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## COUNTY FINANCES

A large item in the expenditures of Clark County is the office of district attorney, a considerable portion of which is due directly to the squandering of time in prosecution of cases to further political ambitions or personal grudges and, in much greater degree, in carrying on the private law practice of the district attorney and his deputies.

The business of the district attorney's office, except perhaps during terms of court or some occasional emergencies, could be carried on efficiently by one good attorney with a stenographer.

However we find that the district attorney of Clark County requires two deputies and a stenographer to do the legal work of the county and carry on the private practice of the firm.

The district attorney and his deputies draw regular salaries from the county for all their services but devote a considerable portion of their time to their private law practice, none of the fees for which are turned into the county treasury. And the larger and more lucrative the private practice, the less time they devote to the public business and the more deputies they require.

The office of district attorney has long been sought for the publicity it gives to the private law practice of the incumbent and the prestige it bestows on his future.

The thought naturally comes to mind as to whether it would not be good policy for the public to forget for once petty politics in their choice of a district attorney and elect one who is willing to devote his time and talents to the public service.

## JUNIOR CHAMBER CONVENTION

Las Vegas will extend an enthusiastic welcome to delegates and other visitors to the Ninth Regional Convention of the United States Junior Chamber of Commerce to be held in this city next Friday, Saturday and Sunday, April 8, 9 and 10.

This convention will prove the greatest yet held here both in point of numbers and in the influence which its members wield in the world of enterprise and business and on the future of Las Vegas.

The people of Las Vegas unite in extending a most cordial welcome to their guests and in their efforts to entertain them and make their stay here memorable.

### ENTERTAINED HOSTESS CLUB

Mrs. Susie Stanton entertained the members of the Hostess Club at luncheon Tuesday at the Methodist church parlor. The afternoon was given over to sociability and needlework.

### VISITS PARENTS HERE

Miss Edith Roberts and Miss Phyllis Hinrichsen spent the weekend with their parents in Las Vegas. They returned to Salt Lake Sunday.

## OBSERVATIONS

By CHARLES P. SQUIRES

### THE GIANTS FALL

Today I witnessed the giant cottonwood trees at the corner of Fourth and Fremont streets brought to the ground to make way for the march of improvements.

Thirty-two years ago just about this time of the year, with the aid of a workman, I planted puny looking cottonwood posts which have grown into the majestic trees lifting their spreading green branches sixty feet above the sidewalks. For more than thirty years I have walked in the grateful coolness of their shade or stood and read the advertising show cards tacked upon the trunk of the tree on the corner.

So it is not without a pang of regret that I see my old friend fall to the ground, their lives of usefulness and beauty ended.

After these cottonwood posts had been growing two or three years and had nice little tufts of green about their heads, it appeared that they were too far apart to make the dense shade we wanted. So we bought some little Japanese umbrella trees and planted them between the cotton woods. The umbrella trees grew well for a few years until the cottonwoods overtopped and overpowered them and so they were removed without being missed several years ago.

### COTTONWOODS MADE LAS VEGAS BEAUTIFUL—

We hear much outcry against cottonwoods for one reason or another. One person says they draw the richness from their lawns so that the grass does not grow well. Others complain of the cotton flying in the air every spring. Others profess to see no beauty in their great spreading branches.

Perhaps there is some reason in what they say. Yet without cotton woods, Las Vegas would have languished and relapsed into a mere stopping place for railroad trains.

The first cottonwood tree on the present Las Vegas townsite was purely accidental. Mrs. Smith, who built the Palace hotel in the spring of 1905, needed a couple of posts to which to attach her clothes line. So she hired a man to go down near the creek and cut a couple of strong posts and plant them in the rear of the Palace Hotel.

One day, in the heat of the first terrible summer in Las Vegas, I was walking toward town when, glancing that way I saw a little gleam of green on one of Mrs. Smith's clothes line posts. I found a clump of green leaves and twigs. That tree stood for many years as an example to the people and a convincing argument to the effect that trees would grow on this townsite, although the wise ones declared emphatically that trees could never be made to grow here except along the creek banks.

Following the example of a few optimistic citizens who planted cottonwood posts, we worked up considerable public sentiment and in the years 1909 and 1910, perhaps some other years, we had annual tree planting days.

So it came about that Las Vegas became a delightful and beautiful oasis in the desert, with great spreading cottonwood trees meeting overhead and converting the streets into tunnels of grateful cool-

## CHURCHES

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST

"Unreality" will be the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all churches of Christ, Scientist, Sunday, April 3, 1938.

The Golden Text is from I John 2:17, "The World passeth away, and the lust thereof; but he that doeth the will of God abideth forever."

The Lesson-Sermon includes the Bible passage, "Wilt thou set thine eyes upon that which is not" (Prov. 23:5).

Also the correlative from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy, "Can the material sense, which receives no direct evidence of the Spirit, give correct testimony as to spiritual life, truth, and love" (p. 284).

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
Second and Carson Streets  
Las Vegas, Nevada

The Rev. J. H. Terry—Pastor  
Passion Sunday.

### SERVICES

7:30 A.M.—Holy Communion  
Bishop Jenkins will be the celebrant.

9:30 A.M.—Church School  
11:00 A.M.—Morning Prayer, and the Sacrament of Holy Confirmation. The class of confirmation candidates will be presented by Fr. Terry. Bishop Jenkins will administer the sacrament and preach. Special music has been arranged by the choir.

### EVERY THURSDAY

10:00 A.M.—Holy Communion.

### HERE FROM PORTLAND

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Haraldsen and son, Harley, Jr., of Portland, Oregon are here visiting their old friend Fred O'Donnell. Mr. Haraldsen is in the dairy business in Portland. They have been making a swift automobile tour through and are now on their way home. Arizona and Southern California

### RELEASED FROM HOSPITAL

Miss Frances Slavin has been released from Las Vegas Hospital where she underwent a operation for appendicitis recently.

ing shade.

So, whatever other slower growing and more symmetrical trees we may favor, I still love the cottonwoods for the comfort they have brought and the help they have given in the development of Las Vegas from a bare and dusty collection of shacks in the midst of a vast desert into a beautiful city where people would build good homes in the green shelter of spreading trees.

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