

### CALIFORNIA G. O. P. LEADER TURNS FROM HARDING TO GOV. COX

Former Johnson Manager and  
Republican Elector Forsakes  
Anti-League Candidate After  
the Des Moines Speech.

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 19.—Declaring that a point had been reached where a decent self-respect would not allow him to continue his support of Senator Harding's candidacy for the presidency, Marshall Stimson of this city, a life-long republican, and one of the most prominent members of the republican party in California tonight issued a statement in which he bitterly scored Senator Harding for his politics and urged republicans as their most effective means of protest to vote for the democratic nominee, Governor Cox, he said, had shown wisdom in taking the side of the right and courage to be positive in expressing his views.

"I maintain that to prevent exploitation of party loyalty by unscrupulous politicians, there must be in such party a considerable number of men and women who, when politics too corrupt or shameful are imposed upon their party are not afraid to put their country's welfare ahead of that of their party and cross the party lines to support men or measures they believe in sincerely."

Stimson stated that he approved of Harding's early statements that he would seek advice and consultation on matters of public policy, but following Senator Harding's Des Moines speech it was impossible not to fear that the wrong type of men would control him.

In Stimson's statement he explains his position in favor of the league, declaring, "It is better to be in and exercise our influence to prevent war than to stand out in order to be able to consider the issues and come in after the war has started. Standing out we condemn not only ourselves but the rest of the world to the terrific burden of armament building and its inevitable result, another and more terrific war."

"Senator Harding is either sincere or he is not sincere," said Stimson, "when he says the Senator Johnson's Los Angeles speech shows that Johnson is in accord with the republican platform and the republican candidate. If sincere, then Mr. Harding wishes to scrap the league and make a separate peace with Germany, a foolish and shameful policy that I cannot endorse. Of course if he is not sincere on a great issue like this, I would not deem him fit for president."

### DESERTS HARDING BECAUSE OF HIS FIGHT ON LEAGUE

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 19.—Mrs. Timothy Healy, who was organizer for women in William Kent's campaign for the republican nomination of United States senator, has bolted the republican party and will vote for Governor Cox because of his stand on the league of nations issue. Mrs. Healy is prominent in political affairs in San Francisco and was ardent in her support of Congressman Kent. Senator Harding's statement regarding the covenant of the league of nations that "it is not interpretation but rejection that I am seeking," thus placing himself squarely opposed to the league was the compelling cause that moved Mrs. Healy to declare herself for Cox.

### NEW CHINESE ENVOY



WASHINGTON—The State Department has received official advices from Peking stating that Sao-Ke Alfred Sze has been appointed minister to the United States by the government of China. He succeeds Vi Kyuin Wellington Koo, who has been made Chinese minister to Great Britain. The new ambassador to Washington from China was educated at Cornell. He has held several cabinet posts.

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**Store Is Changed.**  
The Nye-Ward Co., formerly the Dunlap Cigar Store, is altering the interior of their store. The work consists of moving the balcony to the rear of the building. The change will cost \$200.

**Get Electric Plans.**  
Rothrock Brothers, farmers on Wild Horse, are installing an electric lighting plant which will use power from the Pacific Power and Light Co. A transformer is being put on their place to step down the current from 25,000 volts to 110 volts for household use. One of the brothers has a new farm home under construction and the other is about to start construction. The plant will serve both.

**Fence Will Be Built.**  
Matlock & Greulich, owners of the lot adjoining the Alta theater, will erect a small fence along the sidewalk both on Alta and Cottonwood streets. The lot is lower than the sidewalk and there is possibility of persons suffering a fall should they step over the edge of the walk. The fence will be of the rail-type and will be painted.

**To Erect Small House.**  
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The effort of merchants to fall in line with eastern reductions, although their goods were purchased at the peak of prices, met with hearty response from men and women. Reductions of from 20 to 25 per cent in men's overcoats and suits and big reductions in women's ready to wear articles brought out buyers eager to show their appreciation.

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 19.—Portland, Ore., will become the home port of the old battleship Oregon, veteran of the Spanish-American war, if recommendations made by the chief of the bureau of navigation of the navy department are carried out, according to special dispatches from Washington with George White, adjutant general of Oregon. Admiral counts, chief of the operations division of the navy department was quoted in the dispatches as saying he favored the plan.

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