

GOV. BALZAR URGES QUICK RATIFICATION ALSO SUGGESTS APPOINTMENT OF RIVER CHIEF

In his message delivered to the state legislature Tuesday, Gov. Fred B. Balzar made many valuable suggestions or the betterment of the state. On the subject of Boulder Dam, the Governor went into considerable detail. After reviewing the legislation and citing the fact that of nine amendments to the bill proposed by the Nevada Colorado River Commission, eight were incorporated in the bill, Governor Balzar recommends that the legislature provide for the appointment of a commissioner to act on an advisory board to the Secretary of the Interior in the matter of making contracts for power with the object of making the rate sufficient to insure revenue to the state. The recommendations of the Governor regarding the Boulder Dam matter follow: "The amendment providing for the purchase of power, at cost, for use in the state could very well result in the establishing of some large industries in the southern end of our state and if any of our citizens desire to take advantage of that clause, it will be necessary to make provision by law, through administrative machinery set up for that purpose, for the purchase of the power.

MESSAGE HIGHLIGHTS— Governor Fred B. Balzar's message, presented to the state legislature yesterday urged: Creation of a fund to take up outstanding bond issues; Orphans home be modernized and repaired; Extensive repairs to governor's mansion; Organization of national guard units; Passing of vital statistics law; Regulation of hours, vacations for state employees; Ratification of Boulder Dam pact and appointment of Colorado river commissioner; Oiling or surfacing of all federal highways on account of excessive present maintenance costs and loss of gravel on graveled highways; Non-building of new highways for two years, important and pressing routes excepted; Amendment of budget law; Law to protect investors in foreign building and loan companies operating in Nevada; Appointment of state highway traffic officers; Complete inventory of state owned property; Establishing a publicity and mining bureau at state building in Reno; Codification of state laws from 1912 to date.

Of necessity, work must be continued by the state commission, or under its direction, in the investigation of the cost of production power by steam, using coal and oil as fuel, along the lines reported in the pamphlet prepared by state engineer Malone, entitled "Power and Water Set-up," which was presented to the senate committee on reclamation and irrigation in January 1928, the data contained therein forming the basis of the revenue amendments to the Boulder canyon project act. "The advisory board will, no doubt, call conferences on this matter from time to time and employ such power experts and other advice that they may need, and it is difficult at this time to determine what appropriation may be needed. The legislature should provide for a member of the advisory board from this state to be appointed by the governor and his term of office might be three or five years, preferably the longer term, since it is a matter that involves considerable study to become entirely familiar with the various legal and engineering features, and it might also provide in addition to the payment of actual expenses incurred for a nominal salary of a thousand dollars per year, to such advisor. "I suggest the plan of the payment of the actual expenses of the advisory board member and a nominal amount per year salary, because I believe the business of the board fully justifies the expenditure; I have found from experience that a representative of the state in this work is subject to rather heavy expense, and as noted before the importance to the state of the sale price of the power fixed by the secretary of the interior, demands close attention to that particular item. "The legislation as passed provides that seven states must ratify the compact if the bill is to be operative within six months. After that period, six states will suffice, but it means that in any case either Arizona or Utah must ratify such compact. "It will be necessary for the Colorado River Commission to meet in connection with any proposed three state agreements, but I do not anticipate that the expense of the commission in addition to the advisory board appropriation would be heavy. Five thousand dollars per year for the Colorado River Commission is not excessive in view of the fact that the anticipated benefits from this construction is several hundred thousand dollars per year, if our interests are properly safeguarded, and could very well be

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CITY BOARD REJECTS PAYING BIDS

Arizona Begs Utah To Withhold Boulder Dam Okeh

STANDS PAT IN REFUSAL TO RATIFY

PHOENIX, Jan. 24, (AP)—After two hours of stormy debate which kept the House of Representatives in a state of turmoil, a resolution was finally adopted in committee of the whole setting forth that

1—Arizona stands ready and willing any time to negotiate an agreement with California and Nevada. 2—Arizona will ratify Colorado River compact only when there is consummated a supplemental agreement with California and Nevada and ratified by the Congress of the United States. The resolution further declared: "It is our firm belief that until all seven states in the Colorado River basin ratify the compact said Boulder Canyon project is of no force or effect and any attempt to coerce Arizona by six or seven states will force Arizona to file a suit in the United States Supreme Court. "And it is further resolved, that in order to secure, at the earliest possible moment, comprehensive economical development of the Colorado River upon a basis of justice and equity in accordance with the rights of the states' legislatures, Utah is hereby petitioned in the interest of justice and expediency to withhold ratification of the Colorado River compact until and when a tri-state agreement between the states, Arizona, California and Nevada may be negotiated."

RODRIGUEZ GETS FIVE YEAR TERM

Antonio Rodriguez, 19 year old Mexican youth, pleaded guilty to a rape charge in the District Court this morning, and was sentenced by Judge Orr to a term of not less than five years, nor more than five years and one month. The offense committed was against his cousin, and the complaint was sworn to by the girl's parents with whom Rodriguez resided. According to reports the young couple were anxious to marry but the marriage of first cousins is prohibited by law. Sheriff Sam Gay notified Ward Penrose to send after the prisoner. come a negligible amount if the sale price of the power was allowed to be fixed at any amount that would just cover the government expenditure, and it is to be expected that the purchasers of the power will endeavor to fix the price at approximately this figure. The total appropriation for the biennium, including the salary of the advisory member should, in my opinion, be fixed at ten thousand dollars. It is therefore necessary that legislation be enacted, authorizing your executive, or Nevada's Colorado River Commission, promptly to enter into, upon behalf of the state of Nevada, an agreement with representatives of the state of Arizona and California, to put into effect the provisions of Section 4, of the Boulder canyon project act, in the exact language therein authorized by congress; as otherwise any agreement negotiated, must be confirmed by congress, which would mean additional delay in the commencement of actual construction on such project."

LAND IS SOUGHT FOR BAPTIST PARSONAGE

Purchase of property for the local Baptist parsonage in the near future is the matter which brought Roy Henry Barrett of Reno, corresponding secretary of the Nevada-Sierra Baptist Convention, to Las Vegas today. The Rev. E. C. Sloan, pastor of the Baptist Church of Sparks and brother of the Rev. C. H. Sloan of Las Vegas, will be in the city next week to assist in the matter of the property for the parsonage, according to Mr. Barrett.

ROTARY MEET HELD TODAY

At the regular meeting of Las Vegas Rotary Club this noon, President Ferguson announced that the District Convention of this district will be held in Los Angeles April 18, 19 and 20. Also that Rotary International Convention will be held in Dallas, Texas, May 22. The report of the district governor showed that the average attendance of Las Vegas Rotary for November was 87.37 per cent and for December 84.69 per cent. Al Cahlan gave an interesting and instructive review of an article published in the Rotarian magazine. C. P. Squires, substituting for W. R. Erackon who was unable to be present on account of illness, gave a short talk on community obligations of the Rotary Club and closed with a few comments on the Boulder Dam project. Bill Pike gave an excellent five-minute discussion on Rotary education, laying the foundation for a continuation of the lesson at the next meeting. Dr. Park reported on having attended the meeting of the 20-30 Club last night and spoke in complimentary terms of the work the organization is doing. Among other things he said:

LIST OF JURORS FOR COURT TERM

- Following is a list of jurors drawn for the District Court term beginning February 4th: Hector Bunker, Bunkerville. Ivie J. Leavitt, Bunkerville. Rex C. Ewing Goodsprings. C. J. Huggins, Goodsprings. Frank Barber, Las Vegas. Bud S. Barrett, Las Vegas. George W. Beard, Las Vegas. Frank C. Crookston, Las Vegas. Herbert M. Dixon, Las Vegas. A. L. Drew, Las Vegas. James L. Filbey, Las Vegas. Rheinhold Nannig, Las Vegas. H. C. Harshberger, Las Vegas. Harriette Hemphill, Las Vegas. J. R. Hewitt, Jr., Las Vegas. Harry G. Jones, Las Vegas. O. A. Kimball, Las Vegas. P. L. Kincaid, Las Vegas. J. G. Laravey, Las Vegas. S. J. Lawson, Las Vegas. J. W. Lundy, Las Vegas. C. J. Mackey, Las Vegas. W. L. Mead, Las Vegas. David McDonald, Las Vegas. W. R. Murry, Las Vegas. Joe S. Ronnow, Las Vegas. Thos. H. Sager, Las Vegas. Addie Stockberger, Las Vegas. Pearl B. Stone, Las Vegas. John S. Taney, Las Vegas. W. T. Tate, Las Vegas. Levi Tracht, Las Vegas. Herbert Van Gordon, Las Vegas. Ed VonTobel, Las Vegas. Cella Weaver, Las Vegas. Anthony Abbott, Mesquite. Al Sillis, Nelson. M. D. Cooper, Overton. H. E. W. Howell, Overton. Robert E. Lee, Overton. R. W. Markt, Sloan. Jesse F. Murphy, St. Thomas. John F. Perkin, St. Thomas. Ray E. Miller, West End. Cases set for this term of court include the State of Nevada against Harry Barnhart, State vs. C. E. Mills, and the Staet vs. Ed Myers.

EXPERT HERE WITH FREMONT LIGHTING PLAN

STREET ILLUMINATION MEETS ENTHUSIASTIC RESPONSE The city commissioners will hear a plan for an extensive lighting program for Fremont street when J. B. Miller, nationally noted illumination expert explains a system for lights which he has worked out for Las Vegas. Mr. Miller arrived in the city yesterday and spent most of the day in conference with local business men and property owners. "I have been in the street lighting business for a number of years but I have never received such whole-hearted, support nor such emphatic expressions of enthusiasm as I have in Las Vegas," said Mr. Miller. "No city in the world is getting the international publicity which Las Vegas is receiving. And no city in the world needs a lighting system as badly as this city needs it."

'OH, THAT'S DIFFERENT,' SAYS SHERIFF SAM GAY

"Say, here's some news! A man wants me to see his wife at the Las Vegas Funeral Home," Sheriff Sam Gay told an Age representative today. "See if you can figure out what he means in this telegram." And the Sheriff presented a yellow script for scrutiny. "Doesn't it read, 'See my wire Las Vegas Funeral Home?'" the reporter asked. Sam examined the telegram and then heaved a sigh as he agreed it did.

REGULAR MEET OF 20-30 CLUB

The 20-30 Club held its regular weekly dinner at the U. P. Eating House last evening. President Berkeley Bunker presided, and also acted as program chairman, introducing as their principal speaker, Fred Alward, local attorney, who gave an excellent talk on Australia. "Buzz" Morrison and Mr. Fanning were guests from the Reno 20-30 Club. Ted Rea and Darrel Dayton were delegated to go to the district convention to be held at Santa Ana, February 8nd. Dr. Wm. S. Park was the Rotary Club representative, and gave a short talk which was much enjoyed.

W. H. Hopkins, builder and contractor, of Salt Lake City, Utah, was a visitor at the Age office yesterday. He evinced great interest in the Boulder Dam project and the effect upon his state should the Colorado River compact be ratified. J. B. Markham, civil engineer, of Santa Monica, Cal., is in Las Vegas looking over the business field.

Ad in The Age Sells Stocks In Chicago

The far reaching effect of the pulling power of The Age advertising was demonstrated by the receipt of a draft for \$500 and an order for fifty shares of Clark Clark County Gas Company stock this morning. THE ORDER CAME FROM CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. According to C. O. Lauritzen, president of the company, this breaks all records for advertising returns in the history of the company. "You may say for me that The Age not only leads in circulation and advertising but I am firmly convinced that those who read it have firm faith in those who advertise in its columns," said Mr. Lauritzen.

OFFERS MORE THAN BOARD ANTICIPATED

OFFERS MORE THAN BOARD ANTICIPATED SPECIFICATIONS BLAMED FOR EXHORBITANCE The Board of City Commissioners met this afternoon to open bids for the improvement of city streets with oil-bound gravel paving. Mayor Hesse presided and Commissioners Smith, Mandy and German were in their usual places. Of the 28 contractors who figured bids, which, because of the nature of the specifications were approximately \$20,000 above the figures which were expected. Specifications

PROFESSIONAL BUSINESS MEN SCOUT VEGAS

A deal involving nearly thirty thousand dollars was closed today when the First State Bank sold to D. D. Merrill, real estate broker from Huntington Beach, Calif., and S. G. Pennington, contractor and builder from Fullerton, Calif., 84 lots in the South Addition. Merrill and Pennington immediately put the lots up for resale and on some of them Pennington will build homes. Las Vegas continues to gain the active attention of outside business and professional men. Seeking a location in this city for a Packard car and White truck agency which they intend to establish here, W. L. Trent and Fred M. Clark of Reno were in Las Vegas yesterday. Among professional men considering establishing themselves here is Wm. R. Burgess, chiropractor, of Los Angeles, who took a five-day option on a suite in the Delkin building yesterday.

Tract Sold

Sale of a five-acre tract, just outside the city to the east, to B. Roller, of Goodsprings, Texas for local people was announced this morning by Johnson Realty. Several South Addition lots were sold to Fred M. Clark of Reno by Johnson. Home Sites Sold A. B. Witcher sold to H. C. Wheeler of Arden lots two and three in Block 21 of Buck's subdivision. It is thought Mr. Wheeler may build an up-to-date residence there soon. Mr. Witcher has sold lots five and six in Block 20, South Addition, to Mr. J. F. Swarbrick of Tybo, Nevada, for a home site.

NORTHCOTT INDULGES IN LETTER WRITING

RIVERSIDE, Jan. 24, (AP)—Displaying another amazing quirk of temperament, Gordon Stewart Northcott arose late yesterday morning after a night of tearful wailing, called for writing materials after a hearty breakfast and started writing numerous letters, to whom he did not divulge. Hospital attendants said if his condition continued improving Northcott would be able to go into court again soon.

RIVERSIDE, Jan. 24, (AP)—Gordon Stewart Northcott failed in an attempt to have David Sokol recognized as attorney of record when Superior Judge Freeman denied Northcott's motion to have Sokol brought into the case not with complete authority but as associate counsel. Sokol was given permission to sit at the table and give advice if he chose.

NEW TEA-ROOM FOR LAS VEGAS

Mrs. Hannah Cooper, formerly of the "Tea Caddy" in Cleveland, Ohio, will open a tea-room in Las Vegas in the near future. "The minute I heard that there was going to be a boom in Las Vegas I knew that people had to eat and so I packed everything in my car and my daughter, Suzanne and I drove here to look over things," said Mrs. Cooper. The "Tea Caddy" is one of Cleveland's fashionable gathering places for artists and writers and it is said that Mrs. Cooper has had a hand in many a now-famous artist's career. Neysa McMein is one of Mrs. Cooper's "protoges." Another is Hip See Long, noted painter of Chinese murals whose recent exhibition was held in her famous eating place. Mrs. Cooper's tea-room will be located in the new building on the corner of 2nd and Main streets. The building is being built by the Las Vegas Building Co. and will be ready for occupancy in a few weeks.

'I LOVE YOUR LITTLE CITY,' SAYS ACTRESS

Mme. Rose Dione, internationally famous actress and now popular Warner Brothers' star, is visiting in Las Vegas today. Mme. Dione came here in the interest of her son, who will go into business in Las Vegas. "Truly this is a wonder city," exclaimed Mme. Dione upon her arrival. "One hears all about the roughness of the city streets—that wild men and drunken men and gun-men are lurking around corners waiting for their prey." "I have not seen a single wild man nor a single drunken person since I have been here. On the contrary, I love your little city. It is so quaint and so hospitable. Everyone seems to want to help. And, really, I do not mind the inconvenience one bit." Mme. Dione will spend the day on the Colorado River and will return to Los Angeles tonight, where she is engaged in a new vehicle for Warner Brothers. C. D. BREEZE RESIGNS AS MUNICIPAL JUDGE C. D. Breeze tendered his resignation as municipal judge to the Board of City Commissioners at the adjourned meeting of the board held yesterday afternoon. Action was taken making the resignation effective the 1st of February. Judge Breeze gave as his reason for resigning the fact that his private practice is taking up so large a portion of his time that it is impossible to devote the necessary attention to city business.

WARNING!

TO VIOLATORS OF THE NEVADA STATE MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS After Date January 21st, 1929 Any Resident operating a Motor Vehicle on the Highways of the State and Counties without a 1929 Nevada Automobile License; Or any Non-Resident who is operating a Motor Vehicle on the highways of the State and Counties with a Foreign License and without a Non-Resident Permit; Or any Resident operating a Motor Vehicle on the highways of the State and Counties with a Foreign License and without the Nevada License is guilty of a misdemeanor under the Nevada State Motor Vehicle Laws and is subject to a fine of not less than \$25.00, nor more than \$100.00 in addition to the \$3.00 penalty. These laws are to be strictly enforced at once. Nevada State Motor Vehicle Department