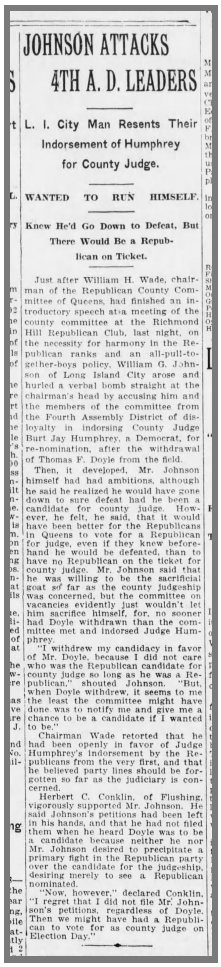
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JOHNSON ATTACKS 4TH A. D. LEADERS

L. I. City Man Resents Their Indorsement of Humphrey for County Judge.

WANTED TO RUN HIMSELF.

Knew He'd Go Down to Defeat, But There Would Be a Republican on Ticket.

Just after William H. Wade, chairman of the Republican County Committee of Queens, had finished an introductory speech at a meeting of the county committee at the Richmond Hill Republican Club, last night, on the necessity for harmony in the Republican ranks and an all-pull-together-boys policy, William G. Johnson of Long Island City arose and hurled a verbal bomb straight at the chairman's head by accusing him and the members of the committee from the Fourth Assembly District of disloyalty in indorsing County Judge Burt Jay Humphrey, a Democrat, for re-nomination, after the withdrawal of Thomas F. Doyle from the field.

Then, it developed, Mr. Johnson himself had had ambitions, although he said he realized he would have gone down to sure defeat had he been a candidate for county judge. However, he felt, he said, that it would have been better for the Republicans in Queens to vote for a Republican for judge, even if they knew beforehand he would be defeated, than to have no Republican on the ticket for county judge. Mr. Johnson said that he was willing to be the sacrificial goat so far as the county judgeship was concerned, but the committee on vacancies evidently just wouldn't let him sacrifice himself, for, no sooner had Doyle withdrawn than the committee met and indorsed Judge Humphrey.

"I withdrew my candidacy in favor of Mr. Doyle, because I did not care who was the Republican candidate for county judge so long as he was a Republican," shouted Johnson. "But, when Doyle withdrew, it seems to me the least the committee might have done was to notify me and give me a chance to be a candidate if I wanted to be."

Chairman Wade retorted that he had been openly in favor of Judge Humphrey's indorsement by the Republicans from the very first, and that he believed party lines should be forgotten so far as the judiciary is concerned.

Herbert C. Conklin, of Flushing, vigorously supported Mr. Johnson. He said Johnson's petitions had been left in his hands, and that he had not filed them when he heard Doyle was to be a candidate because neither he nor Mr. Johnson desired to precipitate a primary fight in the Republican party over the candidate for the judgeship, desiring merely to see a Republican nominated.

"Now, however," declared Conklin, "I regret that I did not file Mr. Johnson's petitions, regardless of Doyle. Then we might have had a Republican to vote for as county judge on Election Day."

WH Wade - argument at republican club

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