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BEN LANEY



The Only Farmer, Business Man for **GOVERNOR**

126-128 WEST MARKHAM

LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

July 5, 1944

H. M. M.
Mrs. Miriam Feathers
Fayetteville, Ark.

Dear Madame:

I became convinced after making a survey in a majority of counties of the State that the electorate of Arkansas believes the investment of sound business principles into the operation of state affairs without too much concern as to political advancement will be for the best interest of the people of Arkansas. The impressions which I gained during my contacts with the people prompted me to qualify as a candidate for Governor, and I am writing this letter in order to give you some light on my background and candidacy.

For the past twenty-five years I have been engaged in farming, cotton ginning, real estate dealings and other business enterprises, and I am happy to state that in most instances I have been successful.

I came up the hard way as a plow boy, worked my way through college, taught school and purchased a farm. I have been both a laborer and an employer, and I feel that my varied experience qualifies me to represent each group with fairness.

However, I fully realize that if the objectives which we seek are to be attained and we are to have a business administration, it will be necessary for me to secure the support of representative people. Therefore I am writing you in the hope that I can count upon your help in the coming campaign. I welcome thorough investigation of my past life as a business man, church man and citizen and hope you will take the trouble to make inquiries among the people of Ouachita County where I was born and where I have lived throughout my life.

Very sincerely,

Ben Laney

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