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HIGHWAY ENGINEER  
LOOKING OVER FIELD

Sam Durkee Makes First Official Visit Here.—Looking Forward To Further Improving Southern Highways.

State Highway Engineer Sam Durkee arrived in Las Vegas Wednesday evening, motoring down from Tonopah with District Engineer C. C. Boyer.

The newly appointed official is looking over the field carefully to familiarize himself with highway conditions and needs in every section of the state.

He expressed surprise at the condition of the Las Vegas-Beatty Highway, which has been greatly improved during the past year by systematic maintenance operations.

Thursday, in company with Mr. Boyer, he inspected the highway from Las Vegas to the Arizona line. Friday they went over the new highway between Las Vegas and Jean, and then on into California where they will investigate the gravel and oil surfacing which is giving splendid results on the highway between Barstow and Victorville.

Mr. Durkee and Mr. Boyer are both of the opinion that the already completed gravel surface highways of the Arrowhead Route cannot last for many years without further improvement, because of the great number of cars passing over them every day. It is Mr. Durkee's hope, shared by Mr. Boyer, that the process employed in San Bernardino county in applying an oiled surface to the gravel highway, may solve the problem here at a cost which will not be found excessive.

The work done between Barstow and Victorville creates what is the practical equivalent to a paved highway, smooth and dustless and apparently almost as permanent as concrete. It is apparent that some form of binder must be used on the Arrowhead Highway to prevent that road from losing all its gravel surface under the traffic which is yearly growing heavier.

## HOGSETT HEARING SET

O. W. Hogsett, charged with defrauding Ed Wagner of the West End Chemical Co., by selling to him an alleged valuable option which proved worthless, has had his hearing postponed to next Saturday, June 4.

Judge Breeze fixed the bail of defendant at \$1,000 which has not been obtained.

## CARD OF THANKS

We extend our heartfelt thanks to the many friends who have so sustained us with their kindly help and sympathy during the illness and following the death of our loved one, Mrs. Belle Hamilton. Especially we wish to express our thanks for the many beautiful floral tributes and all those who assisted in the funeral services and burial.

G. W. Hamilton.  
Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Brown.  
Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Pistole.  
Maydell Pistole.  
Mrs. Mary Sykes.

CHRIST EPISCOPAL  
CHURCH SERVICES

Rev. Boyd Parker, Vicar.  
Miss Madeline Corkhill, Organist.

Mr. Warren Parker, Choirmaster.

Sunday after Ascension Day  
May 29

Holy Communion 8 a.m. Church School 9:45 a.m. Morning prayer and sermon 11 a.m.

## LOST

LOST—A woolen coat containing some check, was lost on the Indian Springs road. Will the finder please return to J. Cazaure, at 220 Fremont Street, Las Vegas.

Judge A. Sidney Gaines, justice of the peace of Searchlight township, who has been in the city on business since Tuesday, leaves for home this afternoon.

Miss Amy Hansen and Caroline L. Harbeson left Thursday morning for Reno. Miss Hansen will go from Reno to her home and Mrs. Harbeson will return to Las Vegas.

Friends of Harry Weineke have received cards from him dated at Camp Talbot, Washington, where he stopped to visit friends for a few days on his way to visit his brother at Vancouver, B. C.

Sam E. Yount and John Loop were in Vegas early in the week on business connected with the Yellow Pine Mining Company.

C. E. L. Gresh of Eldorado Canyon, has returned after several months spent in the east.

BORN: To Mr. and Mrs. John Averett, on May 23, at the Hewetson Hospital in this city, a girl.

VEGAS HIGH SCHOOL  
COMPETES IN RENO

Las Vegas High School students will compete today in the state contests in shorthand and typewriting being held in Reno.

The Vegas contestants who left by automobile Thursday morning, are:

Mary Jane Moccock, Second Year Typing.  
Lillian Ball, First Year Typing.  
Eleanor Harbeson, First Year Shorthand.

They were accompanied by Mrs. Harbeson as chaperon, and Miss Hanson and Miss Siebert, teachers.

CHAMBER APPROVES  
HOTEL FINANCING

Committee Appointed To Arrange Subscription of \$50,000 for Preferred Stock in Company.

At the meeting of the Chamber of Commerce Tuesday noon, the principal business was a careful discussion of the financing plan for the half million dollar Richmond Hotel project.

President Martin, Leo A. McNamee, A. A. Hinman, A. S. Henderson, Walter R. Bracken and others explained the plan of financing which has been adopted and expressed their approval of the proposition that Las Vegas people subscribe for \$50,000 of the 7% preferred stock of the corporation, the money to be held in the local banks and to be released to the company only after the remainder of the money for the enterprise is deposited.

On motion the Chamber voted its approval of the financing plan and the appointment of a committee consisting of James Cashman, Leo A. McNamee, Walter R. Bracken, Will Beckley and A. S. Henderson to act with President Martin as ex-officio member, in securing subscriptions for \$50,000 in 7% preferred stock under the plan outlined.

The Secretary called attention to the fact that a subscription of \$5,000 to the Mississippi Valley flood relief fund sent to the Chamber by Harry Duffill had been credited by the Age to Albert Duffill. The Age is pleased to make the correction.

YELLOW PINE OPENS  
NEW ORE DEPOSITS

Development Work Discloses Great Bodies of Ore in Hitherto Unexplored Territory.

The Yellow Pine Mine, already credited with the payment of between three and four million dollars in dividends, bids fair to continue its profitable production for years to come.

During the past year or two, the known deposits of ore had been considered depleted and a campaign of development work was undertaken.

On the 200 and 300 foot levels, beyond the foot wall, in territory which has not hitherto been explored, large bodies of lead-zinc-silver ore have been opened.

According to S. E. Yount, one of the principal stockholders in the Yellow Pine, what is virtually a new mine has been opened to production. Steady shipments have been going on for some time at the rate of 50 tons per day, the ore being shipped without concentration or milling at a contract rate which nets a substantial profit.

The engine and an entire train of cars loaded with ore recently got beyond control of the engineer and ran wildly down the 7 per cent grade between the mine and Goodsprings. The cars and the ore were scattered widely over the country. The engine stuck to his post until just before the engine left the track and rolled over several times. The engine escaped with minor injuries, but the engine and cars were practically destroyed beyond repair.

Following the mishap, the company entered into a contract with J. A. Fredrickson for trucking the ore from the mine to the railroad at Jean, it being the belief of the management that the ore can be handled more cheaply by truck than by rail.

Mr. Yount also reports that the development work on the 1,200 level of the Yellow Pine is very encouraging and that there is every indication that new ore bodies will be opened on that level.

CHAS. BERRY BADLY  
BURNED ON FACE

Chas. Berry, an employee of the Union Pacific railroad shops here, was badly burned by steam from a boiler Thursday. He received first degree burns on the face and second degree burns on his arms. He is being cared for at the Hewetson Hospital.

Berry will be remembered as the man who had his back broken about three years ago.

GRADUATING CLASS  
ACTIVITIES ENDED

Baccalaureate Exercises, Class Night, Senior Ball and Commencement Bring School Year To Close.

The activities of the Class of 1927 were brought to a brilliant close when the entire community, or so many as could gain admittance, attended the commencement exercises at the High School Auditorium Thursday evening.

The stage presented a charming picture when the curtain went up for the last time on the fifteen young people who have carried their work to a successful conclusion.

The following are graduates:

HELEN BECKETT  
RUTH CHRISTIAN  
MAELINE CORKHILL  
LOUISE CROWE  
ROSE HARKESON  
VIRGINIA HORSEY  
EDNA KRAMER  
MARY JANE MOCOCC  
MARGARET MOFFAT  
MARTHA MORRISON  
MARION MOTT  
MILDRED ROESBERRY  
OSCAR BRYAN  
TOM CROAL  
CLAIR WADSWORTH

Virginia Horsey and Margaret Moffat, the honor members of the class, carried out their parts of the program in a happy way.

Dr. Walter Dexter, president of Whittier College, delivered the address to the class. He is a delightful speaker and did not overlook the value of wit and humor in giving his message to the young people.

The High School Orchestra and the Glee Club, both under the direction of Prof. L. A. Montague, gave several delightful numbers.

Prof. H. A. Whiteneck, who has been associated closely with most of the members of the class of '27 for the past six years, presented the diplomas. For the class as well as for himself the parting of the ways brought real regret which none sought to conceal.

The Baccalaureate service for the Class of '27 was held in the Methodist Church Sunday evening, the auditorium being filled to capacity.

Dr. Buckner, always a favorite speaker here, delivered an address which made a deep impression on all.

Class Night  
Second only to Commencement, Class Night was one of the high lights of the week's activities.

Monday evening found the High School Auditorium filled with friends of the school who gathered to enjoy the brightness of the one occasion when the Seniors have things all their own way. As usual the Class presented a charming appearance and the program was carried through in an efficient and pleasing way.

Senior Ball  
Socially, nothing in the school activities can compare with the first social event of the school year, the Senior Ball. Owing to the chill of the night, the ball was held in The Auditorium instead of at the open air Elkdome as at first planned. The grand march was started promptly at 8:00 and from that hour until midnight the young people enjoyed one of the most happy times of their school days. Many of the older people were present and seemed to enjoy the occasion quite as much as the students.

Junior-Senior Banquet  
The Junior-Senior Banquet was held at the Union Pacific dining room last Saturday evening. It was a jolly event, with just a tinge of sadness when the young folks remembered that this was probably the last time they would all meet together in school activities.

Willard Plead Guilty To Assault & Battery  
Allen Willard, who was arrested last Friday night, on Monday was taken before Judge Breeze for trial.

The first charge which had been made against him was first degree burglary, for entering the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ward. Willard entered a plea of not guilty and Judge Breeze dismissed that complaint.

Immediately another charge was made against him, this time that he did wilfully and unlawfully, by the use of force and violence commit the crime of assault and battery.

To this latter charge the defendant plead guilty. Judge Breeze imposed a sentence of \$50 fine and 30 days in the county jail, the fine to be worked out at \$2.00 per day in the jail if not paid.

TEX EVANS MAKES  
SALE OF PROPERTY

According to reports from Eldorado Canyon, Tex Evans has closed the sale of all his mining properties in Eldorado Canyon to a Mr. Allen.

The work of sampling has been going on for some time and it is reported that large bodies of ore with an average value of \$25.00 per ton have been proven.

OUR ELLEN WRITES  
FROM FLOOD REGION

Miss LeNoir Gives Account of Flood Conditions in South Mississippi Valley.

The Age is privileged to receive a letter from Miss Ellen LeNoir, who was for several years in charge of the University Extension work in this district. She is now in charge of the work in the northwestern district of Louisiana, with headquarters at the State University, Baton Rouge, La. The letter is written from her home address, 146 Dalzell Street, Shreveport, La.

After expressing appreciation of the Age, which she receives every week, she writes:

"Just now I am having temporary headquarters in Shreveport with my family instead of at the University. Perhaps you have known it all the time, but it was a surprise to me to find that Baton Rouge is east of the Mississippi, as all my district is the northwest part of the state. I am staying on this side of the river until we are sure that travel across can be continued without round-about trips.

"When I first came, we watched the Mississippi, noting its rise each day by the still visible portion of the advertisements painted on the levee across from Baton Rouge. Now the great damage, as you know, has been done in the northeast by the tributaries of the Mississippi and in the southwest by the Atchafalaya, which is swollen by backwater from the Red River which would ordinarily go into the Mississippi, but cannot reach its present high level. (If you already know how to pronounce that river, you know something that I have recently learned. I thought at first that people were talking about 'a chapel aisle', and wondered what that had to do with the flood.)

"The break in that levee today caused the first loss of life except one, when the little town of Melville was inundated to quickly that some people were drowned in their homes before they could be rescued. The rescue workers have been ready with boats at each threatened point, and have worked heroically and accomplished wonders.

"With all the property that has been lost and the privations that people are suffering in other parts of the state, I can hardly be thankful enough that in all my district (the northwest) there is no danger. Of course a few have lost crops in some of the low sections, but no one has lost everything as in other portions of the state. Here our main connection with the flood is trying to help in some way.

"The director of extension has offered the services of the staff to the relief organization as we are needed, but there has not been much that we could do immediately. Our director is in charge of rehabilitation and is preparing to distribute seeds, baby chicks and other necessities for starting over when the waters have receded. Most of the home demonstration agents are getting canning centers started, where they and the local women can supplies to be used as needed in the refugee camps and later by people returning to their homes.

"I have eleven agents in my district and am putting on two emergency agents for this special canning. People are most generous with their help. Last week when I met with a parish police jury (county commissioners) to discuss sending them one of these emergency workers, one man volunteered right away 'I'll give a beef to start the canning.'

"The only personal experiences that I have had really in the water were not serious. The last time I came from Baton Rouge to Shreveport, the train ran (I should say crept) a long way over track covered with water up above the steps of the cars, and a man had to walk ahead to push the driftwood out of the way, as the day before a freight had been derailed by driftwood on the track.

"My other experience was on a little local train with no Pullman cars, on which I expected to make a trip of about three hours to get into Shreveport one Saturday night. We were going slowly most of the time, but about ten o'clock the train stopped and a brakeman announced that we had 'a little washout' ahead and would go on in a few minutes. I leaned over on my hat box and went to sleep. In an hour or two the brakeman told us that there were some pilings on the train but no cases. Most of the passengers took a pillow and from their suit cases brought forth something with which to cover it. At four o'clock in the morning several big motor busses came out from Shreveport and took us in. Now, even that inconvenience is not occurring anywhere in northwest Louisiana, for the only trouble we might have here would be from Red River, the crest of which passed early this month and the back water from which is escaping through the Atchafalaya, causing so much danger to the people in

the southern parishes. "I did not intend to write you a book, but like the flood, I could not stop. Don't you think all this proof of the need of flood control will strengthen the cause of the Boulder Dam?"

Ellen invites all her Nevada friends to meet her in New Orleans for Mardi Gras, and concludes:

"There will be one Mardi Gras for the whole state is carrying on splendidly and New Orleans is just as shown in the cartoon in last week's Digest."

FIVE INJURED IN  
AUTO COLLISION

H. C. Hansen, Driving on Wrong Side of Road Hits Bill Ronnow's Cars.—Five Get Sprains and Cuts.

While driving his machine on the wrong side of the road Sunday night, H. C. Hansen, collided with Bill Ronnow's new machine. The accident occurred just outside of town on the Los Angeles highway. Ronnow, who was accompanied by Derrill Dayton, Lloyd Foremaster, Georgia White and Uldine Ullom, was driving at a moderate rate of speed on his own side of the road. He noticed the lights of a car coming toward him on the wrong side of the road. The lights kept on getting nearer and the car did not turn out to pass.

Ronnow became alarmed and considered turning off the road but the bank was too high and he was afraid of turning over in the ditch. The only other thing he could do to avert a head-on collision was to swing to the left and just as he did so Hansen's car hit Ronnow's amidships on the right side. All of Ronnow's passengers were thrown from the machine.

Ronnow received cuts on the face and was jolted badly. Dayton had his back badly wrenched and received cuts. Foremaster's face was badly cut from flying glass. Each of the two young women received a sprained ankle and various cuts and bruises.

Hansen was arrested and charged with a felony, that is, injuring persons while driving, being at the time under the influence of intoxicating liquor. A. W. Ham is his attorney and his trial is set for the seventh of June.

JOYOUS OCCASION  
AT ROTARY CLUB

Class of 1927 Brings Happiness To Old Boys At Meeting Thursday.—Address By Senator Pittman.

The young men and women of the High School Class of '27 brought an air of real joyousness to the meeting of the Rotary Club Thursday noon at which they were the invited guests.

The young people were happy in having successfully completed their course of study, and every member of the Club was proud of them and happy with them.

Besides the graduating class there were two other distinguished guests in the persons of State Highway Engineer Sam Durkee and Senator Key Pittman. Pem Pembroke had charge of the program for the day. He introduced two members of the Board of Education who are Rotarians, O. K. Adcock and Ernie Oragin, but neither of them had the heart to talk school.

President Prosty Mildren made an excellent talk to the young people in which he suggested that they could find no more splendid guide for the conduct of their lives than the Rotary code of ethics.

Mayor Fred Hesse made a brief but happy talk in behalf of official Las Vegas.

Senator Key Pittman gave as always a delightful and appropriate talk in which he looked into the future with the young folks and saw Las Vegas as it will be after the Boulder Dam project is built, and in the course of his remarks stated his belief that the next Congress would provide for the great enterprise. Las Vegas, a city of 25,000 or more within the next few years, was the pleasant vision which the Senator predicted is certain to become a reality.

Program chairmen were announced as follows:  
June 2—Clint Boggs.  
June 9—Harry Blanding.

FELONY CHARGE MADE  
AGAINST AUTO DRIVER

H. C. Hansen, driver of the automobile which crashed into Bill Ronnow's car last Sunday evening, is faced with a felony charge, that is, injuring persons while driving under the influence of intoxicating liquor.

Judge Breeze has set the hearing for June 7th, and defendant was released from custody upon furnishing a bond in the sum of \$1,000. He is represented by Attorney A. W. Ham.

BLOSSOMS FROM SKY  
ON MEMORIAL DAY

AMERICAN LEGION BOYS ARRANGE FOR IMPRESSIVE AND BEAUTIFUL OBSERVANCE OF SACRED DAY.—PILOT KELLY WILL SHOWER BLOSSOMS FROM PLANE.

G. A. R. AND SPANISH WAR VETERANS ASKED TO PARTICIPATE.—PARADE IN THE MORNING AND PROGRAM AT CEMETERY.—CEREMONIES ON COURT HOUSE LAWN AT 2:00 P. M.

The American Legion boys of Post No. 8 have prepared a program for a beautiful and impressive observance of Memorial Day such as is fitting to the memory of those who rest in Flanders Fields and in the thousands of burial plots throughout the Union.

The men of the Grand Army of the Republic who may be here and the Veterans of the Spanish War have been invited to be present and take part in the various ceremonies of the day.

The B. P. O. E. have also accepted an invitation to participate and the Lodge will assemble and march in the parade with the Legionnaires and attend the ceremonies at the cemetery.

The parade will form on South Third street between Carson and Bridger at 9 a.m. The Union Pacific Band will furnish the music.

The following is the program prepared by Dr. R. F. O'Brien:

9:30 a.m.—Parade leaves American Legion Club House Route—On Third to Bridger; to Fifth; to Fremont; to Main. At Main street the participants in the parade will take motor cars to the cemetery.

10:00 a.m.—Services at the cemetery and decoration of graves.

10:30 a.m.—Aviator Kelly will shower the graves with blossoms cast from his airplane.

2:00 p.m.—Ceremonies on Court House Lawn.

Opening—Advance Colors.

Song—"America"—By Assembly.

Invocation—W. L. McFadden, Post Commander.

Vocal Solo—To be selected.

Address—Harley A. Harmon.

Musical Selection—Union Pacific Band.

Memorial Day Address—U. S. Senator Key Pittman.

Benediction—Dr. H. M. Dixon, Chaplain.

Taps—Dr. E. W. Bunce.

Star Spangled Banner.

The people of Las Vegas are urged to attend and participate in all the exercises of the day as a proper mark of respect for our heroic dead.

The Legion boys; by their hard work have provided flag decorations for Fremont street between Main and Fifth streets, which will be displayed for the first time on Memorial Day.

## PITTMANS RETURN

Senator Key Pittman returned Wednesday from Los Angeles, where he went with Mrs. Pittman over a week ago. Mrs. Pittman remained in the city and is expected to arrive in Vegas today.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES

C. Herman Beauchamp, 36, to Nell Osborn, 26, both of Los Angeles. License issued May 28.

## DIVORCE SUIT FILED

F. Barrat Wells vs. B. Fern Wells. The couple were married in Golden, Colorado, January 21, 1924. The complaint alleges desertion on the part of the defendant. I. S. Thompson is the attorney for the plaintiff.

## DIVORCE GRANTED

Lewis P. Harris from Jennie S. Harris, on the 27th of May, on the ground of desertion. A. W. Ham was the attorney for the plaintiff.

EPISCOPAL CHILDREN  
ENJOY PICNIC

The Sunday School of Christ Episcopal Church enjoyed its annual picnic at Lorenzi's Resort Thursday afternoon. About fifty under the leadership of Rev. and Mrs. Boyd Parker enjoyed the swimming and boating and a general good time.

Of course for the younger ones the big feature of the afternoon was the luncheon, there appearing to have been serious competition among the boys as to the number of dishes of ice cream eaten by each.

## MARRIED

BEAUCHAMP-OSBORN: In this city, Saturday, May 28, 1927, E. Herman Beauchamp of Los Angeles, to Nell Osborn, also of Los Angeles, Judge A. Sidney Gaines officiating.

The ceremony was performed at the Overland Hotel, with Cora Lee Honstadt and E. A. Beckett as witnesses.

ABANDON VALUABLE  
MEXICAN PROPERTY

Conditions Preclude Further Working of Great Platinum Mines Near Mazatlan, Mexico.

The great platinum mines near Mazatlan, Mexico, which the owners believe are the most valuable platinum properties in the world, have been closed and no further attempt will be made to work them in the near future because of the unstable conditions in that part of Mexico.

Mr. S. E. Yount, J. F. Kent, O. J. Fisk and Jess Knight, owners of the property recently made a trip to the mines, traveling by train from Nogales to Mazatlan. They report that as a protection against the Yaqui Indians, fortifications with armed guards are maintained every three miles along the railroad through the Yaqui country.

The train upon which they traveled was attacked after they had left it at Mazatlan, many of the passengers killed and the cars burned, in spite of the fact that armored cars with armed guards are run at the front and rear of the train.

Mr. Yount states that their platinum properties are probably the most valuable of the kind in the world, but that it is impossible to work them because of the conditions in western Mexico.

## TOOK VARIOUS DEGREES

Chas. G. Johnson was raised to the Master Mason's degree at a special communication of Vegas Lodge No. 32, F. & A. M. last night.

This morning he embarked upon further mysterious degrees, having secured a license to wed Mary M. Richards of this city.

The Age is pleased to extend congratulations on both adventures.