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IN THE LIMELIGHT

WITH THE PASSAGE of Boulder Dam legislation becoming more and more imminent as the days go by, Las Vegas is moving surely into the limelight.

This city will be the center of tremendous activity and speculation of a legitimate nature. With the advent of population values in real estate will leap.

There is plenty of room for legitimate speculation in the Las Vegas Valley. Ranch lands and water, lots in improved tracts and industrial sites will have intrinsic value which will invite the investment of capital.

There is so much of real value which will justify investment that it would be a shortsighted policy for the people of Las Vegas to countenance or encourage enterprises of an obviously fraudulent nature.

DAM REPORT FAVORABLE

THE ADVANCE INFORMATION on the Boulder Dam report by the special engineering commission is most encouraging. The great enterprise has passed through its most crucial test. Examined in detail in a critical way by a board of eminent engineers who have not before had contact with the project, the Boulder Dam project comes through unscathed.

The advance report indicates that the cost of the dam may be greater than estimates previously made. While this may be used by opponents of the measure in further efforts to defeat or delay it, it should make no difference in the action of Congress.

Under the setup in the Swing-Johnson bill the entire cost of the project will be finally repaid to the government by the sale of water and power. The only difference the increased cost of the dam can make if there is such an increase, will be either to very slightly increase the cost of power or to extend for a very few years the time of completing the payments to the government. Neither would materially change the character of the enterprise.

The report as its major feature is understood to recommend the Boulder Dam project as safe and feasible from both the financial and engineering standpoint.

President Coolidge, who has always favored this great enterprise since it first became an issue in his administration, will now, in his forthcoming message to congress, recommend the prompt passage of the Swing-Johnson bill with such minor changes as the recommendations of the engineering commission indicate are desirable.

FIFTH STREET IMPROVEMENT

WITH THE FINANCING of the Fifth street improvement nearly completed, that project stands out as a most notable example of voluntary community enterprise.

Nearly every property owner on both sides of the mile and one-quarter stretch of Fifth street has come forward willingly with his or her proportion of the cost. It is an example of community enterprise not often seen, and one of which Las Vegas may justly be proud.

If the oil-bound gravel improvement is carried out as programmed, Fifth street will be transformed into a boulevard which would be a credit to any city.

In the meantime, we are informed, there are a few who have not yet paid their proportion of the cost. Since it is absolutely necessary to have the money in hand before doing the work, those who have not yet paid are requested to see Ed. Clark and Cy Wengert immediately so that the work will not be held up with possible additional expense.

HOOVER FISHING

PRESIDENT-ELECT HERBERT HOOVER yesterday decided to go fishing, and he went fishing. The Maryland was stopped, a boat lowered and the president-elect spent an hour or more on the fishing banks off the Mexican coast.

It is quite typical of Hoover. He has a rare faculty for seizing opportunities and making the most of them.

INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC

THE REPORT of rather serious epidemics of influenza in northern Nevada, San Francisco and Los Angeles should warn us to use such precautions as are possible.

There have been some cases of the flu in Vegas, although mild in form. As colder weather comes on it is reasonable to suppose that the epidemic may take on a more serious nature.

In Douglas county, Nevada, all schools have been closed to prevent the spreading of the disease.

In Clark county, with its milder temperatures, such an extreme measure will probably not become necessary.

However, every reasonable precaution should be taken to prevent the spread of the flu. Persons who are taken with colds with a rise of temperature should not mingle with crowds and should keep as much as possible away from people. By so doing much sickness may be prevented and the epidemic of influenza restricted to small proportions.

South American Problems Bound To Confront Hoover On Journey In South

HOOVER STOPS FOR FISHING

U. S. S. MARYLAND, Enroute to Amapala, Nov. 21, (AP)—With the first half of his itinerary for his South American good will tour completed, President-Elect Herbert Hoover today halted things for a while to partake of his favorite sport of deep sea fishing.

Amapala, Honduras is selected as the first stop of the tour.

By ALVIN HALLMAN (Associated Press Staff Writer) NEW YORK, Nov. 22, (AP)—Herbert Hoover, United States president-elect, who left San Pedro, Calif. on his 40 day good will tour of South and Central America, will be brought face to face with the problems which have beset the countries of the new world since their very national inception.

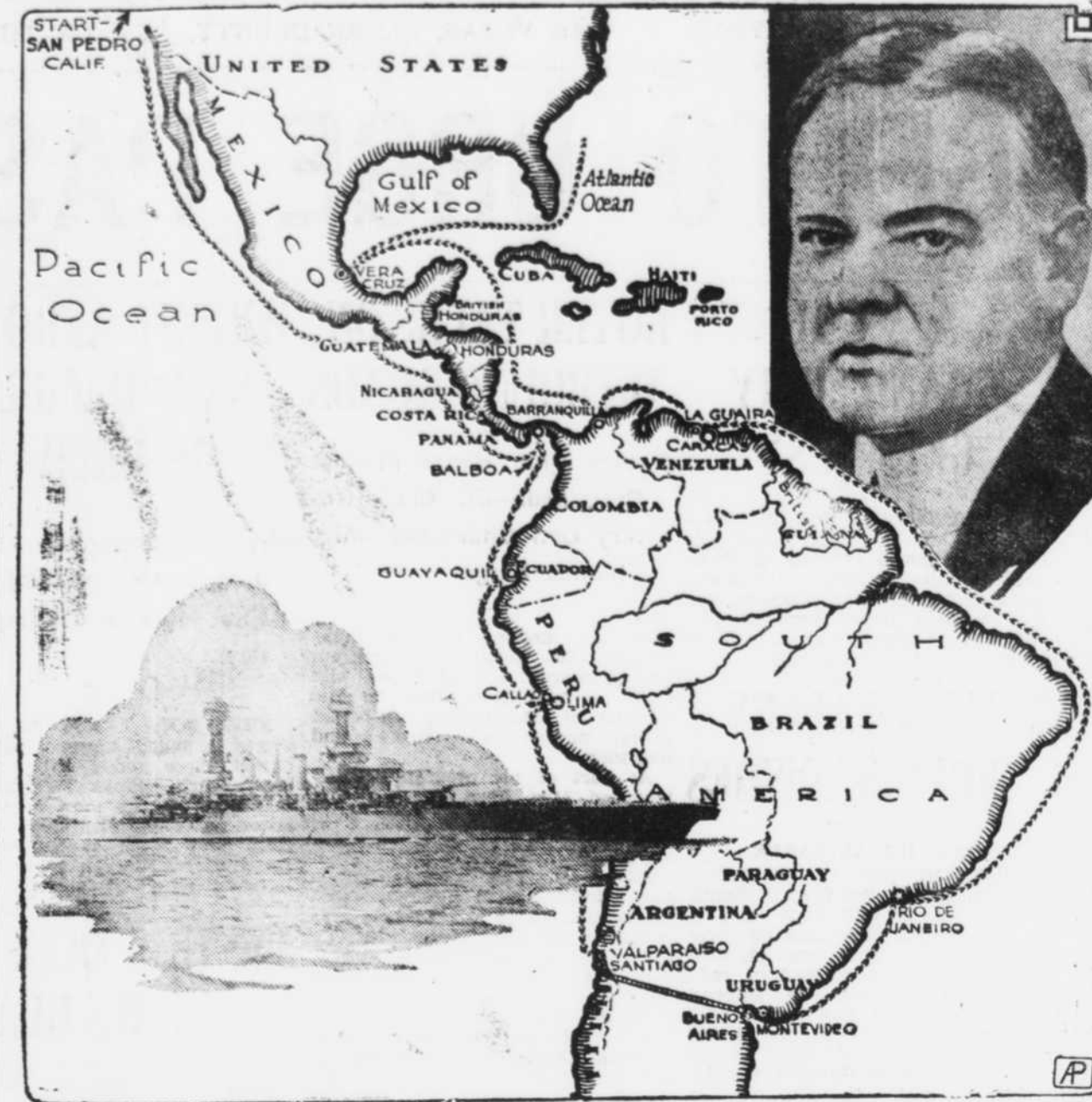
He has said his trip will not have its diplomatic aspects, and that it is to be made only in the interest of broadening his own knowledge of the countries of South America, the only continent on which he has not yet set foot.

But it is to be doubted if the president-elect can visit Peru without hearing something of Tacna-Arica, Colombia without having mentioned to him at least once the subject of American petroleum rights, Chile without learning of troublesome nitrate difficulties, Bolivia without considering that country's earnest desire for an outlet to the Pacific. And in the Argentine he is almost certain to hear a great deal about beef and troublesome tariffs on wheat and flax seed.

These are the questions which not only have troubled the relations of the countries themselves but have stirred what discord there has been between them and the United States, their powerful neighbor to the north.

In negotiations tending to settlement of each of these problems the North American hand has been seen at one time or another; editorial opinion on the prospective visit of Mr. Hoover in the countries involved is that despite his other intentions various phases of these matters will be brought to his attention.

The tentative itinerary for the president-elect indicates he will



President-Elect Hoover's trip to South America will take him over approximately 17,500 miles of territory. The general route is shown on the map above. He will occupy the admiral's quarters on the U. S. S. Maryland (below) as far as Valparaiso, Chile. He will then travel by train to Buenos Aires, and return on some other naval vessel.

travel something like 17,500 miles from the time he leaves San Pedro, California, aboard the battleship Maryland until he returns to Washington.

At Valparaiso, Chile, he will leave the Maryland behind him, and with his party will board a train which will take him to Santiago, Chile's capital city. From Santiago, Chile, to Buenos

Aires, capital of the Argentine, there is an expanse of some seven hundred miles traversed by the Trans-Andean railway, an example of engineering and railway construction that cannot fail to interest Mr. Hoover, the engineer, as will the country it crosses.

On the road a height of 18,000 feet above sea-level is reached, and at

one of its highest points he will be able to see the famous statue of the Christ of the Andes, molded from melted cannon and placed there at the conclusion of the last hostilities between Chile and the Argentine.

Beneath the statue of the Christ, which looks upon the land of both countries, is the inscription, "Soon-er will these mountains crumble

into dust than the great people of Argentine and Chile break the peace they have sworn at the feet of Christ, the Redeemer."

At Buenos Aires the president-elect will visit the sixth city in size in the world, with only New York and Chicago exceeding its two and a quarter million population in the western hemisphere. Montevideo, capital of Uruguay, lies across the La Plata estuary from Buenos Aires, while Asuncion, capital of Paraguay, is available by railroad from this city.

It is a vast territory which the president-elect will visit on a program far more ambitious than ever attempted before by either United States president or president-elect. It is a territory which many business men see as the trade-empire of the United States, and a territory in which European encroachment has already threatened United States commerce. And it is a territory in which reputed policies of the United States have been subjected to their severest indictment.

There will be reception, celebrations and ceremonies galore before Mr. Hoover returns to the United States, probably early in January, but critics at home and abroad believe he will have laid the foundation during his 40 days trip for the best relations between the countries of the western hemisphere during his four year tenure of office.

FACTORY FOREMAN HAS KNACK FOR NEEDLE'WRK

MT. AIRY, N. C., Nov. 24, (AP)—A furniture factory foreman whose mother taught him in his boyhood how to darn socks has become an expert in embroidery and other forms of needlework.

He is T. H. Macey, who perfected his early training several years ago when, while a bachelor, he decorated his own rooms. Employing his idle time with the needle, he soon had created all the interior effects usually credited to the "feminine touch" in a home.

The work has become a regular pastime, just as in earlier days it was said of him that he would rather darn socks than pitch horseshoes with other boys in the alley.

Macey is married now and his wife is authority for the statement that his ability with the needle is not his only domestic accomplishment. He also is said to be a good cook and a cake maker par excellence.

NEW GEOGRAPHY

PRIMITIVE DRESS ABANDONED

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22, (AP)—Citizens of Oruro, Bolivia, notably the Indians and half-breeds, have been told by the council to doff their primitive raiment and get into European clothes.

So it's off with the petticoats! Off with the funny straw hats! Away with the ponchos and night caps!

Native costumes of Bolivia run the color scale without missing a note, the National Geographic society has found.

The well dressed Aymara Indian woman wears, and did wear in the provincial capital up to October 6, layer upon layer of brilliant-hued petticoats. Twenty-five petticoats is said to be the national record. Like tree rings reveal good and bad seasons, so the petticoat rings give the key to the prosperity of an Aymara. More money—more petticoats. As she flounces down the streets lavender, lemon yellow, Alice blue and brick red swish bravely about her brown feet. And over her shoulders she throws a shawl as variegated as a Turkish rug.

Cholas, girls of mixed Indian and Spanish blood, even surpass their gorgeous Aymara sisters by adopting the most flashy styles of both races. Gold earrings; high-heeled, colored leather shoes; shawls, Spanish or Aymara with these a chola decks herself and tops off her costume with a stiffly varnished Panama straw hat which

rides precariously on her glossy black, braided hair.

The well dressed Aymara man is no less an ornament. He wears homespun, tubular legged trousers which are slashed on either side. Over his homespun shirt he invariably throws a poncho in which all the colors vote, but red has a large majority. Usually he wears two hats; one, a close, wool, tasseled "night cap" with flaps to keep his ears warm; second, and on top of the first, a kettle-shaped felt hat.

The Aymaras look like blood-brothers of the Mongols. Scientists see in their high cheek bones, full, flat faces and absence of beard additional evidence of the oriental origin of American aborigines. Probably the Aymaras branched off from the Incas of Peru.

Eleven months on the farm—one month in town. That is the life of many an Aymara because of a curious social rule. Bolivia is a country of large land owners for whom the Aymara tenants must work one month per year. Slavery has been abolished, but the month's service in lieu of rent continues. When a big estate has an over abundance of labor the land owners hire out their tenants doing rent service. Thus many well-to-do families of the cities have 12 house-boys in rapid succession in the course of a year.

GRANGE TO BAN RECLAMATION

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21, (AP)—In an effort to stop the creation of new farm land by reclamation, a resolution urging the transfer of the bureau of reclamation from the department of the interior to the department of agriculture was introduced today before the National Grange.

CLUB EMBLEM IS CROW CARRYING GOLF BALL

ST. GERMAIN-EN-LAYE, France Nov. 22, (AP)—The stuffed crow with a golf ball in its beak has been adopted facetiously here as the emblem of this club which possesses one of the most beautiful courses in France.

The only incident that breaks the tranquil loveliness of the parkland and meadows is the ferocious yelling of the caddies as from time to time they drive the crows away.

CARDINALS GET NEW MANAGER

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 21, (AP)—Billy Southworth, outfielder of the St. Louis world champions in 1926 and manager of Rochester last year, has been named manager of the Cardinals, succeeding William McKechnie. Details are unrevealed.

MRS. HUDDLESTON TRAINS FOR NEW CHANNEL SWIM

HAMILTON, Bermuda, Nov. 22, (AP)—Mrs. Myrtle Huddleston, American endurance swimmer, in Bermuda to spend the winter, says she will try to swim the English channel from France to England and from England to France next spring.

Mrs. Huddleston was the only woman entry in the Catalina swim to finish and took one of the prizes. She swam 60 hours in an outdoor tank at Coney Island and has a record of 50 hours in an indoor tank. She hopes to beat both records while here.

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