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#### ALL SHOULD VOTE

Next Tuesday is election day, on which the various parties must nominate their candidates to go before the voters at the general election in November.

Those who are inclined to neglect the primary election as of minor importance should be reminded that if satisfactory candidates are not nominated there will not be satisfactory candidates between whom to choose at the general election.

It is the duty of every citizen to vote at the primary election, which are the very foundations of good government.

EVERYBODY VOTE NEXT TUESDAY!

### PRIMARY ELECTION SYSTEM

There is growing dissatisfaction with our primary election system because it compels candidates to wage two expensive campaigns.

People are coming to realize that it is almost ruinous to the average man to run for the nomination at the primary election and then again campaign for election, and that the system tends to keep those who are not financially independent out of the political arena.

Theoretically, the primary election system of Nevada is almost ideal. In practice it does not work well, one of the principal reasons being that generally less than half the voters take the trouble to vote at the primaries, so that nominations are made, not by the mass of the people, but by a comparatively small minority.

Another argument advanced is that, if we are to preserve our system of democratic government, there must always be two major parties. Already we find there is a lapse toward a government at Washington which is a combination of various small blocs and which represents the principles and policies of small minorities only. Such a form of government as we observe in the case of France breeds constant turmoil and uncertainty, the majority of the people having little voice, policies being set by groups of warring factions which finally compromise for their own political advantage.

The primary election laws of Nevada are far better, we believe, than those of some other states, notably California. Nevertheless, the next legislature would do well to give the whole matter serious study, especially to assure that a greater proportion of the voters take part in the nomination of candidates.

College students are leaving every day to resume their studies. Our Nevada University opened for the fall semester last Monday with the following Las Vegas young people enrolled:

Eunice Beckley, Virginia Beckley, Raymond Baez, Patsy Dawson, Roger Foley, Marjorie Gussuville, Clarethel Masterson, Cyril Ham. Artie Ham, Jane Knickerbocker, Russell Taylor, Bill Piccole, Richard Williams, Mary Reid, Wesley Schlager and Bob Worts.

Betty Balcolm, Virginia Finny, Mollie Morse and Marjorie Buck

STUDENTS LEAVE FOR SCHOOL | will enter Woodbury Business College.

Marlean Cragin and John Mc-Namee have left for Indiana to enter Notre Dame.

Barbara Ferron and her sister, Shirley, are planning to enter at U. C. L. A., where they will finish the courses started at the University of Nevada.

Sherwin Garside will return to the university at Columbia, Mo. A large number of our high

school graduates will attend junior colleges in southern California. Orin Mead will go to Provo, Utah, to enter the Brigham Young University.

## Observations

By CHAS. P. SQUIRES

PROWLING ABOUT

This electioneering business is interesting even if distressing to the poor candidates.

For many years I have enjoyed working for the nomination and election of those I thought most deserving and best fitted for a job. Now I find that it is quite a different matter being a candidate myself, and prowling about in the hope that my friends will be loyal enough to vote for me.

It is amazing how perfectly indispensable to human progress and the public welfare some few of these candidates would have the voters believe they are. On the other hand, a majority of those seeking votes are rather modest and unassuming and rather shrink from the glare of publicity which campaigning pours on them.

For more than fifty years I have observed political campaigns and taken some small part in them, starting with the firm conviction that if the person or party I favored did not win the country would sink to unfathomable depths of misery.

Looking backward I think my particular candidates or party of the moment have been defeated as often as they won, and I remember that the country has flopped back and forth with considerable regularity from one party to the other.

With all the changing administrations the country has gone forward toward its destiny as the most properous and most powerful in the world, our people achieving high standards of living which are the amazement and envy of all other nations.

So we must still retain our faith in the ultimate wisdom of our people, believing that any swing too far in one direction will surely and promptly be corrected by a corresponding swing the other way. So long as we can preserve the right of the mass of the people to control their political affairs, just so long will our country continue to advance. We must realize that out

of the conflicts of policies and opinions will come, one the average, a safe and sound government seeking the welfare of the great ma-

Nevertheless, I find this business of being a candidate both embarrassing and distressing, although I must admit it has its interesting and pleasing moments.

### LAS VEGAS WEATHER

Following are the maximum and minimum temperatures as registered by the thermometers of the United Stales co-operative weather station at Las Vegas for the dates

SHOW	11.		
Date		Max.	Min.
Aug.	26.	102	69
	27	103	75
	28	100	70
	29	101	69
	30	100	68
	31	96	68
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The week was featured by an unusual amount of cloudy weather for this area, with a precipitation of seventeen-hundredth of an inch on the night of the 29-30th.

> C. P. SQUIRES, .Co-operative Observer.

#### LAS VEGAS SELECTED

POSTMASTERS' 1939 MEET

The next annual meeting of the Nevada Postmasters' Association will be held in Las Vegas. The 1938 meeting closed Saturday after a two-day session in Elko. Miss Mae McNamara of Elko was chosen president of the organization. About 50 postmasters were in attendance.

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