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POLITICALLY SPEAKING

By HOMER L. ROBERTS (United Press Staff Correspondent)

SACRAMENTO, (UP)—When candidates begin calling each other "liars"—then you know the campaign is getting hot. There's been much hinting at falsehood in the campaign for governor heretofore, but it remained for mild-spoken Fred G. Athearn, state corporation commissioner, to pass the short, ugly word to District Attorney Buron F. Fitts, after the latter had delivered a particularly severe raving of Governor Young's administration.

Branding the present 4 per cent income tax law on banks and corporations as "the shame of California," Fitts said, "This law reduced the state taxes of one large oil company from \$368,910 in 1928 to \$25 in 1929. All the major oil companies were similarly reduced.

"As an excuse for what they have done—and it's a lame excuse—the spokesmen for the administration are telling how much local taxes the big corporations pay. Of course they pay local taxes. They always have. But that has nothing to do with their state taxes."

Then Athearn let loose both barrels. "One hates to call another man a liar," he exploded. "But the flagrant falsification of taxation records indulged in by Buron Fitts denies him any right to ordinary courtesies. His taxation statements are nothing less than a tissue of lies from start to finish."

"He has charged that the Standard Oil company paid only \$25 taxes in California in 1929. It actually paid \$4,572,113.39. He charges that Associated Oil company paid only \$25. It actually paid \$1,500,000. He charges that Union Oil company paid only \$25. It actually paid \$1,430,680."

Meanwhile, Mayor James Rolph's forces insisted that his support is increasing daily. They quoted the Orange Daily News, owned by Justus Graemer, a Fitts supporter, in connection with a recent trip made by Graemer and Senator Nelson Edwards in behalf of Senator Frank F. Merriam for lieutenant governor.

"Mayor Rolph will come south to the Tehachapi with a heavy majority," the paper quoted Edwards as saying. "He will get a big vote in most northern localities, and a particularly large vote in San Francisco and the populous bay counties."

An appeal to Southern Californians that this is their big chance to gain representation in the governor's chair was attacked by Mayor Rolph who said: "I am appealing to the people for a vote, because I ask election on the proposition of being a fair governor to all the state."

The "similar names" fight goes merrily on—with State Treasurer Charles G. Johnson in Los Angeles battling his dusky challenger, Augustus J. Johnson. In San Francisco Assemblyman James A. Miller will also be designated as No. 1, because a James L. Miller is opposing him.

County Assessor Ed W. Hopkins of Los Angeles, veteran in that office for 23 years, had a tough fight on his hands. He is faced by a flock of Hopkinses, none of whom are related. In addition, there are about eight other candidates for that office, attracted, no doubt, by the salary, recently raised to \$12,000. After Ed W. got No. 1 in front of his name, two other Hopkins candidates were listed as Nos. 10 and 11. Tie that if you can!

of friends at a large family reunion. ***** TORRANCE BRIEFS *****

Mrs. W. J. Parsons, of Buffalo, Okla., is a houseguest of her sister, Mrs. Joe Pratta, 1630 West 219th street.

Dr. Mabel Copeland and daughter Elizabeth of San Francisco are the houseguests of Dr. Maude Chambers for a few days. Dr. Copeland was a member of the faculty at University of California College at Pittsburgh, Pa., when Dr. Chambers attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Gouderier spent Sunday at Riverside as the guests

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Last year all the counties paid out \$1,686,266.13 in conducting elections, according to figures just compiled by State Controller Ray L. Riley.

Of this figure, Los Angeles county's election costs were \$447,501.29, the statement showed.

Record Ballot This Year

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Publicity Now Under Glare of Postoffice Department Probe

Another postoffice besides the evergreen advertising basket was opened this week for newspaper publishers who have been publishing advertisements of objectionable advertising publicity, according to a United Press dispatch from Washington, D. C. The dispatch read:

"Washington, (UP)—A campaign was started by the Post Office Department this week to bring under the glare of publicity the advertising publicity of objectionable advertising publicity, according to a United Press dispatch from Washington, D. C. The dispatch read:

"The Postoffice Department is determined to put an end to the practice of certain advertisers and advertising agencies in 'black jacking' many newspaper publishers into printing as 'straight publicity' material which comes within the category of advertising, the department stated.

Punishable by Fine

"The department warned that compliance with such attempts might constitute violation of the law. Complaints have been received from a number of publishers, the department said, and an investigation resulted.

"Third Assistant Postmaster General Tilson said some advertising agencies are offering to publish articles to be inserted as reading matter on the understanding that if they are not used display advertising might not be given the paper. He said the postal laws require such matter to be marked as advertising and that it is punishable with some rates of postage. Failure to mark such matter as advertising is punishable by fines of up to \$500, Tilson said."

The law to which this story refers, according to the California Newspaper Publishers' Association, of which the Herald and News is a member, reads as follows: "That all editorial or other reading matter published in any such newspaper, magazine or periodical for the publication of which the publisher or other valuable consideration is paid, accepted or promised, shall be plainly marked 'Advertisement.' Any editor or publisher printing editorial or other reading matter for which compensation is paid, or promised, and which is not so marked, shall be liable on conviction in any court having jurisdiction, be fined not less than \$50 nor more than \$500.

Must Have News Value

"The Herald and News is continually called upon to print such objectionable advertising matter as straight news but all such matter is immediately consigned to the yawning wastepaper basket, commodities, within easy reach of the editor's desk.

Readers of any newspaper do not want to be 'gypped' into reading alleged 'news' stories which are plainly advertising publicity. The Herald and News does print stories concerning business, enterprise, products and merchandise but does so only after the value of such stories as real live news is plainly evident.

PRIZE FISH STORY

CEDAR LAKE, Ind. (UP)—The prize fish story of the year is told by Alex Surridge. A pickerel in Cedar Lake is credited with catching a golf ball belonging to Dr. C. H. Crews, Hammond, when he overshoot the first hole recently. Surridge, who claims the fish as a pet, said the pickerel is grateful because he prevented its death by shocking on a minnow.

Flaming Colors! Magical Forms! Grandeur Sublime!

ZION CANYON, bordered for miles with gigantic boulders, presents a scene of scenic splendor. Bryce Canyon, a fairyland of fantastic shapes, cut by erosion—spires, towers, castles, and even groups of fantastic personages! GRAND CANYON, Nature's masterpiece of limitless grandeur!

Combined in one tour, these wonder places of the West provide a travel experience unobtainable in any land. Make them part of your visit to the East at Beginn Summer Fare.

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HYDRANTS IN RIVIERA WILL GET SERVICE

Water for fire hydrants in Hollywood Riviera will be furnished at the \$7 rate service charge per hydrant in accordance with the terms approved by the Railroad Commission. It was decided by the city council Tuesday night. This matter had been brought up by Mayor Dennis this week after a field trip by members of the council to the subdivision in Torrance.

Council Decides To Pay for Water To Protect New Homes in Tract

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