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WILLIAM DEISS FOR ASSEMBLY 5

Will Deiss, president of the Las Vegas Police Protective Association, is the first candidate to file for Assembly District Five left vacant by incumbent Zel Lowman who is running for a state senate seat.

Deiss lost the 1974 race to Lowman. The district is west of Interstate 15 bordered by Spring Mountain Road, South Rainbow Boulevard, West Sahara Avenue, West Charleston and Rancho Drive.

Deiss said he thinks one of the most important issues the legislature should face in the coming session is crime prevention and remedies.

The candidate noted, "We need stronger and better laws for perpetrators of violent crimes" and explained persons who commit crimes with weapons should face mandatory five-year jail terms without possibility of early release.

He also advocates aid to crime victims in the form of legislation that would require counties to pay the medical expenses of rape, assault and battery victims. A limit on the expenses would be written into the legislation and the cost would be met by an increase in the county room tax.

On the consolidation issue, Deiss said he would rather not express his personal opinion because the public should vote on the question.

"They enacted the law without a vote of the people," Deiss said of the 1975 legislators. He said the taxpayers who must pay for consolidation costs should decide whether the step should be taken.

The Democrat said he is against the Equal Rights Amendment but favors equal rights for women. "I look at that thing with mixed emotions," he commented.

He suggested the ERA should be written in more specific terms or in the alternative, the state could write legislation to remedy discrimination loopholes.

ROBERT SUGHRUE FOR ASSEMBLY 5

Robert Sughrue, a retired member of Local 1780 of the Carpenters Union, announced his Democratic candidacy for Assembly District Five because he has free time and feels serving the public is the best way to use it.

Sughrue, 60, is a 25-year resident of Las Vegas. He and his wife, June, live at 1200 Barnard St. They have one grown son.

On the issue of consolidation, Sughrue said, "I was for it 100 per cent at the beginning. Right now I'm against it." He explained he



WILL DEISS
...for Assembly

Although the draft is nonexistent now, Deiss said he is concerned the ERA would force women to be subject to the draft. He also noted that child support laws are still needed to insure wives whose husbands desert them do not wind up on the welfare rolls when no child support payments come in.

Deiss said he would recommend a tax break to residential home owners, including mobile home owners, especially senior citizens who have difficulty keeping up with increased living costs.

Deiss is a 23-year resident of Las Vegas and lives with his wife, Dorothy, at 1505 Flag Circle. They have five grown children.

The candidate is serving his eighth consecutive term as president of the police protective association and also is the legislative chairman for police and firemen in Nevada.

Deiss attended California State Polytechnic University and the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

Active in community affairs, Deiss has been a member of the Nevada National Guard, Southern Nevada Officials Association, Exchange Club director and American Legion Post 55. He also has interest in Boys State, American Legion Baseball and work with retarded children.

objected to the way consolidation was handled in Clark County before it was found unconstitutional.

The candidate said he would also like to see the 1977 Legislature look at the problems of the elderly and introduce legislation to help them in their daily lives.

He explained he also feels strongly that more and better law enforcement programs are needed but this must be coupled with an end to plea bargaining by the District Attorney's Office.

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HERBERT WALDMAN FOR ASSEMBLY 5

Las Vegas attorney Herbert Waldman, a Democratic candidate in the District Five race, thinks his legal and accounting background would make him a wise choice as an effective legislator.

Waldman said the legislature needs representatives who can write effective legislation that stands up to the scrutiny of the courts.

The candidate and his wife, Sharron, live at 3860 W. Edna Ave. with their three children. The native Las Vegas opened a law practice here in 1966.

Waldman explained the legislature needs a legislative drafting bureau with more legal expertise to formulate bills and recognize the potential pitfalls of some legislation.

He also said the 1977 Legislature should continue to keep a close watch on the fiscal condition of state finances.

The legislature should also investigate possible funding to county governments for expensive advanced waste water treatment plants such as the \$87 million plant the federal government has ordered Clark County to build.

He favors the joining of municipal services or reciprocal agreements to end duplication of services where there would be a cost savings but is still studying other ramifications of the consolidation question. He

believes the public should also have a voice on the issue.

He feels the people should be given the choice to accept or reject the Equal Rights Amendment. "I do not feel that the legislature should be the deciding voice with regard to the ERA," he said. He does not believe the state legislature should frustrate the desires of the public on the question.

Waldman graduated from Hastings Law School at the University of California, San Francisco in 1966 then returned to Las Vegas to open his practice. He also received a bachelor of science degree in accounting from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas in 1961.



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IAN ROSS FOR ASSEMBLY 5

Las Vegas attorney Ian Ross believes his legal expertise and experience drafting government legislation qualifies him as a candidate who has the skills a legislator needs.

The 37-year-old Democratic candidate for Assembly Seat Five commented, "Common sense tells us that government is more efficient and less expensive when laws are written constitutionally."

Ross and his wife, Irmalee, live with their two children at 2905 Burton Ave. Ross has lived in Las Vegas for 23 years, 12 of those in District Five.

He points to his former positions as an assistant city attorney, deputy district attorney, juvenile court services attorney, legal appointments with the cities of Henderson and Boulder and now as an alternate Municipal Court judge as sufficient experience for the job as a legislator.

Through these experiences, Ross believes he understands the crime problem of the community.

JACK TELL FOR ASSEMBLY 5

(APART FROM A FEW MINOR ERRORS, THIS STORY IS SUBSTANTIALLY CORRECT. J.T.)

Las Vegas Israelite newspaper editor Jack Tell announced that in his campaign as a Democrat for Assembly District Five he will depend upon the voters to direct his opinions on a variety of issues.

Tell explained, "As a candidate I am looking to get a job and as an employee (of the voters) I am looking out to follow the bosses' (voters) orders."

Tell and his wife, Bea, live at 4167 W. Tara Ave. They have three grown sons.

The 66-year-old candidate said if elected he will act as a spokesman for the majority of the voters who "hire" him for the job as legislator.

"Registered voters will be polled on all controversial matters that will come up before the 1977 state legislature. The contents will be tabulated and open to public inspection. Howsoever the public dictates will be the determining factor in casting our vote at the state Assembly," according to Tell.

Tell noted the major expense of his campaign will be his voter poll and warned lobbyists and special interest groups to address their concerns to District Five voters rather than himself.

Tell said he does not take a position on either consolidation or the Equal Rights Amendment and noted these and questions about capital punishment, school bussing, right to work laws



JACK TELL
...voters direct campaign

and other issues will appear on the voter poll.

The candidate commented, "I want to change the whole process for selecting officials" by using the concept of voter as dictator of the legislator stand on issues. He said the concept is a step to counteract the bribery of public officials.

Tell was born in New York City and attended St. Johns University in the Bronx. He worked as a reporter for the New York Times and the New York Journal-American before moving to Virginia City in 1960.

Tell purchased an interest in the Virginia City Territorial Enterprise in 1960 but sold the newspaper a short time later and moved to Las Vegas. He started the Israelite about 13 years ago.

He attends Temple Beth Shalom and is a member of the Southern Nevada Drug Abuse Council.

persons to enforce these laws are needed.

He thinks annexation rather than consolidation would be a more effective means of remedying the present city-county duplication of services but he would like to see the 1977 Legislature study the problem and determine the best way to end the duplication.

Ross said he favors equal rights for women and thinks this goal can be accomplished by repealing or modifying existing state and federal laws which might perpetuate discrimination. He said he plans to poll district five for opinions on the Equal Rights Amendment.

Ross is a graduate of Las Vegas High School, University of Nevada, Las Vegas and Stanford Law School.

The candidate has been active in the Clark County Democratic Central Committee, UNLV Alumni Association, Las Vegas Stanford Club, Boy Scouts, Camp Fire Girls and the Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce.



IAN ROSS
...legal experience beneficial

The answer to mounting crime is not always allocating more money, Ross said, but properly allocating available funds to agencies where it will be most effectively utilized.

He encourages the proper allocation of funds to law enforcement, the courts and the penal system. Ross said good laws to discourage repeat offenders and qualified



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