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Reply to an Open Letter from Senator Clark Asking for Joint Debate with C. J. von Rosenberg.

Hon. I. E. Clark.

State Senator 18th District, Schulenburg, Texas.

Dear Sir:—I have your challenge for joint debates, through press; your action however in opening this campaign by personal attacks on me, at Cat Spring and Schulenburg, for which you in your challenge have failed to apologize, either to me or to the intelligent voters of the Eighteenth District, whom you as their Senator have disgraced, makes it impossible for me to accept.

Furthermore, although you have announced for re-election fully six weeks ago, the public has, so far, no utterance from you on the issue. You are now so anxious to get going, that you are not waiting for the voters to get going.

I note with interest and chat after you, by the way, here recently, you talk of dealing with me through a representative: is this because I have ventured to contest your seat in the next Senate? Is this then in your opinion a personal and not a political matter? If you take it as personal, I have greatly misjudged you.

I believe it below the dignity of a gentleman to reply to your Cat Spring and Schulenburg speeches, but wish to deny your statement that I accused you of assisting in the defense of a certain colored criminal, and in explanation of this matter I will state that I heard this and in conversation with a certain citizen of

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Platonia, I asked whether or not this was true. I was informed later that it was not; this is all there is to this.

Now it appears to me that the issues you wish to discuss with me, are, whether or not, you and your lieutenants can by personal attacks and socialistic speeches, sufficiently muddy the waters in order to keep the voters from seeing the main issue and thus get enough voters to land the nomination for you.

No, I will positively not discuss socialistic and personal issues; any attempt on your part to force me into so doing will be futile.

The voters of the Eighteenth Senatorial District are fully able to judge between us without public debate, neither of us are strangers to them. Had I no faith in their judgement I would not have yielded to the pressure brought on me to become a candidate against such an experienced politician as the Senator of this District. Your socialistic platform as outlined at Cat Spring and Schulenburg will be a surprise to the voters.

Yours truly,

C. J. VON ROSENBERG.

LaGrange, Texas, June 17, 1914.

(From The Galveston Daily News, of June 16th.) Fort Worth, Texas, June 15th, 1914.—W. D. Lewis, president, and Peter Radford, ex-president, of the Farmer's Union, have sent out a list of candidates for the state senate whom they considered most friendly to the interests of the farmer.

They promise to issue later a list of candidates for the house of representatives similarly appraised.

The list for the senate cover the seventeen districts in which elections will be held and is as follows:

District No. 1, R. F. Borough, Texarkana, Texas; No. 6, A. D. Wood, Dallas, Texas; No. 7, D. R. Reed, Tyler, Texas; No. 8, Robert Key, Marshall, Texas; No. 9, T. B. Jones, Athens, Texas; No. 11, Steve King, Nacogdoches, Texas; No. 17, W. L. Hall, Wharton, Texas; No. 18, C. J. von Rosenberg, LaGrange, Texas; No. 19, Paul Page, Bastrop, Texas; No. 21, James A. Harley, Seguin, Texas; No. 22, J. N. Bailey, Cuero, Texas; No. 23, W. R. Perkins, Alice, Texas; Archie Parr, Benavides; No. 24, Carlos Bee, San Antonio, Texas; No. 25, Claude Hudspeth, El Paso, Tex.; No. 27, Hugh Harris, Temple, Texas; No. 29, Richard Coker, Jr., Wellington, Tex.; No. 30, Jno. Buskin, Fort Worth, Texas.

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The Express is authorized to announce C. J. von Rosenberg of LaGrange as a candidate for the office of State Senator for the 18th senatorial district, subject to the action of the democratic primaries. He solicits your vote and support.

For Representative from the 1st District, comprising Austin and Colorado counties:

JOS. V. FRNKA
(of Columbus.)
HERMAN J. MILLER
(of Bellville.)

WHARTON COUNTY.

The Express is authorized to announce J. M. Kopecky of Taiton as a candidate for commissioner of precinct No. 3, Wharton county, subject to action of White Man's Union Association Primary, July 25th, 1914.

Two Children Shot by Maniac Pass Through Here.

(Fort Worth Star Telegram.)

A. C. McClanahan, an Eagle Lake lumber man, with his family, including two children, who were wounded twice by a maniac as they were touring through Brazos county Friday, arrived in Fort Worth Sunday in their car, en route to Colorado. On this tour they are accompanied by G. A. Stoermer, a miller of Eagle Lake, and his family, in another car.

The two cars had just left Wellborn when they encountered the man. The Stoermer car was in the lead. The man, on the side of the road, leveled his gun at the Stoermer car, but he saw the

other one behind it and waited for it. The car bearing the McClanahan family had gotten past him by fifty feet when he fired. The first load of shot wounded Frances, a 11-year old girl, and Claire, 9, a boy—both children of McClanahan, but the second lodged in the baggage on the rear of the car. The boy received a shot between the eyes. The girl was wounded about the body and arms.

The automobiles hurried to College Station, where the shot were cut out. The wounds were not serious. Mrs. McClanahan and her baby were seated in the rear of the car, but were unhurt. At Bryan the tourists learned that the maniac had been arrested and jailed. He has since been transferred to the Bryan jail.

The McClanahan and Stoermer families resumed their tour to Colorado from Fort Worth to Exchange, Weatherford street, Monday at noon. They expect to be gone ninety days.

McClanahan is keeping a record of every detail of road experience and expenses during the trip for the benefit of his friends who wish to duplicate the trip. The cars are following the route used by the Colorado sociability run.

Couple Married at Minister's Home.

Mr. Edward C. Wallace of Washington county and Miss Robbie A. Rogers of Eldridge were married in this city at the home of the Methodist pastor at half past one o'clock Wednesday afternoon, Rev. Mr. Pyle officiating. The groom is a prominent young citizen of Washington county, and the bride, with her family, has lived at Eldridge since last fall. Mr. and Mrs. Wallace left on the afternoon Southern Pacific for a honeymoon trip to San Antonio, after which they will go to Washington county where they will make their home.—Eagle Lake Headlight.

Raft in the Colorado River

Hon. John Sutherland, mayor of Bay City is sending out a communication to the Mayor of Wharton and Eagle Lake, and to Judge Mansfield, suggesting that steps be taken at once to devise a way of removing the raft in Colorado river, which has become a menace to Bay City and, in time will prove the same to Wharton, Eagle Lake and Columbus. This raft started at the mouth of the Colorado river many years ago and is now several miles above Bay City. According to Mr. Sutherland it extends from two to four miles further up the river each year, and in the course of time it will prove a great menace to the farming interests of Colorado county. Mayor Sutherland has been requested to call a meeting at Eagle Lake or Wharton for the purpose of discussing ways and means. It is to be hoped the effort will prove successful.—Columbus Citizen.

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