

Who's Who In Las Vegas

A group of the men who are prominent in the up-building of this city. Few of the pictures of active citizens will be published in The Age from time to time. Photos by J. B. White



Dr. Forest R. Mildren

Forest R. Mildren received his earliest schooling in Pennsylvania, the state of his birth and later attended the public schools of Chicago.

He graduated from Loyola University at Chicago, in 1914 and was thereafter an interne in the Auburn, N. Y. City Hospital for one and one-half years before entering the general practice of medicine and surgery in the same city.

Dr. Mildren was one of the very first surgeons to go overseas early in 1917 in the service of Uncle Sam.

In France he was with the full-time operating unit behind the time until the armistice. He was then put in charge of the great convalescent hospital at Biarritz, in the south of France, and later had care of the troops embarking for home at Bordeaux.

He came to Las Vegas in 1920 as surgeon in charge of the Las Vegas Hospital and has achieved an enviable record of success in his chosen profession of surgery.

In civic life he has been prominent and active. He is a Mason and a member of Las Vegas Rotary Club of which he is a past president.



W. J. Hooper

Was born on a California ranch and he appreciates that times have changed since he had to walk four miles to go to school. He graduated from grammar school at 16 and left the ranch when 17 years of age.

Mr. Hooper worked in Fresno, Calif., as bookkeeper and studied accounting at night. He continued this including banking, until 1917, when he joined forces with Uncle Sam.

Returning from the service he was discharged from the army in February, 1919, after which he entered the accounting field in Los Angeles.

In 1924 Mr. Hooper came to Las Vegas. For five years he has been a member of the American Legion Post here. He was in the employ of Mr. Leigh Hunt until last year, when he opened offices for himself in the Park building on Second street where he carries on the business of public accounting, and auditing, income tax counselor, real estate, insurance and bonds.

Mr. Hooper is also United States Commissioner, having been appointed to that position recently.



A. W. Ham

After graduating from the Law Department of the University of Michigan, at Ann Arbor, in the year 1914, entered the practice of law at Los Angeles, California with the firm of Ham & Ham.

Came to Las Vegas in May 1916 and entered the practice of law with the late Judge W. R. Thomas under the firm name of Thomas & Ham, which firm continued until the retirement of Judge Thomas in the year 1919, subsequent to which time he has continued the practice of law alone, occupying the same quarters in the Mesquite Building for the past 13 years.

Bears an enviable reputation as a capable and successful lawyer having participated in most of the more bitterly fought court battles of Clark County with a most credible record of success.

Believing in Las Vegas and its future he is and has been one of its best boosters and having possessed an abiding faith in the future of Las Vegas has over a period of years been investing in local real estate.

Has held numerous offices of trust and honor, being now the President of the Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce and has occupied the offices of Exalted Ruler of the Elks Lodge, Master of the Masonic Lodge, Secretary of the Clark County Republican Central Committee, President of the local Bar Association, City Attorney of Las Vegas, and numerous others.



Harley A. Harmon

At the time of the creation of Clark County, in January 1909, Harley A. Harmon, present District Attorney, was appointed first County Clerk and Clerk of the District Court. In 1911, upon the incorporation of the City of Las Vegas, he was appointed City Clerk, also, holding those positions continuously until January, 1920, at which time he entered the office of District Attorney.

Prior to his entrance into public life, Mr. Harmon had been a locomotive fireman and engineer on the Salt Lake road, which was later absorbed by the Union Pacific. He has always said that the most interesting part of his life was the seven years he spent in a locomotive cab.

He is a member of the Odd Fellows, Fraternal Order of Eagles, B. P. O. Elks, Locomotive Engineers, the Encampment, Rebekahs.

He has been very active in fraternal affairs, having been first Exalted Ruler of the Elks in Las Vegas, District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler and at present is State President of the Elks Association. He has also been an active participant in Democratic politics, having attended two national conventions and was chairman of three state conventions of the Democratic party.

Mr. Harmon, it is evident, has been an engineer in more than one walk of life.



Mayor J. Fred Hesse

Arrived in Las Vegas in May 1917, to take charge of engineering investigations along the Colorado River in connection with plans for a damsite for the generation of electric power. Prior to this he was Cadastral Engineer in the Surveying Division of the United States Land Office. Spent years from 1917 to 1924 in charge of investigations and surveys on Colorado River for G. H. Stetson and associates.

From 1924 to date has been engaged in general practice of engineering with office in Las Vegas.

Member of Lodge No. 335, E. P. O. E., at Phoenix, Arizona.

Member of Rotary club. Past President of Rotary club. Chairman, Republican County Committee.

NEVADA MINING REACHED PEAKS IN 1878, 1917

The total production of minerals from Nevada mines, estimated on incomplete data, is \$1,070,000,000. The peak years were 1878, \$49,767,863, principally gold and silver, and 1917, \$55,235,488, copper leading.—Nevada Mining Press.

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MRS. SALGO IN HOSPITAL
Mrs. I. Salgo was seriously ill in Las Vegas hospital, late Saturday, being critically ill at that time. She is said to be doing nicely, however.

DEATH VALLEY SCOTTY'S HOME

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mystery of the desert as was his source of wealth 20 years back, when he used to amuse himself



WALTER SCOTT Better Known as Death Valley Scotty

with special limited trains and plain and fancy spending. The main part of Scotty's

"shack" is in two sections, connected by an arched driveway, surmounted by two towers, a metal weather-vane swinging in the breeze from each. One vane depicts Scotty leading a burro into Death Valley; the other Scotty holding a frying pan over a camp fire.

The room with the \$50,000 pipe organ is one of the most beautiful in the building. Another room has a swimming pool and artificial lake, 70x100 feet. A marble fountain, 12 feet high, plays in the main living room. Bathrooms, built into the walls, are finished in orange and black tile.

And a high concrete wall will be built around the whole structure, "to keep out rattlesnakes," Scotty explains.

SAN FRANCISCO BUILDING OWNED BY 9,000 WOMEN

SAN FRANCISCO, (April 16, AP)—Nine thousand women own a \$2,000,000 enterprise here. It is the San Francisco Women's club 12-story building, an income property.

The club is declared to have the largest membership of any in the country. Life membership values have increased 500 per cent since its founding in 1922 when a number of units merged to found a central home for clubwomen.

Contributing and trustee memberships, originally \$20 and \$50, respectively, have likewise mounted in value. Life membership, sold at \$100 each at the inception of the club, now are worth \$500.

ITALY'S FIRST AVIATRIX WILL SEEK U. S. LICENSE

CHICAGO, April 15, (AP)—Marchesa Theodora Marconi, Italy's first woman airplane pilot and one of the first three women to fly in France, says she will seek an American license to fly.

She was in Chicago long enough to make plane connections for the west coast, where she plans to write a book called "The Joy of War." After she finished her book, based on experience with the ambulance corps of the Italian and American armies during the world war, she says she will try for a pilot's license in this country.

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VETERANS GET READY FOR 500 MILE RACE

INDIANAPOLIS April 16 (AP)—Veteran race drivers early on the job are preparing their cars for the 500-mile international speed classic here May 30.

Cliff Durant millionaire sportsman and an old timer at the Indianapolis track was among the first to arrive. Early arrivals also included Dave Devans, John Seymour Deacon Litz and Bob McDonough. A dozen cars are undergoing tests at the track.

Louis Meyer winner of last year's 500-mile race is preparing to drive a new car this year, while Deacon Litz is here with the car that Meyer drove to victory last year.

Qualifying trials will begin Saturday, May 25. Cars must be piloted by the starting drivers for 10 miles at an average of 90 miles an hour or more. Entries will close midnight May 1.

ROSEMARY BLANDING HAS TONSILS REMOVED

Rosemary Blanding, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Blanding, was operated on for tonsillotomy yesterday by Dr. Forest R. Mildren at the Las Vegas hospital.

MRS. McCUBREY ILL

Mrs. R. G. McCubrey was taken to the Hewetson hospital yesterday because of stomach disorders caused by a cold contracted during the chilly weather last week. At last report she was doing nicely.

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