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VEGAS TEAM MAY BE DARK HORSE AT RENO

Tonopah and Sparks Best of 17 Teams in Basket Ball Tournament

[Special to the Age by U. N. N. S.] University of Nevada, Reno, Feb. 25.—The Las Vegas basket ball five is being considered as a possible dark horse for the state tournament which will be held here the first week in March, although Tonopah and Sparks line up the best of the seventeen entries as far as pre-tournament dope is concerned.

Each of these teams has defeated the other once, and each has sustained one other defeat. A large silver basket ball mounted on an ebony stand is offered the winning five by A. G. Spaulding & Bros. of San Francisco. This trophy is about eight inches in diameter and is made of sterling silver with an engraved plate to bear the date and the name of the successful school. It is agreed that the school winning the ball for three successive years shall become the permanent holder. A second trophy is offered by Coach J. E. "Doc" Martie of the University.

Sparks and Lovelock both have strong girls' teams and the winner of their game was supposed to give sport followers a line on the tournament, but because of some disagreement the Sparks coach withdrew her team from the floor during the game. Lovelock was leading by a considerable margin at the time.

Clark County students of the University were guests of Mr. Tom Fanatia, assemblyman from Clark, at a banquet given Saturday evening, Feb. 21. Those invited were Helen Wells, Clarice Gramer, Margaret Browning, Erma Jones, Annazita Killen, Chas. Horsey, Russell Squires, Julian Anderson, Leonard Noblitt and Wanda Henderson.

A varied and entertaining program featured the second public appearance of the University Glee Club at the Rialto Theatre in Reno, Feb. 23. All of the selections were well rendered, some of them being nearly professional in finish. The Glee Club plans to make a tour of the eastern part of the state before the end of the semester.

Coach Martie is endeavoring to get the strong five from St. Mary's College at Oakland to play the University basket ball squad here during the tournament. This year's varsity compares favorably with the "wonder team" of '22, and the game, if arranged, should provide plenty of thrills, as the Catholic school has one of the strongest teams on the coast.

Wanda Henderson, oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Henderson, visited her parents in Carson over the week end. While in Reno she attended a dance given by the Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity, of which Art Fayle is a member. Bus Squires and Chick Horsey also attended.

CONGRESSMAN ARENTZ ADDRESSED LEGISLATURE

Congressman-elect Samuel S. Arentz visited the Capitol yesterday and on invitation addressed both houses of the Nevada legislature. He was first heard in the assembly immediately after Speaker Henderson convened the session and prayer had been offered by the chaplain. Congressman Arentz sounded a note of protest against the introduction of purposeless bills in large number, either in state legislation or in Congress, and indicated that he would offer in Congress no bills without having a definite purpose in view and in full hope of getting them passed. He stated that he would welcome any information or suggestions that would guide and assist in best service to the State of Nevada. The congressman was greeted by generous applause by the members.

Over in the senate in the afternoon Congressman Arentz declared that the main questions before the lawmakers are, first: What can best be done for the country; and, secondly, what can best be done for Nevada? He designated livestock raising and mining as the basic industries of the state. Stressing the great importance of mining in Nevada, the speaker declared that persons who have been in the state at least twenty years realize full well the great benefit of the former great part of the passing of the merchant and the business man in grubstaking prospectors and hoped that conditions will so change that the state will be thoroughly prospered.

The resources and opportunities of Nevada came in for a share of attention, the speaker maintaining that this state offers more in the line of opportunity than elsewhere. In concluding, Mr. Arentz invited the co-operation of all, saying, "The election is over and politics in this state of only 77,000 population should be over."

Congressman Arentz left the same night for Washington, D. C., where he will attend the caucus of Republican representatives in Congress and the inaugural ceremonies. He anticipates early return to his home in this state, feeling certain that no extra session of Congress will be called.—Carson City News.

DOINGS OF THE WEEK IN MOAPA VALLEY HIGH

Preparing for "Priscilla"—Debaters Try Out—Big Time for Cleanup Day

[Special Correspondence] Overton, Feb. 25.—The chorus and glee clubs of the school are preparing to render the noted opera, "Priscilla." Those in the cast have excellent voices and a reel musical treat will be the lot of those who witness the rendition. The costumes and other make-up will cost about \$125. The date of presentation will be announced next week.

On February 25th the High School debating team held their first tryout. On the 26th part of our debating team went to Bunkerville and part of their team came to Overton for the debate.

The big clean-up day will be Saturday, the 28th. The spirit of the event runs high, arrangements being made for contests. Each man belonging to a given team will have his work specifically outlined. There will be every team available out hauling gravel, improving the main travelled road through the city. A big dinner will be served by the ladies at the school house, W. H. McDonald will be manager and officer of the day.

LAS VEGAS WEATHER FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY

The weather for Las Vegas for the month of February came back to normal after an unusually prolonged cold spell lasting through most of December and January, according to the records of the U. S. Co-operative weather station.

During the month there were nine days cloudy or partly cloudy, but the promise of rain was but slightly realized. During the night of February 6-7 there was precipitation amounting to 40 hundredths of an inch, and a trace on the 12th and 19th.

The highest temperature during the month was registered on the 26th, 80 degrees. The lowest maximum during the month was 62 degrees on the 10th. Tabulation of the record follows:

Table with 4 columns: Date, Max., Min., P. M. (Precipitation). Rows from Feb. 1 to Feb. 28.

PANACA-LAS VEGAS DEBATE AT HIGH SCHOOL TONIGHT

The Las Vegas and Panaca high schools will debate tonight at the high school auditorium. Two teams from each of the schools will debate the same evening. The Las Vegas affirmative team will debate at Panaca while the Panaca affirmative team will meet the Las Vegas negatives here.

The question for debate is, "Resolved, That Nevada Should Adopt the Unicameral System of Legislation."

The Vegas line-up is as follows: Affirmative: Dele Snclair, '25; John Walsh, '26. Negative: Edna Kramer, '27; Virginia Horsey, '27.

WELLS DESIRES TO BE AN INCORPORATED CITY

Wells' efforts to become an incorporated city are not to be thwarted because she is short fifty citizens as recorded at the last election. The Commercial Club of Wells has a petition in circulation among the qualified electors, which, if signed by a majority, will be forwarded to the Elko county legislators with the request that they ask the legislature to pass a special incorporation act.—Carson City Appeal.

WARDS BUY CHOCOLATE SHOP

Mr. and Mrs. John Ward and "Rosie" have purchased the Chocolate Shop from Mr. and Mrs. Glenn McKay. The new owners took possession last Saturday.

It is the intention of the new management to keep the Chocolate Shop up to its well known high standard and they invite a continuance of the patronage which this favorite eating place has enjoyed.

ASSEMBLYMAN BUOL ILL WITH PNEUMONIA

Assemblyman Frank Buol of Nye county is reported ill in a Reno hospital, threatened with pneumonia. His seat in the assembly has been unoccupied since Tuesday.

SPRAGUE GIVES VIEWS ON LAW ENFORCEMENT

Senator Replies to Critics of His Proposed State Enforcement Measure

[Contributed] Senate Bill No. 50, introduced by request of the State Survey Commission, represents some of the most pernicious legislation that has been proposed at this session. In it one can see the work of one F. N. Fletcher, editor of the Nevada Tax Review. This is entitled: "An Act Concerning Public Schools and Repealing Certain Acts Relating Thereto."

Section 1 proposes a State Board of Education consisting of five citizens of the State who shall be well qualified and taxpayers, this board to be appointed by the Governor of the State. It is not necessary that any of these five be an educator or know anything about schools. The State board, as it now stands, consists of the governor, the president of the State University and the superintendent of public instruction. Two of these, a majority of the board, are educators. One is a statesman. Two are directly elected by the people. Why this proposal to take the appointment of the State Board of Education out of the hands of the people? Certain individuals might profit by this change but the schools would not.

Section 2 says: "The board shall elect its president and vice-president and a secretary who may or may not be a member of the board, and said secretary shall perform the duties required by said State board and shall be paid for his services not to exceed \$600 per year from the STATE DISTRIBUTIVE SCHOOL FUND on order of the State Board of Education." This is propaganda misleading one to believe that it is an economy measure, whereas under the present system the State superintendent acts as secretary of the State board without any additional compensation.

Section 4 outlines the powers and duties of this State Board of Education, not one of whom MUST be an educator. The first duty is to prescribe courses of study for the public schools. Suppose that the members of this board were not educators, would they likely be the case, for could they make courses of study for the public schools when a conversation with school matters? Making a course of study is one of the most technical things that an educator is called upon to do. The second duty is to adopt lists of books for school use. Judging school books is a specialty among educators themselves, and yet the author of this bill proposes to have five laymen not conversant with the requirements of school books to select from the large number of books published, those which the children of Nevada shall use. We admire his game spirit. He is willing to take a chance. But the parents of the children are not willing to have them pay the penalty for this "game" plan. They want their children's books selected by people who know how to judge school books.

Section 9 reads as follows: "By and with the consent of the State Board of Education the State superintendent of public instruction shall on or before the second Monday of July of each year appoint the superintendent of the county high school of each county or, in case of his refusal or inability to serve, some other suitable person who shall be a resident of said county to act as deputy superintendent for the term of one year from September 1st following his appointment."

This is a very harmless sounding clause, but let us see what it would mean. In some counties where practically the whole population lives in one town this might work. In Clark county we have three county high schools all equal in standing. Which one of these principals would be superintendent of schools for Las Vegas county? The people of principal in their high school and college scattered his energy all over Clark county. Possibly the people at Bunkerville and Overton might feel the same. Then this State board selects some other SUITABLE person. This need not be a teacher, he need know nothing whatever about school work. Would this be an improvement? There are no qualifications whatever required except that he be a suitable person.

At present the deputy superintendent must hold a teacher's certificate of high school grade, which means that he must be a college graduate or its equivalent. He must have had not less than 45 months of successful experience in teaching, at least 20 months of which shall have been in the State of Nevada. By the present standard the public is protected from having their children supervised by novices or people who know nothing about school work. Do we want to give this up for a supervisor who needs to have no qualifications except that he is SUITABLE? We are not willing to have this proposed State board judge who is suitable to supervise our schools. One of the best things about the present supervision is the four-year tenure of office. It is absurd to pro-

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APPOINTIVE BOARD NOT FAVORED BY EDUCATORS

Legislature Requested to Do Its Duty By Refusing to Tamper With School Laws

[Reno Evening Gazette] To the Editor of the Gazette: I observe that you made mention of the fact that I have introduced a prohibition enforcement bill in the state senate. Permit me to say in this connection:

In introducing this bill, I do not wish to pose as a reformer or uplifter, for I am neither. I realize that neither religion nor moral reforms can be forced upon a people by legislation. I have always been tolerant of others in their religious views and in their habits and ways of living. That is their business and not mine—so long, however, only as they keep within the law. The law was made for me and for you, and it is our duty to observe the law and see to it that others do the same. The law is for all of us and not for the few.

The Eighteenth Amendment is the law of the land. It was adopted by the people of the country in the manner provided for by the constitution for its amendment, and it is now a part of our constitution as much as the fourteenth or any other amendment. Congress passed an act known as the Volstead act which provided a method for putting the Eighteenth Amendment into operation. This law was made for all the people as well as was the Eighteenth Amendment and is, also, the law of the land. Congress contemplated that the various States of the Union would pass legislation conforming to and supporting the amendment and the enforcement law, and it provided therefor.

All the States of the Union have passed supporting laws called "Little Volstead" acts but two. One of these is Nevada. The other, New York; it has now an enforcement act before its legislature, and in the bill I have introduced there is now an enforcement act before the Nevada legislature. My act is only the Volstead act made applicable to Nevada. In no particular is it more drastic. My bill is introduced with two main objects in view. One is to put this State in line with all other States in their patriotic regard for the constitution and established law, and thus merit the respect of sister States and of the people as a whole, as well as to merit our own self-respect. The other object I have in mind is to give the people of the State the benefits of their own courts which, without a State law, are now denied them.

Should my bill pass, the main change in the present situation would be that the state and county peace officers would co-operate with the Federal officers in enforcing the liquor law, and the trial of offenders and reputed offenders would be held in the courts of their own communities, instead of the Federal courts at Carson City. At the present, without a state law, our citizens are directly subjected to the operations of the Federal law through Federal agents and Federal courts. Our communities are infested with Federal spies and suspects are dragged past the open doors of their own courts, to a distant court, to be tried by the Federal courts. I am opposed to surrendering our police power to the Federal government. As Governor Scroggum said in his message to the senate two years ago in vetoing the Scott repeal bill, "even by implication the state should not lightly surrender its sovereign right to regulate its own domestic affairs."

In introducing this bill, I also had in mind the proposed Transcontinental Highway Exposition at Reno. I want this exposition to be a notable success. I would like to see it recognized and participated in by other Western states. The exposition committee has asked the government to meet exhibit. It has asked neighboring States to participate with exhibits and buildings, but it is not reasonable to suppose that the government would consider co-operating with a state that flouts the Federal constitution or that Congress would make an appropriation, when Nevada treats the laws which it passes, with such contempt as we do. Nor is it to be expected that sister states would warm up to us when we refuse to join with them in upholding the law of the land. Let us "put our house in order" and thus deserve respect and attention before we ask it of others only to be refused.

Whether the Eighteenth Amendment is salutary legislation, whether it is enforced, or enforceable, etc., does not enter into this matter. The Eighteenth Amendment is constitutional law and cannot be changed by the Nevada legislature, nor can its operations be evaded. We are obliged to recognize it and accept it, whether we like it or not. The question before us is: "Shall Nevada gracefully acquiesce and accept the law and show ourselves loyal American citizens, or shall we continue to flout the constitution and Federal statutes, be an outlaw state and be stoned by government and sister states alike?" The good name of the state is a matter taken very seriously by most of the people whose homes and interests are here. And the question of law enforcement of the law is also taken very seriously by various communities. Like Las Vegas, for instance, which petitioned the legislature (Continued on Page Two)

BLUE DIAMOND COMPANY BIG ASSET TO COUNTY

Eleven Mile Railroad Grade is Nearly Completed — Expensive Improvements Planned

The Blue Diamond Company of Nevada, a subsidiary of the Blue Diamond Materials Company of Los Angeles, will soon be among the most important assets of Clark county.

The parent company is one of the largest concerns in the country specializing in building material. It has recently purchased the Buol and Matteucci gypsum deposits located near Arden, and, through the Blue Diamond Company of Nevada, will secure its large supply of gypsum products from this property.

One of the most important features of the preliminary work, building a branch railroad to the property, is well under way. A large number of men and teams, with steam shovels and all the other requirements for railroad building, are completing the grade for a standard gauge railroad from Arden to the claims, about 11 miles.

At the claims the company is about to build bunk houses, a cook house and administration quarters, temporary in character, to be replaced later with gyp block structures.

A cable tram 3300 feet in length will connect the bunkers on the hill at the gypsum deposits with a loading bunker at the end of the branch railroad. A permanent payroll of about 200 men is contemplated when the company is ready for business. Mr. H. R. Ludlow is superintendent in charge of the construction work.

FREMONT STREET WORK IS NOW SHOWING ACTIVITY

Fremont street at last shows indications that it is going to be paved, and that right soon. From Main to Fifth it is filled with men, horses and road-working machinery of all kinds including a steam go-devil which pokes neat little holes through our old gravel and oil street and makes it tender for plowing. The whole street looks like a spring garden just at present, but after the surplus of material has been removed to bring the street down to grade, the real work of paving will begin. The material being removed is being used in improving several others of the city streets.

The paving, through co-operation of the Union Pacific with the city, will extend through the railroad property to the depot. The Christensen Construction Company has taken the contract for paving this section in connection with its other contract.

The work of graveling the extension of Main street north to the city limits is progressing rapidly.

JUDGE LILLIS TO GO EAST FOR THROAT OPERATION

Judge Henry M. Lillis plans to go to St. Louis, accompanied by Dr. Hewetson, Friday of next week for an operation on his throat by the leading specialist in that line in the United States.

The Judge has recently shown some improvement, especially a gain in strength. It is believed that the growth in his throat is not of malignant type and that he may recover his health under the hands of a specialist. Las Vegas people are very hopeful that the Judge may recover and resume the activities which he has carried on for so many years in Las Vegas. Our very best wishes will go with him in his effort to find relief.

HEALTH AUTHORITIES BAN BASKET BALL TOURNAMENT

Telegrams were received at Las Vegas Friday morning, February 27, from the Block "N" Society at the University of Nevada, stating that the health authorities there had advised cancelling the entire state tournament program for this year.

This means disappointment to the various teams that have been training hard to bring home the laurels from the annual tournament.

FINE RESIDENCE SAVED FROM DESTRUCTION BY FIRE

Monday morning at 7 o'clock the volunteer fire department made quick response to an alarm for a fire in the roof of the Robert Bay house, Fifth and Fremont streets. The excitement lasted but a few minutes, the blaze being quickly brought under control. The fire started from a spark which lodged on the shingle roof. The damage was slight.

BORN

SHEHAN—At Las Vegas Hospital in this city, February 15, 1925, to Mr. and Mrs. Dan Shehan of the Groom mine, a son.

MONTGOMERY—At the Las Vegas Hospital in this city, February 19, 1925, to Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Montgomery, a daughter.

TISDIAL—At Las Vegas Hospital in this city, February 23, 1925, to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Tisdial, a son.

What you do away from home is what you really are. A woman's tongue is sometimes long enough to cut her throat.

DR. BARKER'S TALKS WELL RECEIVED HERE

Rotary Speaker Pleases Three Large Audiences in Las Vegas Monday

Dr. Chas. E. Barker, noted lecturer, delivered three addresses in Las Vegas last Monday. At each he was greeted by a large crowd and was given the closest attention.

In the forenoon he spoke to the high school students for one hour. With his mixture of the grave and the gay he won them completely. His message of helpfulness was delivered in a way that appealed to the young people and they gave every assurance that his words had been taken to heart.

He defined education in the words of Huxley: "Education is to train the mind and will to do the work that ought to be done when it ought to be done whether you want to do it or not." Then he took the three requisites for a successful life as stated by President Garfield: "A strong arm, a clear head and a brave heart," as his text and applied them to the individual. His illustration of how many of the pupils study and how they may form habits of study by calling the will into play roused the interest of all.

At three o'clock in the afternoon Dr. Barker talked to a large audience of women and girls and some of the members of the Rotary Club. Among other things Dr. Barker told them how to keep their health and at the close of the lecture he went through a series of exercises said to be the best ever devised for building a strong and healthy body for women or men. The rules for these exercises are printed in this issue of the Age and should be cut out and placed where most convenient to consult.

The evening meeting for men and boys was packed. From beginning to end Dr. Barker held the tense interest of everyone, something that does not often happen here. Dr. Barker makes no effort at oratory. He is a plain, direct spoken man and his words have the ring of truth. For more than 12 years he has been on the lecture platform and for some four years past he has had his time entirely taken by Rotary Club engagements. His greatest delight is the work he can do to help the young people and he has talked to more high school students than any other man who ever lived—more than 1,900,000. He has a most attractive personality which makes friends for him on all occasions. Dr. Barker was brought to Las Vegas by the Las Vegas Rotary Club as a contribution to the community welfare and the members of the club all feel that the investment was a good one.

EXERCISES FOR BUZY MEN AND WOMEN

[Recommended by DR. CHARLES E. BARKER]

- Breathing Exercises
1. Bend body at hips, fists at the knees—throw arms out and backward as far as possible while inhaling and exhale while returning to position.
2. Rotate shoulders—inhalation, raising shoulders, and vice versa.
3. Clasp hands behind back—throw chest out and upward, shoulders back and inhale, vice versa.
4. Breathing run.
5. Keeping knees stiff—lower the hands to floor and return to chest.
6. For Spine
7. Swing the arms in a circle in front of the body keeping the knees stiff and stretching upwards as far as possible while raising arms.
8. For Liver
9. Feet apart as far as possible—keeping knees stiff—bend body from side to side, raising arms alternately over the head.
10. Gladstonian exercise.
11. Lying Down Exercises
12. For Stomach and Intestines
13. Arms at side—raise chin to chest and push hands along the limbs, vice versa.
14. Throw the body to sitting position, keeping hips, knees and feet on floor.
15. Draw both knees back to chest and return to floor.
16. Raise both legs from the floor at the same time, keeping knees stiff.
17. Important Suggestions
18. Drink plenty of water in between meals. Eight to ten glasses per day.
19. Get into the habit of following the exercises with cool or cold bath. If one has plenty of blood a cold bath is best, otherwise only take a cool bath after exercises.
20. The best time to take these exercises is upon arising in the morning. However, they can be taken the last thing before going to bed at night, or during the day, but not immediately following any meal.
21. If you have any suspicion that your heart is not in good condition, before taking these exercises you should be examined by your family physician and follow his advice as to the way in which these exercises should be taken.
22. Remember that the only way to test the value of these exercises is to follow them regularly every day for about two months. By that time you will see the great value in performing them daily.
23. A spoiled child grows up and he and the world rarely ever agree, a love for learning.