

## Pauley's 'Slugging' Defense Casts Doubt on Withdrawal

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sident undersecretary of the navy. "I am convinced I can serve my country well and efficiently. I know I have served her loyally, honestly and faithfully in the past. I submit my record for your consideration."

Meanwhile President Truman was asked again at his press conference whether he expected Mr. Pauley to ask for withdrawal of his nomination. Mr. Truman said he would stick to the statement that he has made four times before—that he has supported Mr. Pauley fully.

The President said he knew of no plans whatever for Postmaster General Robert E. Hannegan to quit his post as national Democratic chairman. Reports that Mr. Hannegan intended to quit his party post were heard this week, in the wake of the fight over Mr. Pauley's confirmation.

**Denies Ickes Story**  
Mr. Pauley submitted a 19-page statement in which he took up and disputed with vigor—a host of charges.

He asserted bluntly that Mr. Ickes was mistaken in his charge that Mr. Pauley promised to raise \$300,000 in Democratic campaign contributions from oil interests if the government would drop its suit for federal title to tideland oil.

"At no time did I say to him that I would lay off anything, that I could raise money from oil men or anyone else," Mr. Pauley said.

"He had no right to draw any such conclusion. I have told you gentlemen, and I again repeat, that I have never in my life solicited, suggested or accepted a contingent contribution."

### No Such Conclusion

"Again I say Secretary Ickes was mistaken. No such conclusion should have been drawn from my conversation . . . and, it is a conclusion."

Mr. Ickes made the charge in testimony before the committee three weeks ago. He subsequently resigned from the cabinet when President Truman re-affirmed his backing of Mr. Pauley and told a press conference that Mr. Ickes could have been mistaken.

Pauley agreed that he probably discussed \$300,000 and the tidelands oil suit in a conversation with Mr. Ickes Sept. 6, 1944.

"The now famous figure of \$300,000," he said, "was the quota which the Democratic party hoped to raise in the District of Columbia. We of course wanted Mr. Ickes' assistance."

### Discussed Money

"In that same conversation I also discussed with Mr. Ickes the difficulty of raising money in the campaign and sought to enlist his aid.

"I told him, in effect, that took money to run a campaign . . . that because of the fact that the administration in time of war had been forced to make business of all kinds wear a hair shirt they were disgruntled . . ."

Mr. Pauley listed price controls, anti-trust suits brought by the government, rationing, controls of farmers and their prices, government seizure of plants, the Smith-Connally law, preventing contributions by labor unions and "I may have said the agitation of the tide-land matters."

Mr. Pauley said he told Mr. Ickes the national committee was trying to get "small money" to offset the large contributions to the Republican party by wealthy backers. He said Mr. Ickes used some of his same arguments in a speech at Grand Rapids, Mich., six days later.

Finally, Mr. Pauley pointed out that Mr. Ickes admitted he didn't complain to the late President Churchill soon will return to England, nor to President Truman.

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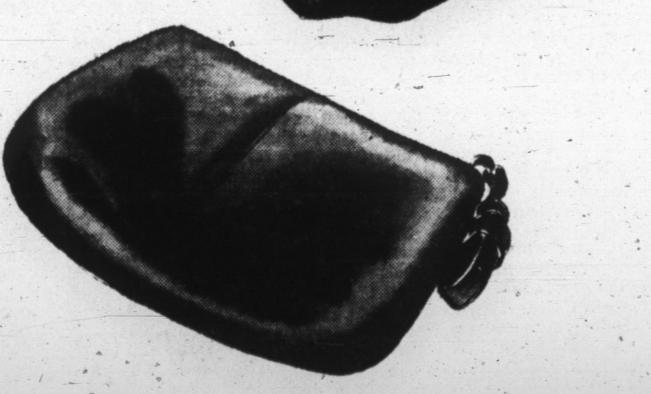
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