

# League's Slavery Report Examines U. S. Conditions

By JOSEPH E. SHARKEY (Associated Press Correspondent)  
 GENEVA, Mar. 7, (AP)—A report on human slavery and forced labor throughout the world, just issued by the International Labor Bureau of the League of Nations, states that the practice of leasing negro prisoners to private employers exists in several southern states of the United States.

The report will be used as a basis for preliminary negotiations at a conference to be held in Geneva this year for the abolition of involuntary servitude in all its forms.

That section dealing with the United States begins with citing the thirteenth amendment to the constitution which says that neither slavery nor involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for crime whereof the party shall have been duly convicted, shall exist within the United States, and any place subject to their jurisdiction.

As evidence to prove the existence of leasing negro prisoners the report then prints an extract from the book of an American writer, Edward Byron Reuter "The American Race Problem," which alleges that in the case of negro petty offenders it has been customary to impose a fine-work sentence. By this, says the quoted author, it is meant that the offender has the choice between paying a cash fine or working a specified number of days in a chain gang.

The report defines forced labor as "all work or service which is exacted under menace of any penalty for its non-performance and for which the worker concerned does not offer himself voluntarily."

The bureau does not suggest that any international convention regulating forced labor which might be adopted should prevent the self-governing people of an independent state from imposing compulsory labor upon themselves. The forced labor dealt with in the report is that of dependent peoples, whether found in independent states, colonies or mandated territories, who can be compelled by existing laws and regulations to work on plantations for private employers, or on public works of various kinds. The experts say:

"It would indeed be of little use solemnly to abolish slavery if conditions of employment analogous to slavery were still to be maintained in the form of forced labor. For this reason the assembly of the League of Nations in 1926, after adopting an international slavery convention, passed a resolution drawing attention to the importance of the work being undertaken by the International Labor Office with a view to studying the best means for preventing forced or compulsory labor from developing into conditions analogous to slavery."

Here Are America's Oldest Twins



Left to right, William and Harry Bruns of Woodville, O., believed to be America's oldest twins, who celebrated their 95th birthday anniversary recently. For more than sixty years they were partners in a mercantile business in Woodville.

## Lines of Force Hamper Byrd In Exploration

NEW YORK, Mar. 7, (AP)—Of all the flying hazards that the Antarctic opposes to the Byrd expedition, one of the most uncertain is the interference with navigation by magnetic compass caused by the south magnetic pole, that lies near the base camp.

If this pole were a point on the earth's surface the problem of finding direction by the magnetic compass would be relatively simple. But at the magnetic pole, the lines of force actuating the needle dive straight downward into the earth. Owing to this downward pull in the region of the magnetic pole, says a statement of the American Geographical Society of New York, the lines lose much of their effectiveness to influence the needle. The needle works only in a horizontal plane.

Commander Byrd carries a new navigation chart, compiled by the society, that shows the position of the south magnetic pole and the sharply curving lines of equal magnetic variation, also called lines of force, that enclose his camp, as if it were about half way out from the center of a huge spider web.

The center of the web is the south magnetic pole, lying near the outer edge of the Antarctic continent, west of Byrd's base, and somewhat to the north. The lines forming the invisible web sweep out in long circles, that recurve about the south pole. Byrd's expedition is to one side of a line drawn between the two poles.

A navigator who knows which

line he is on at the moment of taking an observation, can find true south by adding a certain number of degrees to the needle direction. This number varies with each line and the lines are not far apart. Byrd's base is close to the 260 degree line, requiring 260 degrees to be counted around the face of the compass, clockwise, from the direction in which the needle points.

## CALIFORNIA ENGINEER NOW WITH C. D. BAKER

Robert B. Swadener, civil and mining engineer of some twenty years experience has become associated with C. D. Baker, local civil engineer.

It is the intention of the new firm, in addition to their extensive work of subdivision, mineral patent surveys, water right and general engineering work, to engage more in construction work and supervision. Mr. Swadener has had a wide experience in construction work, having for years been engaged in railroad, highway and municipal engineering, and has designed and engineered some two and one-half million dollars of bridge and highway construction for the state and federal governments.

Mr. Swadener is making his home in Las Vegas and will shortly move his family here from Ventura, California.

**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION**  
 Department of the Interior  
 U. S. LAND OFFICE  
 at Carson City, Nevada,  
 February 2, 1929.

NOTICE is hereby given that Paul Michel, of Las Vegas, Nevada, who, on January 19, 1923, made Homestead Entry No. 016555, for the NE 1/4 NW 1/4, Section 17, Township 21 S., Range 61 E., M. D. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Three Year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before W. J. Hooper, U. S. Commissioner, at Las Vegas, Nevada, on the 10th day of April, 1929.

Claimant names as witnesses: A. G. Blad, M. E. Ward, Earl W. Higgins, and Harry Anderson, all of Las Vegas, Nevada.  
 CLARA M. CRISLER, Register.

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**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION**  
 Department of the Interior  
 U. S. LAND OFFICE  
 at Carson City, Nevada,  
 February 16, 1929.

NOTICE is hereby given that Gabriel Lopez, of Las Vegas, Nevada, who, on March 28, 1925, made Desert Land Entry No. 015938, for the SW 1/4 SE 1/4, Section 3, Township 22 S., Range 61 E., M. D. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before W. J. Hooper, U. S. Commissioner, at Las Vegas, Nevada, on the 30th day of March, 1929.

Claimant names as witnesses: M. E. Ward, George O. Montgomery, J. T. McWilliams, and A. G. Blad, all of Las Vegas, Nevada.  
 CLARA M. CRISLER, Register.

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**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION**  
 Department of the Interior,  
 U. S. LAND OFFICE  
 at Carson City, Nevada,  
 January 24, 1929.

NOTICE is hereby given that Ray E. Saltgiver, whose post-office address is Jean, Nevada, did, on the 28th day of May, 1928, file in this office Sworn Statement and Application, No. 016729, to purchase the SE 1/4 SW 1/4, Section 11, Township 24 S., Range 60 E., M. D. Meridian, and the stone thereon, under the provisions of the act of June 3, 1878, and acts amendatory, known as the "Timber and Stone Law," at such value as might be fixed by appraisal, and that, pursuant to such application, the land and stone thereon have been appraised, at \$250 per acre; that said applicant will offer final proof in support of his application and sworn statement on the 30th day of April, 1929, before W. J. Hooper, U. S. Commissioner, at Las Vegas, Nevada.

Any person is at liberty to protest this purchase before entry, or institute a contest, at any time before patent issues, by filing a corroborated affidavit in this office, alleging facts which would defeat the entry.  
 CLARA M. CRISLER, Register.

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**NOTICE**  
 MINERAL APPLICATION FOR PATENT  
 No. 016929  
 UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE  
 Carson City, Nevada,  
 January 21, 1929.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that FULTON COMPANY, a corporation, by LEO A. McNAMÉE, its attorney-in-fact, whose postoffice address is Las Vegas, Nevada, has made application for a United States patent for the STANDARD, STANDARD NO. 1, CHARLESTON, EXTENSION NO. 1, EXTENSION NO. 2 PLACER MINING CLAIMS, consolidated, situate in an unorganized mining district in the county of Clark, state of Nevada, described as follows:

For a description of the STANDARD PLACER MINING CLAIM: The SE 1/4 of Section 15, T. 22 S., R. 54 E., M. D. B. & M., containing an area of one hundred sixty acres;

For a description of the STANDARD NO. 1 PLACER MINING CLAIM: The SW 1/4 of Section 15, T. 22 S., R. 54 E., M. D. B. & M., containing an area of one hundred sixty acres;

For a description of the CHARLESTON PLACER MINING CLAIM: The NE 1/4 of Section 22, T. 22 S., R. 54 E., M. D. B. & M., containing an area of one hundred sixty acres;

For a description of the EXTENSION NO. 1 PLACER MINING CLAIM: The SE 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Section 15, T. 22 S., R. 54 E., M. D. B. & M., containing an area of forty acres.

Total area hereby applied for being five hundred sixty acres. The adjoining or conflicting claims are EXTENSION, EXTENSION NO. 3, and EXTENSION NO. 4, PLACER MINING CLAIMS.

The location notices are recorded in Book 6, Mining Notices, at pages 23, 24 and 25, Clark County, Nevada records. All adverse claims should be filed in this office during the sixty days period of publication.

CLARA M. CRISLER, Register.  
 Date of first publication Feb. 5, 1929, and each issue until, Date of last publication April 6, 1929.

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 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That Norman Bossong, administrator of the estate of Margaret Wilcox, deceased, has rendered and presented for final settlement, and filed in said court, his first and final account of his administration of said estate, together with his report and petition for final distribution, and that Friday, the 8th day of March, 1929, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day, at the court room of said Court at the court house in the City of Las Vegas, said County of Clark, has been fixed and appointed as the time and place for the settlement of said account and the hearing of said report and petition, at which time and place any person interested in said estate may appear and file his exceptions, in writing, to the said account, and contest the same.  
 NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN: That said account is for final settlement, and the said estate is ready for distribution, and on confirmation of said final account final distribution of said estate will be immediately had.  
 Dated this 13th day of March, 1929.  
 (District Court Seal) WM. L. SCOTT, Clerk.  
 Pub. Feb. 14, 21, 28, Mch. 7, 1929.

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 In the Matter of the Estate of MARGARETE WILCOX, Deceased.  
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 The new ore body, Boregard asserts, consists of a solid mass of ore three feet and a half in width. Samples of ore clobbered from the new ore body, he says, sent to Los Angeles for fire tests, assayed from \$180 to \$490 in gold and silver to the ton, gold values predominating.

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