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THE CHAMPION

With the closing of the time for filing declarations of candidacy, the political campaign for the notable year 1938 is beginning to take shape in Nevada.

In state politics, Clark County is very well represented with Harley A. Harmon one of the leading contenders for the Democratic nomination for Governor, and Frank McNamee, Jr., the Republican nominee for Lieutenant-Governor on the Republican ticket. Fred S. Alward, who had filed as Democratic candidate for Lieutenant-Governor, saw fit to withdraw in order that Harmon might have a clear field in Las Vegas.

The outstanding event of the week was the reentry of former Governor and United States Senator, Tasker L. Oddie into the political field as a candidate for the Republican nomination for United States Senator.

Oddie is still working strenuously to reestablish his fortune, the last of which was dissipated in public service and was very reluctant to return to political life and did so only at the earnest request of many prominent men of the state.

In the Democratic party the contest for the nomination for governor between Harley A. Harmon of Las Vegas and Judge Carville of Reno, is the feature of great interest. The result will be cloaked in uncertainty until the last vote is counted in the primary election.

On the Republican side John A. Fulton, a distinguished member of a distinguished Nevada family, was drafted as candidate for governor.

Mr. Fulton has long been head of the Mackey School of Mines at the State University and has thousands of loyal friends among the alumni of that institution. He has visited many of the mines of the state in his capacity of mining engineer and has a host of enthusiastic friends among the miners of the state who have contacts with him.

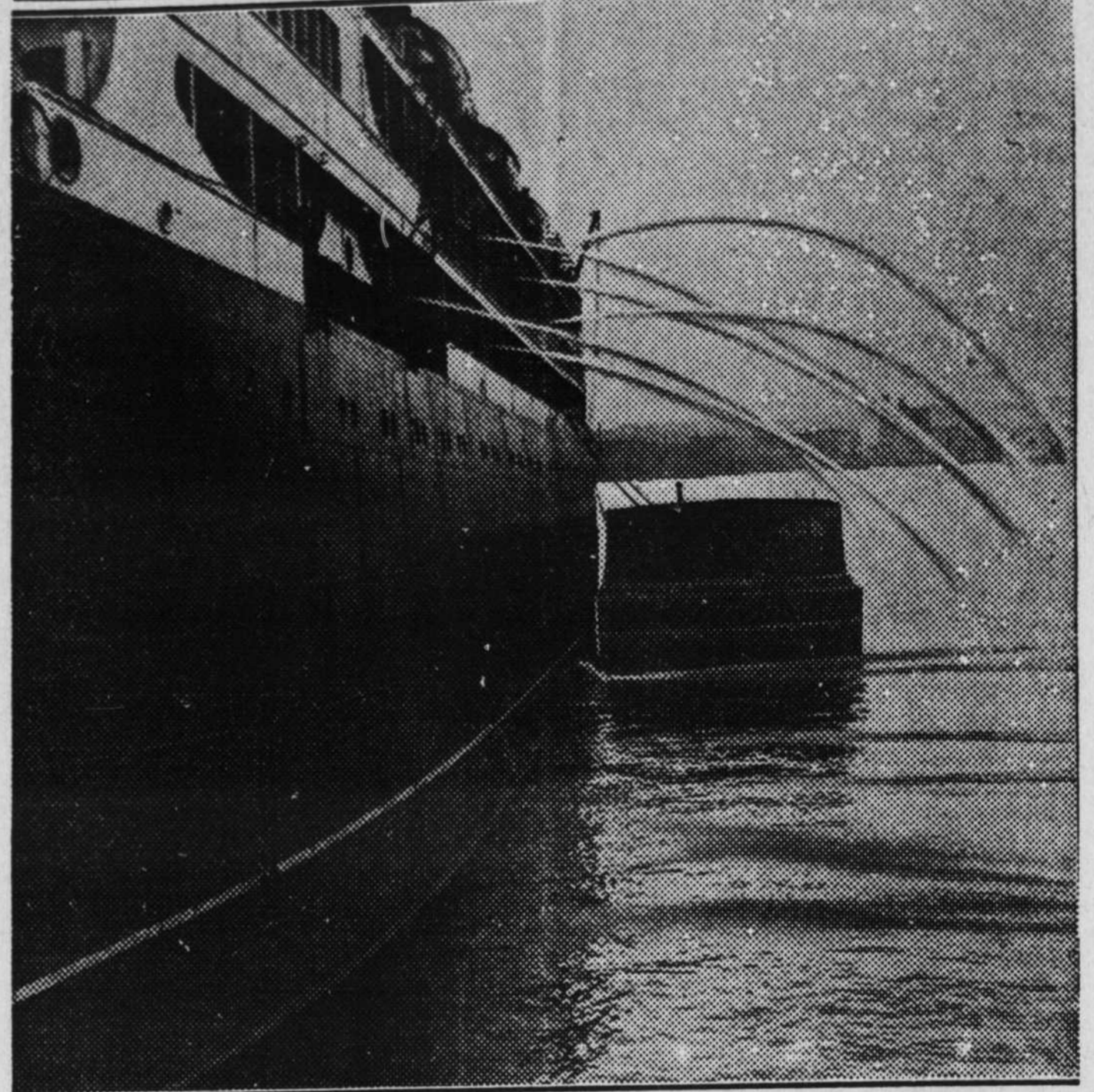
Frank McNamee, Jr., prominent Las Vegas attorney, with his many friends throughout Clark county will add strength to the Republican combination.

Harry Stewart, former mayor of Reno and one of the outstanding characters of the state, as Republican nominee for Representative in Congress, is very popular in Reno and adds greatly to the strength and prestige of the Republican ticket.

Therefore, although Nevada is normally Democratic in its political complexion, it has occasionally shown its preference for men of the character of those who this year will head the Republican ticket.

The prediction is freely made by men on both sides of the present political situation that the November election will be as hotly contested as any that the state has known.

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OBSERVATIONS

By CHARLES P. SQUIRES

ALMOST IN POLITICS

Here I am in the midst of the political maelstrom as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, a non-partisan position.

The office being non-partisan, perhaps I should not refer to the contest as "political" because, under the law one seeking a judicial position is supposed to have no political opinions. A good idea I think to keep our judicial positions as free as possible from the coercion of politicians.

However, again referring to my opening remark about being in the midst of a "political maelstrom," perhaps I am not in the midst at all but just a straw floating about on the edge of a sea of legal lore. Because I notice that all the attorneys in town, with the exception of a few of the more modest and retiring members of the profession, are sacrificing themselves for the good of the profession or the government or the constitution or some high resolve by becoming candidates for Justice of the Peace. And of course I am the only candidate who is selfish enough to wish to make a few dollars for the proverbial rainy day and who is frank enough to admit that he needs the job.

However, there are some advantages connected with the job of Justice of the Peace in Las Vegas which naturally appeal to a person not an attorney. Among these ad-

vantages is the service one might render to a long suffering public by taking the blinders off the goddess of justice and arriving at an honest decision as to the justice of a case without obscuring a simple matter in a strangling and expensive tangle of red tape.

Then, besides, there would be the pleasant (sometimes) duty of kissing the brides. It is my opinion, unbiased by legal lore or the blindness of Justice, that most brides are well worth kissing and I pledge myself to perform the duties of the office in this respect in a manner to please the kissee and to bring no discredit on the fair name of Las Vegas.

And, of course, I would reserve the right to appoint a deputy to do the kissing in such cases as it would appear desirable to turn over to him. Although on more mature deliberation it might be advisable to let the duty out, at so much a case or, perhaps, by the month.

However, I assure my friends that there will be no expense to the taxpayers connected with this branch of the office of Justice of the Peace.

Anyhow, to be a little more serious on a subject which is of serious importance to me, I think I am competent by age and experience to preside as Justice of the Peace of Las Vegas Township without any discredit to the people.

Nevertheless, it is terrible to have to ask for votes either partisan or nonpartisan, but under the American system of government it has to be done that way if the people are to have the services of the person they want for Justice of the Peace of Las Vegas Township.

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