on March 7, 1876. On

the fiftieth anniversary of this date—March 7, 1926—the first public test of two-way transoceanic radio telephony between New York and London was held. Large groups of guests, including representatives of the press, were gathered at New York and London, and were given the opportunity of conversing with each other over the experimental radio circuit. Regular commercial radio telephone service between the two cities was inaugurated a little less than a year later.

First Sentence Spoken by Wire
Most dramatic of the historic dates which fall in this month is March 10, 1876. It was on that day that Bell, then a young teacher of the deaf in Boston, spoke over a telephone wire the first complete sentence of speech ever transmitted clearly by electricity. By means of various forms of telephones with which he had experimented during a period of nine months prior to that date, he had transmitted musical tones and occasional isolated words. But this was the first full sentence of speech ever spoken over a telephone wire.

Tradition says that Bell was at one end of the circuit while his young assistant, Thomas A. Watson, was at the other in another room, when Bell called out, "Mr. Watson, come here, I want you!" Watson, listening at the other end of the wire, distinctly heard Bell's words and rushed into the room to tell him so. At that moment the telephone, which up to then had been hardly more than a theory, demonstrated its possibilities as a practical means of communication.

A Contrast of 50 Years

March 27, 1884, marked the first conversation over a long distance telephone line between New York and Boston. That step was frankly an experiment, and as daring an experiment, in those days when the technical future of telephony was none too certain and funds for experimentation were limited, as was any of the more spectacular experiments undertaken by the Bell System in later years.

Sharply contrasted with the limited reach of this first long distance line is the far-reaching circuit which was put into service on March 30, 1933, just a year ago, when commercial telephone service was inaugurated between the United States and the Philippine Islands.

**Vote for
JIM BRADFORD
Candidate for Senate**



JIM BRADFORD

Made a good record in the Legislature.

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A fair representative for all the people.

(Pd. Pol. Adv. by Jim Bradford)

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for
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(Pd. Pol. Adv. by Frank B. Lemont)

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Candidate for Re-election

Circuit Judge No. 3

(Criminal Division)

JEFFERSON COUNTY

Subject to Action Democratic Primary
May 1, 1934

Your Vote and Influence Will Be
Appreciated



Judge Heflin's splendid record on the bench shows how well he is serving the people of Jefferson County as a Criminal Court Judge.

Should not fitness for the office be considered in voting for the candidate?

(Pd. Pol. Adv. by H. P. Heflin)

HERMAN J. DOWNEY

Candidate for

LEGISLATURE

FROM JEFFERSON COUNTY

Liberal Progressive

Subject to Action Democratic Primary
May 1st and June 12th, 1934.

Your Vote and Influence Appreciated

(Pd. Pol. Adv. by Herman Downey)

ITALIANI ELEGETE

C. D. (Doc) Carlisle

Candidato Per

STATE LEGISLATURE

Il candidato che merita il
voto. E il riconoscimento di
tutti gli italiani



(Pd. Pol. Adv. by J. D. Carlisle.)

**OUR TAXES
PLAY A VITAL PART
IN OPERATING
STATE GOVERNMENT**

NEARLY \$1,000,000 or about one-half of the \$2,000,000 tax bill of Alabama Power Company for 1933, went to the support of Alabama's public school system.

If all this \$2,000,000 tax bill had gone into the state treasury, it would have paid one-third of the \$5,939,000 expended for administering and operating the state government for the fiscal year ending September 30th, 1933. While Alabama Power Company, along with every citizen and business interest in the state, disapproves of wasteful public expenditures, it is nevertheless glad to do its part in helping to pay the necessary cost of government, to support the schools, to maintain the state judiciary system, to build and improve roads and streets, to maintain fire and police protection and all governmental functions which must be maintained if the state is to progress.

Every business enterprise should bear its fair share of taxation, including the business of electric distribution whether publicly or privately owned. Taxes lost to state, county and municipal schools, to streets and roads, and other essential governmental functions when municipal operation takes the place of private operation, must be made up by the remaining tax-paying citizens.

**—ALABAMA POWER—
COMPANY**

WHAT THE PRESS SAYS ABOUT JUDGE J. FRITZ THOMPSON

(Centerville Press)
Hon J. Fritz Thompson of Birmingham was recently appointed, by Governor B. M. Miller, as Circuit Judge of Jefferson County to fill out the



J. FRITZ THOMPSON

unexpired term of Judge Hail, which place made vacant by his death.

Mr. Thompson is a native of Bibb County, and resided at Centerville, where he was engaged in the practice of law. For several years he was Circuit Solicitor.

Mr. Thompson possesses a pleasing personality, and is known by high and low as "Fritz" He also is gifted with fine oratorical powers, which enables him to hold an audience interested from the beginning to the end of an address. To make a long story short, Fritz is as good as it is possible for any lawyer to be.

His friends are delighted at his appointment.

(The Birmingham Post, June 14, 1933.)

JUDGE J. FRITZ THOMPSON

In the person of Eugene Hawkins, Governor Miller gave Jefferson County a probate judge who was later to be overwhelmingly approved at the polls.

There is every reason to believe that his choice of Fritz Thompson to succeed the late Judge Joe C. Hail in the civil division of the circuit bench is equally fortunate.

It is quite fitting that a man of such recognized character and ability should have been selected as Judge Hail's successor.

(The Birmingham Age-Herald, June 14, 1933)

ADMIRABLE

Gov. Miller's appointment of J. Fritz Thompson to the Circuit judgeship made vacant by the death of Judge Hail is altogether admirable. Mr. Thompson is not only a very able lawyer, but he possesses the character and temperament which should make him a most satisfactory addition to the Jefferson County Bench. It is sincerely to be hoped that he will stand for election next year.

Lawyers of Mr. Thompson's standing and practice are frequently averse to assuming the judicial ermine, because that step involves too great a financial sacrifice. Yet men of this sort are the recruits by whom alone the prestige of our courts can be maintained. It is gratifying to this community that Gov. Miller was in a position to know Mr. Thompson's fitness and to prevail upon him to accept the designation.

E. M. CREEL Candidate for Circuit Judge No. 1 (CHANCERY COURT)



E. M. CREEL

1. Will put into effect reforms necessary to make the Chancery Court function efficiently.

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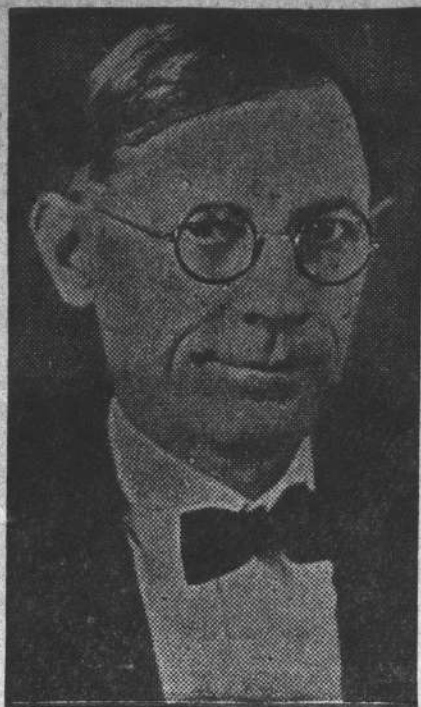
3. Will deal courteously with all alike without favoritism to any.

4. Creel is qualified, both as to legal ability and also as to judicial temperament.

5. He has no entangling business connections which disqualify him.

(Pd. Pol. Adv. by E. M. Creel)

GIUDICE ROGERS SNYDER



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(Paid Political Adv.)

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S. R. [Rad] Batson CANDIDATE FOR County Commissioner

A POLITICIAN or an EXPERIENCED ROAD BUILDER

That in a nutshell is what you will decide when you go to the polls on May 1st and vote for one of the four candidates for County Commissioner.

If you believe the best interests of this county will be served by continuing a politician in office, you cannot conscientiously vote for Batson.

If, however, you believe an experienced road builder is needed on the County Commission, Mr. Batson is the only candidate for whom you can conscientiously cast your vote.

Batson graduated in Civil Engineering, Auburn, 1908. He has had 20 years experience as a bridge builder and highway engineer. A number of the finest highways in the state were built under his supervision as Chief Engineer, State of Alabama, during 1928 '29, '30. He KNOWS the job!

* A politician or a trained road builder? Dr. R. P. McTyeire, a retired dentist, is just beginning his third term as Mayor of Bessemer. L. A. Whetstone has been on the county pay roll for twelve years. His present term as county tax assessor has two more years to run. The third candidate, W. E. Dickson, has been receiving salary checks from the City of Birmingham for 27 years. Do you want a new deal or just another politician?

(Pd. Pol. Adv. by Rad Batson Club)

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 4. A stabilized plan for issuance of teachers' certificates.
 5. Lower-priced textbooks.
 6. Full recognition of counties and cities.
 7. An economical Department of Education in Montgomery.
 8. Open doors at Department of Education to newspapers of Alabama.
 9. Adoption and application of the Educational Platform.
- FAVOREVOLE DI INTRODUCERE LA LINGUA ITALIANA NELLE SCUOLE DELLO STATO

(Pd. Pol. Adv. by O. S. Causey Italian-American Campaign Committee)



Il Perche' Gli Italiani Debbono Votare Per

Yelverton Cowherd

PER GIUDICE No. 8
(Jefferson County)

Uomo di carattere e di cuore. Attivo nell'interesse del lavoratore. Difensore del deboli e di onesta' indiscussa. Fervente Democratico.

(Pd. Pol. Adv. by Yelverton Cowherd)



YOUR VOTE AND SUPPORT WILL BE APPRECIATED BY

Russell C. Luquire

Candidate for
STATE LEGISLATURE

from Jefferson County

Subject to Democratic Primary Elections on
May 1 and June 12, 1934

—Paid Pol. Adv. by Russell C. Luquire, Birmingham, Ala.



ITALIANI VOTATE PER

Leigh M. Clark

CIRCUIT JUDGE No. 10
(Jefferson County)

Leigh M. Clark is equipped for the office by diligent study, training and experience.

He has engaged in the active practice of his profession for eleven years.

He has never before sought public office.

He asks a chance to make good as a public servant.

Compare his qualifications with the record of his opponent.

(Pd. Pol. Adv. by Leigh M. Clark, Massy Bldg.)

ITALIANI VOTATE PER RI-ELEGGERE IL NOSTRO AMICO



Geo. Lewis Bailes

Candidate for Re-Election
10th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SOLICITOR
OF ALABAMA

YOU WILL REMEMBER THE RULE LAID DOWN BY THOMAS JEFFERSON THAT WHEN DEMOCRATS GIVE A MAN ONE TERM IN AN OFFICE OF PUBLIC TRUST AND HE KEEPS THE FAITH WITH THE PEOPLE AND PROVES HIMSELF AN HONEST WORKMAN HE IS ENTITLED TO THEIR VOTE FOR A SECOND TERM.

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"Equal and exact justice to all men of whatever state or persuasion—Not a man or woman who can show that any breath of scandal has ever touched an official act of Geo. Lewis Bailes.

(Pd. Pol. Adv. by Jack Stewart)

ITALIANI VOTATE PER

Harry E. Smith

CANDIDATE FOR
SHERIFF
OF JEFFERSON COUNTY

Subject to action of Democratic Primary

May 1st and June 12th, 1934



HARRY E. SMITH

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(Paid Pol. Adv. by Harry E. Smith, B'ham, Ala.)