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CHEERING NEWS FROM CRESCENT

N. A. Kuhn, One of the Best Informed Citizens on Mining in Southern Nevada, Relates Facts in Breezy, Solid Style.

The Freight Traffic for That Section Makes Nipton, Next to Las Vegas, the Most Lively Point on the Clark Road.

Many Promising Properties in This Section Are of Such Evidence as to Assure the Employment of Many Miners and Production of Metals.

Nipton now is one of the best freight and passenger stations on the Salt Lake line. The largest end of the Searchlight trade finds its traffic by way of this point.

No other station on the line outside of Las Vegas gets as many straight carloads of merchandise and mining commodities. Five full carloads even dropped at this point on Monday, one for the Kuhn Mercantile company of Crescent and the others for Searchlight parties.

In future outgoing freight will be equally as large, if not larger. At present the Crescent district has four producing mines with shipping ore on the dump.

The Big Four shipped the first carload of ore Tuesday. A small shipment to Salt Lake smelter previously produced such flattering returns as to justify operations on a large scale. The company anticipates daily ship-

ments. It is a silver lead ore, with some gold values. The Big Four is about one mile north of the Nippeno mine.

The Nippeno is erecting a hoist and sacking high-grade gold ore from their development work.

The Ajax Bullfrog company has been quietly working their claims, about one mile south of the Nippeno. This is silver lead, with gold as a product. The general manager, M. C. Siraub, is a man of large experience in mining in Nevada and Colorado. He states that from ore in sight that they will commence shipment at once to Salt Lake smelter.

About a mile distant from the Ajax group is the Folter Gem Mining company's Turquoise mine. Mr. Milton Monday is the manager of this property. The company ships turquoise of excellent brilliancy just as fast as the market will absorb them. It is prolific, or rich in abundance in this highly priced gem, but the manager so regulates the production as not to produce an oversupply in the markets.

Scott Price, George Pfänder and Paul Gaston are in shape to ship silver lead ore from their claims—the Bologna, St. Nicholas and Crusader. They are confident of the dividends as rapidly as their horses, after which the claims are named, read the mile post in their race for victory.

Our genial and brilliant townsman, possessing every attribute that will make good legislative material, Mr. J. L. Banks, is opening the Big Tiger group, which is an enormous low-grade free gold proposition. Mr. Banks is at Los Angeles this week making arrangements for a small stamp mill with which to demonstrate their property while awaiting the manufacture and the building of their 100-stamp mill. The latter is ordered, but owing to orders ahead will be delayed for some months in the utiliza-

tion of same. Be it remembered, the Big Tiger is a low-grade ledge, 500 feet wide and extensive in length, averaging from four to five dollars to the ton.

The Lucky Dutchman Mining and Development company, of which John W. Royer is vice president and general manager, are employing a large force of men opening their holdings. With present development they have a big tonnage in sight. The evidence of wealth guarantees that in the near future it will be a big dividend payer. Their ledge is comparable with the Big Tiger and carries higher values of gold.

Dr. J. B. Renshaw, George Lattimer and John S. Wisner have a mine with more than six feet of rich galena silver ore. As depth is attained it becomes wider and improves in value. They have many tons of shipping ore in sight.

There are other claims in the district that promise well and rich and the writer will miss his guess if the future will not demonstrate that the Crescent district will be one of the large producers and most extensive employers of labor in Nevada.

N. A. KUHN.

A FATAL FREIGHT WRECK.

Geo. W. Myers, Who Was Well Known at the Vegas, Among Those Who Were Fatally Dealt With.

A peculiarly bad and fatal wreck occurred on the Salt Lake Route, in which two men lost their lives and two more were hurt.

The dead: Conductor G. W. Myers, Black Rock, Utah.

Extra Brakeman W. T. Engles, Black Rock.

Mr. Bullock, a prominent cattleman from Arizona.

The injured: J. P. Menahan, engineer.

Fireman of second section.

The men lost their lives owing to the first section of the regular freight train, known as No. 81, westbound, breaking in two and the second section of the train plunging into the caboose at a point one and a half miles east of Beryl, Utah, which is 257.4 miles southwest of Salt Lake.

Owing to the fact that the scene of the wreck is an isolated spot, only meager details are forthcoming at this time, but it is stated that there was a heavy fog prevailing and that the second section of the freight train hit the cars without warning. The fireman and engineer jumped and were hurt somewhat in so doing.

The accident happened some time between 4 and 5 a. m. and it is the supposition that the crew was asleep in the caboose, otherwise flagmen would have been posted to warn the approaching second section with flares and torpedoes that there were some cars stalled ahead on the main line.

Conductor Myers and extra brakeman W. T. Engles are both well known. Mr. Myers was trainmaster for the engineering department during the time the road was being constructed. Engles was an extra conductor who was waiting his turn to get on to a steady run and took the trip on the ill-fated train as an extra brakeman by way of accommodation.

Many Vegans remembered George W. Myers. He was train dispatcher at Las Vegas while the construction force had charge of railroad affairs at this point. A better and clever fellow never lived.

Mr. Bullock was on his way to Las Vegas with a car of Arizona steers for the Las Vegas Commercial company when the accident occurred.

The concussion was so forceful that it threw one man 125 feet through the air. The marvel is that this man was unhurt.

SIGN OF THE TIMES.

The San Pedro Railroad Company Required to Increase Its Freight Crews.

Increased freight traffic on the Clark road necessitates additional employes to keep abreast with the demands of shippers. The company selected crews that are recognized as cracker-jacks at their business for handling freight between the Vegas and Caliente.

The orange trade east is enforcing these requirements. Prior the principal shipments of fruit were made over other lines. Henceforth on account of the shorter and quicker haul it is anticipated that this immense traffic will seek its markets via the San Pedro Route.

WILL RESUME OPERATIONS.

A Source of Enterprise That Will Materially Benefit in a Business Sense the Vegas.

W. C. Ridge, prominently connected with the development of the stone quarries west of town, writes to a friend that the Wilson-Lyon company is preparing to resume operations at their quarries. This company owns the largest quarry of the finest grade building and ornamentation stone in the world, located in the foothills of the Charleston range. It is recognized as the "finest building stone in the world. It is a blood red color. Under polish it presents hues so pretty and beautiful as not only in texture and resistance, but also in feature and view, force it ahead of any other stone in the United States.

The company will employ a large force of men.

PLANTS TREES—SETS PACE.

Prophecies That Fruit and Vegetable Raising Will Outrive the Wealth of Mines—Sure.

Captain James Ladd, familiarly and affectionately known as "Jim Ladd," is setting the pace in tree planting. Lately he has set to soil for growth and cultivation more than 200 trees, from shade to fruit, and from ornamentation to profit, on his promising ranch near the city of Las Vegas.

Captain Ladd says that fruit raising in the Vegas valley in time will more than rival the great returns from the mines of South Nevada. He states that when people will get on to it that they have more than a gold mine in the climate, soil and other conditions, so fully adapted to fruit and vegetable and cereal raising in the Vegas valley, that there will be things a-doing and every acre of this fertile plain brought under cultivation—a case of energetic husbandry—diligent farming, mowing, milking, fruit marketing—sustaining a happy, thrifty God-fearing, honest population, who will indulge in those joys and cares that come with the household felicities of the solid, substantial farmer, whose integrity is the fame of nations and who adorn with prosperity an entire people.

Captain Ladd's enthusiasm and optimism is justified.

ARE PUSHING DEVELOPMENT.

At the Gates of Las Vegas the Enterprising Are Opening a Gold Mine of Great Value.

The South Nevada Gold Mining company has been increasing its working force during the week. The company posted notices: Six miners wanted; wages \$3.50 for 8 hours' work. This splendid sign speaks well for those liberal employers. Dr. Hillegass and Mr. Whatlet deserve commendation for setting the pace for a good scale of wages.

Operations on this valuable property produce gratifying returns. The average value of three feet of ore at 60 feet is \$12 in free gold. The lead is true fissure and with depth enlarges and enriches.

The company will push development and hope to have a stamp mill in the near future pounding on ore.

COLORADO PLACER DEPOSITS.

Prominent California Capitalists Who Have Become Interested, and Will Install Dredgers Forthwith.

The Colorado river placer opportunities are attracting the attention of capital these days. Prominent California capitalists have become interested in these gold deposits of the river.

During the past ten days much dredging ground has been acquired by these capitalists. It is their purpose to immediately install a modern up-to-date dredger to work the river banks and bottoms.

Fortunes are contained in the gravels. Samples upon samples demonstrate values of from \$2 to \$8.40 gold per cubic yard.

Las Vegas is the entrance way for these bonanza opportunities.

SNEAK THIEVES ABROAD.

Monday evening some one, in plain, ordinary terms a thief, made a raid on the candy and cigar supplies of Boggs & Co. He was not satisfied with a smoke, but swiped 500 Optimos. His entrance was by a skeleton key.

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A PROMINENT VISITOR

As Guest of Hon. Frank Clark, Who is Mentioned in Connection With the Successorship of Gov. Sparks.

Ex-Governor Jewett W. Adams was a guest of Hon. Frank Clark from Carson during the week. The ex-governor is one of the best known and strongest men in Nevada. When the state was overwhelming Republican he was elected once as lieutenant-governor and twice governor on the Democratic ticket. Adams is extensively interested in gypsum production and one of his aims in being at Vegas was to examine the immense deposits near Vegas.

It is rumored that the ex-governor will become interested in the gypsum features of the Vegas valley.

"JOLLY DOZEN" CARD CLUB.

"How They Titter and How They Laugh" at Their Weekly Social Meet.

That gracious and splendid young couple entertained the "Jolly Dozen" card club Wednesday evening. This jolly combination is made up of our best and most delightful ladies and gentlemen. The members are Mr. and Mrs. Blake, Mr. and Mrs. Botkin, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton, Mr. and Mrs. Hicks, Mr. and Mrs. Pautf and Mr. and Mrs. Huddleston.

The charming hostess served a pretty and toothsome lunch, which was highly enjoyed by the "Jolly Dozen." The credit mark so far as scoring at the last meet was accorded to those expert card players, Mrs. Huddleston and Mr. Botkin. Prizes will be awarded at the end of each month.

The talent that assembles at these pleasure meets weekly is of that lively and spicy order to make one wish to be one of them. Their name "Jolly" only faintly expresses the spirit of life and mirth that is ever the part at these Wednesday evening meets. Mrs. Blake will be hostess Wednesday evening.

BUSINESS INTERESTS ALIVE.

They Are Up and at It and By Virtue of Their Energetic Action Vegas Will Improve.

The board of trade meeting Wednesday evening was well attended. Numerous features were discussed that bear a relation to the future of Las Vegas. Some worthy suggested the idea that associates with the "supreme importance of a pay roll."

President Kuhn and Secretary Ward were in their places respectively.

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