

Warren Caught Fame in E. Bay

Except for an unsuccessful bid for the vice presidency of the United States, Earl Warren played out his entire political career in his native California until his appointment to the U. S. Supreme Court.

He was born in Los Angeles on March 19, 1891, and attended the Bakersfield public schools, and the University of California where he received his legal education.

After graduation, Warren entered private law practice, and served as a lieutenant of infantry from September, 1917, to December, 1918.

It was after his return from the Army that he embarked into politics.

EAST BAY

He was appointed deputy city clerk of Oakland in 1919, and deputy district attorney of Alameda County the following year. In 1925, he was appointed district attorney, and subsequently he was elected to the office three times.

A relentless, crime-busting prosecutor, he convicted an average of 15 murderers a year, jailed the county sheriff for gambling graft, and convicted Alameda's mayor for bribery and theft of public funds. None of his convic-

tions was ever reversed on appeal.

Warren was still serving as district attorney when, from 1936 to 1938, he did a stint as Republican national committeeman from California.

He was elected Attorney General of the state in 1938, won the Republican nomination for Governor in 1942, and defeated Democrat Culbert Olson.

3 TERMS

Twice more he won election, becoming the only governor in the state's history to serve three terms. He was re-elected on both Republican and Democratic tickets in 1946, and he defeated Democrat James Roosevelt by more than a million votes in 1950.

Warren made a bid for the GOP presidential nomination in 1948, and when it failed he ran with New York Gov. Thomas E. Dewey as the vice-presidential candidate.

The ticket went down to defeat before Harry S. Truman's historic upset.

Warren was serving his third term as governor — he had rounded out 10 years and nine months in the job — when he was tapped by then President Eisenhower for the Supreme Court.