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A political **expression** with a **similar** **meaning** is the last **hurrah**. The expression **may** be **used** to **describe** a politician's last **campaign**, his final **attempt** to **win** the cheers and votes of the people. The last hurrah also can mean the last **acts** of a politician, **before** his term in office ends.

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Writer Edwin O'Connor \_\_\_\_\_ the expression popular in nineteen fifty-six. He \_\_\_\_\_ a book about the final years in the political life of a long-time mayor of Boston, Massachusetts. He \_\_\_\_\_ his book, *The Last Hurrah*.

Some language experts say the expression \_\_\_\_\_ from a name given to noisy supporters of Andrew Jackson, America's seventh president. They \_\_\_\_\_ hurrah so loudly for Andrew Jackson during his presidential campaign that they \_\_\_\_\_ known as the hurrah boys.

Jackson's hurrah boys also \_\_\_\_\_ a part in the election to choose the next president. Jackson's choice \_\_\_\_\_ his vice president, Martin VanBuren.

A newspaper of the time \_\_\_\_\_ that VanBuren was elected president, in its words: "...by the hurrah boys, and those who \_\_\_\_\_ just enough to shout hurrah for Jackson." So, President Jackson really \_\_\_\_\_ his last hurrahs in the campaign of another candidate, the man would replace him in the White House.