

MINUTES
OF THE VENTURA COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE

September 14th, 1959

A Special Meeting of the Ventura County Democratic Central Committee met at the home of the Chairman, Mrs. Jane Tolmach, 656 Douglas Ave, Oxnard, on September 14th, 1959.

The following members were present: Les Maland, Mrs. Helen Peteler, Mrs. Edith Rouse, Mrs. Delphine McKenzie, Mrs. Margaret Roberts, Al Blanford, Walter Scholtz, Ronald Benner, Harold Nason, Jane Tolmach, Bobbie Jennings, Mrs. Mildred Gripsby.

The Chairman, Jane Tolmach, appointed the following members to the Assembly District Council: Ventura- Goldie Kennedy; Oxnard, George Tibbets; Ojai, Delphine McKenzie; Camarillo-Helen Peteler; Santa Paula & Fillmore-Dewey Thompson and Chairman Jane Tolmach.

The Central Committee met to make a recommendation to fill the vacancy of the Ventura Superior Court for November 1, 1959, to replace Judge Blackstock who is resigning.

Al Blanford moved that the following Resolution be mailed to the Governor, seconded by George Tibbets; motion passed.

RESOLUTION: Ventura County Democratic Central Committee, whereas, a vacancy will exist in the Superior Court, in and for the County of Ventura, On November 1, 1959, and WHEREAS, the Ventura County Democratic Central Committee feels that it is important to the community that a well qualified attorney with a judicial temperament be appointed to fill the vacancy, NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That there are four aspirants who are eminently fitted to serve as a judge of the Superior Court of Ventura County: (a) Edward Henderson (b) Richard C. Heaton (c) Jerome H. Berenson (d) Robert E. Willard

2. That of these qualified individuals the Central Committee's first choice is Edward Henderson, who is widely respected both as an individual and because of his broad experience as a trial lawyer and as a judge of the Superior Court. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the chairman of the Ventura County Democratic Central Committee be directed to forward this resolution to the Governor of the State of California. This is to certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Ventura County Democratic Central Committee at a meeting held on September 14, 1959.

RESOLUTION 2 VENTURA COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE BE IT RESOLVED that the present District Attorney of this County is not acceptable to this Committee to serve as a judge of the Superior Court of the County of Ventura because of his:

1. Lack of moderation as demonstrated by his attacks on various judges in this community. 2. lack of compassion and a sense of justice as shown by his use of "trial by newspaper". 3 Lack of public confidence as evidenced by the large write in vote cast against him in the 1958 primary election. Be it further resolved that the chairman of the Ventura County Democratic Central Committee be directed to forward this resolution to the Governor of the State of California. This is to certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Ventura County Democratic Central Committee at a meeting held on September 14, 1959.

It was moved seconded and passed that the secretary be instructed to write thank you letters to the following: Mr and Mrs. Walter Scholtz, for use of home at the recent Democratic Jamboree, Letter to the Carpenters Union for use of table and chairs, and to Lt. Governor Anderson, who was the Guest of Honor.

It was moved seconded and passed that we write to Governor Brown inviting him to visit Ventura, and to let us know what date he would be willing to come to the County, we also discussed the possibility of program for the event.

The secretary was instructed to write an answer to Alan Cranston requesting a list of Members of the Central Committee, and also what activities were going on in the county. see attached letter to Cranston:

It was moved by Delphine McKenzie that the Chairman ok all bills to be submitted to the Treasurer and all to be paid promptly seconded by Bobbie Jennings. Motion passed.

The Secretary reported that at our Democratic Jamboree, we netted a gross figure of \$1054.50 plus \$15.00 additional which made the final total \$1069.50. The secretary paid one bill of \$7.50 for maid service at the party and deposited the balance of \$1062.50 in the bank to the account of the Central Committee.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 P. M.

Margaret Robertson Secretary

Bills to be paid:

Piano Rental to Penneys Music Store
Scholtz Maid
Bar Supplies
Paper Supplies and Table Cloths.
Food
Decorations\$5.00