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Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution Providing All State, District, County and Precinct Officers Within This State Shall Be Compensated by the Payment of a Fixed Salary.

(H. J. R. No. 8) A Joint Resolution

Of the Legislature of the State of Texas, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State by adding to Article 16 thereof a new section, to be known as Section 58, providing for the tenure and compensation of public officials.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. That there be added to Article 16 of the Constitution of the State of Texas a new section, to be known as Section 58, which shall read as follows:

Section 58. All State, district, county and precinct officers within the State of Texas shall hereinafter be compensated by the payment of a salary to be fixed or provided for by the Legislature.

SEC. 2. The Governor of the State will, as directed by the Constitution, make publication of this proposed amendment in the manner and for the time as required by the Constitution, the amendment to be voted upon by the qualified electors for members of the Legislature of this State at the general election to be held for State officers on July 19, 1913, the returns of which shall, as provided for in the Constitution, be made to the Secretary of State, the result ascertained and proclamation made as provided for in Section 1, Article 17, of the Constitution. There shall be written or printed on the ballots to be used at such election "for the adoption of Section 58, Article 16, as an amendment to the Constitution, providing a salary compensation for certain officers and fixing term of office at four years;" and also "against the adoption of Section 58, Article 16, as an amendment to the Constitution for certain officers and fixing their term of office at four years;" and those favoring the adoption of said amendment shall erase the language "against the adoption of Section 58, Article 16, as an amendment to the Constitution, providing a salary compensation for certain officers and fixing their term of office at four years," by running a pencil or pen through the same, and those opposing the adoption of said amendment shall erase the language "for the adoption of Section 58, Article 16, as an amendment to the Constitution, providing a salary compensation for certain officers and fixing their term of office at four years," by running a pencil or pen through the same.

SEC. 3. The sum of five thousand ($5,000) dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated to pay the expenses of carrying out the provisions of this resolution.

JOHN L. WORTHAM,
Secretary of State.

(A true copy.)

Mr. and Mrs. Hayes Stephens, Miss Edith Hanly and Bruce McCarty, in Mr. Stephen's Reo car, were visitors to Lissie Friday night to attend the play, "Those Terrible Twins," put on by local talent of Garwood for the Lissie hall fund.

Saturday's daily papers, in a special from Halletsville, give out the information that E. R. Meitzen, editor of the Halletsville New Era, will be a candidate for the Senate in this the Eighteenth District. Mr. Meitzen is a Socialist.

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One time an English journalist was visiting in Washington. He had the proverbial British obtuseness when it came to getting the point of a joke, and the newspaper men at the capital had a good deal of fun at his expense. But he was a good fellow and when he was leaving the boys gave him a dinner.

When the time for the speeches arrived the toastmaster spoke of the pleasure the Englishman's visit had given all pressnt and the regret that all felt at his departure. In conclusion he said—without a twinkle of the eye—

"And now, it becomes my duty to see "that you do not leave us without something to remember us by. In behalf of the Press Club, I now present you with this ring."

Then, leaning across the table, he struck a silver gong—that had been left between him and the latter. Everybody laughed but the latter. To everybody's surprise, he arose in his place, picked up the bell, admired it, and put it in his pocket. Then he cleared his throat, and there was silence for his speech:

"Ah—er—gentlemen, I thank you for this charming—ah—gift. I am not a public speaker, and so I'm a bit embarrassed. But—hah—ha! I know why you all laugh. Your ah—ah—chairman was just as embarrassed as I am. He gave me this pretty bell, you know—and he got confused and said it was a ring, by Jove! I must tell that when I get home!"

Indian Runner Ducks and Dominecker Hens.

If the Indian Runner duck lives up to the advance notices and doesn't go the Belgian hare to it should easily solve the egg problem and take a Saturday half-holiday besides. If we have not misinterpreted the poultry catalogue literature which we have been striving to master, the Indian Runner duck has no mission in life except to lay and it stays on the job the year round, laying one egg a day throughout the calendar year. If Robinson Crueso had possessed an Indian Runner duck when he got marooned on the island he could have kept accurate tab on the passage of time by counting his duck eggs over occasionally. While we have no disposition to discredit the Indian Runner duck egg statistics, we shall not become excited and go daffy over this strange, new bird. The Van Zandt dominecker hen hasn't gone any where yet, and all must concede that she is some egg producer herself. More than that she can out-cackle any Indian Runner duck that ever saw the moon and sing it to shame besides.—Grand Saline Journal.

Too Garrulous for Him

Two elderly chess fanatics were absorbed in a game. Both were experts and rigid followers of all the rules of the game, written and otherwise. For nearly five hours neither had spoken a word. Backward and forward, moving and countermoving, the game swung, with no perceptible advantage to either player. Finally one of the old fellows made a fatal break. Quick as a flash his opponent moved his knight into position and softly murmured, "Check!"

The other player, making no effort to conceal his displeasure, rose from the game.

"What's the matter?" demanded his friend. "Going to quit?"

"I certainly am. I'll be darned if I can play chess with a darned old chatterbox!"

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Unchanged by Time

They had parted years ago. Now as the deepening shadows of Scotland's twilight they met again.

"Here be the old stile, Annie," he said.

"Ay; and be our initials that you carved, John," she replied.

The ensuing silence was only broken by the buzzing of an aviator overhead.

Honey-laden memories thrilled through the twilight and flushed their glowing cheeks.

"Ah, Annie," exclaimed John, suddenly seizing her fair, slim hand, "ye're just as beautiful as ye ever were, an' I hae never forgotten ye, my bonnie lass!"

"And ye, John," she cried, while her blue eyes moistened tremulously, "are jist as big a liear as ever, an' I believe ye jist the same!"

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Proposed Amendment to the Constitution of this State Authorizing the Issuance of Bonds for Improvement Districts, and also for the Operation of Public Warehouses for Storing, Handling, Classing, Measuring, Weighing, Elevating and Loading Agricultural Products.

(S. J. R. No. 4.) Joint Resolution.

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Section 52, of Article 3, of the Constitution of this State.

SECTION 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas, that Section 52 of Article 3, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

Section 52. The Legislature shall have no power to authorize any county, city, town or other political corporation or subdivision of the State, to lend its credit or to grant public money or thing of value in aid of, or to any individual, association or corporation whatsoever, or to become a stockholder in such corporation, association or company, provided, however, that under legislative provision any county, any political subdivision of a county, any number of adjoining counties, or any political subdivision of the State, or any defined district now or hereafter to be described and defined within the State of Texas, and which may or may not include towns, villages, or municipal corporations, upon a vote of a majority of the resident taxpayers voting thereon, who are qualified electors of such district or territory to be affected thereby, in addition to all other debts may issue bonds or otherwise lend its credit in any way not to exceed one-fourth of the assessed valuation of the real property of such district or territory, except that the total bonded indebtedness of any city or town shall never exceed the limits imposed by other provisions of this Constitution, and levy and collect taxes to pay the interest thereon, and provide a sinking fund for the redemption thereof, as the Legislature may authorize, and in such manner as it may authorize the same, for the following purposes, to wit:

(a) The improvement of rivers, creeks and streams to prevent overflows, and to permit of navigation thereon, or irrigation thereof, or in aid of such purposes.

(b) The construction and maintenance of pools, lakes, reservoirs, dams, canals and waterways for the purpose of irrigation or in aid thereof.

(c) The construction, maintenance and operation of macadamized, graveled or paved roads and turnpikes, or in aid thereof.

(d) The construction, maintenance and operation of public warehouses for storing, handling, classing, measuring, weighing, elevating and loading agricultural products. Provided the Legislature may establish such means and agencies as may be necessary for accomplishing the purpose of this amendment and if a State warehouse commission be provided for, their term of office shall be fixed by the Legislature.

SEC. 2. The Governor is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for submitting this amendment to the Constitution to the qualified electors of the State of Texas on the third Saturday in July, same being the 19th day of said month, and the amendments proposed to Section 52 of Article 3, as above indicated, shall be voted upon separately.

Those favoring the amendment to authorize road or other public improvements by a majority vote, shall have written or printed on their ballot: For amendment to authorize road and other public improvements by a vote of a majority, and those opposed to said amendment shall have written or printed on their ballot: Against amendment to authorize road and other public improvements by a vote of a majority.

Those favoring the issue of bonds for the construction of public warehouses shall have written or printed on their ballot: For the amendment authorizing the issuance of bonds for the construction of public warehouses for agricultural products. Those voting against the amendment shall have written or printed on their ballot: Against the amendment authorizing the issuance of bonds for the construction of public warehouses for agricultural products.

SEC. 3. The sum of five thousand ($5,000) dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the Treasury of the State of Texas, not otherwise appropriated, to pay the expenses of such publication, proclamation and election.

JOHN L. WORTHAM,
Secretary of State.

(A true copy.)

Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution Prescribing Qualifications for District Judges of this State and Prescribing their Tenure of Office.

(S. J. R. No. 10) A Joint Resolution.

Amending Section 7, Article 5, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to the creation and formation of judicial districts, the terms of compensation and qualification of the judges of the district courts, and the times of holding court.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. That Section 7, Article 5, be amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

Section 7. The State shall be divided into as many judicial districts as may now or hereafter be provided by law, which may be increased or diminished by law. For each district there shall be elected by the qualified voters thereof, at a general election, one or more judges, each of whom shall be a citizen of the United States and of this State, who shall have been a practicing lawyer of this State, or a judge of a court in this State for six years next preceding his election; who shall have resided in the district in which he was elected for two years next preceding his election; who shall reside in his district during his term of office; who shall hold his office for a period of four years, and shall receive for his services an annual salary of three thousand dollars, until otherwise changed by law. Court shall be held by a district judge at the county seat in each of the several counties at such times and in such manner as may be prescribed by law. The Legislature shall provide for the holding of the district court when the judge thereof is absent, disabled or disqualified from acting. The district judges who may be in office when this amendment takes effect shall hold their offices until their respective terms shall expire under their present election or appointment.

SEC. 2. The Governor of the State of Texas is hereby directed to issue necessary proclamation for the submission of this amendment to the qualified voters of the State of Texas at an election to be held on the 19th day of July, 1913, at which election all voters favoring this amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words: "For the amendment of Section 7, Article 5, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to district judges and to district courts," and all voters opposed to said amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words: Against the amendment of Section 7, Article 5, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to district judges and district courts."

SEC. 3. The sum of five thousand dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby appropriated to pay expenses for carrying out the provisions of this resolution.

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Mr. John F. McClanahan spent Sunday and Monday with Mrs. McClanahan who is making an extended visit to her former home in Ky.

Dr. and Mrs. G. M. Abney of San Antonio are spending the week in the city with their son, G. R. Abney, and wife.

Mrs. Albert Pennington and children of San Antonio visited her mother, Mrs. T. J. Roberts, this week.

Mr. Louis Bonner of Rusk was the guest of his brother, Mr. George Bonner, this week.

Mrs. G. E. Boothe left Tuesday for a visit to her former home in Uvalde.

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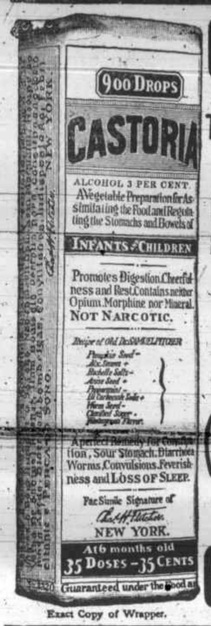

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