

SENATOR SMITH NEAR DEATH

Veteran Engineer Unconscious From Stroke, Taken To Hospital

LITTLE HOPE FOR STRICKEN SENATOR

Former Senator Ed. E. Smith, veteran engineer of the Union Pacific, lies in a critical condition this afternoon at the Las Vegas Hospital.

Yesterday Ed was about the street, apparently recovering from the stroke he suffered about a year ago.

This afternoon about three o'clock, alarmed because they had not seen him today, Otis J. Smith and employes of the Troy Steam Laundry of which Senator Smith has long been part owner, went to his room in the Overland Hotel.

Unable to rouse the inmate by knocking they looked through the transom and saw his apparently lifeless form on the bed. They then entered the room through the transom, called the ambulance and conveyed the stricken man to the Las Vegas Hospital.

Dr. F. R. Mildren is making every effort to restore the patient to consciousness but up to the time of going to press was unable to predict the outcome of the stroke.

U. S. CONSUL IS REPORTED SLAIN IN MEX. REVOLT

Rebels Believed on Verge of Capturing Mazatlan in Attack; Gunboat Fires on Insurgents.

NOGALES, Mar. 23. (AP)—The report that American Consul William T. Blocker had been killed in the fighting between the rebels and federals in the Mexican revolution is being investigated by the American consulate here.

NOGALES, Sonora, Mar. 23. (AP)—The fall of Mazatlan to the rebels appeared imminent to rebel headquarters following advice that rebel troops occupied the cemetery, facing the only approach to town over the long bridge.

JUAREZ, Mar. 23. (AP)—Detachments of insurgent soldiers penetrated the territory south of Torreon in a campaign to rout federal troops commanded by Calles. It was announced in the revolutionary report from Jimenez.

NOGALES, Mar. 23. (AP)—Rebel troops in counter-offensives against the government were at the gates of Mazatlan and fighting for possession of the city appeared imminent today.

A force of 6,000 federals, rushing to raise the siege on the city, is not expected until Sunday. Some little fighting already has taken place between 5,000 rebels and 2,500 federal defenders, but with few casualties.

The rebel army, which evacuated Torreon again on its southward move, is now camped at Bermejillo, 30 miles north of Torreon. The long expected attack on Naco, Sonora, apparently is still awaiting "Manana."

PARK ESTATES WORK BEGINS

The recording and approval of the "Artesia Park Estates," subdivision of T. J. Lawrence, Incorporated, on the West Side of the railroad track and to the south, was consummated this week, and the subdividers are now preparing for the selling of land in the new, restricted tract, it was learned this morning.

The development of the ten-acre Artesia park, with lake and swimming pool, and of Meadowbrook boulevard, has been started, and will be well along by this time next week, it is stated.

Las Vegas brokers will handle the lots of Artesia Park Estates, many having already arranged to go ahead with the selling of the Lawrence properties.

T. J. Lawrence was expected to arrive in Las Vegas by airplane today.

MRS. WM. SCHAFFER HAS APPENDICITIS OPERATION

Mrs. William Schaffer of this city underwent an operation for appendicitis at the General Hospital in Redondo, California yesterday morning. She is reported doing nicely.

William Schaffer is employed in the office of The Age.

FOUNDATION OF NEW POSTOFFICE TO BE POURED

One Story Building Will Be Ready for Occupancy June 1, Plan of P. J. Sullivan, Contractor-Owner.

Cement foundations for the new post office building at Carson and Second will be poured early next week, according to P. J. Sullivan, owner of the land and contractor in charge of the building of the structure, which will be leased to the federal government for post office use for ten years.

The building will be 40 by 60 feet, and one story high for the present. There will be heavy columns at the corners, with reinforced concrete corner beams across to bear the weight of the second and third floors, to be built when warranted, according to Sullivan.

The major portion of the walls will be "curtain walls," so constructed, of wet-mixed tile, that when additional openings be desired after the post office moves into the federal building to be constructed later, for store buildings which may be expected to follow the post office there, these walls may be removed sufficiently to allow putting in the additional doors.

The windows will have steel frames, said Sullivan. There will be one door for the public, on the Carson side, and the post office lobby will be lined on three sides with wickets, or windows.

The building will be ready for occupancy June 1, according to present plans.

NEW LUMBER YARD FOR CITY

Louis A. Woltishek, Los Angeles business man for 18 years, has decided after several trips to Las Vegas in the past few months, to engage in the lumber business here, his firm to be known as the Southern Nevada Lumber Company, of which he will be president, and which will be located on Main at Stewart, adjoining Woodward's Downtown auto camp.

Mr. Woltishek has been in the lumber and building business in Los Angeles for a number of years, having built and sold houses in the Wilshire district there. He will not enter the building field here, however, but will engage in the lumber business exclusively, he states.

During the war Woltishek spent a year and a half overseas with the 24th aero squadron. He has a distinguished war record, being credited with the destruction of three German planes in aerial combat in the battles of St. Mihiel and Argonne-Meuse, for which he received two citations.

In 1915 he was first chairman of the aviation committee of the first American Legion post in Southern California, Los Angeles Victory Post Number 8.

BOULDER DAM INTER-COMMUNITY MEET IS PLANNED

The Needles Chamber of Commerce is planning an inter-community meeting to be held here April 27th for the purpose of discussing the mutual problems with the cities to be benefited by the Boulder Dam.

The Needles Chamber of Commerce has invited the Los Angeles city council, Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce, Los Angeles Bureau of Power and Light, San Bernardino Chamber of Commerce, Barstow, Victorville, Kingman, Las Vegas, Oatman and Chloride.

Needles at present is very interested and concerned over the necessity of building a bridge at Needles, which will shorten the distance to Oatman and points east and place us in a very strategic position with reference to the vast acreage which will come under cultivation following development of the Black Canyon Dam. The C. of C. is having a meeting to discuss the bridge question Thursday, March 28.—Needles Nugget.

Today's Worst Yarn b. A Dam Site

Some write the truth about Las Vegas; others just write about Las Vegas.

Virtually every writer who comes to this city leaves with the avowed intention of telling the world the "straight goods" about the situation here.

But the one who takes the cake is the representative of a Los Angeles newspaper who rushed into the Chamber of Commerce office yesterday and excitedly demanded figures on the population and growth of Las Vegas.

He intended to write an article picturing Las Vegas. He had just come in on the stage. He was in a hurry. He kept nervously watching the street. He did not want his bus to escape, for he intended to leave on the same bus.

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'KEMPY' TO BE REPEATED TO BENEFIT CAST

Play's Revival Will Be First in Series of Weekly Presentations; "It Pays to Advertise" Started.

The three-act domestic comedy "Kempy" will be presented again in the near future in this city under the direction of William Street, and with as nearly as possible the same cast as before, as the first of a succession of weekly dramatic presentations to be given here, it was revealed today by Street.

"Kempy," which was played successfully by an all-local cast on March 5, will be repeated for the benefit of the cast, following the playing of "It Pays to Advertise," to be given under Street's direction by a local cast.

Outside talent will be brought in later to assist in the giving of the plays which will follow each week, and each of which will be shown two nights, according to the director. Local actors will continue to take part, it is planned.

The first rehearsal for "It Pays to Advertise," which is a three-act farce, was held yesterday evening, and the next rehearsal is scheduled for 8 o'clock tomorrow evening.

TANKEL BUYS STEWART LAND

The purchase of 180 acres of land on the east side from W. J. Stewart, and 60 lots in the Stewart Addition, by B. B. Tankel was announced by Tankel today.

The 180 acres, which are being subdivided for sale as "Tankel's North Addition," by Tankel and Bryant, realtors, adjoins the Stewart Addition, the Grandview Addition, the Fourteenth Street Addition and Mills' Homesite Addition.

The lots will be sold with building restrictions, the figure of which will be announced later, according to Tankel, and all will be at least 50-foot lots.

The lands are now being staked off, and water, electricity and graveled streets will be put in, he stated. The Stewart Addition is all sold out, said Tankel, and the sixty lots which he bought in that tract are not now for sale.

MACHINERY FOR PAVING ARRIVES

Three carloads of machinery, cement and culvert pipe arrived in this city this week for use in the paving work to be started soon by the Roche-Axman company of Los Angeles.

Earl Roche, of the contracting firm, was expected in Las Vegas today to initiate the work.

SLY TO BOX IN LEGION LINEUP NEXT SATURDAY

Local Boys Who Have Shown Up Best in Past Smokers Will Fight on Card Here March 30.

Ross Ey, 126-pound boy who stole the show on Washington's Birthday at the Legion Post's boxing card, will fight Dave Milford, Georgia lad, as the headline event of the next Legion card, Saturday, March 30.

Many requests for another appearance of Ey have been received by the Legion, said Tommy McFarland, matchmaker, today, but he has been unable to sign him previously because of the condition of his hands, which were injured in his last bout through the constant hammering of his "tough" opponent.

Sly's hands are now in good condition again, and the customers can look forward to a wonderful bout, as the boys are training diligently, said McFarland.

Miller-Custer Again

Milford has been making Las Vegas his home for some time, and has been coming to the front in rapid strides.

Vernon Miller, the Vegas middle-weight sensation, will be rematched with Chief Custer, the Indian boy who boxed him recently. The Chief did not have time to get in good condition for his previous match, but is confident of taking Miller into camp this time.

Farrel To Fight

Farrell, local welterweight, will be matched with a good boy from Salt Lake. He is improving rapidly, according to McFarland, and always pleases with his aggressiveness.

Williams and Jimmy Barton are matched for a four-rounder.

Delays in starting, due to boxers' failure to arrive, will be eliminated, also setting arrangement simplified, said McFarland.

SETTLE ROUTE LINCOLN-CLARK CO. HIGHWAY

Caliente, Alamo, Moapa Route Adopted by Bill Passed by Legislature Thursday Evening.

The controversy over the routing of the Caliente-Las Vegas highway which has long been advocated of the Alamo-Corn-Creek-Las Vegas, and Alamo-Moapa-Las Vegas routes, was finally settled when the state senate Thursday evening at 7:30 passed the bill redesignating routes of state highways.

The route receiving the legislative sanction comes from Caliente via Crystal Springs, Alamo and Moapa, joining the Arrowhead Highway at Glendale. This route appealed to the legislators as that which would best serve the interests of the people of both counties.

The bill passed the assembly by a vote of 30 ayes; 1 no, with two absent and 5 not voting. In the senate the vote was 15 ayes; one absent and one not voting.

James Hollinger, Edgar Nesbitt and Will Love appeared before the legislature representing the interests of Lincoln county people. Robert Wells and Clarence Lewis represented the people of Moapa Valley.

Wells and Lewis, their business finished with the passage of the bill, lit out for home in their car Thursday evening and arrived in Vegas at 1:00 Friday afternoon on their way home—which is rambling through the night.

LAWRENCE, SON VISIT

T. J. Lawrence and his son, Donovan H. Lawrence, who is secretary and treasurer of the T. J. Lawrence company of California, came to Las Vegas by plane today for a brief business trip, and will return by plane tonight.

Who says Sen. Duffill's Chinaman Chauffeur hasn't sense of humor

Charged with forging his employer's name to several checks, Jim Wong, Chinese valet and chauffeur for Albert Duffill, assemblyman from Clark county, was arrested this week by the police, says the Reno Gazette. He was arraigned this morning before Justice of the Peace Longabaugh and his bail set at \$1500.

Wong's activities became known to the police when some of the checks were returned to Reno and it was alleged they were forged. According to the police, he had obtained nearly \$1000 by this method, most of which he had sent to a woman in Las Vegas. The latter, the officers said, left for Los Angeles recently.

When arraigned in the justice court, Wong said he wanted to see his attorney. The judge asked him if he had a lawyer and Wong replied in the negative but added that "my boss very smart lawyer. He might do."

BERKELEY MAN PREPARES NEW SUBDIVISION

Lorenzi Lake Manor Being Improved as High Class Residential Property with Restrictions.

"Lorenzi Lake Manor" is the name of a high class residential subdivision with all modern improvements which is being prepared for sale under the direction of Charles McLain, a prominent real estate operator of Berkeley, California, who is transferring his main office to Las Vegas.

The new enterprise includes 60 acres extending from the highway to the Lorenzi Lake Resort, making 314 lots ranging in size from 60 by 100 to 50 by 100 feet. Building restrictions will be 3,500, with one small block at the entrance to the property reserved for business purposes. A monumental entrance will grace the entrance to the 80-foot Lorenzi Boulevard at the highway.

Complete and modern improvements of high class are planned. All streets will be improved with macadam of a selected grade, with concrete walks and curbs. A street lighting system will be installed tesian walls with ample pressure and water will be piped from ar-for sprinkling and fire protection.

Mr. McLain declares that when completed, Lorenzi Lake Manor will be improved on a par with any high class residential property in any California city. The opening of the property will take place on a date to be announced later.

Mr. McLain has his temporary office at the Overland Hotel. The office will be later transferred to 321 South Main street where it will remain until such time as Mr. McLain can secure a site and erect a building. The main office will be located here, with branch offices in Berkeley and elsewhere.

24 HONORED AT HIGH SCHOOL

Twenty-four Las Vegas high school students were named on the honor roll for the fourth six weeks' period, according to The Desert Breeze, high school newspaper. They are:

Seniors—Nancy Craig, Ivan DeSonne, Alice Doherty, Helen Garner, Yvonne Loewick, and Arlene Stewart.

Juniors—Marjorie Bartell, Ethel Cory, Angus Hicks, Frances Kramer, Abe Miller, Ben Sheahan, Edward VonTobel and Lawrence Western.

Sophomores—Mazie Martin. Freshmen—Bruce Beckley, Wanda Bell, Ruth Bradshaw, Delbert Cook, Helen Miller, George Ullom, Marguerite Stewart, Evan Easden and John William Park.

MANY BILLS ENACTED BY LEGISLATURE

Bullion Tax, Geological Survey, Elections, Civil War Claims, Bureau of Mines Dealt With by Solons.

The Nevada state legislature has been doing a tremendous amount of work this week, passing upon many bills each day. Among bills passed by the two houses are the following:

Assembly Bill 125, providing for assessments against town or city property for civic improvements, was passed by the senate.

Assembly Bill 127, by Miller, requiring the registration of births and deaths, was passed by the senate.

Assembly Bill 190, requiring the fencing of red light districts, was passed by the assembly.

Senate Bill 116, providing for the collection of bullion tax from non-metallics was passed by the assembly.

Survey Cooperation

Senate Bill 115, the Cole bill, providing for cooperation in the geological survey of the state, was passed by the assembly without amendment.

Senate Bill 75, amending the election law by allowing postmasters to take affidavit for absent voters' ballot and thus saving duplication of service, was passed by the assembly.

Assembly Bill 17, distributing the money from the civil war claims of Nevada by providing for the redemption of the 380,000 bond issue of irredeemable school bonds, and helping defray the costs of the repair bill for the state buildings at Carson City, was passed by the senate.

Assembly Bill 212, by Duffill, prohibiting the soliciting of trade by attorneys, was passed by the senate.

R. E. Bus Lines

Assembly Bill 236, by Kennedy, amending the general corporation act by allowing rail corporations to establish bus lines without change of their incorporations, passed by senate.

Assembly Bill 137, by Lyons, the motor truck law which is aimed to prevent itinerants from doing business without proper license, placing them on the same status as other such transportation means, was passed by the senate.

Assembly Bill 83, by Boak, creating the bureau of mines at the state university, was passed by the senate.

BUZZ MORRISON IN MEXICAN WAR

"Buzz" Morrison, aviator, who was in Vegas for several weeks with his plane, taking many people on flights to Boulder Dam site and other places about the country, is now in the service of the Mexican government quelling the current revolution.

"Buzz" left here a week ago last Monday, destination unknown. Now he is chasing rebels over the Mexican deserts.

In a letter to his friend H. S. Thompson of the Western Air Express, Morrison says under date of March 19:

"Hi, Tommy and Gang: Well, here I am in Naco flying a Hiso 150A Travelair for the Mexican government. Who'd a think it? I catch \$300 per month, paid weekly, and all expenses—not so bad.

"We move the plane over on the Mexican side of the line tomorrow or the next day and start scattering literature at Nogales and Agua Prieta. Look it up on the map and find out where your little boy friend is flitting.

"They are short runs but not short enough with a Hisso that cuts out one bank on one mag, and only gets 20 lbs. oil pressure, the damn bearings are so loose.

"In case something exciting comes up you can wire me here, care Mexican Consul, Naco, Arizona.

"Love and Kisses, BUZZ."