

# JOHNSON INDORSES HARDING ON LEAGUE

### Joins Republican Campaigners and Declares Nominee Would Scrap Covenant

## PREDICTS G. O. P. VICTORY

By the Associated Press  
Sacramento, Calif., Sept. 21.—Senator Hiram W. Johnson, in his first speech in behalf of the Republican national ticket, indorsed the attitude of Senator Harding on the League of Nations here today.

"Mr. Harding, happily for himself and for America, scrapped the league," Senator Johnson said. "Senator Johnson had been one of the most bitter foes of the league in the United States Senate."

The speech, first of several Senator Johnson is scheduled to make in California in the national campaign, was made to the Republican state convention at its opening session. It began with congratulations "upon the outlook for Republican success" and an attack upon the present Democratic administration.

"So wide is the dissatisfaction with the present administration," he said, "so great the hostility to many acts of the President, and so acute the justifiable fear of the metamorphosis of our foreign policy, that apparently nothing can prevent overwhelming Republican success in November."

### Repression and Suppression

"The indictment brought against Mr. Wilson's government is severe, but warranted by the facts. For the first time in our lives the Democratic administration taught us what repression and suppression were. This administration has not only curtailed the constitutional privileges of citizens at home, but endeavored to drive us into perilous paths abroad. Free speech has been threatened, not in the interest of patriotism, but for existing power."

"A free press has been endangered. A rigid censorship diluted the news, and facts to which all were entitled, were forbidden publication, while government propaganda colored and often distorted the information permitted to come to the people. These assaults insensibly bred intolerance, the ancient foe of freedom. The necessary restrictions of wartime have been inexcusably prolonged in peace, and our government has strayed far from those fundamental principles upon which, for more than a century and a quarter, the republic has so securely rested."

Senator Johnson then attacked the administration on the League of Nations issue.

"Under the specious guise of a League of Nations to promote peace and prevent war, we were to be inextricably bound hereafter to every future world war," he continued.

"Upon the League of Nations the issue is clean cut. There are some gentlemen who seek by construction of words to obscure it. I do not object to these gentlemen and their newspaper protagonists saving their faces so long as they do not carry their league. But the language of the two candidates is plain and unambiguous. The one says he will go into the league, and I am proud to say that our candidate says he will stay out of the league."

League Is Real Issue  
"Every normal man desires to promote peace and prevent war. Every

# MINERS RALLYING AROUND HARDING

### Compers Can't Deliver Labor Vote to Democrats, Union Leader Says

## CONFERS WITH NOMINEE

By the Associated Press  
Marion, Sept. 21.—W. J. James, of Illinois, national representative of the United Mine Workers for Illinois, today discussed labor and political conditions with Senator Harding. After the conference Mr. James issued a statement in which he said:

"Being a Republican, I am for the Republican party and the Harding-Coolidge ticket. I find that miners who are Republicans are going to support Harding and those who are Democrats will support Cox. President Compers's effort to deliver the labor vote to the Democratic ticket will fail just as it always has failed."

"Percy Tetlow, statistician of the United Mine Workers of America, is out for Harding and will shortly be on the stump for him. John Moore, recently president of the United Mine Workers of Ohio, is likewise vigorously supporting the Republican ticket."

"The Democratic effort to control the labor vote, and particularly the miners, has resulted in a failure because the workmen have studied the records of the two candidates and the two parties and the Republican candidates and program have made such an appeal that the Democratic propaganda has failed completely."

Late today Senator Harding will address a delegation of the Loyal Order of the Golden Heart of the World from Columbus.

Mrs. Harding has received a telegram from women members of the California delegation which recently visited Marion, asserting they "have been thrilled and inspired by their visit with you and Senator Harding."

# BIG CALIFORNIA CROWD HEARS COX

### Governor Continues Championship of League in Los Angeles

## OFF TO ARIZONA TODAY

By the Associated Press  
Los Angeles, Calif., Sept. 21.—One of the largest audiences of the western trip gave to Governor Cox an enthusiastic welcome here last night and heard him speak.

Governor Cox opened his address with description of progressivism and an attack on Senator Harding's nomination. Another attack on "reactionary newspapers," which he said were suppressing the news of his campaign, was made here by the governor.

"Some of these newspapers," he said, "who used to be preaching the League of Nations are not saying anything about it, but are saying that Cox is wet."

Governor Cox issued a challenge to "the newspapers controlled by the Senate oligarchy to permit both sides of the campaign to go before the American jury," and to use daily those that come out of Marion."

Referring to his charges of a Republican slush fund, Governor Cox said that the Los Angeles Times, Republican, had twitted him with having failed to prove his charges regarding the campaign fund quotas, and yet, he said, on August 4 had published a statement that said \$100,000 was our "quota of the Republican national campaign fund" for southern California.

Discussing authority of the League of Nations and Article X, the governor stated that the league council's findings were advisory only.

Governor Cox today faced a busy day, whose program called for the conclusion of his southern California campaign and his departure for Arizona this afternoon. Five scheduled speeches remained on his program in southern California. One was at Long Beach, three at Los Angeles and one at San Bernardino. This called for a morning trip to Long Beach and return here, where he was to address the City Advertising Club, a luncheon of club women and the Southern California Editorial Association. The speech at San Bernardino was to come late today.

# NO ACTION BY COMMITTEE

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While it is true that there are other investments, notably high grade bonds that give higher returns, nevertheless the financial needs of the country and our community require that the market should not be closed or even curtailed to well secured loans on real estate. The home buyer is at the foundation of good citizenship and the housing of the community depends largely upon available capital for building, and it becomes the duty of those interested to carefully consider the effects of the present situation beyond the profits of the day.

Whether mortgages are paying the proper rate of interest compared with other securities may be a matter of opinion with individuals but with institutions