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## POTOSI MINE HAS CEASED OPERATIONS

### Famous Producer of Lead and Zinc Ores For More Than Half Centure Abandoned

The famous old Potosi mine located 20 miles west of Arden in this county has become closed and is being dismantled. The machinery and equipment of the mine is being offered for sale by the Empire Zinc Company, the owners.

During the past year it has been realized that the riches of the Potosi have been exhausted and the closing of the mine is no surprise to the people of this section.

The Potosi is claimed to be the oldest mine in Nevada, having been located by Utah people in 1852. The central claims of the group were patented almost 50 years ago. In its early days the Potosi was the source of the lead used in Utah and for many years it was worked in a small way. The property finally came into the possession of James Morgan, who owned it and shipped considerable quantities of ore during a long period of years. He contracted the mine to Mahoney brothers, the final payment being made on this transaction. After being under contract to various parties the property finally passed to the Empire Zinc Company about six years ago. They developed the mine on a large scale, built a splendid road from the mine to the shipping point at Arden and installed a fleet of trucks to handle the ore.

Since the Empire Zinc Company acquired the property it has made a production estimated at about \$5,000,000 gross, the net earnings of the mine having been reported by the company at as high as \$350,000 per year for a time.

During the last year or two, the supply of available ore in the mine has gradually diminished, until the production is not sufficient to meet the high cost of operation under present conditions. Development work has failed to reveal any further large bodies of ore and the company has decided to cease operation. It is probable that the mine will not be reopened for many years if ever.

### WILL SPEND SUMMER ON SHORES OF TAHOE

Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Riley left early in the week for Lake Tahoe, going by automobile. They will make their headquarters at State Line, on the south shore of the lake where California and Nevada join. Their postoffice address is Lakeside, Cal. They plan to spend most of the summer at Tahoe, but will make drives to the various attractive resorts in that section.

### RAY BAKER IN SCHEELINE BANKING COMPANY OF RENO

Ray Baker, director of the United States Mint has assumed an active connection with the Scheeline Banking company of Reno, and besides taking over a large block of stock has been elected Vice President of the institution. He will take an active part in the business of the concern. His connection with the financial authorities in the East make him a valuable acquisition to the banking concern, and gives strength to this already strong institution.—Sparks Tribune.

### AND THIS IS WILSON'S HAND-PICKED SENATOR

The Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections has recommended that it investigate the Michigan Senatorial election of last November, including both the primaries and general election. Meanwhile the evidence in the Ford-Chicago Tribune libel suit continues to pile up. A reporter who interviewed Mr. Ford in 1916 testifies that he declared the sinking of the Lusitania and the Sussex did not justify a severance of relations with Germany, and that in view of 4,000 miles of ocean between America and Europe submarines to guard our ports ought to provide navy enough. And this is the man whom Mr. Wilson wanted to send to the Senate to assist in the maintenance of our national defense and the dictation of our foreign policy!

Keep your War Stamps pledge.

### MADE DELEGATE TO NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION

S. E. Merrill has been appointed to represent the Las Vegas Rifle Club at the annual shoot of the National Rifle Association to be held at Caldwell, N. J., August 4 to 30. E. W. Griffith was appointed alternate.

At Caldwell delegates from all the rifle clubs in the United States will engage in a contest, the prime object being to interest the people in marksmanship. Medals will be awarded to those making high scores.

### HAND GRENADES MAKE BANKS FOR CHILDREN

Nevada will receive 10,000 real 'American Defense Grenades' from which the charges have been withdrawn and a coin slot substituted, thus making unique and serviceable savings banks for school children, according to wired advices from the Treasury Department to Fred L. White, State War Savings Director. "These grenades," commented Mr. White, "represent America's improvement over the British Mills Bomb. They are the real grenades, of which 5,000,000 were ready for shipment when the armistice was signed. They were first ordered sold for junk, but the treasury department realizing their immense souvenir and sentimental value, decided instead to make them over into savings banks for American school children.

"Each Nevada boy or girl who possesses a War Savings Stamp bought with money saved or earned during the summer vacation will be entitled to receive one of these banks free of charge. The teachers in all cases will judge between the pupils and the banks will be allotted according to lists either to state headquarters or to county chairmen.

"The development of the hand grenade is interesting in this connection. During the reign of Louis IV in France, picked corps of soldiers acquired the knack of throwing loaded bombs filled with high explosives, and from this knack the name of 'grenade throwers' or 'granaders' was given them.

"In the Napoleonic wars the grenade fell into disuse, only to be revived at the Siege of Port Arthur in 1904, after which every army in the world began to experiment with new forms of bombs and explosive mixtures.

"The most effective grenade developed during the war was the British Mills Bomb, a little hand grenade of which a soldier could carry more than 100 and throw them from an ordinary trench.

This little bomb formed the basis of the savings bank which this fall will be seen in every Nevada home where the children have learned the first lesson of thrift—by buying War Savings Stamps of the United States Government."

### WORKERS FOR PROTECTION

Atlantic City, June 25.—"I cannot see how any labor man can be anything but a protectionist," said William C. Hutchison, president of the Brotherhood of United Carpenters and Joiners in an interview at the convention here of the American Federation of Labor.

"Outside of any politics, whether Republican or Democratic, there is an obvious need in this country of a protective tariff ample to cover the difference between the cost of production here and abroad and to maintain our labor and living standards," he continued. "This is not only among the workers in the building trades, but in all production. The membership of the Federation of Labor is not composed of the workers on the farms, but those in every line which enters into manufacturing products, including the mines and factories. We must compete with foreign made goods made by cheaper hands. We must keep up as high as possible our wage scales. We cannot possibly do that, except perhaps in time of war, unless we have protective tariff laws which will make the duty so high on foreign goods that they cannot really compete at all. It is useless to talk about theories; we are American workmen and we must protect America first."

Trying to evade responsibility for a strike, with the embarrassing incidents, Burleson technically returned the wire lines to the owners, but held large measure of control over rates and wages. His will be the responsibility until private managers have full control.—Carson City News.

## FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION ENJOYED IN SPITE OF FAILURE OF AIRPLANE FEATURE

### SOLDIER BOYS THE CENTRAL FEATURE OF THE OCCASION.—EFFORTS OF COMMITTEE TO FURNISH ENTERTAINMENT FOR ALL WERE VERY SUCCESSFUL

The news that the airplane had "hopped off" and then hopped right back to earth again and would be unable to make the flight to Vegas for the Fourth of July celebration, was a grievous disappointment to the crowd which had gathered from all parts of the county for the occasion. It was a more severe disappointment to the committee, which had arranged in all good faith for the presence of the airplane as the principal attraction of the day. However, there was a general disposition on the part of all to make the best of the situation and enter into the other events heartily.

#### The Banquet.

The banquet at Ladd's Resort on the evening of the third was the first formal feature arranged for the entertainment of the returned soldiers, sailors and marines. The table was set in the open, and the boys were seated soon after seven o'clock.

The following service men were at the table:

Wm. C. Stokes, Dave Kramer, D. C. Ward, Phil Krule, Elton Foreman, Lawrence P. Miller, Roscoe F. Pyeatt, William L. Scott, Robinson P. Kirby, William W. Shebbeck, Lester H. Quack, Harvey Sprague, F. A. Thompson, Dudley Hardy, Myron Leavitt, R. H. Voris, Wm. Orval Abbott, Leo. M. Hardy, Edwin L. Hoyt, L. C. Smith, J. S. Bennett, J. L. McQuade, A. N. Doak, George Doyle, Fred B. Piehl, H. A. Squires, William Jolly, William T. Rowland, Thomas C. Walsh, J. E. Miller, Wallace Frehner, Odon Jiminez, T. H. Adams, R. C. Cross, Edwin W. Fullmer, Leo. A. McNamee, Heber Leavitt, Frank Downing, Thomas J. Lake, Lieut. O. P. Naylor.

Mayor W. E. Ferron presided at the head of the table, acting as toastmaster. At the conclusion of the feed he introduced Wm. H. Rogers, who expressed the high appreciation of the people of Clark county for the sacrifices made by the boys who went into the service, and gave them a hearty welcome home.

Harley A. Harmon, who was intimately associated with the boys by reason of his duties as a member of the draft board, was the second speaker. He dwelt upon the sacrifices made by those who were left at home as well as those who went into the service and emphasized the splendid appreciation which the home people have for all the boys who were in the service.

A. N. Doak responded for the boys and concluded his remarks with a call for three cheers for the people of Clark county, which were given with a vim.

Roscoe F. Pyeatt was the last speaker called upon, and in a few words expressed the appreciation which the boys feel for the loyal support which the people at home gave them, and the pleasure which all feel in being once more "Home Again."

The banquet was served by a bevy of girls from the Red Cross. The occasion was closed by a warning by Mayor Ferron that every service man was expected to do his duty and dance at least once with each of the fair maidens who had helped to serve, at the ball which was to follow. And they did.

#### The Ball.

Soon after 9:00 o'clock, His Honor, the Mayor, and Mrs. Ferron opened the ball, leading the grand march. The dance pavilion was packed with happy couples and the dancing continued in full swing until 1:30 a. m. The music by the orchestra formed by members of the L. A. & S. L. Band, furnished excellent music. The service boys were guests of the occasion and were of course the center of attraction with the girls.

#### The Exercises.

At ten o'clock on the morning of the Fourth, the parade formed at the corner of Main and Fremont streets. The L. A. & S. L. Band took the lead, followed by the returned service boys, under command of Lieut. O. P. Naylor, and the various organizations of shop men who had turned out in good force.

Upon arrival at the court house, the formal exercises of the day were held.

After a selection by the band, Senator E. W. Griffith, as master of ceremonies, introduced Hon. A. S. Henderson, who delivered an eloquent patriotic oration.

The speaker who was expected to represent the shop men failing to appear, Rev. W. H. Rogers was introduced to speak for them. In a short address which was full of force and patriotic feeling, Mr. Rogers paid a well deserved tribute to the loyalty of labor to the Nation during the war and outlined briefly the most important position it occupies and the responsibility it bears in the reconstruction which confronts us. He appealed particularly to those of foreign birth to avail themselves of the privilege of becoming citizens of the country under which they are enjoying the blessings of liberty.

Handsome certificates had been prepared by the committee for presentation to each of the boys who have served the country in the war. The certificates read: "This Certifies that the People of Clark county hold in Grateful Appreciation the sacrifices of (name) in his service to our Nation in the Great World War. Given at Las Vegas, Nevada, July 4, 1919." The certificates were signed by the Committee for Clark County, by W. H. Rogers Chairman, and the Seal of the County was affixed.

Certificates were also prepared for presentation to the parents or other kinfolks of the ten boys from Clark county who gave their lives in the service. These certificates read: "In Memoriam. This Certifies that the People of Clark County mourn the passing of (name) who made the Supreme Sacrifice in the Great World War." Following the presentation of the certificates by County Clerk Harley Harmon, and three rousing

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### SEVERELY BURNED BY EXPLODING GASOLINE

A. Caradetti was severely burned Sunday morning by an explosion of gasoline with which he was cleaning a garment. Just what caused the explosion is not known to a certainty, but it is believed to have resulted from the friction of woolen goods.

When the explosion occurred, Mark Withers, a colored man, who was tending his horses near the alley in the rear of the premises, heard the outcry and hurried to the scene. He found Mr. Caradetti sitting down in a bunch of weeds trying in vain to extinguish his burning clothing. Withers at once rolled Caradetti into a pile of ashes and dry dirt with which he succeeded in smothering the flames. But for the presence of mind and quick action of Withers, Caradetti would in all probability have lost his life.

As it is he is suffering from very severe third degree burns upon both legs from the knees to the ankles and from lesser burns on various portions of the body. He is being cared for at the Las Vegas hospital, and unless pneumonia or other complications set in will recover.

### BALD EAGLE CAPTURED ALIVE BY SMALL BOY

An immense bald eagle was captured by Clifford Kramer and another small boy at the cemetery Wednesday. The bird was sick or else exhausted by long flight and the heat, but he made a strenuous effort to defend himself. However, when each boy succeeded in getting hold of the tip of a wing the bird was powerless. Undersheriff Frank Wait took charge of the visitor and endeavored to nurse him back to life, but Old Baldy gave up the ghost. Had he lived it was the intention to liberate him as a part of the celebration.

The remains were turned over to the Eagles Aerie and sent to Los Angeles for mounting. If the operation turns out all right he will adorn the Eagle's lodge room.

The eagle measures seven feet and two inches from tip to tip, and if properly mounted will make a magnificent specimen. Just why he had deserted the mountains for Las Vegas at this time of the year is a mystery, but it is probable that he was anxious to take part in the Fourth of July celebration.

### GOT THE GOODS ON HIM.

"Daddy, isn't that Harley Harmon standing over there by the bar?" asked a little girl of her father the other day. "Yes," answered the father, "why?" "Well," said the little girl, "I read in the Las Vegas Age where he had just been admitted to the bar, and I was just wondering if that was the one."

## A FEW NEW SUITS IN THE DISTRICT COURT

### Four Seek Relief From Matrimonial Bonds.—Appeal Taken From Overton Court

Several new suits have been filed in the district court the past week, among them four for divorce, one of the husbands being under the age of 21 years.

Joseph F. Simons, by A. J. Stebenne, his guardian ad litem, vs. Muriel Grace Simons—The complaint alleges that the plaintiff is a minor acting through his guardian ad litem. That the parties to the suit were married at Santa Ana, California, June 28, 1917. Plaintiff alleges in the complaint that defendant has been guilty of extreme cruelty towards him, applied to him insulting words and epithets; that at times in fits of violent anger, she would attack him and on occasions would tear his shirt from his person. Thomas & Ham appeared for plaintiff.

Wm. Van Renselaar, plaintiff and appellant vs. David Conger, defendant and respondent—On appeal from the justice court of Overton township, A. L. F. MacDermott, justice. The suit was brought in the justice court to recover \$163.98 alleged by plaintiff to be due him from defendant as the balance owing on the rental of a piece of ground. Justice MacDermott gave judgment for the plaintiff and against defendant in the sum of \$5.75, \$14.50 costs of suit and \$12.50 attorney's fees. The differences between the parties seemed to hinge upon the price which should be allowed defendant as credit on hay and other items delivered by defendant to plaintiff. A. J. Stebenne appears for appellant and Stevens & Henderson for respondent.

Irene C. Hill vs. Ralph B. Hill—Suit for divorce. The complaint alleges abandonment and failure to provide. C. D. Breeze appears as attorney for plaintiff.

Edgar T. Wall vs. Margaret Peabody Wall—For divorce. The complaint alleges the marriage of the parties at Los Angeles, Cal., Nov. 25, 1904, and that plaintiff has deserted and abandoned plaintiff. Plaintiff asks to be awarded the custody of Margaret Sally Wall, the 13-year-old daughter of plaintiff and defendant.

Charles E. Hubbell vs. Mary G. Hubbell—For divorce. Complaint alleges the marriage of plaintiff and defendant at New York City, October 27, 1896. That defendant deserted plaintiff at New Rochelle, New York, June 17, 1918. Plaintiff prays for the custody of the two minor sons of the parties, Sidney Goodwin, 14, and John Adams Hubbell, 8.

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