

SHOUSE WORKS HIMSELF OUT OF JOB AGAIN

Success of Repeal Labors Leaves Tall Kansan Idle Once More.

WASHINGTON, July 28.—Jouett Shouse is about to work himself out of another good job. The tall, capable Kansan has gone to Europe, confident that his labors in the prohibition repeal vineyard will bear fruit by Christmas. He will return in September, to work three months longer on his job as president of the Association Against the Prohibition Amendment. Then there will be nothing for him to do except give up his handsome salary and comfortable offices and liquidate his association.

Had he been a little less zealous and a little less effective in his anti-prohibition fight, repeal might have been postponed several months. But he doubtless feels that a new and better assignment will come just as it did when he worked himself out of his job as executive chairman of the Democratic national committee.

Shouse served two terms in congress and a year as assistant secretary of treasury under Wilson. But the capital had almost forgotten him when Democratic Chairman John J. Raskob in May, 1929, persuaded Shouse to leave his Kansas City law office and come to Washington to take over the active management of the party.

Split Into Factions
The party then was split into factions, disheartening and still groggy from 1928. But with Raskob's money and Shouse's ability, Democratic headquarters was transformed. Shouse hired Charley Michelson away from the expiring New York World, to turn out publicity on a scale theretofore undreamed of. Policies of the Hoover administration were bombarded. The Republicans were placed on the defensive and kept there.

Because he crossed with Roosevelt's campaign managers in the late pre-convention days, Shouse was eased out of his executive chairmanship the next day after Roosevelt was nominated. But the party machinery that Chairman

MILWAUKEE'S SOCIALIST MAYOR FACES BATTLE



Milwaukee's Daniel Webster Hoan, fighting Socialist mayor shown in the center picture, faces a serious "revolt" as taxpayers' protests gain force and the once-rosy municipal picture grows darker. At left is Fortney H. Stark, recall candidate for Hoan's job; and at right is Richard Lehman, head of the United Taxpayers' League, which is fighting the "model city government" of the Milwaukee Socialists.

James A. Farley inherited was efficient and functioning and Farley's work was easier because of what Shouse had done.

A few days later Shouse bounded back into the limelight as president of the big repeal organization. At that time it was believed that prohibition repeal was a matter of years instead of months.

By expert handling, Shouse accomplished the impossible, forcing a repeal resolution through the "lame duck" session of congress. When the Roosevelt administration started, Shouse's organization already was at work in the forty-eight states, driving repeal convention laws through the legislatures. He never allowed the Democrats to forget for a minute the repeal plank in their Chicago platform.

In this work, too, Shouse had the assistance of an able alumnus of the New York World—Bob Barry, former Washington correspondent for the Evening World. The remarkable advances that the repeal forces have been able to make on all forty-eight fronts has been due largely to the up-to-the-minute news on the repeal fight that Barry and his assistant, Emmett Dougherty, have supplied to the scattered repeal battalions.

LADDER THIEF GIVEN 60-DAY TERM ON FARM

North Side Prowler Fails to Gain Lenity on 'Reputation.'

Alva Sweeney, 38, the north side's big hook and ladder man, ran into a disconcerting series of questions in municipal court today and when his trial was ended, he was bound for the Indiana state farm, to serve a sixty-day term for taking ladders when and where he could.

"Judge, you've got me all wrong," said Alva to Judge William E. Sheaffer, after several witnesses positively identified him as the north side's ladder thief.

"Why, Judge, I've got a great reputation out on Washington boulevard, I'm a tinsmith, and a roofer, and a painter, and while I've borrowed a ladder here and there, I didn't touch any of these people's ladders. Why, Judge, I'd go out and get those fellows who stole those ladders."

Five had testified already, including a second-hand store owner, who identified Sweeney as the man who had turned in three ladders, and eighteen more were ready to testify.

"I've heard enough," said Sheaffer. "Sixty days and \$1 and costs." "You couldn't knock off those days, could you, Judge?" inquired Sweeney innocently.

"No, you'll serve those," said Sheaffer, with a tone of finality.

BRITAIN FIXES MONEY POLICY

Currency Stabilization in United Kingdom Goal of Program.

LONDON, July 28.—The British empire Thursday night announced a general agreement on a "sound" financial policy designed to facilitate stabilization of currency within the commonwealth and indicating a single monetary policy for the United Kingdom and all the dominions except the Irish Free State.

The twelve-page statement on economic and financial policy was a defeat for Canada's campaign for a policy similar to that inaugurated by President Roosevelt. It provided:

- 1. Ultimate return to "a satisfactory international gold standard."
- 2. Possible participation by the United States and other nations in a wider agreement to stabilize monetary exchanges.
- 3. No favoritism toward either the dollar or the franc.
- 4. No commitments on future "management" of the pound sterling.

ling. 5. Furtherance of every effort to raise wholesale prices.

The British statement disavowed any intention of following anything other than "a sound financial policy" and said that this policy would favor neither the dollar nor the franc which have been on opposite sides of the international monetary struggle since the United States abandoned the gold standard.

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PAROLE ACTION PENDING

Bankers Not to Oppose Clemency for Imprisoned Bandit.

Wayne Coy, penal secretary to Governor Paul V. McNutt, announced today that Miss Forba McDaniel, secretary of the Indiana Bankers' Association, phoned that

there will be no action by the organization against a parole for Ordi Bruce, 31, Cumberland bank robber. The matter is pending action by the state clemency commission, the president of the robbed bank having recommended leniency. At the recent board meeting, it was continued, to consult the bankers' association. Coy said he will report

the association stand to board members. Parole is opposed by Criminal Judge Frank Baker who pronounced sentence. The strange sight of woodchucks and prairie dogs living in the same holes was observed recently in Bryce Canyon National Park, Utah.

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