

HIRAM JOHNSON IS IN POLITICAL FIGHT FOR LIFE

Takes Off Coat and Assumes
Role of California
Leader.

By Times Special
SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 20.—Senator Hiram W. Johnson, western outpost of progressive Republicanism, is in a political fight that involves nothing less than his political future. His fight is to unseat the State government at Sacramento and to retire to private law practice his colleague, Senator Sam Shortridge.

Johnson has assumed his old role of militant State leader. He has taken off his coat and is making a spectacular speaking campaign against Governor Richardson and Senator Shortridge.

Backing Young
He is urging the nomination of Lieutenant Governor C. C. Young, one of his fellow crusaders of the Lincoln-Roosevelt League, and of ex-Judge Robert M. Clark, Los Angeles progressive Republican for Governor and Senator respectively.

The issues in the Young-Richardson battle are much the same as those of sixteen years ago when Johnson evolved from an obscure lawyer into California's most popular governor, through a campaign to "kick the Southern Pacific Rail-way out of politics." Today, under Richardson, not only is the Southern Pacific back in power, but also the banks, the big power companies, and the allied public service corporations, led by the Los Angeles Times and served by one of the most reactionary administrations in the State history.

Votes for Newberry

The senatorial issues are the opposition of Clarke and Johnson to the world court and the promise to send a fighting southern California man to the upper house to make battle for the Young-Johnson bill. Shortridge's Senate record, including his vote for Newberry for the Mellon tax scheme, against Gerald Nye and his last minute conversion to the Boulder dam plan, is being aired on the stump and in the liberal press.

Two years hence Johnson himself must run for re-election. With Young in power at Sacramento he could be assured of a friendly State administration instead of the present hostile one. With Clarke in Shortridge's seat, the populous southern end could not put up an anti-Johnson candidate on purely sectional grounds.

If Young and Clarke are defeated, Hiram may have a real fight to hold his seat.

UNION EX-HEAD TO FACE U.S. JUDGE

Boggs Will Be Arraigned Before Baltzell Monday.

Harry Boggs, former president of the local street car men's union, held in the Marion County jail in default of \$10,000 bond for contempt of Federal Court, will be arraigned before Judge Robert C. Baltzell Monday.

Boggs is charged with violating an injunction issued by the court prior to the strike prohibiting the union from interfering with the operation of street cars and damaging the car company's property.

Federal authorities still are endeavoring to locate the men responsible for bombing of an E. Michigan St. car more than a month ago, in which six persons were injured.

Regular daily meetings of the union are being held, with an average attendance of 150 persons. A mass meeting will be held Saturday night at 8 at Morris and Harding Sts.

PROBE IS OPPOSED

Residents Fight Investigation of School by Legion.

By United Press
LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Aug. 20.—Over the protests of residents of Mena, the teachings and maintenance of Commonwealth College there are to be investigated by the executive committee of the State American Legion. Charges that the college was maintained by the I. W. W. and received support from the Russian soviet were made at the State convention of the legion here and precipitated a stormy session, resulting in the decision to investigate the school.

Joe Morrison, legionnaire, charged the school was a breeding place of "un-Americanism, socialism and free love." The charges were denied vigorously by the faculty of the college as well as the townspeople of Mena.

NEED SPECIAL TEACHERS

Call for qualified teachers in music and art was broadcast today by Dr. Henry Noble Sherwood, State superintendent of public instruction, with receipt of twenty requests Thursday. A scarcity of teachers qualified to instruct in combination subjects exists at present, Sherwood said.

He Beats Record of Ohio Baby



INDIANA BUILDING TOTAL MAKES BIG INCREASE IN JULY

Volume \$6,976,972, According to Straus Report
—Gary Stands High.

Heavy gain in building activities in July over July 1925 was reported for Indiana in S. W. Straus and Company's statistical bulletin for August.

There was an increase of more than \$2,800,000 for the month, volume in July this year being \$6,976,972. The State held twelfth place in the nation for building activities.

With building and alteration permits totalling \$8,628,400 for July, Gary ranked among twenty-five leading cities. Indianapolis showed a drop of from \$2,281,237 in 1925 to \$1,476,105 for July 1926. The figure was lower than that for June.

July figures of cities showing gain over the previous year:

Anderson, \$188,800; Elkhart, \$211,450; Huntington, \$19,443; Lafayette, \$29,150; Muncie, \$259,751; Shelbyville, \$25,847; Terre Haute, \$102,144; Vincennes, \$27,574.

Figures of those showing decrease:

Ft. Wayne, \$792,010; Kokomo, \$70,029; Logansport, \$6,336; Michigan City, \$30,081, and Richmond, \$67,791.

Labor conditions over the United States continue generally tranquil and building construction volume is being maintained on a level with that of last year, the report stated.

VETERAN WINDS UP 61 YEARS FOR U. S.

Capt. Thomas E. Halls of Secret Service Retires at Age of 81—Bears Marks of Battles.

Friday, Aug. 20, 1926.

To most persons this date is just today. But to Capt. Thomas E. Halls of the United States Secret Service it means the completion of sixty-one years of faithful duty for Uncle Sam. He retires at the age of 81, having entered the service when 20 years old.

Captain Halls choked with emotion when he spoke of departing from his office on the third floor of the Federal Bldg., where he has been since 1899.

"I—I, it seems so strange," he faltered.

He plans to take a month's rest and then decide what he wants to do. He will go to his home, 2825 Rueckle St., this evening after closing his roll top desk for the last time.

The vacation is needed by Captain Halls. Neuritis has set in in various parts of his body where he has been injured in his battles to stop counterfeiting and enforce the Nation's laws. His right knee pains him and is swollen.

Shot Above Knee Cap
Twelve years ago a bullet from the gun of a fleeing law violator tore several inches of flesh away just above the knee cap. Doctors said the leg would have to be amputated. This wasn't done, however, and Captain Halls walked perfectly until the attack of neuritis.

One of the last marks of battle worked out of his body a few weeks ago. He had been shot in the small of his back and the bullet never was removed. While at home one evening, muscular movement caused the bullet to protrude through his skin.

One of "Cap" Halls' greatest pleasures will be his association with his Collie dog Patricia, better known as "Patsy." Patsy is terribly jealous of her master and acts as body guard and protector for him.

Captain Halls, reminiscing, told of his famous round-up of a gigantic ring of Middle Western counterfeiters and of "the woman in black" who aided him. She was murdered before he had landed the gang.

Other Attempts Made

After this, several attempts at his life were made. The gang of more than 100 persons, had defrauded and terrorized Illinois and Missouri and were working as far west as the Pacific coast.

At that time, Captain Halls made his headquarters in Champaign, Ill. One day "Big Joe," proprietor of a German beer garden, told him two men were in town, who, conversing over their beer, had revealed plans for ambushing and killing the secret service agent as he entered his home.

"About 2 o'clock I found the men," Halls said.

"I introduced myself, said I wanted to save them all the trouble I could, told them there was a train leaving for Chicago in a little more than an hour, and said that if they



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TWO SLAYERS EXECUTED

One Anxious to End Ordeal, Other
Protests Innocence.

By United Press
OSSINING, N. Y., Aug. 20.—David Demalo and William Hoyer, the latter a Negro, were executed in the electric chair at Sing Sing Prison, early today.

Hoyer was eager to end the ordeal, while Demalo died protesting his innocence. Demalo is the father of six children and was convicted for the killing of two Mount Vernon street car employees shot in a hold-up last fall.

"I desire to go, I ought to go, and I want to go," were the last words of Hoyer, who was sentenced for shooting his 5-year-old daughter.

FANNIE DENIES PLAGIARISM

By United Press

NEW YORK, Aug. 20.—Fannie Hurst, questioned today about the suit filed in a Los Angeles court by Olivia W. Seymour, author of "Mannequin," prizing novel, said she never had heard of the western woman and "I have more sympathy for the complainant than for myself."

"So many people, scribbling with the rest of us fancy that an author steals into their windows to kidnap their brain children while they are sleeping. That type of mind is pathetic," she said.

RAPS SANITARY BOARD

Ex-Member Refers to "Destructive Hand of Spills Boss."

That politicians are seeking to change the control of the board of sanitary commissioners into the "destructive hand of a spills boss" is an "irresistible inference" from recent attacks on Charles H. Hurd, builder of the city sewage disposal plant, according to a statement of Lucius B. Swift, former board member, made Thursday.

Swift described criticism of the plant as "wild statements."

Russell T. MacFall, board member, is leading a fight to oust Hurd and C. K. Calvert, now in charge at the plant. He is receiving aid from City Engineer George G. Schmidt, board member.

LEASES VINCENNES HOTEL

A lease on the Union Station Hotel at Vincennes, Ind., has been secured by C. B. Smith, manager of the Hotel Washington for several years, it was announced today. He will assume active management on Sept. 1.

RIVERS OUT-OF BANK

By United Press

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Aug. 20.—Waters of the Little and Big Miami Rivers were running over the banks today as a result of rainfall that has set new records.

RADIO SALES MEETING

By United Press

The Gibson Company to be Host to Dealers and Prospective Dealers. To familiarize dealers and prospective dealers with conditions in the radio field, the Gibson Company, exclusive distributors of Rada radio receivers for Indiana and parts of Ohio and Illinois will hold an all day sales meeting next Wednesday at the Gibson Bldg., Capitol Ave. and Michigan St. Indications point to an attendance of about 300.

Speakers for the day include H. M. Winston, advertising counsel and R. P. Van Zile, sales manager of F. A. D. Andrew Company, Inc., New York, manufacturers of Fada radio receivers; E. W. Sheperd, sales manager of the Philadelphia Storage Battery Company, manufacturers of Philco Socket Power units, and Harry S. Noel of Eli Lilly & Co.

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RADIO CONVENTION WORKERS NAMED

Committees for Dealers' Meeting Announced.

Special trade committees in charge of "Dealers' day" at the first annual convention of radio jobbers and dealers to be held here Wednesday.

Chairmen of the committees are: L. L. Banford, general convention committee; H. Guy May, speakers and program; L. D. Ginger, registration and attendance; J. F. Cornell, banquet and tickets; Frank J. Arast, reception; E. M. Gass, entertainment; Charles O. Johnson, State-wide; W. J. Baker, special music and dance program; Carl Fohr, broadcast entertainment and Andrew J. Allen, exposition publicity.

A special boosters' committee of forty-five persons also was named.

day, Oct. 27, in connection with the Indianapolis Radio Exposition of the Central States, Oct. 25-29, were announced today.

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The big radio exposition will be held at the Manufacturers' Bldg. at the Indiana State fairground.

AUTO - LIQUOR CHARGE

Driver Arrested After Crash—Said to Have Just Missed Girl.

Frank Baxter, 275 N. Elder Ave., was charged with driving an auto while intoxicated, after police investigated an accident at Caulfield and W. Michigan St. Thursday night. Russell Bohan, 2333 W. Michigan St., told police that the Baxter auto struck his car and nearly struck small girl just before the collision.

THREE IN AUTO HURT

Three persons were injured in an automobile accident Thursday night when the car in which they were riding crashed into a truck at Arlington Ave. and Twenty-First St.

Miss Barbara Tschan, 26, of 1946 N. La Salle St., driver of the car, suffered a broken arm and severe cuts and bruises about the body. Her car was demolished. Miss Esther Hughes, 26, 3175 Graceland Ave., and Miss Tschan's brother, Cleon, 29, also were injured. All three were taken to the city hospital.