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LAS VEGAS IS  
THE NATURAL GATEWAY  
TO THE BOULDER DAM  
PROJECT

# RIVER WORK GOES AHEAD

## REGENTS ASKED TO QUIT AS U HEAD CLEARED

Legislature Demands Resignation of Talbot and Pratt; Grievances in Students' Petitions Sometimes Untrue, Stated.

The resignation of Regents Talbot and Pratt of the University of Nevada was demanded by the legislative committee which investigated the conduct of the University and the charges filed against President Clark. The report of the committee was unanimously adopted by that body.

The conclusions of the committee are as follows:

"From the facts adduced the conclusion is reached that Regents Talbot and Pratt immediately tendered their resignations to the governor and that the governor immediately accepted the same. That if said resignations are not tendered immediately by said regents, and the legislature has time, impeachment proceedings be instituted by this legislature to remove from office said Talbot and Pratt. That if said resignations are not immediately tendered and if impeachment proceedings are not brought, then we recommend that the majority members of the board immediately define a policy for the conduct of the university. That thereafter President Clark be guided by the policy so defined by said majority members of the board and utterly disregard and ignore the minority members of the board, Talbot and Pratt.

### "Only Way Out"

"We believe this the only solution of the problem and the only way to produce harmony between the board of regents and the president of the university and the only way in which to insure stability at the university and to attain the high standing to which it aspires. The committee also investigated a certain petition filed by the student body of the university and is of the opinion, without going into detail, that the same was ill advised and unkindly. It is true that most of the grievances set out in the petition have as a basis idle rumor. It is true that many of the grievances contained in the petition are untrue and not founded on fact. It is true that some of the grievances in the petition deserve consideration but in the opinion of the committee, the matter should have first been submitted to the president of the university for investigation and correction, if any be needed.

### "No Prejudice"

"In many instances the grievances amount to only a difference of opinion between the students and the administration. We further believe that such grievances as may require attention if submitted to the president of the university by the students in a sane, proper and dispassionate manner will receive the consideration to which the same will be entitled.

"We realize the situation of those who testified before the committee and were commended that no feeling of prejudice for or against any of those testifying be entertained or manifested by any one concerned."

## BIG BATTLE AT TORREON NEARS

JUAREZ, Mar. 16, (AP)—Rebel headquarters here claimed rebel forces have captured Aguacaliente, about midway between Torreon and Mexico City, seriously hampering the advance of the armies under Calles.

MEXICO CITY, Mar. 16, (AP)—The long-impending battle of Torreon drew nearer as the Federal vanguard crept to within 30 miles of the revolutionary stronghold today.

Calles himself reported at Durango after his bloodless capture yesterday. The latest reports indicated that Calles has amassed an army of 30,000 men, while Rebel General Escobar is believed to have only 5,000, and facing certain defeat if he gives battle.

The only retreat open to the insurgents apparently is along the railroad to Chihuahua.

### EAKER REACHES TAMPICO

BROWNSVILLE, Mar. 16 (AP)—Captain Eaker arrived at Tampico on his flight to Panama at 6:20, leaving almost immediately.

## Culture Thousand Years Old Now Being Dug Up At Door To Las Vegas

BONES, TOOLS, AND OTHER ARCHAEOLOGICAL ARTIFACTS BEING UNEARTHED BY HARRINGTON PARTY IN MOAPA VALLEY, WITH DISCLOSURES REGARDING ANCIENT RACE ATTRACT WIDESPREAD ATTENTION.

Fifty miles from Las Vegas archaeologists are delving into the secrets of a race which lived in the Moapa Valley some 1500 to 2000 years ago.

Right at this city's door is one of the most fascinating and intriguing excavations in the country today, and the "digging" operations, going ahead at this time, are likely to bring to light archaeological finds which will contribute materially to our knowledge of ancient inhabitants of this continent and which will draw the eyes of the world to Southern Nevada in a manner not surpassed even by Boulder Dam.

Mr. Lewis A. Hicks, a civil engineer from Berkeley, California, who is making an extended visit in this city for the benefit of his health, recently made a three-day trip to the Moapa Valley to study the work being done there. From a conversation with W. J. Flowers, assistant secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, the following is quoted.

By LEWIS A. HICKS

I found the camp of an archaeological expedition west of Tokio in the Moapa Valley. The expedition is financed by the Southwestern Museum of Los Angeles, which secured the services of Mr. M. R. Harrington as director. Mr. Harrington is a prominent archaeologist who for some years past has collected for the Museum of the American Indian, Heye Foundation, New York.

While connected with the Heye Foundation, Mr. Harrington, with the cooperation of the State of Nevada, and the assistance of Gov. Scruggam, excavated the Lost City, or Pueblo Grande, near St. Thomas, the official report of which has been published in the American Anthropologist, Vol. 29, No. 3, July-Sept. 1927.

He also restored a house typical of those used by the inhabitants of this Pueblo Grande, a city several miles in length, and with Gov. Scruggam, in 1926, instituted an annual pageant of Indian life to be held at the site of the restored buildings.

Agricultural People From a brief conversation with Mr. Harrington it appeared that the people of Pueblo Grande were primarily agriculturists, raising corn, beans and squash. They used the bow and arrow for hunting mountain sheep, deer and rabbits. They wove coarse cotton fabrics and made blankets by combining bits of animal fur or feathers with a cotton weave.

Twine of yucca fiber was woven into matting, sandals, and used for fastening tool handles. They chewed bits of mescal plants such as our flappers chew gum and the fibrous mass of such "chews" still

## DECISION ON RECALL PENDING

Decision as to the affect of the withdrawal of signers from the petition for the recall of Mayor Fred J. Hesse upon the effectiveness of the petition will be made at an early date by Judge Edwards of Ely, who heard the arguments in the case yesterday in this city.

Judge Edwards returned to Ely today to weigh the arguments of the case.

## NEW POSTOFFICE BUILDING BEGUN

Construction of the new post office building at Second and Carson was begun today by P. J. Sullivan, contractor and owner of the building.

The present construction, which will be completed June 1, will be one story, said Sullivan, but two additional stories will be built later.

A U-shaped post office, with a spacious lobby between two rows of windows, will occupy the major portion of the building.

### TWO KILLED IN WRECK

TOKIO, Mar. 16, (AP)—Two persons were killed and seventeen injured in the derailment of the Tokio express today.

## KNAPP FACES DOPE CHARGE WITH 2 OTHERS

Proprietor of Miners' Club in Jail with Roberts, Mooris; Trio Committed and Awaiting Marshal's Arrival.

Ladd A. Knapp, proprietor of the Miners' Club, and alleged head of a narcotic ring, is in the county jail charged with possession and sale of 183 grains of morphine, along with Henry Roberts and George Mooris, who were caught in the act of selling the dope Wednesday night in the alley back of Knapp's cabin at 218 First Street by Deputy Sheriff R. G. McCubrey.

The three men, who were committed by U. S. Commissioner W. J. Hooper upon complaints filed yesterday by McCubrey, were unable to furnish the required bond of \$5,000 each, and so are in jail awaiting the arrival of the United States marshal from Carson City.

Having seen Knapp give Roberts the morphine and his gun, McCubrey followed and saw the sale attempt made, by Roberts and Mooris, taking the men by surprise, covering them with his shooting iron and clamping the handcuffs on Roberts.

Roberts alleges Knapp and Mooris engineered the affair and furnished him the dope. Knapp already was facing a charge of attempt to rape.

A federal narcotics agent was here yesterday at Deputy McCubrey's request to have the three men committed.

## 'ARTESIA PARK' WORK STARTED

Machinery for the development of the Sund tract, to be opened as Artesia Park Estates by J. T. Lawrence Incorporated next Saturday, arrived in Las Vegas yesterday and was unloaded and moved to the tract, where operations in the grading of streets are being started.

The creation of a two acre lake in the middle of the tract within a week was announced yesterday by F. N. Riley, of this concern.

## GRADE PUPILS GIVE OPERETTA

A beautiful stage setting, bright colored costumes, and tuneful choruses made of the operetta, Yanki San a bit of entertainment long to be remembered.

The pupils of the grammar school presented the operetta under the able direction of Prof. Eldon Larson, Miss Louise Jensen and Miss Edda Lundquist, to all of whom much credit is due.

The stage setting was one of the most decorative ever seen here and was the work of the art classes under the direction of Miss Jensen and Miss Lundquist.

The work of the choruses showed the result of weeks of training by Mr. Larson. Miss Maydell Pistole as pianist and members of the high school orchestra are also entitled to much credit for their work in accompanying the musical selections.

The cast of characters follows: Yanki San ..... Phyllis Laub San Fan ..... Ruth Craner Six other maid—Virginia Beckley, Ruth Marshall, Evelyn Johnson, Ruth Doellittle, Carmen Harvey and Edith Wassen.

Seven roses—Jane Kramer, Hazel Hammond, Dorothy Reid, Maxine Quent, Margaret Reid, La Vaughn Wells, Fannie Brudette.

Prince Toto, father of Yanki San ..... Baron Vales Princess Toto, mother of Yanki San ..... Rachel Heckethorne High Chancellor of the Court of No Man ..... Stanley Forbes Ambassadors of the Mikado—Mike McName, Herbert Ward, and Francis Horsey.

Prince Oto ..... Daniel Dotson Prince Ton Ton ..... Charles Doherty Chorus of youths and maidens—Members of 7th and 8th grades.

### MEASLES IN FLOOD AREA

BIG CREEK, Ala., Mar. 16, (AP)—Measles has broken out among the children along the Pea river. Authorities are taking prompt steps to suppress the disease with antiseptics.

## This One is Not Today's Worst Yarn by a Dam Site

When a New Yorker goes browsing about the desert 'way out from Las Vegas looking for homeside corners and instead finds an ancient kit of prospector's equipment with evidences of tragic circumstances in a long gone day, that's something to write home about.

With Hugh Shamberger, Sherwin was out prospecting around to locate some land when under a "Joshua" tree they found a blanket roll tied with rope, and a canvas water bag hanging from a limb of the tree, empty and weather-beaten.

When they lifted the pack the ropes and blanket fell apart, rotted, and the core of the pack was a short-handled shovel, a rusty hatchet and a handleless broad axe, with a knife and fork wrapped in an old newspaper dated July 12, 1897, printed in Pennsylvania.

The broad axe is now on display in the window at Swanson's Arcade.

"Looked like the prospector may have run out of water and left his load there for lighter traveling, failing to return," said one of the boys.

## THE AGE'S NEW OFFICE REARED IN FOUR DAYS

Contractor Young Beats Six-Day Record on Construction of Printing Plant When Front Building Roofed in Quick Time.

Setting what has been called a record for building in this city, the new office building for the Age, at 411 Fremont which was started four days ago by Contractor C. C. Young, is being roofed today, and will be ready for use early next week.

The new printing plant for this paper at the same address, was built last week by Young, the roof being completed six days from the first breaking of the ground.

Twelve to fifteen men have been kept at work on this job, besides a dozen more engaged in the making of tile at the new post office site at Second and Carson. The same tile will be used in the construction of the new post office building.

Young brings his sand and gravel from Las Vegas Wash, and states that there is a limitless and unexcelled supply within a few miles of this city. He is negotiating for a tract of land with 300 foot frontage between the depot and the ball park for the establishment of a stone tile manufacturing plant calculated to produce 10,000 stone tile a day.

It is expected Young will have an exclusive Clark county franchise from the International Stone Tile Corporation of San Francisco, with headquarters in New York, which company has a patent process for the making of tile.

## SCHOOL BOND VOTE MAR. 30

March 30 is the new date set for the school bond election, called for the purpose of authorizing the additional bonding necessary to raise funds for the construction of the new high school building, it was announced yesterday.

The high school building has been designated the polling place for the election.

## NEW HIGHWAY DEPT. BUILDING

Work was started today on the new building being erected by the highway department to replace the one destroyed by fire several weeks ago.

The new building will be located on the property belonging to the department on North Main and will be larger than the old one. It will be used as a garage and machine shop.

## Canal Survey Contract Signed; Government in Earnest Says Pittman

Arizona Has No Grounds for Court Action, Says Nevada Senator; Both Arguments Shown To Be Groundless.

"Whether or not Arizona ratifies the seven-state compact makes no difference to the federal government ahead with the building of Boulder Dam," said U. S. Senator Key Pittman this morning after his arrival in this city for a stay of a week or ten days.

"Congress stated that the dam would be built if six states ratified, and six states have ratified. 'Threat Is Bluff'.

"As for Arizona's threats of carrying it to the supreme court, I've never heard a lawyer outside of Arizona (and I've talked to a great many) express an opinion that Arizona has any cause of action, and but few Arizona lawyers. In fact, she hasn't any cause for action. I think this threat of court action is taken seriously by the ignorant and is pushed off as a bluff on the part of the wise in Arizona. They can categorize themselves.

"The government does not depend upon the states' consent to build the dam; the United States could build it under her constitutional authority to regulate navigable streams. The Colorado River has been navigated above the dam site for years, and that is the court test of navigability.

"No Apportionment Attempt" The only other point on which court action has been threatened is that the government will be attempting to apportion the waters of the Colorado. The answer to that argument is that nothing in the bill as passed by congress provides for any apportionment of water.

The only thing congress said was that if California says 'no' to the dam, only so much water, leaving the remainder to Arizona and Nevada, the government would build the dam.

"Those are the only two legal grounds Arizona has ever asserted for court action."

## HOTEL SITE IS BEING CLEARED

Tearing down of buildings on what is to be the site of the new hotel to be built on the north side of Fremont street between Second and Third, by George Wingfield, Reno capitalist, was begun this week.

Construction of the hotel will be begun April 1, according to present plans, and it is expected the first unit of the building will be completed around the first of the year. The first unit will comprise 150 rooms, it is said.

## RODEO MULE HAS OWN BANK ACCT

A mule so well educated he even has his own bank account will perform at the Boulder Dam Rodeo here April 6 and 7 with Overland Red, who will stage clowning acts at the show, says Chub Morgan, manager of the rodeo.

Virgil, the mule, does everything but talk, said Morgan. Half of the earnings of Virgil and his master are put into the bank on Virgil's account so that if Red gets reckless and spends all his money there will be funds with which to pay Virgil's fare to the next show.

Red bet all his money on the wrong horse one time at Tia Juana, with the result that Virgil went into hock, and Col. Joe Miller of the 101 Ranch had to "bail" him out to join the show, said Morgan.

Virgil acted in three comedies in Hollywood, and Red's jealousy was so aroused by the fact that he himself couldn't "make the grade," that he took Virgil out of pictures. Virgil acted in one scene where he had to climb into bed and pull the covers over him. A nice green carrot, sewed into the top of the sheet, helped out in this scene.

Overland Red is one of the highest paid rodeo clowns in the country, said Morgan. He has performed in Madison Square Garden, New York City. He is a trick roper and a race rider, and has with him one of the best bulldozing ponies in the business, he added.

Red and his animals come to this rodeo from Deadwood, South Dakota.

## ALABAMA FLOOD HAVOC GROWING

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Mar. 16, (AP)—National Guard planes took off today for the Geneva flood area with food and serum for refugees.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Mar. 16, (AP)—South Alabama's rivers continued to wreak havoc under clearing skies today.

Disease, dread aftermath of floods, broke out in a refugee camp on Big Creek in the southern part of the state.

The rampaging Pea river, which covered Elba with murky waters, bore down on Geneva, on the Florida-Alabama line, which already was inundated somewhat by the Choctawhatchee river.

Reports reaching here said the water is 20 feet deep in the business district of Geneva, and the one story post office is completely submerged. All of Geneva's 3,500 citizens have been removed to refugee camps.

So far, confirmed reports indicated the death list to be at least 12, but others are believed drowned in communities not yet restored to communication.

U. P. SPUR PROGRESSES The 2000 foot industrial spur being built by the Union Pacific railway on the west side is going ahead, having been started early this week. It will extend to prospective industrial sites in the vicinity of the ball park.

## Making of Engineering Plans For All-American Ditch to Start Immediately; Will Cost at Least \$150,000, Estimate.

DENVER, Mar. 16, (AP)—The work of surveying and making final engineering plans for the construction of the all-American canal in the Imperial Valley will be started soon as the result of a contract completed today by Attorney C. L. Childers, representative from the Imperial Valley Irrigation District, and W. P. Dent, chief counsel for the Reclamation Bureau.

The contract presented to the conference of reclamation engineers provides merely that the irrigation district will insure payment of the project.

Dr. Elwood Mead, commissioner of irrigation, gave his approval to the contract, saying that the surveying and engineering work now may be started without further delay.

The cost of the all-American canal is estimated at a hundred fifty to two hundred thousand dollars.

## AIRPLANE PARTY FROM RIVERSIDE VISITING CITY

Mayor in Group of Forty Californians Spending Week-end in Las Vegas and at Dam Site; Will Hold Luncheon.

By airplane from Riverside came six men this morning, including Joseph Sheldon Long, mayor of that city, to visit Las Vegas and the dam site as members of a party of 40 from Riverside who came under the auspices of the Riverside Exchange club to spend the week end here.

Army airplanes were used for the trip, and Major Millard Harmon, of March field, Riverside, and Lieutenant Arnold Pitts, were in one party. Others who came by plane are W. C. Evans, nephew of S. E. Evans; Hayden Hughes, attorney; Albert C. Gage, of the Southern Sierra Power Company.

Dwight W. Velzy, president of the First National Bank of Riverside, was in the group which arrived by automobile last night, as were W. A. Scott, superintendent of the water department, City Engineer Brown, Light Department Superintendent Bowden and Councilman Gihausen.

The party will dine at the Union Pacific dining room at 6:30 this evening.