

CITY PLANS TO MAKE HISTORY AS MEAD WELCOMED JUNE 21

Oil Field Blaze Does More Than Two Million Damage Near Los Angeles

DAY BOULDER DAM BILL TAKES EFFECT WILL SEE GREAT FESTIVITY HERE

Three Men Who Will Plan Beginning of Construction, Mead, Secretary Wilbur and Engineer Walter, to Be Given Royal Reception in Las Vegas, Say Officials.

The biggest moment in the history of Las Vegas will be when the three nationally-known officials who will be in charge of the construction of Boulder Dam step off the train at 10:40 p.m. Friday, June 21, the day the Swing-Johnson will go into effect. That day marks the realization of the fondest hopes of those who have worked for years for this great boon to Las Vegas and the entire Southwest, the Boulder Dam project.

The greatest reception this city ever has tendered officialdom will be prepared for the coming of Ray Lyman Wilbur, Secretary of the Interior; Dr. Elwood Mead, director of the Bureau of Reclamation, and Chief Engineer Walter, who will go over the ground together, in planning for the actual construction of the greatest dam in the world.

Las Vegas will outdo herself to make her welcome a genuine as well as enthusiastic one, according to members of the welcoming committee named by Mayor J. F. Hesse to take charge of the matter.

Five men who have been closely identified with work of bringing about the Boulder Dam legislation, all members or ex-members of Nevada's Colorado River Commission, will act with Mayor Hesse on the reception committee. They are: Charles P. Squires, one of the pioneers of the project, who was the first Nevadan to be appointed on the commission and who served the longest of all the Nevada commissioners; former Governor James G. Scruggs, head of the Nevada commission during his term as governor of the state; Ed W. Clark, now one of Nevada's representatives; Dr. Roy W. Martin, formerly one of the commissioners of the state; and James Cashman, also formerly a member.

City Will "Dress Up"
Airplanes to be sent here by the War Department, motion pictures to be taken of the officials and the reception, and many other features will mark the reception of the three officials.

Fremont street will present her best appearance, with every business house lighted the limit, no cars parked on either side, and the thoroughfare looking her cleanest and brightest, it is planned.

The officials will be taken to the river in State cars, the Boulder Grand Canyon Navigation company's launches to furnish transportation from the end of the road to the dam site. Entertaining of the three executives while in Las Vegas will be made to conform to their wishes, it is planned, for it is realized their time is valuable and they will be concerned primarily with rolling up their sleeves and digging into the tremendous task confronting them.

Mead to Remain Week
Dr. Mead probably will be here about a week, it is believed, during which time he will devote himself to the planning of the actual construction of Boulder Dam.

The arrival time for Dr. Mead was confirmed last week by two telegrams received in Las Vegas from him, one of which set 10:40 p.m. June 21 as the hour of his arrival with a party of five others, including Engineer Walter. This wire was received by Secretary Hill of the Chamber of Commerce, in reply to a wire he sent Mead.

Ruby Smith of Oakland was chosen "Miss California" to represent her home state at the Galveston pulchritude show.

MISS CALIFORNIA



Bureau, will visit the Moapa Valley today with the view to investigating details for a small reclamation project proposal to be recommended by them to Dr. Mead and Secretary Wilbur.

Dan Cupid Sends Dozen to Court House in One Day

Cupid carried a dozen to the county court house yesterday seeking marriage licenses, three of the couples being in the clerk's office at one time, according to "Cupid's Secretary," Mrs. Keeler, deputy county clerk.

Fred A. Howard and Margaret Ethel Nahon of Los Angeles led off, with Albert Johnson of this city and Bertha Gall Smith of L. A. a bit later. Then came C. P. Elmer of New York and Clara H. Smith of Sioux City, Iowa. Before they left in came Maurice Lynn Taylor of Kingman and Lou Mattson of Virginia, Minn., followed closely by Clarence M. Griffith of Bellefontaine, Ohio and Julia Maria Kennedy of Reynolds, North Dakota.

A local pair capped off the day. They were Mate McDonald and Leland Birch. Saturday licenses were issued to Alfredo Lopez and Delina Gonzales of Arden; Bryan James Missimer and Constance Mae Lang of L. A., and Paul Henry Cady of Venice, California and Lotie Brees, of Santa Monica.

Malone's Plan For Division of Water Discussed

WASHINGTON, June 10. (AP)—A tentative allocation of Colorado river water giving Arizona and California each 6,250,000 acre feet and Nevada 300,000 acre feet was being considered in executive session by commissioners from the three states here today.

Under terms of this proposed agreement California and Arizona would share jointly any future burden imposed by Mexican demands for water.

This new plan of dividing the Colorado River waters was worked out by a private session of commissioners and engineers earlier today. George W. Malone, Nevada commissioner and engineer, was said to be its author.

The proposed allocation would divide all available water in the Colorado basin including that from such disputed tributaries as the Gila River in Arizona.

WASHINGTON, June 10. (AP)—Colorado River commissioners and engineers from California and Arizona met in executive session here today, with the result of their conference generally considered as having an important bearing on the fate of the tri-state pact on the distribution of water for the three lower basin states.

California was represented by John L. Bacon, chairman of the state's delegation and A. H. Favore represented Arizona. The meeting was held at the home of Colonel William J. Donovan, government referee.

Later today, California, Arizona and Nevada representatives were to meet to consider the results of the executive conference. Geo. W. Malone, Nevada commissioner, already has indicated his willingness to accept the 300,000 acre feet of water tentatively allowed to his state.

Establishing in Las Vegas a branch of the Reno Trust Co. is under consideration by officials of the company, two of whom have been spending the past three weeks in this city investigating with the advisability of entering the local field in mind.

Leigh Hunt, Elks, Rotarians, Give to Scout Fund

Contributions Swelled to \$540 by Generosity of Two Lodges and Capitalist; Largest Amount Given.

Three new and healthy contributions to the Boy Scout log cabin fund have been voted, it has been announced. The Elks voted \$50, and the Rotarians \$25, while Leigh Hunt sent the largest single contribution yet received for the fund, \$100. This brings the total for the fund to date up to \$540.

- American Legion Post No. 8 \$50
- J. Warren Woodard 10
- E. W. Griffith 5
- Oasis Rebekah Lodge No 31 10
- Las Vegas Coal and Ice Co. 5
- White Cross Drug Co. 10
- Mesquite Grocery 25
- Skaggs's Safeway Store 25
- G. P. Gehring 5
- Casis Confectionery 5
- Resatory Plumbing & Heating 5
- Nevada Title & Abstract Co. 10
- Nevada Cafe 10
- Order of Eastern Star 15
- Masonic Lodge 25
- Eagles 25
- Kiwanians 50
- J. C. Penny Company 25
- Odd Fellows Lodge 25
- Mesquite Club 10
- W. E. Hawkins 10
- H. D. Buzick 5
- Leigh Hunt 100
- Elks 50
- Rotarians 25

Total to date \$540

Lad Is Killed In Car Crash at Bunkerville

Accidental Death, Verdict of Foley at Coroner's Inquest for Pope Boy's Death on Sunday Afternoon.

An automobile accident at 4 p.m. Sunday in Bunkerville resulted in the death of Landon Pope of that community, according to verdict rendered by Judge Rover Foley, acting as coroner yesterday at the inquest of the affair.

The lad, with some other youths, was riding in one of two Ford delivery trucks which were involved in the accident. One of the trucks, driven by Steve Abbott, fifteen, stalled in the sand in Bunkerville, and while they were working on it, trying to get it out of the sand, the other car, driven by J. Waite and owned by his father, came along, and in passing the stalled car, it seems, struck the first. The Pope lad was pinned down with the hub of one of the cars, the state's sinking into his shoulder and causing the injury responsible for his death, it was stated.

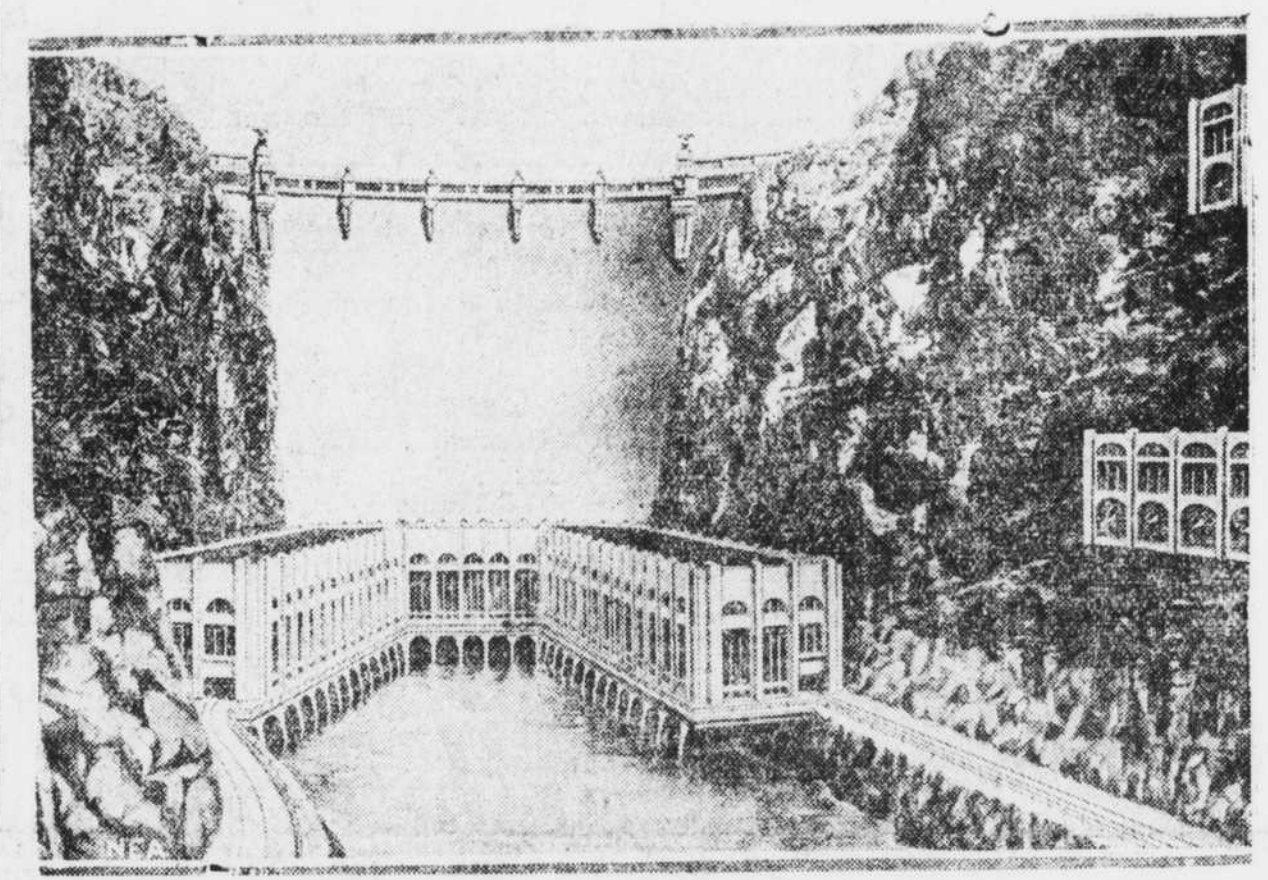
His head was also crushed in the impact. The car was not traveling over twenty miles an hour, the inquest revealed. The children were riding with the consent of their parents, it was brought out.

Thompson Quits Air Express for Simon

"Tommy" Thompson, formerly field manager for the Western Air Express at the Las Vegas field, has severed his connection with Western Air and is now employed by P. A. Simon to assist in the planning of the new airport being built eight miles north of this city by Simon.

Survey of the field was completed yesterday by C. D. Baker, and the water well drilling, which was started Sunday, is progressing rapidly.

HOW BOULDER DAM WILL LOOK



Here's the way the big Boulder dam project on the Colorado river will look, according to preliminary sketches prepared by the government engineers' data. Picture shows the 550-foot dam towering over the big powerhouse, which is to have a capacity of 550,000 horsepower of electrical energy.

Fate, Coincidence and Demon Rum Figure in Strange Pair of Crashes

Key Shortage at New Jail; Prisoners Moved

HOQUIAM, Wash., June 10. (AP)—A jail without keys—that was the situation that confronted the local police department recently. All prisoners were transferred from the old jail to the new one and placed in cells. But there were no keys to lock them in.

As a result the prisoners were taken back to the old jail and coked up, while a search for the keys was made. Investigation revealed that the city treasurer had placed them in a safe deposit vault and he was in Seattle on business.

Union Leaders Go to Defense

GASTONIA, N. C., June 10. (AP)—International labor officials and Union leaders moved today to the defense of 70 men and women who have been arrested in connection with the slaying of Chief of Police Orville F. Aderholt and the wounding of four other officers and a civilian during strike disturbances here.

The fourth officer, George Moore, Gaston county deputy sheriff, was seriously wounded last night when he was struck by a bullet intended for a fleeing striker, sought in connection with the Aderholt affair.

According to Alfred Wakenknecht, national secretary of the Workers' International Relief Society, counsel of the prominence of Clarence Darrow, Arthur Garfield Hays and John Randolph Neal will be retained to defend the strikers and strike leaders. The injured officers and strikers were reported improving and all were expected to recover.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 10.—Joseph Walker of San Jose yesterday swore to a complaint against Charles McLean, real estate agent, who formerly occupied an office at 2172 Mission street, charging him with grand theft.

Brother of Jess Willard, 7 ft. 2, Gives Show Here

Seven feet two inches in height and good-natured, Col. Mack Willard, brother of Jess Willard, former world champion heavyweight boxer, was in Las Vegas yesterday with films of all the champions from the time John L. Sullivan down to the present.

Col. Mack, who stated he left home because his mother didn't want him any "longer" drives from town to town in a specially equipped truck with his five reel show, which was presented last night at El Patio, the open air theater.

This show was given two years ago in Reno, Fallon, and Wells, Nevada, he stated. Since that time new reels have been added, one of which shows Dempsey training for his comeback, and was taken a month ago in New York, before it was definitely known he was really working on a comeback, according to Colonel Willard.

Potter, it is said, swerved to miss Mrs. Heffner, and in so doing hit both the other car and Mrs. Heffner, whom bystanders picked up from the pavement and carried to the Las Vegas hospital.

One of the colored girls almost thrust her head through the windshield, splintering the glass, and Officer Fred Northern unearthed two suspiciously full gallon jugs which were reposing under the seat of the sport roadster. The girls and Potter were taken into custody, but later released on their own recognizance pending investigation.

Mrs. Heffner was reported not seriously injured, and is believed in no serious danger from her fall to the pavement.

The crowd which had collected to see the excitement following this crash was not yet ready to disperse when another crash, a block north, at Second and Ogden, attracted the mob. There, it appeared, a lady had run into a car driven by a man going home from work, and a bottle labeled "Muscatel" was taken from the side-pocket of the man's car.

The man was taken into custody, also later to be released on his own recognizance.

All of the four cars figuring in the two smash ups were but slightly damaged, one negro girl's forehead was slightly damaged, and someone's drinks also are asserted to have been slightly damaged in the strange coincidences.

U.S. Dry Agents Burn Five Stills Near Las Vegas

Four Federal Prohib Locato Nest Near Red Rock; Essence of Gin, Barrels Destroyed; No One Caught.

Five stills were located and destroyed near Red Rock Sunday by four of the nine Salt Lake City federal dry agents who made the raids near here late last week. No one was found at the site of the "nest."

Within twenty miles southwest of the city completely set up a dugout near a waterhole, ready for business, but evidently having been idle for several days, the five stills were found by the agents under the side of a hill, all in the same nest.

There were also some mash barrels with fresh evidence of mash having been in them. The stills and the barrels all were burned by the agents. Some essence of gin was found on the site of the former activities of the moonshiners, giving evidence that gin had been produced there.

"We have thrashed out all the country from here down into the southernmost part of the state pretty thoroughly," one of the agents said late yesterday.

Bunting Faces Second Charge Same Offense

Alleged to have committed an offense for which he served a six months term in the county jail some four or five years ago, William Bunting, of the West Side, seems to have left these parts for Los Angeles or somewhere else.

Complaint filed Saturday by David Davidson, accused Bunting of lewdness, and officials have been unable to find trace of him in Las Vegas. He is said to have left for Los Angeles.

Bunting was a resident of Bunkerville at the time of the commission of the offense for which he served the six months term, according to District Attorney Harley A. Harmon.

Fire Is Started By Explosion of Pressure Boiler

Two Flowing Wells, Four Storage Tanks, Eight Derrick Lost After Eight Hours, Agents Announce.

LOS ANGELES, June 10.—(AP)—A rolling wall of fire rising to mountainous heights as it consumed producing wells and storage tanks, had caused approximately two million dollars damage in the Santa Fe Springs fields late tonight and threatened to destroy the entire south section.

Eight hours after the blaze broke out, field agents announced the loss of two flowing wells, four storage tanks, containing 40,000 barrels of oil, and eight derricks, Derricks and steam shovels were put into service as county firemen and volunteers built huge brakes in a fight to prevent spread of the flames.

The fire got its start in Rhode well number one, when a boiler exploded under high pressure. Two storage tanks exploded almost simultaneously, scattering blazing oil and igniting McEon well number two. They had been flowing at the rate of 7,000 barrels a day and producing 15,000,000 cubic feet of gas.

Swedish Fliers Are Forced Down

REYKJAVIK, Iceland, June 10.—(AP)—Its air voyage to America over the Viking trail interrupted by a leaky fuel pipe, the seaplane Sverige (Sweden) was picked up on an isolated point of the coast today by the Iceland gunboat Odinn and taken in tow.

The Danish gunboat Fylla was en route to meet them with supplies of gasoline. It was expected the Fylla would meet the Odinn and Sverige between 1 p. m. and 2 p. m. but the Odinn may tow the Sverige to the Westman islands if refueling in the open sea is considered too difficult.

Captain Albin Ahrenberg and his companions, Lieutenants Axel Fokiden and Robert L. Jungland, making a flight from Stockholm to New York via Norway, Iceland, Greenland and the mouth of the St. Lawrence river, were forced down at 10:20 p. m. Sunday at Skaptarok, on the southwest coast of Iceland.

REYKJAVIK, Iceland, June 10.—(AP)—Captain Albin Ahrenberg and his two companions, who started early Sunday in an attempt to fly from Stockholm to the North American continent, landed at Reykjavik at 7:48 p. m.

They were forced down on Iceland Sunday with a broken fuel line, were towed part way to Reykjavik then refueled and proceeded here.

RASKOB WILL NOT RESIGN

WASHINGTON, June 10.—(AP)—John J. Raskob, chairman of the democratic national committee, told party leaders gathered at a banquet honoring J. P. Morgan, new chairman of the executive committee, that he had no intention of resigning.

News From The Sheriff's Office
Nothing to report.