

FIRM WILL BUILD AIRPORT HERE

P. A. SIMON ANNOUNCES PLANS FOR NEW FIELD

Work on Ground to be Started Next Week, Says Vegas Business Man, Member of New Corporation; Site 7 Miles North of City.

Las Vegas will have an airport soon, seven and one-half miles north of the city.

P. A. Simon is authority for that statement and behind it is the fact that work will begin on the field early next week, airport engineers to arrive for the drawing up of detailed plans before next Tuesday.

The "Las Vegas, Nevada, Airport Inc." is financing the new air field, according to Simon, who is local agent for the Texas Company, and who, with his associates, will be owners of the airport.

Thus does promise of the solution to this city's pressing civic problem make its appearance, for, although the field will be privately owned and operated, there will be no charge for use of the field for landings, and it thus will be in the nature of a public field, according to Simon.

Boogs to Use Field

Two air lines already have made arrangements to use the new field, Simon stated. One of these is the Nevada Airlines, Inc., of which G. Ray Boggs of the Gold Ace Mines is president and which company was recently granted a franchise to run an air line from Reno to Las Vegas.

One thing that has kept this company from beginning regular operations from here to Reno has been lack of good landing facilities here. The present field, a mile and a fraction south of the city, is not really an airport, but only a flat of land on which Leigh Hunt, owner, has graciously permitted the landing of planes for several years.

The other company which has spoken for the privilege of landing on the projected field will operate planes from Vegas to Los Angeles, according to Simon, who refused to divulge the name of the company at the present time.

Will Invest Express

Naturally Western Air Express will be privileged to use the field if it so desires, said Simon, and if that concern desires to lease plots of land at the airport for the construction of stations and hangars that matter will be taken up.

The location of the airport will be half a mile to the east of the Salt Lake City highway and seven and a half miles from town. The land is hardpan with a layer of soft earth and the runways, 4,000 feet by 200, will be graded according to Simon.

Contract for the drilling of a well at the field site has been let to A. C. Derrick, who will start the sinking of the well soon, it is believed.

"Planers Coming"

A party of four specialists will arrive Sunday or Monday "not later than Tuesday," to start plans for the port, Simon said yesterday. They are:

G. Ray Boggs; Capt. Roscoe Turner of Los Angeles, also of the Nevada Airlines; L. D. Fish, airport engineer of the Gilmore Oil Company of Los Angeles, who has helped plan and establish many airports in the west; and Larry Cooper, aviation engineer of the Texas Company.

A hangar with capacity to house six ships will be built by the owners, also a ticket office and waiting room and a soda and lunch room. There will be lawns and the place will be artistically laid out and beautified, it is stated.

Taxi Service Planned

There will be taxi service to meet regular air lines.

Most modern equipment will be installed, including gas dispensers, flood, spot and beacon lights, and other equipment.

Simon has been trying for months to perfect some sort of arrangement with the city whereby an airport could be built by himself and the city to be used as a municipal field. These efforts however, have been unsuccessful; hence the present organization.

Mr. and Mrs. Lindy Sought in Georgia

SAVANNAH, Ga., May 31 (UP)—The search for Colonel Lindbergh and his bride of four days shifted tonight to a little semi-tropical island off the Georgia coast, a spot as secluded and steeped in legend as may be found on the Atlantic coast.

A rumor that the celebrated newlyweds were honeymooning on St. Katherine's Island circulated late today, but tonight reporters were baffled by the inaccessibility of their goal.

Shriners Arrive in L. A. For Conclave

LOS ANGELES, May 31 (UP)—First of the estimated 50,000 Shriners who hold their annual convention here next week, arrived in Southern California at noon today.

Rotary Program Is Devoted To Memorial Day

Ministers, Legionnaires Give Appropriate Addresses at Meeting of Club Thursday After Ceremony.

The meeting of the Rotary Club Thursday afternoon was devoted to a program commemorating Memorial Day.

Dave Davis was program chairman for the day and had as guests about 20 members of American Legion Post No. 8.

Rev. C. H. Sloan was the first speaker on the program. He delivered an inspiring address, bringing out the following thoughts:

"There are battles among individuals, history has shown that these are at which are battles. I fear that there are always wars and I believe in national preparedness. He presented some of the many arguments against war and suggested that many times wars might be averted.

War does not pay from an economic standpoint. Even the victorious nation is loser. The last year of the World War cost us ten million dollars an hour. In 1920, 93 per cent of the national income went for paying the costs of wars. The Wall Street Journal points out that in the national budget for 1920, five per cent of every dollar will be spent for war purposes.

Work for Peace

Another war will be even more terrible than the last. We must have to fight, and if we must we will. But let us work for peace.

Sam Shaw, commander of American Legion Post No. 8, was the second speaker. He related a touching story of how he and his buddy, in Seattle at the beginning of the war, found that there were many who did not respect the flag and stood with covered heads as it passed by. They each got a small flag which they carried with them.

During a fire scare near the close of the war, Sam's buddy tied his small flag to the bayonet of his gun and started. That night Sam found him, the flag still on the gun and his face to the enemy. But he had paid the supreme sacrifice.

Rev. C. S. Reynolds of the M. E. church was the third speaker on the program. He stressed our responsibility to the future generations, in the formation of the highest of ideals, with due reverence for the memory of those who have devoted their lives for us in the past.

We of today must perpetuate those institutions and principles for which so much devotion has been shown in the past, preserving and building upon them in the most worthy manner of which we are capable he said. We are products of past generation and must be unselfish in our viewpoint for the future, laying the foundation for perpetuation and improvement of the ideals for which wars have been fought in the past.

Tribute to Heroes

In tribute to the heroism of our men in the World War, he related an incident in which group of scouts was sent one night into No Man's Land. All returned at the appointed time except one.

After hope of his return had been abandoned he came back to the lines. Asked how he found his way back he said that he set his course by observing the faces of our dead boys lying on the field, each with his face to the foe.

In the news of those gone before, he said there was reflected more than bravery—idealism. The principles back of the Stars and Stripes can never be forgotten.

Another pleasing feature of the meeting was the introduction by Dr. O. Knudson of Joe Phillips winner of the senior scholarship of the Rotary Club, who responded by saying he hoped to be worthy of the confidence shown in him.

Miss Maude Frazier, city superintendent of schools, told of the important stimulus to the school work the Rotary scholarship had proved to be and said that she considered this the biggest thing that the Rotary club has done.

SHRINERS TO STOP OFF IN LAS VEGAS TODAY

The first trainload of Shriners headed for Los Angeles for the convention went through Las Vegas yesterday, and many more will pass through today.

Some are expected to stop over for a time to visit Las Vegas and the dam site. A gay and hilarious time is expected where parties of them get to walking the streets in their colorful garb, possibly even with their bands playing.

After Their Seven Days in an Airplane



Unshaven, tired, unkempt, here are Reginald Robbins and James Kelly after their 17 1/2 hours in the air over Fort Worth, Texas when they came down to earth and were affectionately greeted by their wives. Left to right are Robbins and Mrs. Robbins, Kelly and Mrs. Kelly.

Moving Of Post Office to New Site Delayed

Failure of Part of Equipment to Arrive Makes Date of Transfer Uncertain, States Postmaster Griffith.

The opening of the new postoffice building will have to be delayed indefinitely until some time next week or week after next, probably next week, because of delay in shipment of part of the new equipment which is to be installed in the postoffice, according to a statement made yesterday by Robert B. Griffith, postmaster.

The mail boxes, which were manufactured in Los Angeles, have all been installed, and much of the other equipment has arrived and is being put into place.

"I am afraid to make any statement as to the definite date on which we will move," said Griffith, "for it all depends on when the rest of the materials arrive."

The new building, which is on the corner of First and Carson, now has the genuine appearance, interior and exterior, of a first-class postoffice, and, with all new equipment, much better working conditions and consequently better service, will be made possible, it is pointed out.

Parley to Get River Flow Data

Colorado Commissioners To Proceed with Conference After Making Study of Information Sheets.

WASHINGTON, May 31 (UP)—E. B. Debler, engineer of the Interior department, stationed at Denver, was summoned to Washington today in an effort to assemble the Colorado River flow data for the tri-state lower basin conference which is in session here.

Debler is expected to arrive Monday with information for the commissioners trying to affect an Arizona compromise. Conference members will be furnished with a mimeographed answer to Arizona's nine open and California's four questions. They will study these answers before conferring further in an attempt to divide amicably the lower basin waters of the Colorado river and to arrange a revenue schedule.

Hoover Praises Reparation Stand

WASHINGTON, May 31 (UP)—President Herbert Hoover regards the reparations agreement reached by the experts' conference in Paris as a very notable contribution to the stability and economic progress of Europe, it was said officially today at the White House.

"The President is hopeful that the solution will lead to the further rehabilitation of European commerce and industry and finance in the near future."

Mrs. Grace Crawford and nephew Billy Stinson will leave tomorrow morning for Orange, California, where they will spend three weeks.

With One Leg Mexican Wins Fame As Athlete After Years as Invalid

MEXICO CITY, May 31 (UP)—Gabriel Tornell lost his right leg when he was 16 year old but instead of turning into an invalid he became an athlete. Now at the age of thirty-four, Tornell is one of the best sights of Mexico City. He rides bareback, swims, plays basketball, tennis and hamboon, rides a bicycle, boxes and can do all manner of stunts in a gymnasium.

From five a. m. to mid-day he is acting-in-chief for the Mexico City Street Railway. Afternoons he is director of Playgrounds for the Federal District. And between times he is looking after his six children in his home in Mixcooca, a suburb of the capital.

Tornell might have been a general in the Mexican army by now had it not been for the loss of his leg.

In 1912 he was a cadet in the Military College. The rifle of a fellow-cadet, accidentally discharged, hit a bullet at close range into his right limb.

Barely Escaped Death

For several days Tornell was on the verge of dying and for weeks afterwards the wound caused him agony. Finally, the amputation, and "well, one leg gone, his body shattered by the catastrophe, was an invalid.

"First," he said, "I made up my mind that I must live. Then I determined that I would not be an invalid. I decided that my calamity was a challenge to my spirit and, fighting it out within myself, my courage returned."

So important to Tornell was this quest over his infirmity that he believes many invalids could restore themselves to normal if they fostered the growth of their wills and made up their minds to conquer hardship.

Within nine years his skill had developed so that he gave his first public exhibition in 1921 at a Centennial celebration. Diplomats and delegations of Americans who came to Mexico especially for the celebration were among the thousands to see the remarkable one-legged man perform amazing feats of strength and agility.

The year before this exhibition Tornell had won the pistol-shooting championship of Mexico in a competition at the military college.

At the moment, Tornell's great interest is his work as playground director. The plan of the Federal District authorities calls for the present there are only four playgrounds. The task of obtaining equipment for these parks and training assistants to aid Tornell apparently will be an undertaking of several years. "It can be done if we only have the spirit," Tornell says, adding, "My ideal is to develop real sportsmanship among the youth of Mexico."

Hoosier Paper Tells How "Terre Haute Lawyer is Lucky in Nevada"

(From the Saturday Spectator, Terre Haute, Ind.)

Negotiations are now pending whereby Attorney Nantz will soon dispose of his holdings in Las Vegas at an advantageous price, he says his daughter, Miss Goldie Nantz, a teacher at McLean Junior high school, who has some property there, will retain it for a time at least. When the rush began to secure business property in Las Vegas, following the approval of the project by congress, Mr. Nantz spent several dollars every day for some time, answering telegrams offering fabulous prices for his property.

Attorney Nantz purchased the property in Las Vegas through a member of his law class at the Louisville university, with whom he had been very intimate. He had not seen or heard from him for a number of years after their graduation, but one day received a letter inviting him to join in a miniature protect near Goldfield, Nevada. They corresponded for a while and some time later while in the west on business Mr. Nantz visited his friend. The latter called his attention to the desirability of investment in Las Vegas, saying the valley in which it was situated would some day become noted for its productivity, and when it developed property in Las Vegas would attain a high and permanent value. The "Terre Haute" purchased a fifty foot lot in the heart of the then small town, paying \$2,000 for it.

Increase Shown

That was eighteen years ago. The lot had two small houses on it, and the rental of these has

Bible School To Open On Monday

Daily Vacation Sessions Will Be Conducted at M. E. Church for Three Weeks. Rev. Reynolds Announces.

The opening of a daily Vacation Bible School at the Methodist church Monday morning was announced yesterday by the Rev. C. S. Reynolds, pastor.

The school will be open to the entire community regardless of the boys and girls attending. According to C. S. Reynolds, pastor of the church, a carefully selected nomination, and will be free to all faculty is ready to handle the teaching and administration work of the school.

The school will be graded into three departments, the kindergarten, the primary and the junior. The curriculum will consist of Bible stories, Bible memory work, the memorizing of certain standard hymns and handwork.

Special features of the school will be a directed program of recreation, an exhibit of all handwork at the close of the school and an airing of the work of the school, especially arranged program featuring will take place on the evening of the closing day.

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Council to Consider New Electrical Code

The proposed new city electrical ordinance, code, recently drawn up by electricians and contractors and being considered for passage by the city council, probably will be one of the first matters to come before the newly organized board of city commissioners after they hold their first meeting June 3, according to C. Roland Brauch, secretary of the contractors and electrical workers.

The code was presented some weeks ago for the first reading and when the month's time is up will come up again, this happening to be after the new board members have organized.

McDonald Hotel Tile Work Done By O. K.

Tiling work on the new McDonald hotel on North Fifth street is being done by the O. K. Tile and Woodstone company, which firm also laid the colorful vestibule floor for the new postoffice building at First and Carson.

The same concern is doing the tiling work for the Walters office and apartment building on North Second.

OPERATIONS PERFORMED

Billie Thomas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Thomas, submitted to an operation for tonsillotomy Thursday at Las Vegas hospital. Dr. Forest R. Mildren performed the operation and the boy is reported in good condition.

Roy Earl, son of Ira J. Earl, was operated upon by Dr. Mildren for tonsils yesterday.

U. P. SENIORITY AND TIME BOOKS READY

The new Union Pacific Seniority and Time Books promised a short time ago are now ready for distribution at the jewelry store of M. W. Davis, U. P. time inspector. It has been announced, and are given away free to railroad men upon request.

The books contain tables for the keeping of railroad men's time, and lists of names and information concerning all the railroad men on the Union Pacific between Los Angeles and Salt Lake City.

He declines to tell the prices that have been offered him for the lot as he fears people would think he is romancing.

The Saturday Evening Post had a story some weeks ago telling of the fabulous prices that were offered for some of the most desirable lots in Las Vegas, and his property was cited as one of these, although his name was not mentioned. When he purchased the lot his brother, who lived in California at the time, was interested with him, but he has since purchased the latter's interest, and when the five figured check comes to him for the lot he will be in a position to enjoy the entire benefits from it himself.

Contribution To Fund For Boy Scouts Grows

Grocery Store Adds \$25 Toward Building of Cabins; Age to Publish Subscribers' Names.

Subscriptions to the Boy Scout Camp fund are still coming in, according to K. O. Knudson, Las Vegas Scout Executive. The latest addition is a \$25.00 donation from Skaggs Safeway Store.

Completion of the boy scout summer camp at Charleston Park, work on which was begun by the boys last summer, is the object of the fund. The site selected for the camp is ideal, and the boys are enthusiastic about the project, is stated.

The Age, from time to time, will acknowledge subscriptions. The contributors to date are:

American Legion Post, No. 8	\$50.00
J. Warren Woodard	10.00
E. W. Griffith	5.00
Oasis Rebekah Lodge No. 31	10.00
Las Vegas Coal and Ice	5.00
White Cross Drug Co.	10.00
Skaggs Grocery	25.00
Skaggs Safeway Store	25.00
Total to date	\$140.00

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Gravel Pit Lease Bids Are Asked

A certain 80-acre tract of land in Nevada will be leased for sand and gravel-pit purposes by the Bureau of Reclamation, according to an advertisement received recently in Las Vegas from R. F. Walker, chief engineer of the Bureau of Reclamation.

The tract is described as the west one-half of Section 30, Twp. 16 S., R. 68 E., M. D. M. and sealed proposals will be received at the office of the chief engineer, Bureau of Reclamation, Wilda Building, 1441 West 1st St., Denver, Colorado, until 3 p. m., June 15, 1929.

The land will be leased for the period ending December 31, 1933, and the bidder is asked to state the price he proposes to pay annually as rental and per ton, in addition, for sand and gravel removed.

The first payment of annual rental must be the bid, and will cover the period from that date to and including December 31, 1929, according to the notice.

Ferron Reports Ely Wage Drops

E. A. Ferron returned to Las Vegas Wednesday evening, and reports a wage drop of 25 cents a day in the copper district, resulting from the drop in copper.

This drop, however, does not take the wages as low, however, as they were a short time ago before the sharp rise in copper boosted the wages.

There are about 3900 men employed in the district outside the railway, and the district payroll is around \$700,000 monthly, or for a \$15,000,000 pay roll.

EAGLES HALL TO BE FINISHED ABOUT JULY 1

Completion of the new Eagles' hall on the south side of Fremont between First and Second is expected around July 1, it is stated, and the Boulder Drug store will move into the downstairs store space as soon as it is finished, it has been announced.

Contractor Smith is pushing the work forward, the electrical wiring has been completed, and Vann's Electric Shop. The entire upstairs will be devoted to club rooms.

MORE BUILDING SPACE FOR FURNITURE STORE

A hundred feet of property adjoining the present site of the Furniture Store, on South Fifth street, has been leased for a long period by A. Katz, proprietor of the store, and additional building space will be made with the construction of more housing for stock it was stated by Katz yesterday.

A carload of new and used furniture was received by the store yesterday, and also a large shipment of phonographs.

JONDahl IMPROVES

The condition of Dan Jondahl, though not believed safely beyond the danger point, was continuing to improve late yesterday.

Jondahl is over the attack of pneumonia which at first threatened him, according to Dr. Forest R. Mildren, but a heart condition of long standing renders his condition still bad.