

BLACK DEFIES AIR MAIL FIRMS TO BRING SUITS

Contracts Fraud - Ridden, Senator Charges in Reply to Austin.

In the following dispatch written for the United Press by Senator Hugo L. Black, the leader of the air mail investigation, presents the Democratic answer to the criticism of administration air mail policy presented yesterday by Senator Warren R. Austin.

BY SENATOR HUGO L. BLACK
Chairman Special Air Mail Investigating Committee

(Written for the United Press)
WASHINGTON, April 12. — The senate, by unanimous vote, created the committee to investigate ocean and air mail contracts.

The unanimous action was evidently the result of a well-founded belief in the senate that these subsidies, amounting to many millions of dollars, needed to be exposed to careful scrutiny.

The results of the investigation proved the senate was right in this unanimous action.

Fraud, crookedness and corruption have been shown to exist. The taxpayers have been plundered of millions of dollars by the manipulation of lobbyists, contractors and government officials.

Lobbyists Spent Thousands

Lobbyists have been shown to have spent thousands of dollars in securing contracts. Lobbyists have been shown to have supported and maintained stock speculative accounts for the very government employees who aided in bestowing these contracts. Thousands of dollars have gone from the subsidized funds of contractors to employ men who had political influence directly or indirectly, both to pass laws and to secure contracts.

Pioneer flying operators have been forced to sell their business to make way for political favorites. Officers and stockholders of favored companies have grown to be millionaires as the result of the steady stream of government funds diverted by unfair means into their pockets.

The plain facts are that in the very teeth of a law passed to protect the public interest, mail contractors, in agreement with government officials, met and agreed upon the air mail lines to be awarded to the favored beneficiaries of public money.

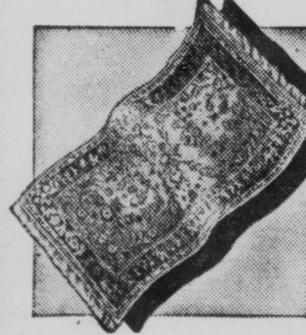
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These facts have been proved, not by the members of any society, but by the spoken words of the officers of the companies themselves and by that part of their written statements preserved from their own destruction.

These companies whose contracts were canceled have a statutory right to sue the government in the court of claims. If their contracts were wrongfully canceled, they can recover. Their lawyers know they can sue and they have not dared to do it. They evidently prefer to try the case in the newspapers instead of the courts.

If not, let them file their suits.

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Florists to Be Honored at Exposition Tomorrow; Attendance Up.

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Today's program was to center around real estate dealers. A lunch-

eon in their honor was to be followed with a treasure hunt.

Tomorrow night, members of the Allied Florists of Indianapolis are to be entertained with a black bass dinner on the lawn of the model home.

Additional winners in the flower displays have been announced. Their exhibits were judged yesterday by Fred H. Lemon, Richmond, nationally-known horticulturist. They are: Basket variety of cut roses, Smith Young Company, first; John Brande & Sons, second, and Temperley's Floral Service, third. Cut carnations — Baur-Steinkamp & Co., first, second and third awards. Variety of snapdragon—Quality Flowers, Inc., first, and Temperley's Floral Service, second. Orchids—Smith & Young Company, first. Sweet peas—Temperley's Floral Service, first, and Pahud Floral Company, Inc., second. Basket of cut flowers—Temperley's Floral Service, first; John Grande & Sons, second, and Pahud Floral Company, third.

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been organized for the purpose of giving prospective journalists an idea of the profession.

The largest out-of-town delegation will be thirty students from Waldron. Twenty-two are coming from Columbus, eighteen from Lafayette and sixteen from Logansport. Sixteen other high schools have announced that they will send representatives.

Indianapolis newspaper men and women will lecture during the Saturday morning session. Saturday afternoon the students will visit the three Indianapolis newspaper plants. Staff members who will speak are: Mrs. Florence Webster Long, William F. Fox, Herbert Hill, John Blackburn and Stephen Noland of the News, and James A. Stuart, Mary Bostwick, Corbin Patrick, Claude Mahoney, Joseph Craven, Kathryn Pickett and "Chic" Jackson of the Star.

Members of the Butler university chapters of Sigma Delta Chi and Theta Sigma Phi, professional

journalism societies, are aiding in journalism; Joseph Thomas, director of publicity; Ellsworth Maxfield, president of Sigma Delta Chi; Mabel Espy, president of Theta Sigma Phi, and Professor Perry.

The general committee includes well, president of Sigma Delta Chi; Evan Walker, assistant to the president; Norman Buchan, instructor of Theta Sigma Phi, and Professor Perry.

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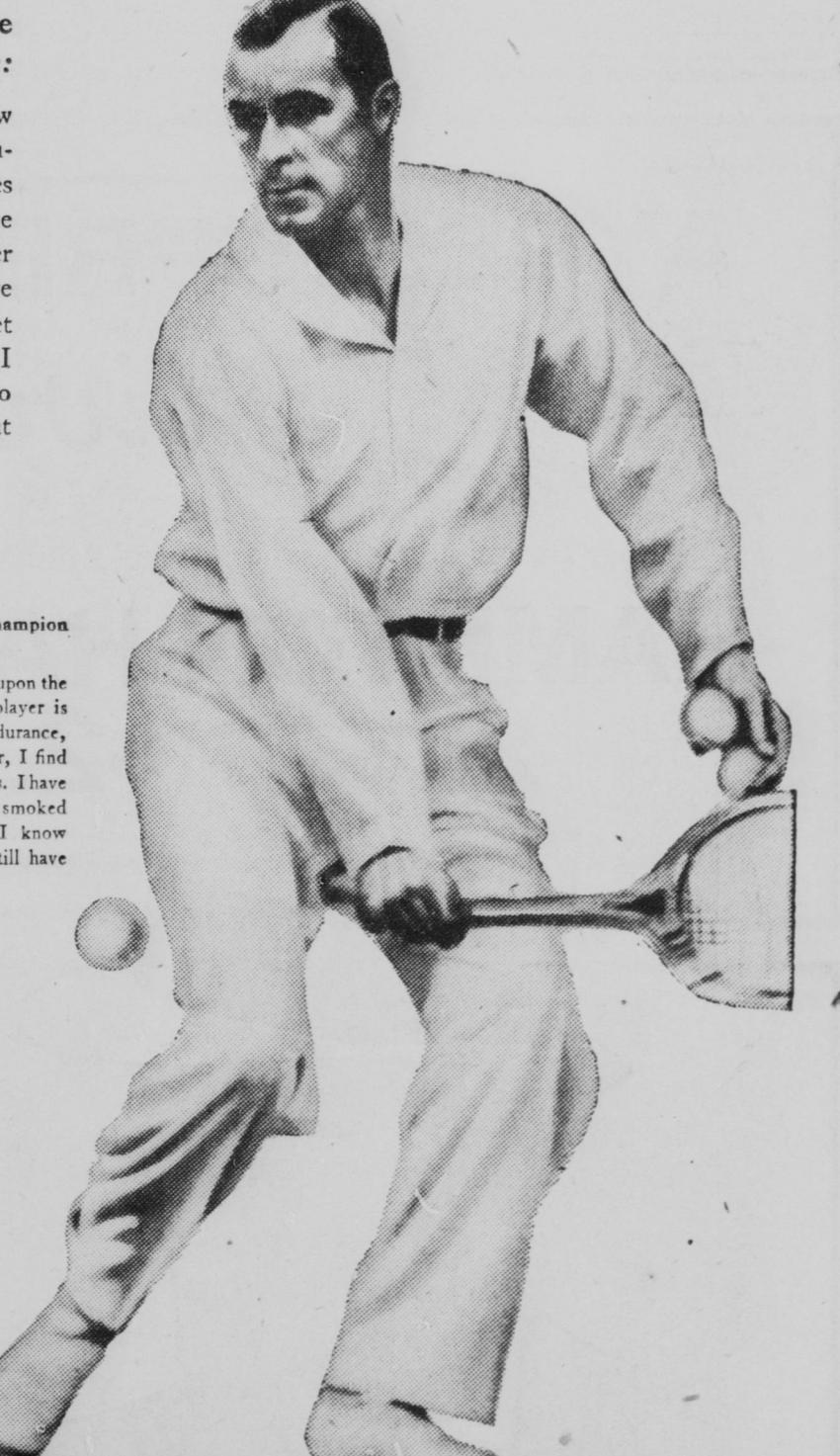
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