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Notice to Taxpayers

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these minutes testified that he left the valuation of Beyer's assessment at $22.50 per acre, and that he did not change it to $20.00 yet in these same minutes, even by a superficial examination, there actually appears some seventy or eighty glaring and distinct erasures and changes in various assessments, all of which Mr. Henry Hastedt thought he had made himself, with the exception of the changes made in the assessment of Henry Buescher, Sr., R. H. Beyer, and Mr. Blinka, and he admitted making a part of the change made in the Beyer assessment, but not all, and while he denied making a change in the Buescher assessment, yet it was shown by the testimony of J. J. Brod, to whom the commissioners' court left the matter of adjusting Buescher's assessment that the change as now shown in the minutes was unquestionably the correct valuation as placed thereon by him, and agreed to by Henry Buescher, and approved by the court. I mention this last fact merely to show that while Mr. Henry Hastedt was no doubt firm in his belief and honest in his assertion that he had not made the change, yet if he was mistaken in the one, it is possible that he might be mistaken in the other.

As a further circumstance to connect me with making this change, the State felt that it had gained a great point in showing that I had the minutes of the board of equalization at my home after they had adjourned in making up my tax rolls. It is indeed surprising that our efficient district attorney would attempt to make a mountain out of a mole hill, for does he not know that the statutes of the State of Texas require, and it makes it the duty of the commissioners' court after they have adjourned as the board of equalization to deliver to me as tax assessor this book and all other papers relating to any changes in the assessed valuation of property in this county in order that I may therefrom compile the tax rolls in accordance with the changes made. I do not speak iladvisedly as to this, for I have read the law time and time again, and I refer those of an inquiring mind to articles 5120-26 revised civil statutes of the State of Texas in substantiation of this assertion. It was shown from the testimony that after this book had been returned to the county clerk's office where it belonged, and this was about June the 21st, 1912, that it remained open to the public as a public record, and strange to relate the alleged change in Beyer's assessment was not discovered until a short time before the grand jury that found the indictment convened, and this discovery was made by my bitterest enemy in Colorado county, both personal and political, Mr. W. H. Fehrenkamp, who immediately pointed out this change to Mr. John Hsstedt and Fehrenkamp's clerk, Henry Buescher, Jr. And Mr. Henry Buescher, Jr., by the way, for some reason unknown to me became exceedingly interested in the prosecution and its ultimate result as shown by his testimony when as a witness on the stand he admitted, after the indictment against me was found, having put in a call to the attorney general of the State of Texas, as deputy tax collector and subsequently talked to the attorney general, in which conversation he admitted asking for an opinion from that department as to whether or not this indictment would be found sufficient grounds for my immediate removal from office. It seems that the attorney general at that time refrained from giving an opinion over the telephone and by a singular coincidence the inquiry of Mr. Buescher was answered but directed through a mistake, undoubtedly, to Judge J. J. Mansfield, which letter was as follows: "Hon. J. J. Mansfield, County Judge of Colorado County, Texas. Dear Sir: In reply to your phone call regarding vacating the assessor of your county from office for the reason of the bill of indictment found against him by a recent grand jury, I refer you to article 11, Penal Code (from memory) which plainly says that a mere fact of a grand jury finding a bill does not signify his guilt. He must be declared so by a jury and a punishment assessed against him." When Judge Mansfield received this letter, knowing that he had not telephoned to the attorney general, he at once began an inquiry as to who had used his name in so telephoning, and he then went before the grand jury, which was then in session, with the result that it was discovered that deputy tax collector Buescher had put in the call, but not in Judge Mansfield's name. I mention these facts in order to show that there was undoubtedly a conspiracy on foot among my political enemies to oust me from office by resorting to every possible means at their command. It was undoubtedly evident to them that they could not defeat me by fair means in a clean campaign before the voters of this county, so they resort to the despicable method as shown by the facts developed upon the trial.

After the evidence was introduced upon the trial of my case the district attorney undoubtedly came to the same conclusion that all fair minded and impartial men who heard the testimony would necessarily arrive at for he immediately indicated to the court that he was fully convinced that there was no evidence in the case to warrant a conviction, and he then asked the court to instruct the jury to return a verdict of not guily. The district attorney himself wrote the verdict and handed it to the jury, when one member thereof, acting as foreman, signed the same without leaving the box, and delivered it to the clerk of the court.

The district attorney after this told me, and he has told others, that he regretted this matter came up as it did and that had he known the true facts as he knows them now there never would have been an indictment found against me.

As a rule an indictment against a public official for misconduct in office, or as to that matter even a charge preferred against him is calculated to injure such officials greatly before the public, and I feel that this has been the result of this indictment against me, even though I have shown conclusively by unimpeachable testimony that there was no truth in any of the charges preferred.

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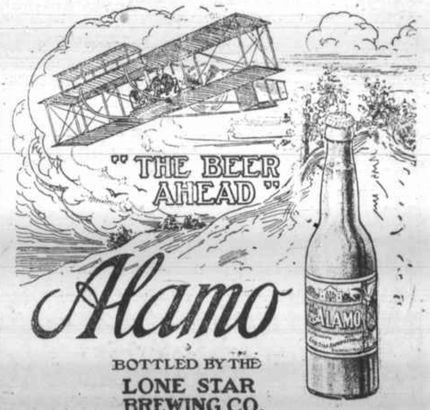

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Eagle Lake, Texas.

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I am glad to know that a majority of the grand jurors were my friends, and would not have intentionally done me an injury, and would not have found the indictment had they not been misled, or had they known the truth of the entire transaction as disclosed by the testimony upon the trial.

I have no apology to make to any one for any official act of mine during my twelve years as tax assessor of this county. If I have made mistakes, and I suppose I have, they were mistakes of the head and not the heart. I have been conscientious in each and every official act of mine, and I have followed the law as to the duties of my office as I understand it, and with the continued support of the good people of this county I shall continue to be faithful to the trust they have imposed upon me, and I assure them I shall continue to hue to the line, let the chips fall where they may. I am well aware of the fact that I have in no slight degree troubled many of the big stock men who have had the whole country full of cattle, and only assessing about one-tenth of what they actually have, and likewise with the big money lenders who have sat back in former years paying little or no taxes at all except possibly on a little home, and some not even that, while at the same time having thousands of dollars loaned out drawing a nice rate of interest and yet not paying their part toward running the government, except with hot air, yet giving advice how the county finances should be handled, and enjoying the pleasures and benefits thereof equally with those who are honest with their assessments, and the land owners, more especially the small farmers and renters, who pay approximately on one hundred per cent on what they actually own. But in the face of all these obsticales, and as hard as they may be to surmount, and as unpleasant as they naturally are, connected with this little bunch of persecutors political and personal enemies, I expect to keep up the same course in the future as I have tried to do in the past in treating friend and foe alike in the assessing of property in this county as long as I am tax assessor.

Respectfully,
HENRY J. LAAS,
Tax Assessor, Colorado Co., Tex.

A petition has been filed with the Texas railroad commission by the wholesale produce dealers of Texas and the Retail Merchants' Association of Texas, asking that the railroads discontinue allowing their frieght car to be used and occupied as salesrooms for selling and peddling vegetables, produce and fruit therefrom. This practice has certainly been worked over time here in Eagle Lake. This paper has always contended against it, that it was an injustice to our local merchants who live here, pay taxes and licenses to do business, but it seems that the fruit peddlers had the privilege to sell on railroad property, and there was no way to stop it, but it is hoped now that our firms will at last be relieved of this unjust competition.

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