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Haggerty Seeks Return To Bench

Former Criminal District Court Judge Edward A. Haggerty Jr. has announced his candidacy to regain his seat as Judge of Section C of the court in the Nov. 6 Democratic primary.

"I submit my candidacy, my cause, my case to the people and voters of this community, asking them to be the jury and to let them render the verdict as to whether or not my record for the last 25 years merits my return to the bench in Criminal District Court," Haggerty said.

Haggerty was removed from office last November by the Louisiana Supreme Court because of his arrest in a vice squad raid.

He said his record reflects that he has been "just and honest" with the citizenry of New Orleans. "I further believe that I have tempered justice with mercy when the occasion required such action."

Citing his experience as a public official, Haggerty said he served in the district attorney's office under five different DAs for a period of 11 years. He was first elected to the judgeship in 1956 and was re-elected in 1960.

A native of New Orleans, Haggerty attended St. Theresa's Parochial School, St. Aloysius High School and Loyola University. He is a veteran of World War II and is a lieutenant commander in the U.S. Naval Reserve.

He holds membership in the American Bar Association, Louisiana State Bar Associa-



EDWARD A. HAGGERTY JR.

tion, Knights of Columbus 714, Bienville General Assembly of New Orleans, American Legion and Delta Theta Phi National Law Fraternity.

Haggerty, who sat on the bench during the Clay Shaw conspiracy trial, said, "I submit that I judiciously performed my duties in the very trying and complex case. . ."

"I appeal my case and my cause to the proper forum," he said. "And that is the people who make a determination by their vote who shall serve them. I know I can expect a fair verdict from a fair jury."

AID RECORD DUE

WASHINGTON — In the fiscal year that began July 1, federal aid to state and local governments will reach a new high, an estimated billion, notes Tax Foundation, Inc.

CAR SALES DOWN

WASHINGTON — The average U.S. franchised new-car dealer sold 281 new cars and 292 used cars in 1970 and had \$1.7 million in sales, down from \$1.8 million in 1969.

Gremillion's Son Arrested in B.R.

BATON ROUGE (AP) — The son of Atty. Gen. Jack Gremillion was arrested yesterday after his father swore out a warrant charging him with criminal nonsupport of his two children.

Dist. Atty. Sargent Pitcher of East Baton Rouge Parish confirmed that he accepted the complaint against Jack P. F. Gremillion Jr. and his former wife, Mary Louise Gremillion.

The warrant claims the two children, ages eight and seven, are in need. They live with their grandparents, the attorney general and his wife.

Pitcher said the attorney general told him neither parent had contributed anything to the support of their children in the last four months since the children moved in with the grandparents.

Young Gremillion and his former wife were freed on \$500 recognizance bond each which was set by family court.