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## Will Set Date Of Convention

RENO, July 27. — Lloyd C. Smith, secretary of the Nevada Republican State Committee, has sent out notices of a meeting of the Nevada Republican State Central Committee at the Court House in the City of Reno, in the Court Room of Department No. 1 thereof, through the courtesy of Honorable Thomas F. Moran, presiding District Court Judge, on Saturday evening, August 13, 1938, at 7:30 P. M. o'clock.

The purpose of the meeting is to fix a time and place for the holding of the Republican State Convention for the year 1938.

## Harmon Is Out For Governor

Following the positive declaration by Governor Richard Kirman that he would positively not be a candidate for any public office this fall, Harley A. Harmon, chairman of the public utilities commission and formerly county clerk and district attorney of this county, announced his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for the office of governor.

Mr. Harmon's opponents before the primaries for the Democratic nomination are Judge E. P. Carville, former district judge and more recently United States District Attorney for the District of Nevada, and Charles L. Richards, who served Nevada well as a representative in congress some years ago. Others filing on the Democratic ticket may still be made, further complicating the Democratic political situation.

On the Republican side, the candidate for Governor may be Sam C. Durkee, former head of the setate department of highways under governors Morley Griswold and Fred B. Balzar, who has a large following in all parts of the state.

Harmon telegraphed to George Swartz of Elko, announcing his intention to enter the Democratic primaries, said:

"I announce my candidacy for the democratic nomination of governor of the state of Nevada at the September primaries of this year.

"If nominated and elected, I pledge the people of the state of Nevada that I will endeavor, to the best of my ability, to carry out the policies of our present governor, the Hon. Richard Kirman.

"Further, I will cooperate to the fullest degree with President Roosevelt in those matters which are mutually beneficial to the people of the country and this state."

## Premature Blast Beheads Worker

Tragedy stalked the work of building a trail around the towering peak of Mt. Charleston when Floyd Vincent was killed by the premature explosion of a dynamite blast Tuesday last.

It appears from the testimony at the coroner's inquest in this city Tuesday night that Vincent was leaning the use of powder from his companions, Mark Murray and Cornell Stewart, and set off the shot by tamping with a small stick instead of the regular tamping stick which it was customary to use.

Vincent's head was blown off by the blast as was his right arm and the body was otherwise terribly mangled.

Murray immediately loaded the mangled body on a horse and started for the Forestry station at Charleston Park several miles away. At a narrow place in the trail the horse lost his footing and rolled down the steep cliff and was killed. Murray then went on to the camp and secured help in recovering and bringing out the body.

The coroner's jury, composed of L. P. Leavitt, Walter H. Theiss and H. J. Smith rendered a verdict of accidental death.

## All-Year Club Bureau Famous

Southern California's new Hospitality Center, the All-Year Club's Free Tourist Information Bureau, at 505 West Sixth street, is receiving world-wide fame. An analysis of 12,511 persons signing the Bureau's guest register in recent months, reveals that the Bureau has served spending vacationists from every state in the Union, from 50 territories and nations outside the United States and from 271 foreign cities.

No thinking motorist with an eye on the family budget would think of taking the tires off his car and holding them up to a whirling grindstone. But for all practical purposes that's what happens when he drives around corners or sharp curves at high speeds, advises the emergency service department of the Automobile Club of Southern California. The only difference is that the tire revolves and the pavement does the grinding.

Pity the poor candidates. Before them lie the task of stumping a country that's already almost completely stumped.—Washington Post.

## Crime Charged To Vegas Boys

Neil Anderson, former resident of Las Vegas, was arrested at Boulder City Tuesday evening, charged with complicity in the kidnapping, robbery and murder of G. E. Ward, of Fresno, July 17.

Anderson was brought to Las Vegas and lodged in the county jail and after waiving extradition, was removed to Fresno by officers from the California city on Thursday.

A widespread search is being made for one Bert Williams, also a former resident of Las Vegas, who is also charged with participation in the crime.

It is alleged by officers that two bandits jumped on the running board of Ward's car when it stopped at a traffic sign in Fresno. They robbed him of about \$80 and compelled him to drive on. After reaching a more secluded place, they shot him twice. They then drove the car some distance toward the outskirts of the city and when Ward showed signs of being still alive, shot him again.

After dumping the unconscious victim out of the car the two bandits drove some distance farther and abandoned the car.

Ward, in a dying condition, was discovered by motorists and taken to the Fresno hospital. He remained conscious until his death some two hours later and was able to give a complete and accurate description of the bandits. According to the Fresno officers, the description completely identified Anderson and Williams. This identification was corroborated by the fingerprints found on the steering wheel of the abandoned car.

Fresno officers also claim that they have at least five witnesses to the slaying who have identified the two Vegas boys as the bandits.

Federal officers are taking part in the gathering of evidence in the case and it is entirely possible that the prosecution will be in the United States district court under the Federal statute making kidnapping a capital offense with the death penalty.

Following Anderson's arrival in the Fresno jail he made a complete and detailed confession, involving Wilbert P. Adams, alias Wilbert F. King, whose Las Vegas alias was Bert Williams, whose arrest is imminent according to the Fresno officers.

Anderson is quoted as saying in his confession:

"I didn't mean to shoot Ward—didn't even mean to hurt him." Anderson said. "After a few drinks, Wilbert F. King and I went to a

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## Nelson School Contract Is Let

Croson & Logan, contracting firm of this city composed of Lee W. Croson and Oscar Logan, was the low bidder on construction of the proposed new school house in Nelson, Eldorado Canyon district.

There were seven bids submitted, that of Croson & Logan securing the contract for the sum of \$3,425.

## Ely To McGill Contract Let

CARSON CITY, Nev., July 27.—W. W. Clyde and Company of Springville, Utah, submitted a bid of \$107,693.05 and was awarded the job at last Friday afternoon's session of the State Highway Board of Directors for the construction of a portion of the State Highway System in White Pine County from East Ely to McGill, on Route 2, with a length of approximately 9.79 miles. Three other contractors submitted bids for this project. They included Dodge Construction Company Inc., of Fallon, with \$107,983.31; Utah Construction Company, of Ogden with \$116,099.66 and the Isbell Construction Company, of Reno, with \$126,430.21.

W. R. Parry, of the headquarters staff has been assigned to act as resident engineer when the work starts which will be within 20 days after formal signing of the contract.

This Federal Aid Highway Project calls for the job to be completed within 160 working days from the date of award. The Reemployment office at Ely will prepare the employment lists for the contract.

When the job is completed this much traveled highway between the two copper towns in eastern Nevada will have a 22 foot road surface with 9 foot shoulders on each side. The present road surface gives only 18 foot as the travel lane. The material taken from the present road surface will be salvaged and given bituminous treatment and then used for the shoulders on the completed project.

Oiled detours will be provide for traffic while the work is under way to avoid any delays.

### CORRECT

Woman applying for citizenship papers in Ohio was asked "How is the Constitution changed in a republican form of government?" "By the Democrats," she said, and was given 100 on that one.

—Mason Telegraph.