

Motion Picture Stars Drop Into Las Vegas

DOUG, MARY, LILLIAN GISH AND PARTY ON AN AIR PICNIC, VIEW BOULDER CANYON DAM SITE THIS AFTERNOON.

Dropping down from the air at Vegas airport this afternoon, Doug Fairbanks, Mrs. Fairbanks (Mary Pickford), Gwen Pickford, niece of Mrs. Fairbanks, Mrs. Robert Fairbanks, Miss Lillian Gish and Mr. and Mrs. Shalif (visitors from Russia) are here for the purpose of seeing the new developments going on and incidentally to view the Boulder Dam site by air.

The party is really on a pleasant little air excursion in a Ford tri-motored wisp plane. From Los Angeles they went into Mexico, landing at Agua Caliente; thence to Phoenix where they remained over night at the new Biltmore; thence to Grand Canyon where they were yesterday and last night; thence to Las Vegas today, flying down the Grand Canyon.

Mr. Fairbanks, who made a brief stop in Las Vegas 12 years ago when he spoke in one of the Liberty Bond drives, is much interested in the Boulder Dam project because of the tremendous development it will bring to the whole southwest. Incidentally, the entire party are interested in the future which the great project will bring to Las Vegas.

"But we are just out on a little air picnic, taking a little rest and enjoying ourselves as private citizens without a thought of the motion picture industry," said Mr. Fairbanks.

The party left at three o'clock for Los Angeles in their Ford plane, flying conditions being more favorable than they had expected to find them.

PRELIMINARY BOULDER WORK FUNDS READY

\$230,000 Available From Reclamation Appropriation, Says Mead; Success Assured, He Says.

The preliminary work on Boulder Canyon Dam is getting under way as evidenced by the recent session of the reclamation commission at Denver, at which the various plans for the work were discussed.

Dr. Evood Mead, commissioner of reclamation, told the conference of reclamation engineers he had found a way to finance preliminary engineering work for the construction of the Boulder Dam and all-American canal.

The commissioner pointed out that the funds will come out of a special appropriation of \$230,000 made by the last congress for investigating of reclamation projects. This sum, he said, will not be available to reclamation service until June because of provision in the Swing-Johnson bill that no money may be spent on the dam until six months after the bill is signed by the president and a six-state compact is ratified.

"Our present conference in Denver is to consider many details in the expenditure of our appropriation of \$11,000,000 for the fiscal year of 1929-1930," Dr. Mead said. "In our 20 years' service there have been left many projects unfinished and as we are nearing the end of our 10-year program we want to clear all of them up."

Dr. Mead is not apprehensive of any impediment to the building of Boulder Canyon Dam, says the Mohave Miner, "as the funds for the project have been located, only the arrival of the tri-state compact, or the expiration of the six months' period being awaited to start the gathering of contracts for power that will assure amortization of the project within the next fifty years."

"While he feels that Arizona should come into the compact of states, he believes that it is not necessary to the success of the financing to have all the states in agreement. The six-state compact assures the success of the undertaking, and it appears that suits or other vexatious impediments cannot hold the work up for one minute."

HONOR SCOUTS FROM L. A. ARE FETED HERE

Visitors Bring Letters to Las Vegas Officials from Mayor, Chamber of Commerce Head.

Three carloads of Honor Scouts from the Los Angeles Council came in from Los Angeles Friday evening and were entertained at a banquet at the Methodist church sponsored by the Kiwanis club. The trip was made in cars furnished by the Los Angeles Bureau of Light and Power, piloted by Messrs. Brainerd Peck and West.

Letters of greeting were presented to the Mayor of Las Vegas and to President Ham of the Chamber of Commerce from the Mayor of Los Angeles and the President of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce.

A letter was also presented to the Rev. C. S. Reynolds, pastor of the local Methodist church from Dr. L. P. Guild, who is district superintendent of the Los Angeles district of the Methodist church, introducing the leader of the group, the Rev. Byron P. Hovey, who was regularly appointed by the Methodist church to Boy Scout work in the Los Angeles council.

On Saturday morning the boys were taken on the trip to the river, and while there enjoyed the boat trip. After luncheon they returned to Las Vegas and were taken through the railroad shops.

In the evening the visitors were taken to the movies by K. O. Knudson, local scout executive. Sunday morning the boys attended church services and after church left for the return trip to Los Angeles.

All Prize Scouts All the boys making the trip were prize scouts and have distinguished themselves by their work in civic enterprises.

Those in the group were Robert Lazarus, Senior Patrol Leader; Michel Gleis, Scribe; Ted Covert, Sea Scout and Patrol Leader; Gordon MacLeod, Stuart Frye, Arthur Chaffield, Fenwick Kendall, Bob Bredman, Robert Fletchley, Art Wazler and Richard Dicker.

H. S. STUDENTS GET 'IN DUTCH' FOR OPERETTA

They'll Bring a Touch of Holland to Las Vegas Friday and Saturday When They Stage 'Tulip Time.'

"Tulip Time," the high school operetta, will be presented Friday and Saturday nights by the Las Vegas high school glee club.

MEXICO REBELS MEET DEFEAT AT MAZATLAN

Calles Seems to Have Upper Hand in Revolution; Although Insurgents Deny Siege is Lifted.

MAZATLAN, Mar. 26. (AP)—The defeat of the rebel besiegers of Mazatlan left General Calles free to continue concentration of the government forces in North Central Mexico, and along the West coast.

General Carrillo, defending commander of Mazatlan, reported the rebels were fleeing northward after a sanguinary encounter. Juarez, rebel headquarters, however, denies the siege is lifted. The federals placed casualties of the battle of Mazatlan at fifty-eight rebel dead and three federal dead.

Calles' strategy is now to force the insurgents into Sonora and hold the rebellion there until it is stamped out.

PHOENIX, Mar. 26. (AP)—Governor Phillips is launching an inquiry into the report that a body of Mexican troops crossed onto Arizona last night en route from San Luis to Naco, Sonora, without having first obtained a permit from Arizona and United States authorities.

NEW AGE PLANT IS NOW READY FOR OCCUPANCY

Installation of New Duplex Press Almost Completed; Moving of Equipment Will Be Begun Soon.

The finishing touches were being put on the new office and printing plant of the Age at 411 Fremont today, the installation of the new Duplex press, capable of turning out 6,000 completely folded papers an hour, is expected to be completed by tomorrow, and the moving of equipment from the present location to the new one will be well along by the end of the week.

C. C. Young, building contractor and tile maker, superintended the laying of floors and completion of other woodwork today, two weeks after the office building was started, and the new home of this newspaper, much more spacious than the present quarters, will be at convenience throughout.

DELIVERY WAGON FOR LAS VEGAS

The Railway Express Agency, successor to the American Railway Express, through Mr. C. B. Winn, commercial agent, who is in Las Vegas today, announces that it will put in operation a truck and driver for the free collection and delivery of shipments.

The service will be greatly appreciated by the entire business community of Las Vegas, which up to this time has had to get along without this accommodation.

SMITH LINGERS NEAR TO DEATH

Former Senator Remains Unconscious Following Stroke Last Saturday—No Hope of Recovery.

Former Senator Ed E. Smith, who was taken from his room in the Overland Hotel Saturday following a paralytic stroke, remains in an unconscious condition at the Las Vegas Hospital.

This is the third time Senator Smith has suffered a stroke during the past year or two. Although he had been able to be about the streets up to last Friday, he was in an enfeebled condition.

Dr. Mildren, the attending physician, holds out no hope of the patient's recovery.

VEGAS BAND SUPPORT WILL BE PETITIONED

Levy for Backing of Proposed Organization to Be Voted at Coming Election, Say Musicians.

Support of the city of Las Vegas for the formation of a municipal band will be asked at the next election if a petition to be launched by F. M. Doolittle and Jim Kelly takes effect.

"This city needs a municipal band and might as well have one," said Doolittle, who is leader of the Union Pacific band. "We expect to circulate petitions within the next two weeks, in time to get action soon enough to bring the question before the voters."

Will Ask Levy "Ten per cent of the registered voters are all that will be required to put the question of a three or four mill levy for support of a band on the ballot."

Jim Kelly has led the San Pedro Elks' band for the past three years, said Doolittle. He is a brother of Matt Kelly, leader of the school boys' band.

Band Two Years Ago The last Las Vegas band was disbanded about two years ago, and was in reality an Elks' band, he said. It was led by Doctor Bunce.

"About 42 pieces are now available for a municipal band," said Doolittle, "but the boys cannot be expected to buy everything themselves, as they have had to do in times past."

CHAMBER HELD WEEKLY MEET

The special committee consisting of C. P. Squires, Al Cahlan and W. E. Ferron, appointed to consider the request for endorsement of Mr. McCauley as community correspondent, at the meeting of the Chamber of Commerce today recommended that the Chamber should not endorse any of the publicity plans being presented to it.

That such endorsements would establish embarrassing precedents and would be a departure from the traditional policy of the Chamber. Also that the Chamber should not attempt by such endorsements to impose an additional burden on the businessmen of the community.

Mr. Squires, in making the committee's report, made it clear that the report is in no way a reflection upon the ability or creditability of Mr. McCauley or any other applicants for similar endorsements.

Dr. Park reported that his resignation from the City Planning Commission had been accepted and that the Commission has been reorganized with W. E. Ferron as president, Robert Griffith, Mrs. C. D. Breeze, and W. J. Rhoads. Mr. Ferron stated that the commission would meet every Wednesday evening at 7:30 at the city commission room, and invited all to be present with suggestions.

A letter was read stating that officials of the Union Pacific would hold a meeting at the Majestic Theater Friday evening to discuss the subject of "Better Transportation," and that the public is invited.

E. H. Dale was elected to membership in the Chamber.

Miss Mona Kay, being introduced by K. O. Knudson, spoke briefly in favor of the school bonds, the election for which will be held next Saturday. She said in part:

"Many do not know how badly we need a new high school building. In some of the rooms there are 48 pupils, too many for a teacher to manage and creating unhealthy conditions. The reason why we need the high school building first is because the grammar school building which the latter now needs. Our high school which is now an accredited school, but in 1930 we will be again examined and cannot hope to be accredited then if present conditions are not remedied."

"The amount of the bond issue asked for is \$250,000, which with the \$100,000 remaining from the last issue, will give us \$350,000, sufficient to build the best high school in the state."

President Ham introduced the following recently elected members who were present and each of whom responded: Mr. Dale, Mr. Brock, Mr. Tanke, Mr. Bryant, Mr. Alward and Mr. Riley.

BOY BURNED IN PLANE CRASH

LOS ANGELES, Mar. 26. (AP)—P. Sumner Brown, Jr., 21-year-old son of a prominent Los Angeles real estate broker, burned to death here today in an airplane crash.

Lawrence Program Is Of Tremendous Scope

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HEARS PLANS FOR DEVELOPMENT OF HOLDINGS, INCLUDING GREAT RESORT HOTEL AND MODERN AIRPORT.

Frank N. Riley, representing Mr. T. J. Lawrence in the development of a principality of 5,400 acres of the finest land in the Vegas Valley, at the meeting of the Chamber of Commerce this afternoon made the first official announcement in detail of the plans of the organization.

"We have undertaken a man-sized job," said Mr. Riley, "and we desire the cooperation of the Chamber of Commerce and will ourselves cooperate with them in every possible way."

NO MOVE FOR FIGHT MADE BY ARIZONA SOLONS

Legislature Adjourns Without Action Against Boulder Dam; Municipal Airports Authorized.

The Arizona legislature closed its ninth session without any provision for instituting a judicial fight against Boulder Dam, perusal of a list of the enactments made during the session and published in the Mohave County Miner shows.

Some of the bills passed by the Arizona solons are as follows: Senate Bill 1116, by Truman of Pinal, providing for the construction of a road from Florence toward Gilbert through the utilization of prison labor.

House Bill 188 by Meaurio of Maricopa, and Finch of Yavapai, placing the control of dams and levees in the control of the state engineer.

House Bill 147, by Ivy and Henderson of Maricopa and Coxon of Cochise, prohibiting the taking of bets on horse races and other games.

House Bill 168 by Meaurio of Maricopa, and Finch of Yavapai, placing the control of dams and levees in the control of the state engineer.

House Bill 165, directing the expenditure of a balance in the appropriation for the Wickenburg-Lake Mead highway.

MORE ARE OUT ON BOND IN RUM CASE

Ferguson, McClelland and Hammond Now at Large; Bond Said to Have Been Set Up by L. A. Concern.

Three of the men who were arrested at Carson City by the grand jury for alleged prohibition activities in Nevada were released Saturday from the Washoe county jail.

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REMATCHES FOR LEGION SMOKER

Men who have already fought each other will be matched at the Legion smoker Saturday night.

Vernon Miller will give Chief Custer another crack at him, with both men in training, and Warren Farrell and Pete Peterson, at 148 pounds, will meet in another rematch, fighting four rounds.

Ross Sly, who stole the show February 22, will box Dave Milford, "pride of Georgia," in an eight round feature match. Kid Williams of Las Vegas and Bill Reynolds will stage the opener at 120 pounds.

FATE OF BUZZ YET IN BALANCE

The fate of Buzz Morrison, Nevada aviator formerly located in this city, and who was captured by the Mexican revolutionists, against whom he was flying in the employ of the federales, is unknown here today. It is believed likely that he will be freed soon.

Morrison was forced to land because of engine trouble, according to one version. He was caught while trying to burn a bridge, according to another. At all events, he has wired his parents at Reno that he is safe, and negotiations for his release are being carried on.

CLARK REMAINS ON COMMISSION

Following the passage of a bill providing for the cutting of the Nevada Colorado River Commission from five to three members comes the announcement that the three men to comprise the commission will be Governor Baker, State Engineer Malone and Ed Clark of Las Vegas.

Mrs. Jack Crane returned to Las Vegas recently after having spent a month visiting relatives at Santa Cruz, California.

Miss Bertha Akin, of the Las Vegas high school faculty, will take a number of domestic science students to Reno early in April to participate in the state contests in cooking, sewing, and other branches of home economics.

The freshman "Kid Party" held in the Las Vegas high school gymnasium last night was well attended, by both students and parents. The gym was attractively decorated for the occasion.

Mr. J. H. Brinley, faculty adviser for the class, was sponsor for the affair.

Approximately \$100 was raised by the local Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers at their annual dance Saturday night.

The dance was well attended. R. V. McFar, R. A. Rhinehart and H. J. Healy were the committee in charge, and Harley Harmon acted as floor manager. The "Nitelites" furnished the music for the occasion.

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