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## TIMBER

### Blue Gum Should Thrive in Southern Nevada

The blue gum is one of the largest and most rapid growing trees in the world. In California under favorable conditions, trees have attained a height of 175 feet and a diameter of 5 feet in 25 years. They are grown in nearly all the agricultural sections of California, along the coast of southern Oregon, and Western Texas and should do well in the lower valleys of Nevada, such as Las Vegas, Muddy River and Amargosa River valleys.

Trees planted now would soon make a paying crop as fence posts and fuel.

The most essential requirement of blue gum and other eucalyptus is an adequate supply of soil moisture. A warm climate, a dry atmosphere, and a high percentage of sunlight furnish very favorable conditions, and government experiments have shown that when abundant moisture is found within from 10 to 15 feet of the surface the blue gum will grow well even in dry situations. Southern Nevada meets the requirement of surface moisture.

The blue gum has phenomenally rapid rate of growth. Seedling stands will average a height growth of 50 feet in six years and 100 feet in ten years. In sprout stands trees frequently reach 3 inches in diameter and 35 feet in height in eight months, while in three years a diameter of 7 inches and a height of 70 feet are often attained.

In many valleys of California eucalyptus windbreaks are considered absolutely necessary to insure successful crops.

In the Vegas valley the tree would be useful in this respect, as well as profitable. A small portion of the valley could soon be made to supply fuel for all Southern Nevada. In California the growing of the trees for fuel alone has been found very profitable.

## BACK TALK

### Schwab Emulates Teddy and Denies Everything

Chas. Schwab has written a letter to the editor of the Tonopah Miner in reply to the accusations that have been made against him since his reported criticisms of Nevada as a field for mining investment. According to this letter the editors who have been roasting him and telling of the money he made by handing out stocks to his confiding friends, are a lot of "pernicious prevaricators" and "undesirable citizens," to say nothing of "mollycoddlers." He opens: "The only thing I criticized about Nevada was the inaccuracy of statements emanating from Nevada. You seem to attack me because of this statement, and the strength of my position is fully confirmed by your article, because little, if anything, stated therein is true or accurate."

He then takes up one by one the separate statements made about his deals and denies their accuracy in toto, concluding with the following concerning the Shoshone deal: "You say that I purchased control of the Shoshone and Polaris for less than \$2 per share. This statement of yours is inaccurate. You say I sold a large block of Shoshone stock a \$20 per share. This is also without any truth whatever. The fact is that 3000 shares were sold at this figure—\$20, and these 3000 shares came from the treasury of the company, all of which you will find a matter of record."

"It is true that I have loaned the company nearly \$500,000 to build the new mill, and I shall be glad to have any other stockholder in the company assume his pro rata share of this amount."

Nearly everyone has now been heard from except Charlie's friends who bought stocks.

Mining Deeds, wholesale or retail.

## Hotel Nevada Arrivals

J. F. Miller, Owner and Manager.



J. W. Rogers, Salt Lake  
George Higgins, Gilmore, Idaho  
A. J. Seefudge, Boston, Mass.  
R. M. Doble, Los Angeles  
T. L. Bright, Brightwood  
C. D. Callan, Rhyolite, Nev.  
George Classon, City  
W. E. Clark, Los Angeles  
S. Stren, Cason City  
W. H. Conklin, Los Angeles  
H. P. Warner, " "  
Geo. W. Rogers, Chicago  
C. L. Van Voast, Los Angeles  
W. J. Johnston, " "  
F. A. Trabold, " "  
D. M. Sutton, City  
S. Rorerblatt, Salt Lake  
A. D. Sargent and wife, Los Angeles  
W. L. Peters, Los Angeles  
W. E. Curry, El Paso  
F. D. Bellows, Los Angeles  
Geo. Thomas, Salt Lake  
E. I. Wilson, Pittsburg, Pa.  
H. F. Byran, " "  
W. A. Gray, Rhyolite  
Mrs. J. W. Law, Goldfield  
John Hanson, Clinton, Ia.

## Cajon Lime Plant

For some time development work has been under way by the California Lime company on large limestone quarries in the Cajon pass one and a half miles north of Keenbrook, with the view of establishing an immense lime and hydrating plant at the quarry.

Work has been suspended temporarily but is expected to be resumed about January 1st according to the San Bernardino Index. The company will build a big up-to-date plant for the burning and hydrating of lime, which may later develop into a cement proposition.

## After Oil at Indian

A Rhyolite news item says: Maynard McCauslin, who has been locating oil land and doing location work at Indian Creek for the Western Core Drilling company of New York, says that he has just received word from the company that a drilling outfit had been shipped and that a well will be sunk at once at a point about eight miles from the Indian Creek ranch.

About two years ago there was considerable excitement over the territory in the vicinity of Indian and several Las Vegas people made oil locations, which were allowed to lapse.

## Wiping Out Wildcats

The financial flurry, while painful in its immediate effects, will doubtless do Nevada a lot of good. It will complete the work of wiping out the wildcats, a job that had been undertaken by the most enlightened influences in Nevada months before the financial storm broke. They are a tenacious breed, these wildcats, and it was a case for radical surgery. It will not be disputed that spurious mining enterprises have given Nevada a bad name all over the country. It was time to clean house.—Reno Gazette.

## Copper Claims

William Smith and Jack Adams, who have been prospecting near Cima, have discovered a ledge of copper ore about four and a half miles southeast of that place. The miners believe that there are a number of excellent copper prospects in that locality. Smith and Adams have had experience in Arizona mining and are familiar with copper showings. They also believe Tungsten will be found in the Cima district as there are evidences of it on the surface.

## Railroad Slaughter

Five thousand were killed, and 75,286 injured in railroad accidents for the fiscal year ended June 30 last, according to the figures published by the interstate commerce commission. This is an increase of 755 deaths over last year, and an increase of 9,577 in the number of injured.

## Strike is Off

Telegraphers unions throughout the country have voted to declare their strike off and return to work. The companies have but few places open and thousands of operators will find that it is not so easily to vote themselves into a job as it was to vote out.

## THE RAILROADS

### Brock Is Out of T. & G.—Local Railroad News and Personals

John W. Brock has been deposed as the president of the Tonopah and Goldfield railroad, according to the Philadelphia Press. His successor is C. K. Lord, formerly vice president of the Baltimore and Ohio. At the meeting in Philadelphia the directors determined to merge the Tonopah and Goldfield and the Goldfield and Bullfrog roads, to be known as the Tonopah, Goldfield and Bullfrog. Lord will head the merger.

The new company will be capitalized at \$10,000,000, the Tonopah and Goldfield stockholders getting \$8,000,000 of the issue or about 80 per cent. It is also stated that Brock is out of the Tonopah Mining Company.

### THE SALT LAKE

J. Ross Clark, W. H. Bancroft and R. E. Wells, officials of the Salt Lake, arrived in Las Vegas on a special train Sunday afternoon, concluding an inspection tour from Salt Lake through the Meadow Valley Wash. The special continued on to Los Angeles after a short stop.

From Salt Lake to Los Angeles in 20 hours would have been the record of the Fritz Scheff company's special, which passed through Las Vegas last Saturday, had it not been for a wreck in front of it on the Santa Fe track between Daggett and San Bernardino.

Slim Young, was awarded \$150 damages in Judge Kalaher's court at Rhyolite recently for being put off a Salt Lake train at Riverside, Calif., last January.

The rumor that a general shakeup is due on the Salt Lake and Southern Pacific roads will not down. The "Examiner" of Los Angeles says: Rumors of important changes in high official circles of the Southern Pacific and Salt Lake roads were given an impetus yesterday when W. H. Bancroft, vice-president, of the Salt Lake road and Oregon Short Line, and E. E. Calvin, general manager of the Southern Pacific, met in Los Angeles, and the old story to the effect that Mr. Bancroft will retire and be succeeded by Mr. Calvin was revived. Both officials deny the report.

### RAILROAD PERSONALS

Assistant Superintendent Will Smith of the Salt Lake division, with his wife and daughter, were guests at the home of Chief Dispatcher Parriott of the L. V. & T. this week.

Frank Burkhauser, chief clerk for Supt. F. M. Grace of the L. V. & T., is visiting in Wisconsin and Minnesota for a couple of weeks.

Cashier and Ticket Agent M. S. Gillette is looking forward to the arrival of Mrs. Gillette from Ohio, in about a week.

Surgeon H. L. Hewetson of the Salt Lake spent part of the week with his wife and son in Los Angeles.

Station agent Heaton spent a portion of the week in Los Angeles.

Mechanic C. G. Lundholm is now occupying his new office building, opposite the depot.

### Ord District

The Ord Extension Gold Mining company has been incorporated by Los Angeles, Pasadena and Daggett men. The corporation owns seven claims in the Ord-Bellville district, near Daggett, the property being on the extension of the ledge on Ord mountain, where a big strike was recently reported. Work on a 200-foot shaft has been begun and machinery is being purchased in Los Angeles.

### Kelso District

The Kelso Mining district has been formed, according to filings made in the Recorder's office at San Bernardino. The district covers 24 x 36 miles, with Kelso as a center, and was organized November 2, with F. O. Ricketts as recorder.

### Wanted

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## NO SUSPENSION

### Legitimate Mining Interests Oppose Bartlett's Plan

Congressman Bartlett told the Beatty Bullfrog Miner recently that he would not introduce the bill to suspend annual assessment on mining claims if made protest; that he would represent and not misrepresent the people of Nevada.

We can see no more reason for suspending annual assessment work than for remitting county and state taxes. In fact the people of Nevada would be benefited most by suspending county taxes.

Opposition to the measure is already rampant and protests are being signed throughout southern Nevada by those interested in the progress of legitimate mining. Only promoters and speculators who desire to control a vast number of claims without cost would be benefited by such a measure. Honest operators desire honest and active development and realize its importance to the mining industry of the State. To suspend assessment work would be to give unscrupulous claim hogs a year's grace, and place thousands of claims beyond the reach of honest miners who would be glad to develop them.

Mining blanks at The Age office.

## EASY MONEY

### Searchlight P. O. Steal Continued 10 Months

An examination of the books of former Postmaster Atwell of Searchlight shows that his defalcations cover a period of 10 months and the further remarkable fact that said shortage appears in the cash book, the amount appearing from day to day as cash on hand, whereas according to regulations remittances should have made daily down to \$50.

The surety company behind Atwell's bondsmen will test the case, charging lack of diligence on the part of the post-office department.

It is reported that Atwell's defense will be that he was never appointed postmaster after his office was raised from fourth to third class, and that he can only be charged with breach of trust and is not liable to criminal action. His total shortage is \$5,730.96. There is evidently trouble ahead for some postoffice inspector.

The Los Angeles Chamber of Mines has favored the cheap stock dabblers and phony mining promoters of that city by declaring for Bartlett's plan. However, Bartlett is in Congress to represent Nevada, not Los Angeles.

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