

UPTON SINCLAIR'S UNIQUE CAMPAIGN WINS NOMINATION

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Democrat—and immediately invited those of all political creeds who wanted to "end poverty in California," to register as Democrats and help him put over what he called his "E P I C" program, taking the initials of his four-word slogan.

He wrote a book, "Initial Letters of California," in the form of history projected into the future, and then set out to make that history come true.

Anticipated Victory. Sinclair's "history" anticipated his nomination "by a plurality of some 25,000 votes," then after a sufficiently dramatic campaign, in which the "big interests" attempted his downfall, he was elected "by a majority of more than a hundred thousand."

He envisioned the use of no more time in putting the E P I C into effect than was spent in launching NRA and as in the national program launched by President Roosevelt, Sinclair calls upon the alphabet to further his plan.

First comes C A L—California Authority for Land. Its board of five members would be authorized to appropriate good farm land already surrendered to the state through tax delinquencies and to rent additional excellent soil, with the option to buy it in a year, provided the price was reasonable.

Onto this land those unemployed who wished to wrest their living from the soil would be invited immediately to come, to join co-operative colonies directed by expert agriculturists. He foresaw tent communities springing up, providing shelter until the day when the men, through the production of their own wealth, can afford more comfortable homes.

Work for Jobs. Next on the swiftly unfolding program is the creation of C A P—California Authority for Production. This board would be authorized to purchase lumber yards, brick factories, canneries, clothing factories and other idle or bankrupt concerns, where the remaining unemployed would devote their energies to producing the necessities of life.

The final setup would be the appointment of C A M—California Authority for Money—and through this, scrip would be issued, by means of which the co-operative industries could purchase produce of the co-operative farms and the co-operative farms purchase products of the co-operative industries.

But how about those still working for private enterprise? Why, with the unemployed removed from competition, these employees could win their strikes and otherwise demand and receive better wages and working conditions, Sinclair contended.

Place for Employers. If the private employers couldn't make the profit necessary to keep them in business, they would be cordially invited to contribute their administrative ability to the furtherance of the co-operatives.

Meanwhile "Governor" Sinclair went on record for a "gold fish bowl" administration. No "a la" business would be conducted behind closed doors. Always the press and the public would be invited to listen in at every interview and every conference. And if a lobbyist dared appear in the capitol, his presence and his job would be immediately made known to the public.

The history foresaw at the end of Sinclair's fourth year as governor, an investigation disclosing only one poor man in the entire state—a religious hermit who lived in a cave.

"Therefore, he considered his job done," the pamphlet concludes, "and he purposed to go home and write a novel."

WESTERN OREGON MAY GET VICTIMS OF DROUGHT BELT

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lies who moved to that area being themselves in position of economic security, but would be escaping from the dust, dryness and heat of the plains into a climate that is unequalled in this country."

Stump Problem Solved. The department was informed that the land had never been utilized because of the expense of clearing stumps, but a new method had been

perfected by which the stumps could be burned out rapidly at a very nominal cost.

Much of this land, the informant said, still was held by the logging companies that removed the forests and could be purchased at "very reasonable prices."

On some of it, the department said, there already are some good stands of second growth timber, which could be spared for cropping while other lands would be available for other agricultural purposes.

In Alaska, however, Jacob Baker, as-

sistant administrator of the federal emergency relief administration, suggested that thousands of families could find homes in the Anchorage area, where they would be able to prosper from the soil.

Delegate Diamond, (D., Alaska) be-

lieving for home sanctioned the suggestion of Baker that families be moved from the drought area into the Anchorage district, but counseled that only persons of hardy stock be taken there.

The delegate said the country in

that vicinity of Alaska was ideal for farming purposes and predicted that Alaska would be able to use all farm produce raised there. He pointed out the territory needs highways to tap the area and permit the farmers to get their produce to market.

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