

Hizzoner A Credit To His Family, Church and Community



WIFE JOANNE AND DAUGHTER MICHELLE

JUDGE COMPTON
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serve as "law clerk" to Federal Judge Armistead M. Dobie, where he remained for two years.

He specialized in Admiralty Law, which took him to San Francisco, where he resided for one year. Unfortunately the health of his wife and child became affected due to the climate, and Nevada was recommended. The Comptons arrived in Las Vegas in 1946. Here he again took Bar Exams, passing in 1947. He practised law until Jan., 1950, when he became assistant United States Attorney until 1954. In March of that year he went into law partnership with Wm. (Bill) Morse and Madison Graves. In 1960 he was both "appointed and elected" as District Judge, where he still reigns.

To sit and talk with this brown haired, hazed eyed, quiet man, who peers at one from behind horn-rimmed glasses, and whose face lights up with fleeting smiles as he reminisces, one can hardly imagine the many



MOTHER MARCIA AND HIZZONER, THE CLOWN

hard knocks life handed out to him along the way. For his success did not come easily, having to work his way along the route.

His hobbies are purely mechanical, and the work of his hands, can be seen in the beautiful lamps he has carved, and that stand in his office. He is an avid "reader, of law", never passing a chance to keep up with all that pertains to his chosen profession.

He laughingly admits he couldn't carry a tune in a bucket, vocally, yet, as is often the way, he was born with anatural ear for music, and plays the organ very well.

Judge Compton has many awards to his credit, including the rare one of Phi-Eta Sigma. He was elected Editor of Law Review (first in class) in Virginia.

He is a Mason, Scottish



DAUGHTER MARCIA

rites 32 degree and is one of the popular clowns of the Shriners. He served as Past Patron of Eastern Star, Royal order of Jesters, the fun organization. He has been chairman of the Pollo Foundation, Past President of the



JUDGE COMPTON, ALWAYS INTERESTED IN YOUTH ACTIVITIES, POINTS OUT GROUND BREAKING PLANS FOR SPRING MOUNTAIN YOUTH CAMPS TO CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER ROBERT (MOON) MULLEN, AS TED LANZA, CAMP OFFICIAL LOOKS ON.

City of Hope, and Assistant Governor of the Exchange Club. He also was Past President of Local Bar of Clark County. He is an Elk and member of Sigma Nu Phi.

He was Chancellor of his Church for fourteen years. His eyes gleam with pride when he speaks of his two daughters, Marcia 20, and Michelle, seven. While in court he's boss he admits, at home, Joanne, his wife, holds his family life in the palm of her hand.

Judge Compton tells of how his edlest daughter, now married to Johnathon F. Regal, had him completely fooled. The incident took place in his office. At the first meet-

ings with his now son-in-law, he was chatting with Marcia and supposedly Johnathon, when Ruby, his capable and pleasant secretary, informed him that his in-law to-be was waiting in the outer office. In blank amazement he answered that this was an impossibility as said person was with him at that particular moment. Conviction came, when Johnathon and his identical twin whom he had been entertaining all the time, stood before him, together.

Judge Compton is a sincere man, with deep inner convictions of the future of our city and state. He sees a tremendous future for this

oasis in the desert, despite the present apparent slump. He expresses a desire to grow old with us, and intends to remain on the bench as long as he is permitted.

May this prove to be for many years. The boys, who came from the soil of Alabama, and who worked his way across our land until he reached the fair city of Las Vegas, has truly been an asset to our community.

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