

State Politics

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the high values shown by the assays. But by that time Butler's recollection of the locality where the samples were picked was vague; he only remembered that he traveled many miles south of Belmont on that trip.

So the two intrepid miners set out over the unknown desert following the route as nearly as possible of Butler's former journey. Butler finally recognized a hill at the base of which he had camped and remembered picking up some pieces of float when he was climbing the hill in search of a burro which had strayed.

Prospecting revealed more of the ore and the claims were located which became the center of production of Tonopah, the greatest silver camp the world has ever known. And the hill where Oddie and Butler located the first claims is still called Mount Oddie. Both Butler and Oddie became wealthy from the production of their claims, to lose their fortunes later in other mining ventures.

A notable tribute to the confidence in which Oddie has always been held by his associates, is the fact that for nearly three years, there being no banking facilities, Oddie handled in person the shipment and returns from the ore of practically every miner in camp and was never found in the slightest degree false to the trust reposed in him.

Politically, he became district attorney of Nye County which he served for several years and then state senator. In 1910 he was induced by his friends to become a candidate for governor, was elected and served until 1915 with distinction, although the only Republican official in the state administration.

In 1920 Oddie was elected to the United States Senate and again in 1926, being defeated in 1932 by P. A. McCarran by a small majority in the Roosevelt "landslide."

Many Nevada improvements stand today as monuments to the vigorous work of Senator Oddie, including the beginnings of our great highway system, his splendid work in forwarding the Boulder Dam legislation and in Las Vegas, among other things, the splendid \$300,000 postoffice and United States District Court building.

It is a notable thing that, after an absence of six years from political life, Senator Oddie is still held in high regard as a private citizen as well as public servant by all who have known him.

Fund Is Boosted Over A Million

CARSON CITY, July 30—Nevada's unemployment compensation fund was boosted more than one hundred thousand dollars over the million mark this month, according to an announcement made by George W. Friedhoff, division director.

The fund, out of which eligible unemployed workers will receive weekly cash benefits after January 1, 1939, now totals \$1,141,744.19.

The figure was released following Friedhoff's biennial report of the division to Labor Commissioner James Fitzgerald, who administers the unemployment compensation law.

HARLEY A. HARMON Democratic Candidate for Governor



Harmon Seeks Governor's Office

Harley A. Harmon, for the past thirty years one of the leaders in the Democratic politics of Clark county and for the past four years chairman of the important Public Service Commission of the state, is again in active political life, having announced his candidacy for the governorship of the state.

The announcement came following the declaration of Governor Richard Kirman that he would not again permit himself to be drafted into the governor's office.

Four years ago Harmon was a candidate for the nomination for governor at the Democratic primaries, being defeated by Kirman. Following his defeat at that time Harmon gave loyal and active support in the election of Kirman and was appointed to the Public Service Commission soon after Kirman's inauguration.

Mr. Harmon is making an intensive campaign of the state and is in Las Vegas just at this time, on his first swing around the circle.

Junior Chamber For Lake Road

Las Vegas Junior Chamber of Commerce following the recommendation of C. D. Baker, took up the cudgels for a branch highway to connect the Boulder Dam highway with the shore of Lake Mead near the J. W. Woodard property in Vegas Wash.

The branch highway would leave the Boulder Highway at a point near Midway and go down the wash by as direct a route as is feasible.

Mr. Baker states that county equipment and relief labor should be made available for the work and a resolution was passed asking the county commissioners to loan the necessary equipment.

Claude Mackey, director of the WPA for this section expressed the belief that a paved highway to the lake shore could be had by this time next year if the matter is pushed. The distance to the lake from Las Vegas by the new road would be only 15 or 16 miles.

J. Warren Woodard donated a tract of land to the county on the lake shore for recreational purposes several months ago.

Golf Course Is Ready For Pipe

The new municipal golf course on the city property north west of Las Vegas is making progress, according to the statement made by Claude Mackey, WPA director, at the Wednesday evening meeting of Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Mackey presented the plans for the sprinkling system on the golf course and stated that he had 22,000 feet of pipe ready for the job. Pipe laying will probably be started next week.

McNamee Out For Lieut. - Governor

Frank McNamee yesterday definitely announced that he would accede to the requests of many friends and enter the political arena of the state as a candidate for the Republican nomination as Lieutenant-Governor.

The announcement is timely, coming immediately after the withdrawal of Fred S. Alward, Democratic candidate for the same position.

The people of Reno are desirous of giving full political recognition to Clark county and will give Mr. McNamee hearty support.

Frank McNamee, son of the distinguished attorney, Frank McNamee, Sr., who died in this city several years ago, is a native of this state, having been born in the famous old mining camp of Delamar in Lincoln county thirty-two years ago.

His higher education was completed with his graduation from the

Stanford University law school, and he has been engaged in the successful practice of the law in this city as a member of the firm of McNamee & McNamee since 1929, when he was admitted to the practice of law in this state.

He has been active in civic affairs, being one of the organizers of the Las Vegas Junior Chamber of Commerce and serving last year with credit as president of that body and is now one of the national directors of the organization.

He has received merited recognition from the State Bar Association, and is now a member of the board of governors.

It is probable that Frank McNamee, Jr., will receive a very large majority of the vote of Clark county and the support of northern counties because of the belief that the state as a whole should be represented in Carson City.

TRIP TO LAKE TAHOE

Rev. James H. Terry returned Wednesday evening after a trip to Lake Tahoe. During his absence Mrs. Terry was the guest of Mrs. C. P. Squires at Deer Creek.