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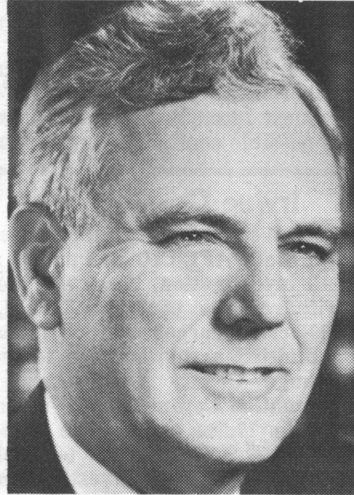
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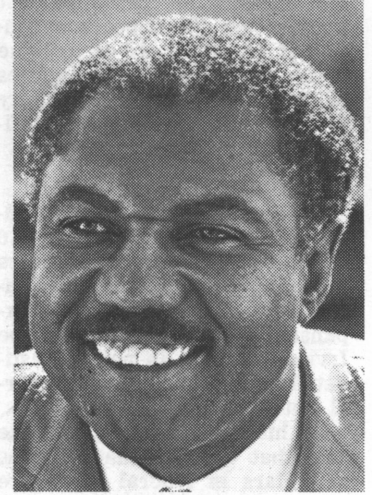
JESS UNRUH (D)
For Governor



JOHN V. TUNNEY (D)
For U. S. Senator



ALFRED E. ALQUIST (D)
For Lt. Governor



WILSON RILES
For Supt. of Public Instruction

Reagan-Nixon Slump Grips State

The following election message was issued yesterday to all AFL-CIO unions in California by John F. Henning, executive officer of the California Labor Council on Political Education.

The economy of California is falling apart and Governor Reagan isn't even trying to put it back together again. He's much too busy playing television politics to worry about the more than half-million Californians who are out of work.

Unemployment in this state has already reached seven

percent, as partial paralysis has come to our industrial system.

This week the federal government directed national attention to the unemployment crisis in Los Angeles, San Diego, and the San Bernardino-Riverside areas. The federal listing should have included all of California.

Mr. Reagan is so fully committed to the recession politics of Richard Nixon and George Murphy that his continuance in power will mean economic disaster for this state.

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Labor Committee Set Up To Elect Wilson Riles

Formation of a broadly based California Labor Committee to elect Wilson Riles State Superintendent of Public Instruction was announced this week by John F. Henning, Committee Chairman and Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the California Labor Council on Political Education, AFL-CIO.

"Election of Wilson Riles is imperative to restore capable administration and bring new creativity to the office of State Superintendent of Public Instruction," Henning said.

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California Workers' Future Is On the Line in Nov. 3 Election

"The future security of every working Californian and every retired worker in the state is on the line in the General Election next Tuesday November 3," John F. Henning, executive officer of the California Labor Council on Political Education, AFL-CIO, warned this week.

"The most intense 'get-out-the-

vote' effort in history is required for success in the campaign to elect John Tunney U.S. Senator, Jess Unruh Governor, and to assure sympathetic majorities in the legislature and in our Congressional delegation," he said in a letter sent to all central bodies and COPEs Wednesday.

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State AFL-CIO Calls for Probe of U.C. Irvine Case

An immediate investigation by federal and state authorities of possible conflicts of interest involving two University of California regents and the Irvine Company of Orange County was urged by the State AFL-CIO this week to remove any "suspicion of business profiteering" from the U.C. administration.

John F. Henning, executive officer of the California Labor Federation, AFL-CIO, called on both State Attorney General Thomas C. Lynch and U.S. Attorney General John N. Mitchell

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A Conflict of Interests?

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to launch an "immediate investigation" after State Auditor General William Merrifield told an Assembly Education Committee meeting in San Jose last Friday that "it appears a conflict of interest could occur" due to the combined responsibilities of two regents of the University of California who are also officers of the Irvine Company.

PROPER PROBE VITAL

Henning said the Labor Federation, which represents 1.6 million AFL-CIO union members in California, would withhold future support of University expansion and development if the Irvine situation is not "investigated by proper state and federal authorities."

In his wire to Mitchell, he said that the fact that millions of dollars in federal funds are allocated to U.C. Irvine makes federal investigative responsibility clear.

Regent William French Smith, who is Governor Reagan's personal attorney and whom Reagan appointed to the Board of Regents, is also an attorney for the Irvine Company.

CONTROL EXPLAINED

Regent Edward W. Carter is a member of the Board of Directors of the Irvine Foundation which owns more than 50 percent of the stock of the Irvine Company.

The controversy centers around the fact that the Irvine Company donated 1,000 acres 10 years ago to establish a University of California campus at Irvine with the campus to be in the center of a future town covering about 10,000 acres with a population of about 100,000.

There were to be no "significant" changes in the plans without the mutual consent of the Regents and the company. But earlier this year the Irvine Company announced revised plans

for a future town of about 53,000 acres and a population of around 430,000, with the campus to be located at the edge of the future city.

To clarify the matter, Henning wired State Attorney General Lynch Monday saying:

"In the name of the California Labor Federation, AFL-CIO, I request immediate investigation of possible conflict of interest in-

Irvine Co. Retreats

On Wednesday, two days after the State AFL-CIO demanded a full investigation, the Irvine Co. withdrew its controversial 54,000-acre incorporation plan and submitted a revised plan to the Orange County Local Agency Formation Commission to incorporate 17,500 acres. The State AFL-CIO still intends to push for a complete investigation, Henning said.

volving certain University of California regents and the Irvine Company of Orange County. Our request is made on the basis of the October 23 declaration of the Auditor General of California noting a conflict of interest possibility involving Re-

gents Edward W. Carter and William French Smith and the Irvine Company.

"Our organization represents more than one and a half million AFL-CIO members in California and has been the unfailing advocate of a greater University of California.

Unless the Irvine situation is investigated by proper state and federal authorities, our future support of university expansion and development will be withheld. If necessary, we plan to carry this matter to the people of the state to make certain that suspicion of business profiteering will be removed from the university administration. We trust that such a campaign will not be required."

Henning sent an identical wire to U.S. Attorney General John N. Mitchell with just one additional sentence which stated:

"This request is being directed to you because millions of dollars in federal funds have been allocated to the University of California at Irvine so federal investigative responsibility is clear."

Copies of the wire were also sent to the 22 members of the U.C. Board of Regents.



TOURING THE SST—AFL-CIO President George Meany (at right) listens closely as Bill Williams, a Boeing engineer who has worked on the supersonic transport for 13 years, explains some of the problems encountered. Meany walked through one of the two prototypes now under construction at the Boeing plant in the course of his recent visit to Seattle to attend the IBEW convention. In background are Al Schultz (left) an IAM representative, and Lowell Mickelweit, vice president of Industrial and Public Relations for Boeing. The AFL-CIO Executive Council adopted a statement urging Senate approval of funds to develop an SST at its meeting in Chicago, August 3-5, 1970.

Vote 'Yes' on State High Court Judges

An ultra-right wing and anti-labor oriented attack is being directed at some of the candidates for state judicial offices in the general election next Tuesday, Nov. 3.

Singled out in this attack are Supreme Court Justices Raymond L. Sullivan and Raymond E. Peters.

There are no contests in the races for state judicial offices. These offices will be up for a "Yes" or "No" vote next Tuesday.

California's Supreme Court has won national distinction. Members of organized labor should respond to this attack by giving a resounding "Yes" vote to these candidates for state judicial offices.

Want To Be A Deputy Labor Commissioner?

An open competitive examination for the post of Deputy Labor Commissioner has been scheduled for November 28, 1970 by the California State Personnel Board.

The post, which has a salary range of \$998 to \$1,213 a month, requires experience in such fields as the interpretation and settlement of grievances under labor contracts; the negotiation or preparation of labor agreements; conciliation, mediation or arbitration of labor disputes or experience in the field of investigation and settlement of complaints regarding violation of state or federal labor laws.

Final date for filing for the examination is Nov. 6, 1970.

Among other things, the state's Deputy Labor Commissioners administer and enforce state labor laws and make investigations and hold hearings on complaints alleging violations of the state's labor laws.

Applications and further information may be obtained from State Personnel Board offices and local offices of the State Department of Human Resources Development throughout California.

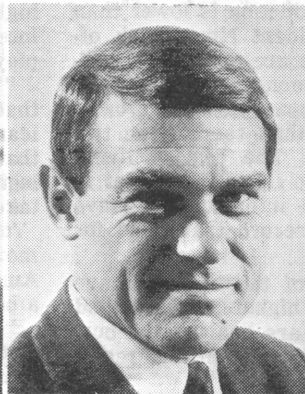
Who's Doomed?

If, as President Nixon predicted yesterday, "the big spenders are going to be the big losers" in the election next Tuesday, then conservative candidates like Reagan, Murphy and Rafferty are doomed, right?

Vote for Candidates Who Will Work for You



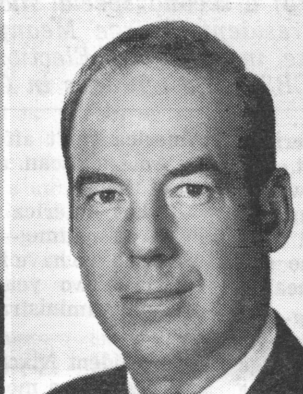
EDMUND BROWN, JR. (D)
For Secretary of State



HOUSTON FLOURNOY (R)
For Controller



CHARLES O'BRIEN (D)
For State Atty. General



EVELLE YOUNGER (R)
For State Atty. General



MILTON GORDON (D)
For State Treasurer

Reagan-Nixon Slump Grips State

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The monetary and fiscal programs of Mr. Nixon have already given the nation the worst recession since Eisenhower and we could be on the way back to Hoover and the Depression of 1929.

Mr. Murphy is undoubtedly the least competent man ever to represent California in the U.S. Senate. His retention in office would be nothing less than an absurdity.

California's economy simply can't survive the incumbency of men like Reagan, Murphy and Nixon. We need

a return to the policies of economic and industrial expansion. We need Jess Unruh in Sacramento and John Tunney in Washington. And we need someone else in the White House.

The California AFL-CIO will not tolerate the unemployment that now dominates California. We seek relief through the election of Unruh and Tunney. If we can't find it there we must and shall organize the unemployed in an alliance that will awaken the conscience and intelligence of government.

State Unemployment Crisis Worse, Report Shows

Seven of California's nine major metropolitan labor market areas encompassing about three-quarters of the state's total labor force, are now suffering "substantial" unemployment of 6.0 percent or more, a report by the U.S. Labor Department indicated this week.

The report, which knocks the props from under attempts by the Reagan and Nixon Administrations to minimize the nation's deepening economic crisis, said that the Los Angeles-Long Beach area, the San Diego area and the San Bernardino-Riverside-Ontario area would be added to the list of major metropolitan areas suffering substantial unemployment effective November 1, 1970.

This means that 38 of the 150 major labor market areas in the nation are now suffering substantial unemployment.

Two years ago, before the Nixon Administration's tight money, high interest, programmed unemployment policies took hold, only six areas were so classified.

And that means there's been more than a sixfold increase in the number of such areas afflicted since Nixon took office.

The three areas added this month encompass more than half of the state's total labor force of 8.2 million workers.

Last month the Anaheim-Santa Ana-Garden Grove labor market area was added to the list. The Fresno, San Jose and Stockton labor market areas had earned the dubious distinction earlier.

All told about 75 percent of the state's total work force are now living in areas of substantial unemployment. The substantial unemployment designation applies to areas suffering unemployment rates ranging between 6.0 and 8.9 percent.

California's seasonally adjusted jobless rate last month was 7.0 percent, the highest since August, 1961, and the highest for any September in 20 years.

Since Nixon's election, two million people have been added to the nation's unemployed ranks and the inflation rate has

climbed from 4.2 percent in 1967-68 to nearly six percent today.

Since Reagan's election in 1966, California jobless ranks have climbed 63 percent, from 309,000 in September, 1966, to 503,000 last month.

Nationally, the seasonally adjusted jobless rate jumped from 5.1 to 5.5 percent in September, indicating that California's jobless rate is 27 percent higher than the national average.

The jobless rate in Los Angeles County climbed from 6.2 percent in August to 6.6 percent in September. The San Diego jobless rate is currently 6.3 percent and the San Bernardino-Riverside rate is 6.4 percent. The rate in Orange County is 7.1 percent.

\$47 Billion in Benefits

Through the end of calendar 1969, a total of \$47.8 billion had been paid to insured unemployed workers under regular State unemployment insurance programs.

Workers' Future Is on the Line

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Henning urged local union officials to "take affirmative steps to remind potential voters they can take time off from their jobs to vote with pay."

He pointed out that Section 14400 of the State Election Code provides that if employees believe they will need time off to vote November 3 they may arrive late or leave early that day, taking up to two hours if necessary. But he pointed out that two working days' notice to the employer is required if this section is used.

He also noted that Section 14401 of the State Election Code requires employers to keep posted a notice setting forth the provisions of Section 14400 for not less than 10 days before the election.

Such notices should now be posted, he said, a point which shop stewards and other union officials might be interested in checking.

Meany Spells Out Issues at Stake in Tuesday's Election

Here is the text of a second special radio broadcast by AFL-CIO President George Meany entitled "The Worker's Stake in the 1970 Elections" aired yesterday on most CBS radio affiliates in California.

"I want to talk to American workers about the state of America's health—about what's wrong with it, what must be done to improve it, and why Tuesday's elections are so important to the nation's health.

"Except for one thing—the fear of unemployment—there is no fear that haunts the average American worker more than the fear of sickness, and the crushing medical bills and hospital bills that go with it.

"Most union members have some kind of medical insurance, won by their unions at the bargaining table. But even that expensive insurance sometimes pays only a third of the cost of health care. And one American in four has no insurance at all.

"We in the AFL-CIO believe that the time has come to recognize, once and for all, that the right to a decent standard of health care is a right of all Americans—not just the privilege of those who can pay.

"We believe the finest medical care on earth should be available to rich and poor, black and white, young and old, employed and unemployed alike.

"We believe that doctors should be rewarded for keeping their patients healthy, as well as for curing them when they are sick.

"Legislation to do this, and to do it at a lower cost than Americans now spend for inadequate health care, has been introduced by forward-looking Senators and Congressmen, and they have labor's full support. The 92nd Congress will decide whether we win or lose that fight.

"The conservatives, who are seeking your vote, and the Administration say 'No.' They say America cannot afford a first-class, comprehensive system of health care for all its people. We say America can afford nothing less.

"That same argument has been used in opposition to full employment, industrial safety laws, a higher minimum wage, consumer protection, clean air, clean water, better schools, reasonable interest rates. On all these issues, we are again told:

America can't afford them.

"America can afford them—all of them.

"What America cannot afford is to do nothing—to slip backward, as we have been doing for the last two years under the present Administration in Washington.

"President Nixon promised to make America more productive; to create new jobs and to con-

trol inflation.

"But production is lower than when President Nixon took office. There are nearly two million more men and women, who need and want jobs and can't get them, than there were two years ago. The cost of living has risen to its highest point in history and interest rates have equaled a record that stood for 100 years.

"Profits of the bankers have never been higher. Workers and consumers are bearing the burden of both inflation and recession.

"The conservatives are just

prescribing more of the same: high prices, high profits, high interest rates and high unemployment.

"This nation cannot afford that kind of leadership. Americans cannot afford a Congress that would sabotage progressive legislation and repeat the mistakes of the past.

"It is time to get this nation moving again; time to put America back to work building a better nation.

"To do that, Americans must elect Senators and Congressmen who care about workers and consumers, who will move this nation forward.

"That is why California COPE voted to support John V. Tunney for the United States Senate.

"He believes as we do: that what this nation needs is what its workers and its consumers need.

"John Tunney stands, as we do, for policies of full employment, fair wages and stable prices.

"He believes, as we do, that now is the time to get on with the job of building America and making it a better place for all Americans.

"So I urge you to vote for John Tunney as your United States Senator and for the other California COPE-endorsed candidates for public office.

"By voting for them, you will be helping yourself, your family and your country."

LABOR COMMITTEE SET UP TO ELECT WILSON RILES TO TOP SCHOOL POST

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"The citing of inefficiency, fiscal waste and mismanagement by Max Rafferty's office earlier this year by A. Alan Post, the state's legislative analyst made it clear that California voters and taxpayers need new leadership in that office.

"Wilson Riles' exceptional capabilities are reflected in the fact that he has been chosen by both President Johnson and President Nixon to serve as Chairman of Task Forces on Urban Education Problems.

"The California Labor Committee to Elect Wilson Riles Superintendent of Public Instruction is comprised of leaders of the state's 1.6 million AFL-CIO union membership who, as taxpayers and parents, are vitally interested in ending controversy over juggled reading test scores and getting on with the job of providing quality education for our children. To do this we must elect Wilson Riles next Tuesday," Henning said.

Serving as Vice Chairmen of the Committee are Albin J. Gruhn, President of the California Labor Federation, AFL-CIO; Manuel Dias, General Vice President of the California Labor Federation, AFL-CIO, and James S. Lee, President of the State Building and Construction Trades Council of California.

Other Committee members include:

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Arthur J. Bauerlein
Joseph Belardi
Anthony Bogdanowicz
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Charles Browning

Leonard Cahill
M. B. Callahan
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Paul L. Jones
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Cassius E. Smith
Donald Timms
J. J. Twombly
Larry Vall
J. M. Van Houten
E. P. Westmoreland
Robert B. White
Ray Wilson
(Partial List)

Pact Reached On Farm Organizing

An agreement spelling out the areas of jurisdiction of the AFL-CIO United Farm Workers Organizing Committee and the independent Teamsters Union was announced by AFL-CIO President George Meany this week.

"The Teamsters will stay in the area they have been active in for many years and the farm workers union will stay with the field workers," he explained.

In the past the Teamsters have been involved primarily with the organization of workers in canneries and packing sheds.

The peace formula was worked out to prevent grower interests from playing one union against the other, union spokesmen said.