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LAS VEGAS IS THE NATURAL GATEWAY TO THE COLORADO RIVER BOULDER DAM PROJECT

SWING SAYS DAM BILL OBJECTIONS OVERCOME

KINGMAN TEAM HERE TOMORROW

Vegas Town Football Eleven Will Contest in Inter-State Game on U. P. Athletic Field.

The formidable men of the Kingman Town football eleven will be here tomorrow to play with the Vegas Town team at U. P. Athletic Field at 2:00. The game will be the first interstate game played here by teams other than the high school teams and the local men promise to put up a game fight. The Kingman men have made a fine record in the games they have played, but the local men are not dismayed, having been in practice for some weeks and have defeated the lively high school lads, who are hopeful of the state high school championship.

LARGE CROWD ENJOYS PLAYS

The two one act plays presented by the Debate Club at the High School Auditorium Thursday evening were well received by the large crowd gathered to see them. Miss Wilma Squires was director, and the Junior Forensic League, which is the regular name of the debate club, acknowledged the further assistance of Mr. L. E. Rowe and members of the Art Class; Mr. P. W. Bell, Mr. R. J. Newton, Miss Eva Adams, Mr. Eldon Larson and members of the orchestra, as well as those who had been kind enough to loan furniture and other properties. The cast of characters for the play, "Gaius and Gaius, Jr.," which is described as a comedy of plantation days by Lucy M. Cobb was as follows: Gaius Mayfield, Abraham Miller Gaius Mayfield, Jr. Wendell Bunker Dr. Foster Joseph Phillips Ben, a slave Jack Quaid Lis, another slave Wilma Whittie The scene was laid at the plantation home of Mr. Mayfield, at Demopolis, N. C. The second play was "The Maker of Dreams," a fantasy by Olliphant Down. The cast of characters was as follows: Pierrot, a French entertainer Howard Wadsden Pierrette, a charming comedienne Marjorie Bartell The Manufacturer, "Whom we all know" Jerry Davis The scene was laid at Pierrette's cottage.

VEGAS PLAYS PANACA TEAM

The football team of the Las Vegas High School accompanied by a crowd of rooters and some of the faculty, including Superintendent Miss Maude Frazier and Coach Francis Butcher, left for Panaca early this morning, and met the Panaca team this afternoon. The flu had made some inroads on the first liners, but it is stated that a strong lineup made the trip, and the Vegas boys were confident of victory.

CLASS DANCE

The Eight-A Class Dance was held last evening in the high school gymnasium under the guidance of Miss Laura Wilson was a very happy affair. The gym was handsomely decorated with the Autumn colors and the music was furnished by the high school orchestra. In the middle of the evening Prof. Rowe called out several special dance numbers. Patrons and patronesses were Dr. and Mrs. W. S. Park, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Fulton and Mr. and Mrs. Leo A. McNamee.

ARIZONA SENATE APPROVES HUNT APPOINTEES

PHOENIX, Nov. 23, (AP)—Governor Hunt today received official confirmation from the state senate of the appointment of W. R. Wayland as member of the state highway commission and Bert Clingen as member of the industrial commission. The appointment of James B. Button as state superintendent has not been acted upon yet and it is rumored that arguments on the latter may develop. Distribution of Colorado River pamphlets led to the belief that the Colorado River question is soon to come up.

VILLARDE PLANS BIG FITE CARD

Promoter Johnny Villarde is planning a big fight card for Monday evening, December 3, at Beckley's Hall. Dominic Distarce, who recently won a sensational bout in this city will be the headliner, meeting Frisco Linda, San Francisco's noted Philipino boy. Linda has boxed Speedy Dada, Johnny Godinez, Bud Taylor, Newsboy Brown and the late clever Sencio. This fight is good enough to attract a big crowd in any Los Angeles club. Distarce is working out every afternoon at 4:30 at Beckley's Hall and the public is invited to drop in and see the boxers work. Promoter Villarde thinks the semi-final between Bernon "Kid" Miller, the "Slugging Fool" and Emmet Wade, the "Pride of the U. P. Shops," will be one of the best slugging matches ever seen in this city. Both boys are training hard every day at Beckley's Hall. There is much local interest in this fight as both boys are well known and well liked here. The winner of this fight is promised a main event in the near future. He is in good condition to meet Wade in the best boy he has gone against. Wade looks good in the workouts and is the hardest right hand puncher ever seen here. Out of this fight it is hoped a new middleweight star will be in the making. Bill Brown and Dick Schwartz in the special event should not be overlooked. These boys used to work together on the Mosbach Transfer. It is whispered that this bout will be something of a grudge fight and that one of them will end the fight on the canvas. The winner of this fight will meet the winner of the semi-final. Promoter Villarde promises that this card will surpass in interest the great card he put on last time for the American Legion boys. He had a hard time to find a worthy opponent for Distarce in the main event and is elated at his success in securing Linda. Al Holquin of the shops will fight Al Arnold in the curtain raiser. Owing to the limited seating capacity of the hall, promoter Villarde is urging that those who wish to attend get their tickets at once so that every possible arrangement may be made for their accommodation.

STATE BAR ACTS ON BREEZE CASE

RENO, Nov. 24, (Special)—The Board of Governors of the State Bar has unanimously adopted the following resolution: "That the Secretary be instructed to communicate with the supreme court to the effect that it was the action and intent of the board of governors that upon the expiration of sixty days from the date of suspension, C. D. Breeze be reinstated." The order was filed in the supreme court yesterday and Judge Breeze is now positively assured that the order reinstating him will be made on January 7th next without further action on his part.

IDENTIFY NEGRO HATCHET SLAYER

OMAHA, Nov. 23, (AP)—Jake Bird, a negro, was identified as the hatchet slayer by Mrs. Harold Stribling, the negro's fifth victim, police announced. Bird was a witness in the prosecution of a Burlington railway special agent recently.

GIGANTIC FRAUD ROMANTIC TALE

Court Action Bares Details of Schemes Which Cost Las Vegas People Much Money.

After a long, tedious week, the trial of the case of John L. Russell versus Oren Ruffcorn, involving the ownership of the Russell ranch, drags to a close. The plaintiff's case rested this morning, and it is expected that the defense will complete the presentation of its case this afternoon. By holding a night session this evening it is hoped to be ready for the arguments by Monday morning. With court convening every morning at nine o'clock, and one night session already held, attorneys for both sides, as well as Judge George Bartlett of Reno, will no doubt breathe a sigh of relief when the matter has been decided. To the casual onlooker the case is just another civil court battle involving a world of technicalities and wordy legal references. Under the surface, however, there is a story as romantic as any in the world of finance. Involved are the local mortgages amounting to \$207,000.00, contracts of the company reaching almost \$17,000,000.00, and a tale of high hopes and apparent mismanagement of a concern which gave every promise of being a success. The National Land Value Guaranty Company is a California corporation, and to enable it to do business in the state of California, Judge E. B. Evans, of Monrovia, and former dean of law of Drake University, fathered an act of the legislature.

BRITAIN'S KING HOLDS HIS OWN

LONDON, Nov. 24, (AP)—An official bulletin on the King's condition stated his majesty had maintained the improvement noted this morning, his condition remaining the same.

NEW AIRPORT IN ARIZONA

TEMPE, Arizona, Nov. 24, (AP)—Following the government mandate requiring the construction of an airport or the removal of the beacon from the summit of Tempe Butte, the citizens of Tempe and Mesa are working out plans for a new airport between the two points.

BEANS FROSTED; ORANGES SAFE

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Nov. 24, (AP)—Damage to the Florida bean crop averaged 80 percent from the frost, the bureau of agriculture reports. Citrus fruits were undamaged.

GALES BUFFET OCEAN LINERS

LONDON, Nov. 24, (AP)—The Atlantic liners George Washington and Lancastrina, bound for Plymouth from New York, have notified London that a succession of tremendous seas and gales are delaying them. Twenty vessels are lying to northeast of the Isle of Wight to avoid the fierce storm. Nine attorneys, seven of them from Los Angeles have been involved in the trial of the case, Leo A. McNamee of Las Vegas, E. J. Miller and Wm. Casady, of Los Angeles appear for the plaintiff; while A. W. Ham, of Las Vegas, Lewis G. Campbell and Warren I. Praul of Los Angeles represent the defendant. Judge E. B. Evans, of Monrovia, is interested, and is represented by Attorney E. W. Padgemon, a prominent lawyer of Santa Monica. Padgemon, by the way, was the counsel for the 80 people injured when the grandstand collapsed at the Pasadena Tournament of Roses two or three years ago. John Granger, another Los Angeles attorney, was present as a witness.

REVOLUTION BREWING IN BULGARIA

SOFIA, Nov. 24, (AP)—While troops marched on Petrich, the stronghold of Ivan Michailoff, leader of the powerful Macedonian revolutionary faction, it was learned that a vendetta between various Macedonian factions had struck at the heart of Sofia itself. Three men, Apostoloff, Popoff and Sudikoff, army officers opposed to Michailoff, were killed after a meeting. The slayers were arrested and if change, as appears likely, further reprisals are feared.

STORM FLOODS HOOVER'S ROOM

U. S. S. MARYLAND, Nov. 24, (AP)—As the good-will ship bearing President-Elect Hoover entered the Gulf of Tehuantepec, it ran into unusually heavy weather, the wind reaching 70 miles an hour at times, sending seas through the portholes of Hoover's room, flooding it. Mr. Hoover was unperturbed by the incident and later slept soundly as the big warship rode out the storm.

SENIOR PLAY UNDER WAY

The members of the Senior Class have begun rehearsing for the Senior Play, which will be given shortly after Christmas. The play chosen is "Sonny-Jane," by Eugene G. Hafer, which is described as a "Comedy Mirthquake in Three Acts." The cast of characters is not definitely decided upon and will be announced later.

THOMAS F. RYAN FINANCIER, DIES

NEW YORK, Nov. 23, (AP)—Thomas Fortune Ryan, aged financier, died at his home today after a short illness. His death was attributed to old age. Ryan is estimated to be worth from \$300,000,000 to \$500,000,000. Thomas Fortune Ryan's career as a financier was mainly devoted to the consolidation and extension of street railway and electric light and power systems in New York, Chicago and other cities. About 1908 he resigned as the controlling factor on the directorates of more than 30 corporations retaining directorships in only three, the Carolina, Clinchfield & Ohio Railway, the Clinchfield Coal Corporation and the Guaranty Trust Company of New York City. He combined politics with business and for years was a leading figure in the councils of the anti-Bryan wing of the Democratic party. In 1904, when a delegate from Virginia to the Democratic National Convention, he was said to have been largely instrumental in reconciling opposing factions to the acceptance of Judge Alton B. Parker, the nominee's telegram declaring for a gold standard plank. Born in Nelson county, Va., October 17, 1851, and educated in the public schools Ryan went to Baltimore at the age of 17 to work in a drygoods store. There he remained until 1870 when he came to New York and began work as a clerk for a Wall Street concern. Four years later he became a member of the Stock Exchange. He became acquainted with William C. Whitney and for more than a quarter of a century had active charge of the latter's enterprises. In 1886, Whitney, Anthony N. Brady, John Dolan and Ryan united with the traction syndicate headed by A. B. Widener and William L. Elkins of Philadelphia to obtain control of the New York transit companies. The Widener-Elkins syndicate, during a period of more than 30 years, after hav-

SAFETY MEETING ATTRACTS MANY

Great Audience Enjoys Most Notable Union Pacific Gathering Ever Seen in Las Vegas.

The Safety Meeting at El Portal Theater yesterday in point of attendance as well as the interest shown was the most successful ever held in Las Vegas—perhaps never surpassed on this unit of the U. P. It was a great gathering, composed of officials, employes, teachers, pupils and business men and women from all walks of life. Superintendent E. E. Cunningham presided over the meeting. He was assisted in the arrangements by General Superintendent W. R. Armstrong and Mr. Spettigue, general safety agent of the U. P. System. The program was splendidly carried through from beginning to end and held the large audience in close attention. Beginning at 9:00 the following numbers were given: Roll call. Selection, U. P. Orchestra. Welcome, Mayor Fred Hesse. Response, The Chairman. Song, Frank Corey, accompanied by Olive Bros. Address, Senator A. S. Henderson. Vocal selection, Al T. Stone. Remarks, Gen. Supt. Armstrong. Boy's Glee Club. Debate, "Resolved, That railroad transportation is safer than any other mode of transportation or travel." Affirmative, Alice Doherty and Abe Miller. Negative, Mona Kay and Calvin Corey. Judges, A. S. Henderson, W. H. Pike, W. R. Bracken. Tenor solo, Howard Wadsden. First aid instruction, L. E. Palmer and assistants. Baritone solo, Wendell Bunker. Address, Rev. Chas. Sloan. Address, Rev. C. S. Reynolds. Address, J. F. Long, Supt. M. P. & M. Address, Mr. Spettigue, Gen. Safety Agent. Selection, Grammar School Band. Address, R. R. Smith, Special Rep. of the General Manager. Showing of Zion National Park Films. Business meeting of Safety Committee.

REASSURING TALK WITH PRESIDENT

CONGRESSMAN SWING UNDERSTANDS ENGINEERING COMMITTEE WILL RECOMMEND HIGH DAM AS FEASIBLE AT PROPOSED SITE.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24, (AP)—After a call on President Coolidge today, Representative Phil Swing of California said he believed the principal objections to the Swing-Johnson bill were overcome by the investigations of the Congressional Engineering Committee, which, he understands, would recommend the proposed site for the Boulder Canyon dam as suitable from an engineering standpoint for a high dam.

CRITICISM OF WHY HURRY ED

The attention of the editor of the Age has been called to criticism of the "Why Hurry" editorial in the Age of November 13, the critic being Mr. W. A. Barr in a letter to the Review. The Age is glad to have this opportunity of repeating the editorial in question for the benefit of such as overlooked it before.

FOOTBALL

First half—Princeton 0; Navy 6. First quarter—Carnegie 7; New York U. 0. First quarter—Army 0; Nebraska 0. NEW HAVEN, Nov. 24, (AP)—Before more than 75,000 spectators Yale and Harvard started their 47th annual game. Harvard's lateral pass play is especially effective. First, half, Harvard 7; Yale 0. Guarnaccia scoring.

BARRYMORE GOT LICENSE TODAY

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 24, (AP)—John Barrymore appeared at the marriage license bureau this morning and requested a permit to marry Dolores Costello. Then, with reporters and cameramen tagging behind, he marched away, impervious to many inquiries such as, "When are you going to get married?" and "When were you divorced?"

BUSINESS PARTY FLIES TO VEGAS

Ben S. Hunter and Mrs. Hunter, and G. Ray Boggs of the Lockheed Aircraft Co., accompanied by Harry Moffatt of Moffatt & White, brokers, flew into Las Vegas about noon today in a Lockheed-Vega monoplane piloted by Lieut. Herbert J. Fahey, to attend a stockholder's meeting of the Aircraft company. They planned to fly on to Carson City this afternoon, weather in the northern part of the state permitting.

BUSY READING ARIZONA CODE

PHOENIX, Nov. 24, (AP)—Detailed reading of chapters of the revised code of laws of Arizona got under way again today with little prospect of anything livelier than an occasional debate.

MANHATTAN OPENS TODAY

The new Manhattan Cafe opened for business today as spick and span, bright and handsome as a city cafe. The remodeling of the old Overland Cafe has been under way for the past two weeks and the results are most gratifying. Mr. G. Kapotas, the proprietor is to be congratulated.

GOVERNMENT ABANDONS SUIT

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24, (AP)—The government's attempt to levy an additional \$30,000,000 income tax assessment against the original Ford Motor Company stockholders including Senator Couzens, has been definitely abandoned.

WORK BEGUN ON FIFTH ST.

Work on the grading of Fifth street preparatory to placing the oil-bound gravel surface was begun this morning under the direction of Highway Engineer C. C. Boyer. The grading of Main street is completed and placing the gravel is under way. The public is urged to avoid Fifth street as much as possible while the surfacing is under way. The street for the next two or three weeks will be dangerous and at times well nigh impassable. It is suggested that travel to the south should use Main street as much as possible.

FAIR WEATHER FOR NEXT WEEK

ARIZONA — Unsettled tonight and Sunday; mostly fair. Temperature much the same. SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA — Fair and mild tonight and Sunday. Light variable winds. FAR WESTERN STATES—For the week beginning November 25, generally fair in Southern California and Southern Nevada, with unsettled weather and occasional rains in the north and the north Pacific states. Normal temperatures throughout.

MEXICO SUFFERS COLD WEATHER

MEXICO CITY, Nov. 23, (AP)—An unusually cold wave is causing great discomfort among the poorer classes. Eight persons were found dead in the streets.

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