

WORKS LETTER TO HIS PEOPLE

Nominee for U. S. Senator Expresses Appreciation to Voters of California

STATEMENT IS MODEST ONE

Declares Victory Not Due to Personality but to Party Principles

Judge John D. Works of Los Angeles, the Republican nominee for United States senator, yesterday issued a letter "to the people of California," expressing his appreciation of the efforts made by the good government Republicans of the state to secure for him the party's nomination.

Judge Works did a great deal to aid Hiram W. Johnson in his strenuous campaign against the Southern Pacific political machine, and although not a "grandstand" orator or a pyrotechnical politician, his quiet, earnest and conscientious labors won for him thousands of new friends.

His letter to the public reviews this work in a rather self-deprecating manner and it will be seen he takes no credit to himself for the remarkable victory scored by the Lincoln-Roosevelt league; but those who know the nature of his campaign know that he did a great deal to insure the success of the faction.

Judge Works' letter is as follows: To the people of the state of California:

I desire to express my gratitude to the people of the state for the support they gave me at the primary election. I take it as an evidence that the Republican voters of California believe in the principles of good government and not as a tribute to me personally. I feel this the more because I have not made this personal campaign, but a fight for the principles which the progressive Republicans stand and the emancipation of the party and the people from the domination and control. I made no plea for myself on the stump.

SOLICITS NO SUPPORT

I have not solicited any man's vote for myself or the support of any newspaper. I have issued no cards or circulars, and I have not adorned any billboard or fence or other place with my picture, and have not advertised myself or candidacy in any newspaper, magazine or other publication. I am glad to say that all the support I have received from the newspapers or from any other source has been wholly unsolicited and without remuneration of any kind. I have had the earnest, sincere, disinterested and unselfish support of the leading dailies, notably the Los Angeles Express, Fresno Republican and San Francisco Bulletin. I also received the support of the Los Angeles Herald, which, though a Democratic paper, has treated me with the most kindly consideration. I feel particularly grateful to the country newspapers throughout the state that have stood so loyally for me and the principles of good government.

It has been asserted that a campaign before the people for United States senator could not be made for less than \$50,000. This would bar any man who is not a millionaire or not supported by the "interests." I have in fact made my campaign in most of the counties of the state and all for less than \$1000, by containing expenditures to legitimate and necessary expenses, thus demonstrating the fact that an American citizen does not have to be a millionaire to represent his constituents in the United States senate. I have had the support of the Lincoln-Roosevelt Republican league organization only incidentally and in connection with the general ticket.

MAKES IMPERSONAL FIGHT

Naturally the active fight was made for Hiram W. Johnson, the candidate for governor. He made a brave, independent, and manly fight for the cause himself and was richly deserving of all the help and support that was given him. The party and the whole state are to be congratulated that he was nominated. I was not possessed of his powers of oratory or his magnetic personality, but in my campaign I could make only a plain and simple presentation of the issue involved, the evils to be overcome, and the means of overcoming them, and make my appeal to the voters to support and maintain the principles for which we were contending. I have tried throughout the campaign to make it impersonal and on principle. I have neither expected nor received any financial help of any kind from any source, while one of my competitors is himself a millionaire and had the powerful support of the political machine backed by the Southern Pacific Railroad company. I have contributed to the campaign fund of any candidate for the legislature or put him under any obligation to me in any way or sense.

I am the more gratified at the result and the generous support I received from the people, because the campaign, on my part, was made solely on principle and without the surrender of my convictions or the concealment of my views, and the vote I received was for those principles and not for me personally. I am particularly grateful to the people of my own city and county for the splendid support they gave me. It was an expression of their continued confidence that is deeply appreciated.

JOHN D. WORKS.

MEXICAN GOVERNMENT GIVES R. R. CONCESSION

CHIHUAHUA, Aug. 19.—The contract between the government and the Chihuahua railroad company for the construction of a road from Mesquite to this city has been published. According to the concession the road will be finished by December 31, 1912. It will be 250 kilometers long and will run across the states of Coahuila and Chihuahua. The government will give the company a subvention of \$400,000 to be paid in bonds with a guaranteed interest of 5 per cent. Federal and state troops and officials on state business will be carried by the road free of charge.

ATTEMPTS SUICIDE WHEN WIFE REFUSES TO RETURN

Plunges Knife Into Breast in a Frenzy of Grief

Because his wife refused to return to their desert ranch and live with him, but insisted on staying here, Charles Temple, a rancher from the San Fernando valley, attempted to end his life yesterday morning by stabbing himself in the left breast above the heart. The knife blade struck a rib and was deflected, otherwise he would have succeeded in killing himself. He will recover.

Temple came to Los Angeles from this city, where he had been working, Tuesday, to persuade his wife to return to him. Yesterday morning he went to 3720 Borel street, where he found the woman and his four children. Temple pleaded with her to return but in vain. He then asked permission to kiss the children before leaving. This was granted and he kissed the youngest, then plunged his pocket knife into his breast.

The police ambulance was hurried to the scene and Temple taken to the receiving hospital and his wound dressed.

In the hospital Temple explained that the scene which had taken place in grief, when, as he kissed his child, he realized that his family was being broken up and his children taken from him. He expressed himself as being very sorry that he attempted his life.

Temple charges that O. L. Friel, who is living at 3720 Borel street, is responsible for his wife coming from Bakersfield to Los Angeles and for her refusal to return home with him.

BROWNE JURY CHOSEN; TRIAL BEGINS MONDAY

Seven Hundred Men Examined in Order to Get Twelve to Try Case

CHICAGO, Aug. 19.—A jury to try Lee O'Neil Browne, Democratic leader of the lower house at Springfield for the second time on a charge of bribing representatives to vote for William Lorimer for United States senator, was sworn in today by Judge Kersten in the criminal court.

The sensational expose of alleged rotteness in the state legislature and the first trial itself, which resulted in a disagreement, made the work of securing a new jury tedious. It has required three weeks and the examination of 700 veniremen to secure the twelve men. Out of the army of veniremen 115 were dismissed by the court when they admitted that investigators had talked about the case to members of their families.

The personnel of the jury—Thomas J. Hanlon, aged 45, sales manager; W. Garnett Hegen, aged 30, engineer; John J. Leng, aged 30, street car conductor; Grant McCutcheon, aged 38, employe of an express company; Otto Kosch, aged 25, stenographer; Arthur J. Shallbetter, aged 40, locomotive engineer; Alexander J. Skinner, aged 40, clerk; Owen J. Williams, aged 35, clerk; Albert R. Peters, aged 40, sail maker; Hugo H. Kuhl, aged 26, credit clerk; George H. Foss, aged 23, shipping clerk; Michael N. Elentz, aged 23, clerk.

LOYAL LEGION ATTENDS W. G. HALSTEAD FUNERAL

Funeral services were held over the body of W. G. Halstead yesterday afternoon at the chapel of Orr & Edwards, 2117 Broadway, by the Rev. Major and burial was in Evergreen cemetery. The pall bearers were George H. Bixby, Judge J. D. Bicknell, Captain William Ewing, J. F. Earning, Major F. R. Burnham, John Schumacher. A large number of members of the Loyal Legion attended the service. Mr. Halstead having been a popular member of that organization.

Personal Mention

Delos B. Rogers, a wealthy distiller of Chicago is registered at the Angelus.

E. H. Flagler, a music dealer from Cincinnati is registered at the Westminster.

E. J. Adams, a New York real estate dealer and broker, is a guest at the Westminster.

F. C. Mitchell, a business man from Denver, is a guest at the Lankershim for a few days.

Dr. W. Schelcher, a specialist from Berlin, Germany, is a guest at the Lankershim for a few days.

Harry W. Beatty, proprietor of Hotel Macabed, San Francisco, is a recent arrival at the Hayward.

Dr. E. H. Stiles, a practicing physician from Tucson, is at the Van Nuys. He is accompanied by his wife.

A. F. Tarin and family from Hermosa Beach, California, are among the late arrivals at the Van Nuys.

Samuel Manchester, a merchant of Santa Barbara, is among those who registered at the Hayward yesterday.

Valdimar M. Wohanka, a wealthy globe trotter from Prague, Bohemia, is among the recent arrivals at the Lankershim.

A. E. Spencer, a wealthy lead miner from Joplin, Mo., is a guest at the Lankershim. He is accompanied by his family.

Mrs. H. H. Fugett, Miss Alta Rish and Miss Gladys Wells are tourists from Memphis who are stopping at the Hayward.

Ensign William F. Wenton of the Maryland is a guest at the Alexandria, having arrived here yesterday for a short stay.

Municipal Affairs

FIGHT OVER BUDGET DEVELOPS IN COUNCIL

Some of Members Favor Raising Tax Rate from 85 to 86 Cents

The opening guns of what may develop as a fight on the budget when it is presented to the council by the budget committee, were fired yesterday by Councilman Whiffen, who voted against the 85 cent tax rate when a resolution to fix that rate was presented at a special session of the council.

The session was called for the express purpose of fixing the tax rate so as to give the city clerk time to make out the necessary bills. But only the resolution was passed and that by a five to one vote. Williams, Betkouski and O'Brien were not present. The ordinance was not passed and the city clerk refused to make out the bills on the strength of the resolution alone for should the tax rate be changed the work would have to be done over again.

There is a strong probability that the opposing faction and the 85 cent contingent may come together on an 85 cent basis, for it will require that rate if more than \$12,000 is to be expended in constructing the proposed annex to the city hall.

Whiffen and Betkouski want better quarters in the new annex than the \$12,000 will provide and the additional one cent on the tax levy will provide for the other members of the council. There are other members of the council who would like to see more money expended on the annex if there is a possible way to accomplish it and they may side with the leaders of the opposition.

The present budget committee is hampered by precedent for the tax rate last year was 85 cents and the committee made the work of increasing this amount, although the demands on the treasury are much greater than they were last year. The assessment roll is increased, but the work of the city clerk has also greatly increased. Last year there were 140 books and four rates. This year there are thirty-five books and eleven different tax rates.

SAN PEDRO CITY FERRY LIKELY TO COST \$30,000

Inspector Humphreys Has Estimates on Boats and Service

Thirty thousand dollars is the estimated cost of the municipal ferry at San Pedro and Wilmington, according to figures secured by W. M. Humphreys, chief inspector of public works, and W. J. Washburn, chairman of the budget committee of the council, does not know where so much money is to be obtained.

The \$30,000 will provide two ferry boats of twenty passenger size and maintain them for the fiscal year. It will require two shifts of two men for each ferry boat and the wages to be paid these men is one of the largest items. The boats can be constructed for about \$2500 each.

Mr. Washburn would like to start the municipal ferry business with one boat, but it has been declared that one boat, serving San Pedro, East San Pedro, Wilmington and Terminal island, would be but little better than none at all as the service would be inadequate.

Some provision for the establishment of the ferry will be made in this year's budget. It is intended to charge a fare that will merely cover the cost of operating. The pre-consolidation pledges say that the fare on the ferry will be 2 cents only. It is Mr. Humphreys' plan to charge 2 cents from San Pedro, East San Pedro, Wilmington and 2 cents from Terminal island to Wilmington.

It will be but a few months until the 6 cent fare on the street cars between Wilmington and San Pedro will go into effect and the travel then by ferry will not be so heavy.

CITIZENS FILE PROTEST AGAINST MUNICIPAL FARM

Object to Prison Experiment in Their Own Neighborhood

Complaint against the proposed municipal farm in the San Fernando valley was made yesterday when the citizens of Burbank, Lankershim and the vicinity, filed a protest asking the city council to rescind the proposed farm in their neighborhood. They say that such an institution would make it unsafe for their children, that it would retard the development of the section and depreciate the value of property.

The municipal farm is to be a place where prisoners accused of minor offenses can be sent to work out their fines in raising garden produce and it means the abolition of the present chain gang system.

Experiments of the kind in Cleveland and other eastern cities have shown that not only does a profit accrue to the community through the farms but the prisoners are much better in every way. Mayor Alexander is the authority for the statement that the chain gang costs \$3 for every \$2 worth of work it does.

MAKE HOT CRITICISM OF TRACT SUBDIVIDERS

Private Ownership of Streets Leads to Muddle

W. M. Humphreys and A. A. Hubbard had the time of their lives yesterday afternoon when they got an opportunity to express their sentiments on some of the methods pursued by tract subdividers. J. Harvey McCarthy appeared before the board with some of the owners of lots on Dalton avenue, in what is known as the University tract to urge the city to accept Dalton avenue, between Santa Barbara and Vernon avenues, as a public street so that the city could have money with which to build their houses.

Dalton avenue between these two streets was never a public thoroughfare but was reserved as a private street by McCarthy when he laid out the tract so he could give a free right of way over the street to the Los Angeles railway. Now the records show the street has been sold for non-payment of taxes and banks and other financial institutions have refused to lend money until the title to the street is clear. They fear that anyone so disposed would buy the private street for the taxes and close it up, which the purchaser would have a right to do, leaving the houses without any outlet to a thoroughfare.

Muddle is caused. But the board of public works refused to have anything to do with the street until the property owners secure it themselves by condemnation proceedings and turn it over to the city, free of all encumbrances.

"Like other tract subdividers you retained that street as private property and in order to give Huntington a right of way so he would not have to secure a franchise," said Mr. Humphreys to Mr. McCarthy. "It was only for the purpose of being the county out of what it might have secured for such a franchise."

Mr. McCarthy acknowledged that such was the case and this only kindled the wrath of the board.

"This procedure of retaining streets as private property is a fraud on the purchaser," continued Mr. Humphreys, "for they consider they have a public street when they buy their lot and they do not know that it is necessary to pay taxes on this street because it has never been dedicated to the public use and the city is not to do anything about it." Since the specifications requiring higher grade of street work in new tracts have become a part of the city laws, some real estate operators are filling maps of their subdivisions showing the streets as lots. As long as the streets are not dedicated to the city, but are privately owned, the real estate man can put on any kind of street improvement he chooses and some of them adopt this method so as to avoid a complaint against a casual Sooner or later this action on the part of the real estate operator reacts on the lot owner.

ACTRESS CHARGES MAN WITH THREAT TO KILL

Jumps from Taxicab and is Seriously Injured by the Fall on Roadway

PARIS, Aug. 19.—With a number of bruises and a broken bone protruding from her shoulder, a pretty, but perhaps imprudent actress is now lying in bed and has, through her lawyer, filed a complaint against a casual acquaintance made at a casino. The man who is thus complained of as the cause of the adventure is himself a well known actor, and which he is accused and points to a long career of respectability as a triumphant answer to any insinuations.

The actress went to the casino to see the manager to whom she had been introduced by a police official. Her object was to discuss the terms of an engagement for appearing at the casino. The police official, in the course of the evening introduced her also to a friend of his, a former police inspector and a very honorable man. She was attracted by the looks of the man and she seized the opportunity to take the train for Paris the man offered to take her to the city in an automobile. She accepted and the man started in the direction of Paris when, as the actress alleges, she felt the barrel of a revolver pressed to her temple. It gave her a horrible chill and she seized the hand that was holding it and succeeded in pushing it aside. She screamed to the chauffeur to stop, but before the automobile could come to a halt she flung open the door and jumped out to the road. The driver had heard her and at once turned back to where she was lying.

"What have you done?" exclaimed the chauffeur to the man inside. "The poor creature has killed herself!" The man replied that it was all a mistake. The lady had been frightened because he was changing his revolver from one pocket to another.

The actress fainted and was conveyed to Paris some time in the morning. She has been lying in bed and all over her body by the fall. Her right shoulder blade was broken and one of the bones protruding through the skin. A friend afterward, when seen at her house, was indignant at the delay in bringing her to Paris. The unfortunate lady, she said, was allowed to lie in the hallway of a hotel on a stretcher from 2 o'clock until 9 o'clock in the morning. There was, it seems, no one to take care of her during that time. The German who had been with her returned alone to Paris, it is said, and as he entered his house he made the following statement: "I have had a curious adventure. An actress who was with me in an automobile got frightened and thought I was changing my revolver from one pocket to another. It is terrible to be thus falsely accused."

The police official who had introduced the actress to her friend says that he cannot understand why she should have thought that his friend intended to kill her, as it was the first time that he had met her.

BIG AMERICAN INVASION

LIVERPOOL, Aug. 19.—A newspaper here says that the American tourist season will be of longer duration this season than ever before. The American incursion commenced yesterday and is still unprecedented in number. Some of the earlier comers are now returning, with the result that the liners are pretty full on the western trip. The pronounced amount of ladies among the passengers is quite remarkable and most eloquent of the advanced stage of emancipation now reached by the American woman.

News of the Courts

HALTS OFFICIAL ACTION FOR COUNTY FURNITURE

Leonard Merrill Obtains Restraining Order Against Plans of Board of Supervisors

Defeated in his suit for an injunction against the supervisors in the superior court, Leonard Merrill carried the matter to the court of appeal and yesterday procured a restraining order preventing the county officials from carrying out the contract with the California Furniture company for furnishing the new county structure, the hall of records, the stationery and movable furniture.

LEONARD SEEKS INJUNCTION. Merrill a few days ago asked an injunction from the superior court, but Judge Bordwell denied his request on the ground that he has no jurisdiction over the actions of the supervisors unless actual fraud were alleged. Merrill then went to the appellate court, where he repeated his charge and asked for a restraining order. He alleges that the supervisors had no right to let the contract, even by resolution, to the California Furniture company, and obtained a temporary restraining order preventing them from awarding the contract to it formally.

Merrill declares that the supervisors had no direct knowledge of the needs of the people who would occupy the new building now in course of construction, and sent the bidders direct to the heads of the various county offices instead of preparing a list of specifications themselves.

QUESTIONS SUPERVISORS' RIGHT. It also was alleged that the supervisors could not legally award the contract because they overlooked a lower bidder in favor of a higher one, thus increasing the expenses of the county. The California Furniture company bid \$247,990, while one bid was only \$150,000. Judge Allen of the court of appeal signed the temporary restraining order and the supervisors, by papers served on them yesterday, are called to appear August 29 to show why the injunction should not be made permanent.

GRANTED DIVORCE FROM HUSBAND FOR DESERTION

Proving charges of desertion, Lotta May Hobbs yesterday was granted a divorce from Howard S. Hobbs; Frank W. Ellis was freed from Martha A. Ellis, and Howard A. Webber was given a decree permanently separating him from Evelyn Webber.

These actions were heard before Judge Cole of the imperial county superior court, who sat in Judge Huntington's department of the Los Angeles tribunal. He also granted a decree divorcing E. Villa from Eloisa E. Villa, the husband proving his allegations of cruelty on the part of his wife.

The jurist continued the cases of Minnie C. Williams against J. W. Williams and C. G. Hopkins against Flora M. Hopkins, in both of which divorce is asked on charges of desertion.

WOMAN NAMES \$10,000 AS BALM FOR LOST AFFECTION

Alleging alienation of affections, Mrs. Jennie Caldwell yesterday filed in the superior court a suit for damages of \$10,000 against Mrs. Ida M. Gridley, who she accuses for winning the love of the husband of the plaintiff, Willard Caldwell.

A suit for divorce brought by Mrs. Caldwell against her husband on the grounds of desertion is about to be tried in the superior court.

DIVORCE SUITS FILED

Divorce suits filed in the superior court yesterday were those of Dell Norton against George Norton, Beesie Edgett against Phil M. Edgett, Nellie L. Post against J. S. Post, Ralph Norris against Alice Norris, Leyla Lennon against E. J. Lennon and Minnie Evelyn Amblos against John Reuben Amblos.

WILL TRY WOODBURY CASE

Because of the vacation of Judge Willis of the criminal department of the superior court, James A. Woodbury, charged with passing a worthless check on the Whitley Jewelry company, will be tried before Judge Davis. Judge Willis recently refused to grant Woodbury his freedom on a writ of habeas corpus.

CHARGES FRAUD IN LAND DEAL

Alleging fraud in the acquisition of \$100 cash and two lots in the Annandale Villa tract, William H. Robinson yesterday filed in the superior court a suit for the recovery of the realty and the money against Oscar Leuschner, a real estate dealer.

Y. M. C. A. SEEKS TO SELL LAND

The Young Men's Christian association of Long Beach yesterday filed in the superior court a petition for permission to sell a lot it owns in the harbor district for \$2000. It desires to make the transfer in order to pay off indebtedness it has incurred.

ARTHUR LETTS Broadway Department Store 1081 1/2 BROADWAY COR. 4TH. LOS ANGELES

Store Closes \$12:30 Noon

Saturday Morning Sale of Cloth Skirts \$3.95

\$5 to \$7.50 Values at . . \$3.95

A morning bargain in the Skirt Section. An opportunity to buy black, cream and colored cloth skirts. Some of serge, some of panama, others of mohair and novelties. Regular \$5, \$6.95 and \$7.50 models; 100 of these to go at \$3.95.

Last Day Sale Bathing Suits Swim-Easy

Your last opportunity to secure these popular bathing suits at these special sale prices—\$2.35, \$3.65, \$4.35 and \$4.65. Second Floor.

New Broadcloth Long Coats For Fall Priced at . . . \$15

Had we not contracted for these months ago we would have been unable to announce them at this time. The garment situation is in a critical state. They're made of rich, satiny broadcloth, black and blue; full fitted, full length, and half lined with Hoiding satin; all sizes—\$15.00.

Saturday Morning Sale of Men's Suits \$9.45

\$10 to \$13.75 Values . . .

Styles and patterns for young men. Garments that are rare values at \$10, \$12.50 and \$13.75. Sizes 32 to 46. Choice of fancy worsteds and cassimeres, lined with good quality serge. A morning feature from the Men's Annex—\$9.45.

Men's \$3 and \$3.50 All Wool Pants . . . \$2.65

Choice of dark, light and medium shades of fancy worsteds and cassimeres. Sizes 30 to 48 waist measure. Perhaps they'll match the very suit you have on; \$3 and \$3.50 values at \$2.65.

Men's Khaki Pants Good Heavy Twill . . . \$1.50

We pride ourselves on this value. They're in the semi-peg style, welt seams; cuffs at bottom; side straps and belt loops; five pockets. Men's Annex, \$1.50.

Draw a Check to Pay Your Bill

And when it returns to you, canceled, its indorsements and the bank stamps make it a perfect proof of the transaction. A check used in this way is better than any "Received Payment" written or stamped on your bill. There cannot be any dispute over the question of payment.

A Special (Ordinary) Account

gives you all the advantages of a commercial account, permits you to draw checks without the presentation of your pass book, and, if your balance is \$300 or more a month, it will draw interest at the rate of 3 per cent a year, computed monthly. With such an arrangement with the

SECURITY SAVINGS BANK

You can enjoy the greatest privileges that can be granted by a great, strong and safe bank.

Security Building Spring and Fifth Streets

SUIT OVER CONTRACT TO BUY LAND IS SUBMITTED

The suit of F. B. Clark against Albert P. Green, to enforce a contract for the purchase of five acres in Laramida Park for \$5000 was submitted yesterday to Judge Houser of the superior court. Green declared he did not live up to the contract because he learned of building restrictions not mentioned in it. Clark asserted that Green knew of them.

DECLARES PSYCHOLOGIST WITHHELD COMMISSIONS

A jury in Judge Moss' department of the superior court yesterday heard part of the suit of George H. Walker against Dr. W. R. Price of Long Beach, a psychologist who has figured in several actions in the superior court lately because of alleged false representations in transfers of mining stock. Walker declares he was employed by Price to sell stock of the National Gold Dredging Mining company and that because of his services there is \$519.70 due to him on commissions.

GEORGE STEELE'S WILL FILED

Two wills were filed for probate yesterday in the superior court. One was that of Max Muir, who died in Los Angeles August 15, leaving an estate valued at \$2581.84, consisting largely of realty. The other was that of George W. Steele, who died here August 9, leaving realty valued at \$15,600.

It's as easy to secure a bargain in a used automobile, through want advertising, as it is to secure a horse and carriage.