

CHAMBER HOLDS NOON MEETING

The Chamber of Commerce held its regular meeting today, this being the last under the present board of directors, today being the date of the annual election of officers.

A letter was received from O. J. Potthoff, president of the Las Vegas Gun Club, calling attention to the Fifth Annual Tri-State Trap Shoot, February 9 and 10.

It was stated that there would be a special train from Los Angeles and numbers of contestants from Utah, Wyoming, Idaho, Oregon, California and Nevada, and a much larger attendance than last year.

An Elks' special contest is also scheduled which will be participated in by a number of teams.

The cost of the meet is estimated at \$700 and on motion the Chamber voted a contribution of \$100.

The Chamber also extended a special invitation to the Redondo Beach Chamber of Commerce, which expects to come to the shoot with one or two special cars.

Mr. Griffith also called attention to the crowded condition of the post office and stated that more room is needed before the Federal building can be provided.

Dr. Park stated that the city planning commission has already had that matter under consideration. On motion that matter was called to the city board with the suggestion that an ordinance be passed requiring the removal of the cotton bearing trees within four years.

W. B. Ames, of Reno, a guest, stated that he was present in the interest of forming a sizable bank and trust company with a capital of \$500,000, stating that there will be deposits to justify it within the year. He suggested that local capital should subscribe for at least 20 per cent of the capital, the remaining \$400,000 to come from Reno and Los Angeles.

On motion of W. E. Ferron a letter of appreciation was ordered sent to George Wingfield for his entry into the Las Vegas field and expressing the wish that he proceed with all possible speed in the construction of the hotel he is planning.

Among the visitors from out of town were W. B. Ames, J. J. Luedke, F. Fanning, G. K. Morrison and V. M. Blythe.

NAME NEW OFFICERS

The Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce held its annual election of directors today, the ballot box closing at 2:30 this afternoon.

Of the 30 members of the Chamber 36 cast ballots, and the following officers were elected:

President—Ed. W. Clark.  
First Vice-president—S. R. White.  
Second Vice-president—Harve Perry.

Treasurer—A. S. Henderson.  
Directors, to be Committee Chairman, as follows:

Education and Laws—A. A. Hinman.

Commerce—Ed. VonTobel.

Mfg. and Ind. Relations—L. J. Oakes.

Bus. and Living Conditions—W. E. Ferron.

Real Estate—O. A. Kimball.

Aviation—Dr. R. W. Martin.

Entertainment and Housing—J. T. Watters.

Publicity and Statistics—C. P. Squires.

Hotels—James Cashman.

Transportation—O. K. Adcock.

Mines and Mining—C. O. Lauritzen.

Federal and State—A. W. Ham.

Agr. and Hort.—E. G. McGriff.

Audit and Finance—W. R. Bracken.

Streets and Highways—C. D. Baker.

Membership—Jas. H. Down.

Banking—K. O. Knudson.

Reclamation and Power—W. S. Park.

C. D. Breeze.

Earl Higgins.

20 - 30 CLUB SIGNS POPULAR

The united service signs, sponsored by the 20-30 Club upon which is effaced the welcome of the civic clubs of Las Vegas, are now gracing the highways leading into the city.

The Rotary, Kiwanis, Chamber of Commerce and 20-30 clubs extend, upon these signs, a cordial welcome to the tourist to inspect the city and what we have to offer.

They are very attractive and have been commented upon by many who have accepted their warm invitation.

ITALIAN STEAMER SENDS DISTRESS CALL

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 22, (AP)—An SOS call from the Italian steamer Florida, bound from Jenoa for Naples, was intercepted here, the steamer giving her position as about eight hundred miles east of Cape Hatteras.

Her rudder was damaged, and assistance needed, said the report.

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LAS VEGAS AGE

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STEVENS RESIGNS AS CITY ATTORNEY

Row Over New Arizona Commission May Mean Early Okeh

ARIZONA SOLONS VOTE NEW COLO. RIVER BOARD

ST. CHARLES ATTEMPTS FILIBUSTER AGAINST PACT DELAY

PHOENIX, Jan. 22, (AP)—Challenged by Representative Francis, Maricopa county author of the bill which Arizona's eighth legislature adopted to create the Colorado River Commission, the present commission is the center of considerable debate to determine whether it is a legal unit or whether it ceased to exist when Governor Hunt and members of the eighth legislature went out of office.

The action was precipitated when Bill Number One, creating the new commission, reached the house after passage by the senate. Francis declared the present commission has no authority as the entire commission ceased to exist January 6 last.

The question was referred to the judiciary committee and the attorney general.

PHOENIX, Jan. 22, (AP)—Shortly after the Senate convened here today Mojave county started a one man filibuster against Senate bill number one which would call for a new Arizona State Colorado Commission after the term of the present commission expires in March.

Senator St. Charles covered a variety of subjects in dissertation and was still holding the floor shortly before the noon recess. St. Charles promised the people remission of all of the road taxes and the greatest mining wealth of the world if the legislature would vote the ratification of the original Colorado River compact which he introduced last week.

At 12:30 the Senate adopted Senate bill number one by Senator A. H. Favour of Yavapi, providing for the appointment of a new Colorado River Commission to consist of the Chief Executive and four other members and appropriating a hundred thousand dollars for use by the commission.

The vote was 15 to 3 after a furious but brief onslaught on the bill by Senator St. Charles of Mojave. Senator St. Charles said that Arizona had no right to oppose the Swing-Johnson bill as passed by the United States congress.

VEGAS REAL ESTATE MOVES WITH ALACRITY

SUBDIVISION SALES CONTINUE ON UP AND UP

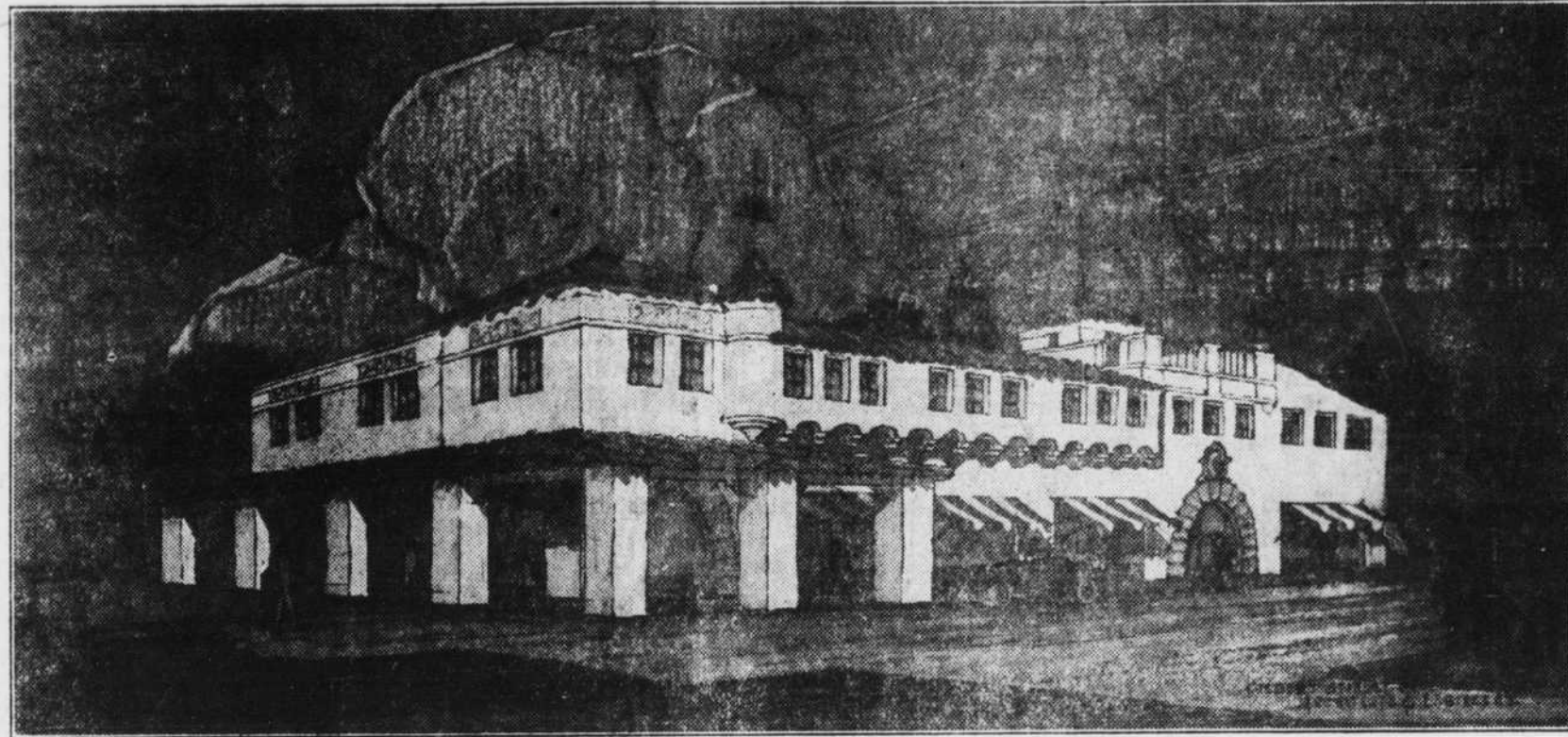
Great movement of outlying real estate near Las Vegas during the past few days is shown by reports made to The Age this morning by dealers.

Rapid fire sales both inside the city and on the highways near Las Vegas were reported, with subdividing continuing, and spreading for miles.

Subdividing of a 160-acre tract five miles out Winterwood Boulevard was announced today by the Boulder Realty Corporation. This land, half a mile of which fronts on the highway, will be sold in five- and ten-acre plots, according to E. A. Ferron, manager.

Purchase by Harry G. MacBain, mayor of Glendale, of a 240-acre tract about two miles north of Las Vegas on the Arrowhead Highway from Martin, Ham, Ferron and Mildren was announced this morning by E. A. Ferron, manager of the Boulder Realty Corporation. MacBain has not announced what he intends to do with the land.

Roy W. Martin Building



The Dr. Roy W. Martin Building which will be constructed at the corner of Second and Fremont Streets at a cost of \$100,000 and which will be the most modern office structure ever built on desert ground.

Moves House From Tonopah To Las Vegas

A. M. Murphy, formerly of Tonopah, arrived in Las Vegas last evening to make his home. Having heard of the shortage of houses here Mr. Murphy took the precautions to bring his home with him.

A small three room house was moved on a truck, taking but three days to make the trip. The house is being placed on Mr. Murphy's property at the northwest corner of Ogden and 11th streets. He has plans for moving three other houses here, which will also be placed on his property and put in shape for renting.

The trip here was made without mishap, but as the big truck was backing onto the lot to deposit its burden, an axle snapped.

CALIF. BUILDER STARTS FIRST HOME UNIT

200 HOMES ARE ON CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM

A program of building which will greatly relieve the housing congestion of Las Vegas was begun today when C. A. Birch, well known California builder of homes launched a building program which will run into more than a quarter of a million dollars.

Mr. Birch will confine his building activities to The Meadows addition, which he has recently subdivided and put on the market for sale.

According to Mr. Birch, he plans the immediate erection of a unit of homes in the \$2750 class which he will sell on terms which will attract the settler. Later he will construct more expensive dwellings and an apartment house.

More than 200 homes are in the program of the company which Mr. Birch heads. They will not all be built in The Meadows addition, however. The company is now negotiating for additional acreage upon which they will build country estates developing the property in every detail even to the construction of private water plants and electric units. One of these estates is now under consideration by the builder. It will include a private

Martin Building Will Be Most Up-to-Date Structure On Desert

When Dr. Roy W. Martin brought back with him the plans for his new building which will be erected at the corner of Second and Fremont streets, he brought with him the biggest factor in the sudden jump in Fremont street prices since the Boulder Dam bill was signed by the President.

Observers declare that when the first shovel of earth is excavated on this corner, Fremont street property will advance to \$1000 a front foot.

The Martin building will be an imposing structure of Spanish

architectural beauty. Six store-rooms will be provided on the ground floor and 18 luxurious and modern office suites will be the objective of the second story.

Ultra Modern Every store-room will be equipped with heat and running hot and cold water. And a cooling device heretofore unexperienced in desert buildings of this type will be installed.

The basement will be equipped for business occupancy according to Dr. Martin and will offer as attractive facilities as either the ground floor or the second story.

Dr. Martin declared that practically all of the building is already rented and that he expects to have a long waiting list by the time the construction is completed.

RESPIRE IS GRANTED IN NORTHCOTT TRIAL

RIVERSIDE, Jan. 22, (AP)—Appearing ill and downcast, Gordon Stewart Northcott was granted respite today in his battle against the gawwos. On physicians advise the accused murderer was granted continuance of trial until Thursday. After a doctor said Northcott was suffering from slight laryngitis and eye trouble described as conjunctivitis, Judge Freeman granted the respite.

Half an hour later Northcott was taken under heavy guard to the county hospital.

FLIERS LOCATE IN LAS VEGAS

"Buzz" Morison and F. Fanning, owners of a Siemens-Waco plane powered by a radial air-cooled motor, hopped from Reno to the Las Vegas airport yesterday without making an intermediate stop.

They report that it was two degrees above zero when they left the northern city and they are delighted at the warm weather and perfect flying conditions they find here.

They plan to remain permanently in Las Vegas and are prepared to take visitors on flights over the Boulder Dam site and to other sections. Both the plane and the pilot are government licensed.

swimming pool and a terraced garden such as never been attempted in the desert before, according to Mr. Birch. He refused to divulge the name of the owner.

CHICAGO MILK WAR FACTIONS ARBITRATE

CHICAGO, Jan. 22, (AP)—The milk strike in Chicago, with attendant displays of violence and destruction of milk intended for the Chicago market, was ended at a conference of producers, distributors and city health officers today.

Two factions at loggerheads for weeks over raw milk prices agreed to submit their differences to arbitration.

RED CROSS HEAD HERE

Mrs. Laura McMillan, field representative for Arizona and Nevada for the National Red Cross, has been in Las Vegas since Saturday in behalf of the organization.

Mrs. McMillan is particularly interested in promoting the Junior Red Cross and Safety First work and has taken those matters up with the 'hoos.

CARD OF THANKS

We the undersigned wish to express our thanks and appreciation to the many friends and organizations for their kind sympathy and beautiful floral offerings during our late bereavement in the loss of our wife, mother and sister.

Charles P. Mosbach and family. Roy C. Mosbach and family. Mrs. Kate A. Elwood. Mrs. Susie Loutzenhiser.

Jack Casson, oil contractor, and Howard M. Loy, of the Gilmore Oil Company are here on business.

The Age Gets Congrats On Vanderbilt Nevada Story

An avalanche of commendatory correspondence has been swooping down upon The Age as a result of the splendid article by Cornelius Vanderbilt, Jr., which appeared in this paper Thursday, January 17.

Many orders for reprints of the article which Mr. Vanderbilt entitled "SOUTHERN NEVADA," have been received.

The Age is reprinting the story and those who desire copies may have same free of cost by communicating with the Editor.

TEL. ENGINEERS TEST WIRES OF WESTERN UNION

Making Haste To Bring Long Distance Telephone Communication to Las Vegas.

W. C. Thomas and E. Niemoeller of Los Angeles, engineers of the Pacific Tel. & Tel. Co., have been here testing the wires of the Western Union to determine whether or not it is feasible to use those wires for long distance telephone service without serious interference in the operations of either company.

A series of tests were made Sunday, the results of which have been transmitted to the headquarters of both the interested companies. The decision will be made in the New York headquarters of the Western Union.

If the decision is not favorable for joint operation of the wires a separate circuit for exclusive telephone use will be built by the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Co., connecting with the present system of that company at San Bernardino.

While this will occasion some additional delay it would doubtless be the most satisfactory plan in the long run.

The decision from New York is expected promptly and either way Las Vegas is assured of long distance telephone service within the next few months.

MUST DEVOTE MORE TIME TO PRACTICE

MAYOR HAS NOT CONSIDERED SUCCESSOR

After 15 years of service as City Attorney, Frank A. Stevens yesterday tendered his resignation to the Board of City Commissioners. His resignation came as a decided surprise to the Commissioners who were holding an adjourned meeting, and had just accepted the resignation of F. B. Blakeley, plumbing inspector.

Mr. Stevens' letter is as follows:

Las Vegas, Nevada, Jan. 21, 1929.

Honorable Board of City Commissioners,

Las Vegas, Nevada:

On account of the press of private practice, I find myself in a position where I cannot give due attention to the business of the office of City Attorney and would therefore request that you accept my resignation to take effect immediately.

Permit me to thank you all for the consideration heretofore shown me.

Respectfully submitted, F. A. STEVENS.

The Board delayed taking action until tomorrow afternoon when they will meet again.

When interviewed by a representative of the Age, Mr. Stevens reiterated the statement that he could no longer devote the time to his private practice necessary to look after the city's business.

Mayor Hesse was also interviewed as to whom the Board might appoint as city attorney. "We have not discussed the matter of appointing a successor to Mr. Stevens as yet," said Mr. Hesse, "in fact the resignation has not yet been accepted."

It is said that there are several applicants for the position, the names of Judge I. S. Thompson and Judge C. D. Breeze having been mentioned prominently as possibilities.

ARIZONA WILL IMPROVE ROAD

The announcement has been made by the Federal Bureau of Public Roads that the Arizona highway commission will open bids on February 15 for the construction of the connecting link of the Arrowhead Highway across the northwest corner of Arizona.

The particular stretch of road something like 16 miles in length has for some time been the one poor piece of road on the highway between Los Angeles and Salt Lake. Its improvement will speed travel between the north and the south and will eliminate the only bugbear on the Arrowhead Highway. For some years it has been sought to induce Arizona to improve it but without results until now.

The Nevada section of the highway is in excellent condition. The Utah section is improved to the Arizona state line and California has adopted a program which will soon give us an improved highway through to Los Angeles.

E. A. Smithson, Nevada State Prison guard left yesterday morning for Carson City, taking with him Louis Hansen, under sentence of from one to fourteen years.

Hansen pleaded guilty in the District Court to a charge of forgery.