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Bishop Returns Bennett To Zion



At the 124th Annual Conference, held in Redlands, California, June 15-19, Bishop Charles F. Golden returned Rev. Marion D. Bennett to Zion United Church for 1973-74 conference year.

Rev. Bennett has been the pastor at Zion for the past thirteen years. He has been actively involved in the life of the church and community. Rev. Bennett is the immediate past president of the Las Vegas Chapter of the NAACP, and recently served in the 1973 Nevada Legislature as Assemblyman from District 6.

Located at 2108 Revere in North Las Vegas, it was under Rev. Bennett's pastorship that the present Zion edifice was built.

Rev. Bennett is presently attending an ecumenical institute in Switzerland, and will return to Las Vegas and Zion in early July.

AURAL SOCIETY LAUDED

The Nevada Society for the Aurally Handicapped must be commended for the time and financial help they give to the Ruby Thomas and William E. Orr schools. Possibly no other group in the State has as much compassion and dedication.

Jerry Polis, President of the group gives direction to their efforts to help those children handicapped by being deaf.

Boat Mishap Hospitalizes Elbert Lyles



Elbert Lyles, well known Bail bondsman and sportsman was the victim of an explosion and fire aboard his boat while parked in the yard of his bail bond office.

Lyles suffered 2nd degree burns on his left hand and on parts of both legs - requiring hospitalization at Southern Nevada Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Lyles was attempting to start the motor following extensive overhauling, when the fire broke out. The boat was destroyed by the fire.

BUDGET Squeeze Hits North Las Vegas

The use of North Las Vegas federal revenue sharing funds to offset and anticipated 1973-74 budget deficit due to the loss of two vital annexations stirred a mix response among councilmen.

Finance Director Milton Weiss reported to the council all revenues have been adjusted downward to reflect the loss of some \$685,546 in revenue next year because a Supreme Court decision voided the Sunrise Manor and Nellis annexations.

THOSE LOSSES are from real and personal

TOWELL BILL WINS HOUSE APPROVAL

WASHINGTON--The U.S. House of Representatives late last night adopted legislation establishing a Legal Service Corporation.

Nevada Congressman David Towell was one of seven sponsors of the comprehensive legislation. It is the first bill co-sponsored by Nevada's first-term Congressman to gain House approval.

Speaking on the floor of the House yesterday, Towell said the legislation represents one of the Nation's original concepts "under which any man could have his day in court."

"I believe that because of economic conditions that exist in our Nation today, we can no longer assure equal justice under the law to all people," Towell told his colleagues. "As we have progressed economically, we seem to have developed some vast differences between economic standards."

"We are now at a point in our history where there is a large number of our citizens who do not have funds and do not have available to them their day in court like the rest of us," the Congressman said.

"The Legal Services Corporation bill can bring our whole society a little more into balance, a balance we have lost during the past 100 years," Towell explained.

The Nevada representative said, "if we continue in the manner we are working in today with this type of service not being available to the poor, we will further divide our country so that a chasm will widen which could, in my opinion, in the years ahead tear our country completely apart."

Towell urged his fellow Congressman to support his legislation, saying, "I think this bill will help to bring us together and move forward in a positive manner toward a very basic concept where we all have equal rights under the law."

The bill, though amended a number of times on the floor of the House in the late-night session, gained final approval by a vote of 276 to 95. It now goes to the Senate.

property taxes; cigarette, liquor and half cent sales tax; license and building permit fees; privilege, gasoline and state gaming taxes, Weiss said.

And to make financial matters more threatening, the city faces a possible \$205,048 budget deficit if it loses three law suits filed by Las Vegas, Boulder City and Henderson.

THE THREE cities are seeking a total of \$721,269 in back taxes North Las Vegas re- (See Budget page 3)