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Chamber Debates On School Funds

The principal feature of the Chamber of Commerce meeting Tuesday noon was a discussion of the proposed amendment to the State Constitution which, among other things, provides for the amendment of Section 6 of Article XI to read as follows:

"Section 6. The legislature shall provide a special tax in addition to the other means provided for the support, and maintenance of said university and common schools."

James W. Squires spoke in opposition to the amendment on the general grounds that it is not wise to give the various boards of school trustees of the state and the legislature the blanket power to fix the tax rate at any figure they shall see fit. He declared that the proposed amendment would, so far as schools are concerned, remove the present \$5.00 constitutional limit of taxation. He expressed the belief that the schools were amply provided for under the present setup and cited the fact that Clark county has a bonded indebtedness of \$560,000, all of which except the comparatively small amount of \$39,000 was raised for school purpose. He pointed out also that at the end of the last fiscal year, July first, 1938, school funds on deposit in the bank amounted to \$160,000 in cash. He declared that it is the duty of the Chamber of Commerce to enlighten the people concerning these things.

Miss Maude Frazier, speaking in favor of the amendment, declared that it was not intended for the purpose of raising more money, but to equalize the distribution of school funds by the state. She stated that some counties of the state with a large amount of taxable property per capita were able to raise more money per child for school purposes than some of the counties like Clark county, where the per capita property assessment was small. The proposed amendment is an effort to place the distribution of state school funds on a basis whereby the richer counties of the state will share their ample funds with the poorer or less fortunate counties.

Mr. R. P. Jeppson, state director of vocational training at Carson City, spoke briefly on the need of the schools for more funds.

She stated that the cost per child in Clark County schools was \$20, below the average of the state and the rate of 20 cents per hundred dollars of assessed valuation in some counties would raise as much money as a 78 cent rate in Clark county.

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REPUBLICANS CLOSE CAMPAIGN IN AUDITORIUM SATURDAY EVE.

Senator Oddie and Other Republican Candidates Will Speak. Hollywood Floor Show, Music and Dancing to Feature Event.

Another great mass meeting of Republicans, followed by music, dancing and entertainment, including the famous and brilliant Hollywood Floor Show, will close the Republican campaign at the War Memorial Auditorium Saturday night, November 5.

Senator Tasker L. Oddie, candidate for United States Senator; John A. Fulton for Governor; Frank McNamee Jr., for Lieutenant-Governor; Harry Stewart for Member of Congress; Andy Stinson for State Controller; Tom Lotz for Surveyor General and Lloyd V. Smith for Attorney General, will be other state candidates to speak.

A group of local Republican candidates including Gene Ward for Sheriff, Neal Campbell for Assemblyman, Albert L. Jones for County Commissioner and J. T. McWilliams for county surveyor and Frank Beam for Public Administrator, will be introduced and speak briefly.

Senator Oddie will be the principal speaker of the evening and will discuss the political issues now confronting the state and nation. He will get down to "brass tacks" in refuting some of the false charges made in this campaign and will tell the voters many things they should know before entering the voting booth next Tuesday.

Senator Oddie is an intensely interesting speaker and holds the close attention of his audiences.

Ahepa Banquet Notable Affair

The first anniversary of the establishment of the Las Vegas Chapter of American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association in Las Vegas was celebrated last Monday evening with a splendid banquet served to 200 members and guests of the order.

Prof. Adamantios Polyziodes, who is probably America's most brilliant commentator on world history and International events; professor of international relations, history and journalism at the University of Southern California; known throughout America as a writer, a radio speaker and an eloquent orator, was the orator of the occasion and held the company in close interest for more than one hour.

The occasion was also honored by the presence of "Jim" Panos, district governor of the order, who delivered a short address. He briefly recounted the objects of the order which has now 340 chapters and more than 52,000 members.

George Poulos, lieutenant governor of the district, spoke briefly of the efforts of the Las Vegas Chapter to bring the next district convention of the order to Las Vegas.

Lieutenant-Governor Fred S. Alward, speaking for the state of Nevada, welcomed the distinguished

visitors.

City Attorney Harry Austin welcomed the visitors in behalf of the City of Las Vegas, Mayor Marble being unavoidably detained, but appearing later and expressing his appreciation of the privilege. The address of Harry Austin was a scholarly tribute to those who came to America from foreign countries and devoted their lives to the cause of liberty.

Bryan L. Bunker opened the proceedings with an appropriate prayer. Delightful vocal numbers were interspersed through the program by Lillian and Don Crocker and piano selections and accompaniments were given by Miriam Sue Burwell.

Paul Ralli presided as master of ceremonies and introduced the various speakers in eloquent and fitting language.

Prof. Polyziodes, in the course of his scholarly address paid a tribute to "the spirit of the real west which you do not meet until you cross the borders of Nevada."

"Here, in Nevada, you find the spirit of the pioneers, the spirit of progress, the spirit of 'give and take,' where you let bygones be bygones. If this spirit could be brought to bear in world affairs—the solution of present international problems would not be so difficult.

"Because of the rise of new powers in Central Europe and their de-

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District Head Visits Rotary

Sam Gates, governor of the 107th district of Rotary in which Las Vegas is included, paid his annual visitation to Las Vegas yesterday.

Wednesday he visited the Boulder City club and Wednesday evening with Mrs. Gates, was the guest of honor at a dinner-dance at the Elks' Club at which Boulder City and Las Vegas Rotaries were joint hosts.

In discussing the principles of Rotary President Sam declared that Rotary is one of the important world movements in bringing nations into closer and more friendly relations.

Starting as a means of friendly intercourse between a small group of businessmen in Chicago in 1905, Rotary has grown until today there are 4,736 Rotary Clubs, located in more than ninety nations of the world, with more than 200,000 members.

Elks' Official Here Saturday

District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler, Dr. J. C. Cherry, will be entertained by Las Vegas Lodge No. 1463, B. P. O. E. Wednesday evening, November 3, according to the announcement made by Exalted Ruler John Graglia and Secretary A. G. Blad of the local Elks.

The meeting will start at 7:00 p.m., and will be followed by the initiation of candidates. Beginning at nine o'clock there will be a dance for Elks and their guests, with music by the Elks' Orchestra.

NEW MEMBERS JOIN CHAMBER

At Tuesday's meeting of Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce, H. E. Burns, manager of the Shell station at Third and Fremont streets, was elected to membership on recommendation of the committee.

The application of Las Vegas Paint & Paper Store was received and referred to the committee.

OFFICE REVENUE

RENO, Nov. 3—(Special)—Revenue of the secretary of state's office could be doubled, through publicity and promotional work designed to bring outside capital into the state and to encourage increased use of Nevada's liberal corporation laws, Ben Yeakey, Republican candidate for secretary of the State of Nevada, declared today.

"Our corporation laws are more favorable than those of any other

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