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UTAH IS GIVEN SPLIT REPORT

MILLION DOLLAR HOTEL COMING, SAYS LAWRENCE

HE'LL "BUILD WITHOUT AID FROM CITY IF NECESSARY"

Financial arrangements and plans for a new million dollar hotel project have been brought to the point where construction can be started in a very short time, said T. J. Lawrence and Frank N. Riley of Los Angeles in an interview with the Age this morning.

Mr. Lawrence stated that the project will be carried to completion regardless of whether or not the City of Las Vegas cares to make any land concessions to the builders.

"Our attention has been called to the editorial which appeared in the Las Vegas Evening Review under date of February 15, 1929," said Mr. Lawrence. "While it is not our wish in any way to become involved in any controversy with the newspapers of Las Vegas, nor with any of the officials of the City of Las Vegas, yet I do believe that a statement from us would perhaps be appropriate at this time, particularly when we realize the possibility of the people of Las Vegas getting an opinion that may not be consistent with facts relative to the promotional end of the proposed tourist hotel.

Originated Here
"The thought and offer of subsidizing (if we may call it that) the development and erection in or near the City of Las Vegas of a tourist hotel project which would cost \$1,000,000 and upward, originated with the City of Las Vegas, the Las Vegas Land and Water Company and the Chamber of Commerce of the City of Las Vegas, which association has actually printed and distributed pamphlets so evidencing the original thought of offering land as a consideration for the culmination of such a project. In addition to all of this your local newspapers in the past have contributed very largely to the idea.

"Surely your city, the Chamber of Commerce and local newspapers must have realized that the development of a project of this kind is one with decided pioneering conditions. Surely they must have realized that it requires a very valuable consideration in order to interest sufficient capital to proceed. A number of people backed whole-heartedly by your city and its Chamber of Commerce, and its newspapers, have attempted in the past to realize and give the City of Las Vegas the type of project which it has been longing to have, and the fact that this development has not been realized certainly should have proven that it is not an easy matter to work out the financial requirements attendant to such a project.

Deeded to City
"As we understand it, the Las Vegas Land and Water Company originally deeded to the City of Las Vegas some 30 acres of land under the express conditions and provisions that this acreage was to be used for agricultural purposes and only for exhibiting agricultural products. The property has not been used for these purposes, and subsequent to the acquisition of the property, the tourist hotel project injected itself. In order to further the development of the hotel project, the City worked out the necessary procedure so it could re-deed the property back to the Las Vegas Land and Water Company to be used for hotel purposes. And at present we understand this land is held by the Las Vegas Land and Water Company under these conditions.

JENKINS CASE TO BE HEARD WEDNESDAY

The case of L. E. Jenkins, arrested by Chief of Police Percy Nash for resisting when the latter attempted to collect a slot-machine license, will be heard in justice court Wednesday at 10 a. m., said Judge Foley today.

MOTOR CODE PASSAGE URGED BY AUTO CLUB

ASSOCIATION EXPLAINS PROVISIONS OF NEW MEASURE

Passage of the motor vehicle code, introduced in the Nevada legislature by Senator Getchell of Lander county, is favored by the Nevada State Automobile Association; according to a bulletin issued by the association this week.

"It covers every phase of the registration of motor vehicles, the licensing of operators and chauffeurs, and the rules of the road. Should it be passed it will take the place of every piece of motor vehicle legislation now on the statute books," says the bulletin.

"It gives needful attention to the state, the man who drives, the pedestrian, the finance company, the insurance company, and to society in general."

The bill includes every provision of the Hoover code, and in addition those provisions which have proven so beneficial to our neighboring states, California, Arizona and Idaho, says the bulletin.

"The registration of cars by the county assessors of the state and which insures the collection of the personal property tax on cars has appealed to all as being productive of fairness, and is retained in the proposed code, with but a slight change in the issuance of the registration and ownership certificates which are issued solely by the division of motor vehicles which is set up in the highway department where it properly belongs. Heretofore, the highway department has had to assume the cost of enforcement of the motor vehicle law, and with no return save an increase in the amount which might be turned over to it after the statutory requirements had been met.

VEGAS BATTLERS GET DECISION, DRAW IN BOUTS

SLY AND MILLER STEAL SHOW AT LEGION PROGRAM

Dave Milford of Columbus, Georgia, took the decision over Henry Alvarado of Los Angeles in six rounds of whirlwind boxing in the feature bout of yesterday's Legion card at the arena.

Ross Sly of Caliente took the "house" by storm, besides taking the decision over Eddie O'Hara of Los Angeles in what many fans considered the feature bout of the slate, and Kid Miller, local slugger, battered his way to a decision over Pete Peterson of Los Angeles.

O'Hara Punished
Knocking O'Hara to a horizontal position in the first round with a terrific wallop in the stomach, Ross Sly started six rounds of punishment-giving which promised time after time to end in a knockout, catapulting O'Hara across the square time after time and meeting him with more punishment when O'Hara bounced back from the ropes.

Miller Aggressive
Kid Miller kept Marillo on the defensive from the start of their fracas, rushing the slippery battler off his feet several times. The Kid took some hard ones on the jaw but came back with a smile, landing a dozen solas ones in a row at the last of the third when he got Marillo into the ropes. Every round went to the Kid, beyond any shadow of a doubt.

Feature Bout Fast
The feature bout was a matter of give and take, with fast footwork on the part of both Milford and Alvarado. Milford seemed to have a slight edge during the first round, but Henry stood up under a lot of punishment and stayed with him, putting him through the ropes in a sitting posture at the last of the fifth. The Georgian made a vicious charge in the sixth, but toof a stiff right to the jaw in exchange, missing in a mighty swing a trifle later and going down on one knee at the gong for a draw.

The Williams-Hardy melee was one of ups and downs. The two boys started off at a great pace, Williams being first to strike a snag, in the shape of Hardy's right glove, and hitting the deck with his body. He soon returned the strategem in similar style, but took another flattening and another in over-payment. With a cut cheek, Williams rushed Hardy into the ropes, but paid by hitting the canvas to rest until the referee said "time." Williams went down again before the referee gave the decision to Hardy.

WHISTLES VIA RADIO



FRANCES SELLERS
CINCINNATI, Feb. 23. (AP)—Frances Sellers is heard frequently on WLW's programs both in bird calls and in whistling interpretations of musical classics.

20 ROUND BOUT WAS NEVER CITED ILLEGAL

DISKIN'S STATEMENT WAS MISINTERPRETED, SAYS McNAMEE

The proposed twenty-round fight in this city July 4 between Mickey Walker and Ace Hudkins can be held without violation of statute, by the payment of a \$100 license fee, nor has Attorney General M. A. Diskin made any statement to the contrary, according to Leo A. McNamee of this city, who communicated yesterday with the attorney general by long distance telephone.

"License Necessary"
The attorney general stated, in reply to a query from local Legion members, that the Legion could not stage a fight of more than ten rounds without paying the \$100 license fee. A special act was passed in 1925 exempting ex-service organizations from the fee payment up to ten rounds.

Planning to Begin
It is said Tom Kennedy, promoter of the Hudkins-Walker match for the middleweight championship of the world, has contracted for the designing of an arena to hold 35,000 by George Burnett, Riverside architect.

SANTA FE WRECK PROBE BRINGS OFFICIALS HERE

Four officials are in Las Vegas today in connection with the investigation of the Santa Fe train wreck at 11:30 p. m., December 26 near Victorville.

MAYOR MAKES 'NO STATEMENT' IN RECALL CASE

FIRST ROUND OF FIGHT AGAINST RECALL IS LOST

Apparent lack of interest in details of the progress of the recall proceedings being pushed against him was shown today by Mayor Hesse when asked for a statement in regard to Judge H. W. Edwards' decision in favor of the relators who seek his recall from the mayoralty.

"The case is in the hands of the lawyers, and I don't know anything about the details," said the Mayor today. "I have no statement to make."

"Definite Enough"
The judge's decision favored the relators on all but one point. The most important point in the demurrer was the contention of the defendants that the state constitution does not charge the city clerk specifically with the duty of calling the special election demanded by the petition. Judge Edwards found that Section 9 of Article 11 of the Nevada constitution provided definitely enough that it is the city clerk's duty to call a special election if a petition with the required signatures be delivered to him.

Statutes Quoted
Every public officer in Nevada is subject to recall, according to the statute. The recall petition must be filed with the officer with whom a petition for nomination to such office is required to be filed. Should the officer whose recall is sought refuse to resign, a special election must be ordered, held within 20 days, ballots must be printed and other candidates may be nominated, the candidate receiving the highest number of votes being considered elected.

Following failure of City Clerk William L. Scott to call a special election after submission of a petition to him, a writ of mandamus was issued January 22 commanding the mayor, city clerk and city council to hold a special election. On February 4 the edmurrer was filed.

MILLER CITES DAM BENEFITS

Las Vegas is destined to be a Henver of the Southwest, Lee O. Miller, general sales manager of the John P. Mills Organization told an audience of 150 last night at a meeting of employees and friends of the organization at its office.

Today's Worst Yarn By A. Dam Site

"The woman pays," an old saw goes. It may be so . . . But listen to this one about Andy Rafael: The feature match of yesterday's Legion smoker, fans say, was a twenty round affair between Andy and 177 Hewick American youth. Andy stole the show from the boxer, in fact. Round one went to the soughty Legionnaire. Fast footwork featured the round, and not a single urchin dropped from the limbs of the cottonwood trees into the arena. Rounds 2 to 19 inclusive were closely contested, with many a right over the fence scored by the boys, Rafael coming back to down them for the count of nine, however, and foiling an attempt to climb a rope at the fence corner. The last round was a knock-out, however, and Andy took the count. He had just vanquished 88 of the boys who climbed over the top when he returned to the other side to find 89 eight-year-old ladies had crawled under the fence. That ended the match. "Who says the woman pays," Andy wants to know.

2 ARGUE FOR SIX-STATE PACT ADOPTION

OTHERS EXPRESS BELIEF ACTION SHOULD NOT BE HASTY

SALT LAKE CITY, Feb. 23. (AP)—Utah's delegation to the Santa Fe Boulder Dam conference submitted to the legislature a divided report today. Two of the four members counseled immediate ratification of the six-state Boulder two and the two members of Dam compact, while the other the senate advised against hasty action. Refusal Considered
The members of the senate, A. B. Irvine and Wilson McCarthy, in recommending that action by the legislature be deferred at least until the closing days of the session, advised further that in case the Santa Fe conference results in any changes in the revenue distributing features of the Boulder project or in any other amendments which will send the pact back to Congress, the Utah legislature refuse to ratify the six-state pact during the present session.

William R. Wallace, Utah's Colorado River Commissioner and chairman of the water storage commission, who also attended the conference, recommended delay on the part of the legislature until the latter part of the session, but warned against indefinite delay, which he said would constitute a threat against Utah's water interests.

Motion Adopted

The house adopted the motion after receiving reports calling on the special Boulder Dam committee to report on the Espin and Smoot measures providing for six-state ratification, and the Holther measure providing for conditional ratification.

SANTA FE, Feb. 23. (Special)—With the problems before the Tri-State Conference being discussed unofficially in group meetings under the leadership of Col. William J. Donovan, assistant to the United States Attorney General and chairman of the meet, no official discussions took place on Washington's birthday or today.

The representatives at the conference are visiting the quaint adobe city of Taos today. The next meeting will be Monday at 10 a. m.

COLIMA SOUGHT FOR BOUT HERE

Bert Colima, California middleweight who is being touted as a possible contender for Mickey Walker's middleweight boxing crown will fight in Vegas the first or fifteenth of March on a Legion card, if he signs with Tommy McFarland, who went to Los Angeles for that purpose last night, and if a suitable opponent is found for him, said Carl D. Farrar, of the local Legion post, today.

Colima has promised McFarland he would come here if the right opposition is furnished, according to Farrar, which would be eminently in line with the stated policy of the post of bringing the best possible boxing talent to this city on the Legion's cards.

COURT HOUSE BUILDER WITH CRUMP-MERRITT

A. T. Cummins, contractor who had charge of the construction of the Clark county court house, will be associated with the Crump-Merritt Realty Company beginning Monday, where he will conduct a general contracting and building department, it was announced this morning. Cummins has come here with Mrs. Cummins from Los Angeles and Santa Monica, and will build a residence here soon. He has been in the contracting business for 40 years, and built The Gables, Miramar, and Sea Breeze Beach Clubs, dated Merritt today.

NEW H. S. SITE MAY BE AT FAIRGROUND

15-ACRE TRACT THERE WOULD MAKE ROOM FOR ATHLETICS

Purchase of fifteen or more acres in the old fair ground tract at Stewart and Fifth streets for use as a high school building site is a possibility being discussed in official circles in this city. The city council is expected to take up this matter at its meeting Monday, said O. K. Adcock, of the Board of Education today.

The school district already owns two blocks near the present school buildings, but this land is not enough to give room for the kind of a campus Las Vegas High School is going to need, said Adcock.

REALTY COMPANY HEARING OPENS

The hearing of the Las Vegas Realty Company, charged with violation of Nevada statutes regulating sale of realty, began this afternoon at 2 o'clock with the president, vice-president and secretary of the State Real Estate Board in executive session. Those conducting the hearing are George S. Loden of Reno, president of the board; Tom Carroll, of this city, vice-president; and Clarence H. Patten, secretary.

HARRINGTON ON NAT'L REAL ESTATE COMMITTEE

A. H. Harrington, Las Vegas realtor, is a member of the standing committee on federal legislation and taxation of the National Association of Real Estate Boards for 1929, which committee was announced this week by Harry H. Culver, of Culver City, California, president of the association. Harrington has been in this city for nine years, having come here first in 1916 representing the Empire Zinc Company. Between 1919 and 1922 he worked in New Mexico and Colorado with the same company and in the oil fields of California and Texas. In June 1922 he started working at the First State Bank, which work he dropped the first of this year to start his real estate business.

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