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LINCOLN COUNTY

The Old Settlements and Their Industries

From the narrows on the Virgin River with the Colorado, is the lower agricultural division of the Virgin Basin. In this division are the old Lincoln county settlements of Mesquite, Bunkerville, st Thomas, Overton and Logan.

From Bulletin No. 124 of the U. S. Department of Agriculture we glean the following information regarding these pioneer settlements:

MESQUITE

bank of the Virgin River and has an to the excitement. irrigation ditch covering 1,300, acres, all of which has been purchased from the state and can eventually be irrigated. With a little alteration the ditch can be made to cover 600 acres additional.

BUNKERVILLE

At Bunkerville, on the left bank of the Virgin River, five miles below Mesgaite, 587 acres are irrigated in holdone canal which heads in the river \$70,00 on two lots. about three miles above town. The dam at the head of the canal was first built in 1878, but has Geen washed out Quetion of \$1,700.00. Granted. fully twenty times since then, each time incurring a loss of from \$100 to \$200. In the dry season this and diverts the entire river, but quuch of the water seets back before reaching the Bunkertills fields. During the months of July and August the water is carefully apportioned, but for the rest of the year so limit is placed on the amount used. brigation is commenced in March and continues until late in fall.

Until 1900 Bankerville was the center of Potton raising on the Yirgin River, but owing to the closing of the Cotton mill at St. George the growth of this product has been discontinued. The used in the Virgin River settlements had approved. the price of cotton products o high, signed by the chairman. building up the industry on the Virgin | Reports of officers for the quarter and hat was sent from Bunkerville to proved. pounds of lint, or over five bales to the indigent fund, \$100.00. three heres; but the average yield for All bills as per register of claims almaking them. the settlement was only one bale to the lowed.

soreham and seedless raisins, the latter how being the most important. In 1900 Bunkerville for 6 cents and in Salt Lake for 71, cents per pound, netted \$450, or hetted \$100 per acre. Alfalfa produces five cuttings, averaging six tons to the acre, which, at the prices prevailing brier to 1903, brought about \$36 per acre. The cuttings are made in May, July, August and September, Wheat averages 27 bushels to the acre, worth so cents t and sorghum yields 100 gallons, worth 25 cents per gallon-

ST. THOMAS

There are three ditches at St. Thomas laking water from the creek, with a totil length of six miles. From these about 500 acres are irrigated, in holdings averaging 50 acres. Formerly cotton was raised at St. Thomas. It was *onsidered a profitable crop at eight to ben cents per pound. Water in 1903 has valued at \$20 to \$25 per acres

OVERTON

There are six ditches at Overton, ag- jury cregating eleven miles in length and valued at \$2.50 to \$10.00 per acre, the Peaslee at \$5.75 per cord. latter being comparatively choice and usually sold at \$10.00 per acre:

LOGAN

there are five ditches, aggregating five ente school district. Said tax is for biles in length and irrigating 421 acres 1905. in holdings of 35 acres. Conditions and Petition asking for the appointment and sa Thomas.

RIOVILLE

joins the Colorado River: Here 100 seres are irrigated, consuming the en-

In subsequent issues The Age will bublish additional interesting facts; kiving a history of the settlement of the bulkey by the Mornous the description of the settlement of the bulkey by the Mornous the description of the settlement of the bulkey by the Mornous the description of the settlement of the bulkey by the Mornous the description of the settlement of the bulker bulkey by the Mornous the description of the settlement of the bulker then of agriculture, and the present cath \$100.00, effective in 1905. tagh settlers paid little attention

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND DISTRICT COURT STRENUOUS DAYS AT THE OLD COUNTY SEAT Night Watchman Mulholland

below St. George, Utah, to its junction Commissioners Hold Busy Session Grand and Trial Jury Venires Selected Age Remains Official Paper Eugene Goodrich Appointed Acting Treasurer Heavy Special The man who did the killing was one Tav Levy for Caliente School District.

COURT NOTES

grand and trial jurors.

freight depot, some months ago.

THE NEW RAILROAD

Be Built

by the Salt Lake interests. O

would begin at an early date.

BUILDING

crete Cottages

TWAS EVER THUS

FUNERAL RANGE

The following districts have been or

South Builfrog District, recoffler C

Echo Mining Distfict, recorder J. P.

Poe, postoffice address; Beatty, care H.

Death Valley Milling Districts organ-

This is what the editor wrote

Panized in the Funeral Range:

cago."-Ex.

tober 20th.

With probable adjourned meetings of ing Clerk and Treasurer, was presented From the testimony adduced at the the County Commissioners and the ses- to the board and approved. October will be a busy one at Pioche. clerk for this term of court. The Asembling of the grand and trial Mesquite was first settled in 1882, jurors will double the population of the alandoned after two or three years and old town and there will probably be again settled in 1894. It is on the right many interesting developments to add

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

The Board of County Commissioners met Monday, October 2nd, as a board of equa@zation. Present, R.J. Gordan, perhaps continue a week. chaicman, J. A. Nesbitt, Geo. C. Bald-

Ong Chung Lung appeared and asked for reduction of assessment of Gin Lee ings averaging 18 acres. There is but Yuen, at De Lamar. Tax geduced to the attention of the Court, as must also end procured a gun. Returning to the

Storer's assessment and asked for a re-

Fetterman was stricken from roll. In the matter of cattle assessment of

A. W. Gieer, it was cut to 200 head. M. Mateovich asked for reduction,

and was cut to \$210,00. Ordered that all logs in Moapa townsite, now on record in the form of deeds at Pioche, be placed on the supple-

mentary roll at \$20.00 per lot. Assessment roll was then approved Goldfield via Beauty over the route of was happening until it was all over. in its entirety, followed by adjourn- the proposed new railroad announced ment as equalization board.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

principal producing years were from commissioners, with all members pres-1882 to 1884. At that time cotton goods ent. Mignites of last meeting read and

either to be manufacfered in St. George Two bills of Caliente Ochool, house, or shipped from Salt Lake City, much callowed on the 18th, were declared of the distance by team. This made offegal and reallowed in proper form

Ever. In one year 47,000 pounds of month of September were read and gp- country and therefore could got encour. Martin arrived first and made an exam-

Transfers of moneyowere made as cents per pound in trade, lows: From general fund to jury fund, discounted about one-Orird. A test \$1500.00; general county to current ex- mines but that did not suit him." trop was made one year by Edward pense fund, \$1,000,00; general county to Banker, Jr. Three acres yielded 2,568 salary fund, \$700.00; general county to Mr. Whittemore's statements will prove

Hugh Perey and C. C. Corkhill, repre-The products now raised at Bunker- senting Las Vegas Age, appeared and tille are principally alfalfa, small grains, requested the fulfillment of the printing sontraco awarded The Age August 8th. maintaining that the rescinding of said one farmer fook 9,000 pounds of raisins contracts at the September meeting was from three facres, which, selling in anwarranted. After considerable discussion the board ordered that the legal Bank building will be under way in a \$150 per acre. For six years this farmer that the job printing contract be sub- and the postoffice tent were moved off \$500 for faithful performance of adver- will be of concrete blacks and in actising contract was approved. . .

A notice was served of the with- previously described in these columns. appointment will be made according to reasonably certain that several of their ceremony. law by Board of Commissioners, or un- friends and business associates will til such time as H. J. Goodrich furnish join them. a new bond.

The board, on order of the court, drew 100 names for members of trial

Bids were opened for furnishing thiswatering 776 acres in holdings averaging ty-five cords of wood. Three bids were 30 acres. Land at Overton in 1903 was received and a contract let to J. H.

In the matter of special tax levy for having some improvements. Although Caliente public school bonds, it was orcapitalized at \$1.00 per acre; water dered that an extra levy of \$1.00 be made to meet interest, etc., said levy making a total special school tax of At Logan, five miles above Overton: \$1,45 on each \$100,00 valuation in Cali-

products are similar to those of Overton of H. H. Church as justice of the peace Kyle Smith, residing at Keane Springs; for Logan and Moapa received and Clerk Inyo county, Cal., postoffice address, ordered to notify petitioners that J. Beatty. Rioville is the point where the Virgin Houghton has not resigned and no vacancy yet declared:

In the matter of justice of the peace th McMalion. the flow of the Virgin during the sum- of Caliente, d. A. Denton's resignation

valley by the Mormons, the develop ville was made at the tate of 45c on

The bond of Engene Constrict as acre quantity desired.

SUNDAY'S KILLING

Shot to Death

Joe Mulholland, recently appointed night watchman, was shot to death in Arthur Frye's saloon, on First street, bout six o'clock last Sunday morning. Wm. McCarty, a habitue of the saloon district

preliminary examination, it appears sion of the District Court, the month of Wm. E. Orr was hired as deputy that McCarty and Mulholland had bad some words over a ring, which led to a vicious quarrel between them. As a The District Court calendar was called result of this quarrel, according to the on Tuesday, October 3rd, Judge Brown Testimony of R. T. Lockett, a bartender presiding. All cases on the docket were in Frye's saloon. Mulholland struck set for hearing and venires ordered for McCarty and later pulled his gun and placed him under arrest, marching him The Geer-Butler Paranagat Valley away to the lockup. A little later Mulwater case started Wednesday and will holland returned to the saloon and stated to Lockett that he had let McCar-The Las Vegas hotel cases will be thy go, as the jafl was cold and damp win, Attorney Sanders and H. J. Good- tried before a jury, commencing Oc- and he would not put any man in such a place for the night.

It seems that after being liberated The McCarthy murder case must go before the grand jury before coming to McCarty Went to one Jack Quintefl the cases & Robbins, Spiler and Haw- saloon about six o'clock he walked up F. R. McNamee appeared for F. J. Tey, held for burglarizing the Salt Lake to the bar and ordered a drink. About o that time Mulholland rame in through The suit for the possession of Indian the back door, walked up to the other Mortgage of LOM. Davis to Geo. C. Creek may be settled out of Court. o end of the bar and Ostood there. Suddenly McCarty was heard to say, "Have you got your gun," or something to that effect, and before the words were fairly out of his mouth, three shots o were exploded in rapid succession. The Officials Claim It Is Sure To only other persons present were bartenders R. T. Bockett and G. S. Collins, who were making up the eash for a C. O. Whittemore arrived in Las Jegas last Monday, ending a trip from change of shift, and did not realize what

So far as the deed itself is concerned. it seems to have been premeditated and committed in a deliberate and cold-c He is emphatic in his statements that blooded manner. Regarding what may the road from Las Vegae to Tonopah The board then convened as county will be built and assured a number of have happened prior to that time there is little positive@vidence. Las Vegas people that construction

One of the shots entered Mulholland's body a little in front of his right side. In Beatty Mr. Whittemore made the statement that trains would be running and the other two penetrated his back. to that point in six months. To the The wounded man was conveyed to a Beatty Miner he made the following tent fronting on Second streets in the statement: "The Salt Lake wanted to rear of the Pioneer saloon, and Drs. build from Las Vegas to the Bullfrog Martin and Renshaw summoned. Dr. age Borax Smith's enterprise. We of lination and proceeded to dress the fered to build the line through and wounds, but he found his patient in a ablew him to connect a branch from his dying condition. Mulholland expired at eight o'clock, about two hours after the Las Vegas people @arnestly Moperthat shooting.

An inquest was held Sunday forenoon

only witnesses were Drs. Martin and Renshaw, called as experts at the inquest, and Collins and Lockett, who The New Bank Many Conwere present at the shooting. After taking the avidence McCarty was com-Active work on the New First State mitted without bail.

Deputy Sheriff Murphy on Monday advertising contract stand as made, but day or two. The old frame structure took the prisoner to Pioche, where his fate will soon be decided by the Grand mitted to competitive bids. Bond for the site this week. The new building Jury and the District Court, as the Court is now in session and the Grand cordance with the magnificent plans Jury will convene next week.

Through the generosity of J.O. McIndrawal of over one half of the bonds- J. S. Park is authority for the state- tosh, of the Afizona Clab, the deceased men of H. J. Goodrich, Clerk and ment that beside the bank, several was given a decent burial, as no reply Treasurer. II. J. Goodrich then, by pretty coltages will be built of concrete was received from a telegram sent to proper notice to the board, relinquished blocks. These cottages will be located his mother before it became necessary balance of bondsmen that had not on lower Fremont street, probably the to inter the remains. Mr. McIntosh withdrawn from further liability on the choicest residence portion of town. Was assisted in making the arrangebond. Eugene Goodrich was then aps Among those who have decided to build ments by Arthur Frye and C. E. Burke pointed to serve as acting Clerk and are Mr. Park himself, Claris, N. Brown These three proprietors closed their Treasurer until such time as a regular and C. P. Squires. They state that it is places of business during the funeral

PAHRUMP

Seventy miles south of Beatly the traveler on the stage line halts at the A merchant askell an editor in a cer- old Pahrump ranch to take a drink of tain town to roast the city administra- native wine while the horses are watertion for letting an itinerant peddler ed. Acres of shade frees, poplars, wilcome in and undersell him on goods. lows, cottonwoods, walnut, umbrella trees and fruit trees cool the dit. From "City Dads-You will hereby take numerous springs great volumes of notice that you are roasted for per- pure water bubble forth and irrigate mitting peddlers to sell goods here. 1000 acres:

The merchant for whom we do this The name Pahrump is the Indian favor has his job work done in Chi- word meaning water mouth or great spring. The flow is 300 inches of water, with a temperature of 72 degrees. The elevation is 2,700 feet above seas

Away back in 1875 a man and wife named Bennett settled at these springs and planted some trees, and later sold it to a colony Which proposed to make It a Garden of Eden. To some extent they succeeded; but practically failed betause of internal strift. The Calivada Colonization Co. still owns the ranch, Which is managed by C. C. Orr. - Beatty Miner.

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