

Federal Government Now Too Remote, Frantz Says

The federal government has become too remote from the people of the 17th Congressional District, Lynne A. Frantz declared today in issuing his first position paper.

Frantz is seeking the Democratic nomination for Congress in the 17th District.

"I propose to give the people a chance to play a role in the formation of the federal government's policies by giving them an opportunity to communicate with their representative. After all, a congressman is the people's spokesman in Washington," he said. "The first step is to bridge the communication gap. I plan to do this by opening district offices throughout the 17th District."

"Here the people could come and talk directly to a personal representative of their congressman. They could offer ideas and get help with their problems," Frantz said.

EXAMPLES he gave include helping senior citizens with social security problems, providing youngsters with information on federal scholarships and job information, assisting those who wish to apply for civil service jobs, assisting businessmen in seeking aid from the Small Business Administration and aid cities in their dealings with the federal government.

Frantz said his district offices will take applications from all young men who wish to apply for admission to West Point, Annapolis, and the other U.S. military academies. He then will schedule competitive examinations and give his appointments to the applicants who make the highest scores. "This will insure the most qualified will be selected from our district," Frantz said.

"The citizens need to know that they are as much a part of the federal government as they are the state and city government. Their government is there to serve them. That is the purpose of government to do those things which we can't do ourselves. That is why we support it with tax monies," he said. "I want to be sure the people receive their fair share of government services."

FRANTZ ALSO said he will regularly send the voters of the district reports on what is going on in Washington.

"It's a congressman's responsibility to account to his constituents," he said. "They have given him the honor of representing them and he owes them the courtesy of telling them how he is doing their work." Frantz also said many are interested in the bills pending before the Congress and should be informed about legislation that will affect them. "I promise that any constituent who writes me will receive a reply in a very short time. I will want to hear from the people because they can't be represented



LYNNE A. FRANTZ Issues First Paper

without the Congressman knowing what they are thinking."

Frantz promised to make frequent trips to the district to consult with the residents. He thinks too many California congressmen lost touch with the people by spending too much time in the Capital when they should be out talking with the people.

"In these days of jet travel, when Washington is only a few hours away, there is no excuse for not spending time with the people," he said.

AND HE proposes at the end of each session of Congress to make major speeches throughout the district to tell the people of the accomplishments and the failures of that session of Congress. He will also let the people know where he stood on each major issue affecting them.

Frantz said the reason he entered the race was because the federal government had become too remote from the people.

He said he decided it was time people like him quit complaining about the kind of government they were getting and do something about it.

Frantz, a business executive, served as foreman of the Los Angeles County Grand Jury in 1967. The jury made recommendations to change administrative procedures to save the taxpayers millions of dollars each year.

He is currently a member of the Los Angeles County Citizen's Efficiency and Economy Committee.

Born in Iowa 38 years ago, Frantz moved to California with his family in 1932. Ex-

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Samuel Fisher, 38, of 1420 El Prado Ave., gasped and slumped forward over the bar about 2 p.m., according to witnesses' reports. He was pronounced dead on arrival at Little Company of Mary Hospital.

The ambulance driver said he recognized Fisher from several prior trips to the hospital.

Sheriff's Academy to Host Masonic Press Gathering

Sheriff Peter J. Pitchess and his department will host the Masonic Press Club of Los Angeles tonight at the Sheriff's Academy, 1060 N. Eastern Ave., East Los Angeles.

There will be displays and demonstrations starting at 6 p.m. which will include helicopters, mountain rescue, communications equipment, rescue vehicle, bomb disposal equipment, mobile command post and the sheriff's pistol range. A movie on LSD also will be shown.

Masonic Press Club President, W. Tog Ericson stated, "We are looking forward to this special meeting and the program Sheriff Pitchess has prepared for us. This is just another example of the fine cooperation and friendship that exists between the press and the Sheriff's Department."

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