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Wife Has Sought Rhineland For Counter Suit

Harmon, Attorney for Young Man Here Under Assumed Name Since February, Refuses to Confirm Divorce Suit Rumor.

NEW YORK, June 12 (AP)—Counsel for Alice Rhineland today disclosed plans for a counter-offensive against Kip Rhineland. He said that for more than a year they had been trying to serve him with summons in separation action but had been unable to locate him.

NEW YORK, June 12.—(AP)—Leonard Kip Rhineland is expected to begin a suit for divorce against his wife, Alice, within a few weeks, Leon R. Jacobs, his attorney said today. Jacobs said that Harley Harmon, an attorney at Las Vegas, had been retained by Rhineland there.

Dividing his residence between a cabin at Mt. Charleston and a room at the Nevada Hotel, where he registered as "Lou Russell," a young man named Kip Rhineland, made world-famous through newspaper publicity during his unsuccessful efforts to secure a divorce from his octoroon wife, has been finding peace in and around Las Vegas, asserted since some time in February.

Furthermore, he has invested money in this community, and intends to invest more here, and make this his permanent residence, it was explained yesterday by H. A. Harmon, of the law firm of Harmon and Salter, and who has been attorney for Rhineland since his arrival here.

Rumors that Rhineland intends to file suit soon here for divorce from his wife, Alice Jones Rhineland, whom he tried unsuccessfully to divorce in New York, are not confirmed or denied by Harley A. Harmon, who stated yesterday that he may and he may not file suit for divorce, and that "any statement now would be premature."

Here Since February
"Rhineland has been here since February," he stated. If here to get a divorce, is it not logical to assume he would have filed long ago?

Harmon stated that Rhineland sends his wife regularly a part of his income from investments in New York, and that he will support her for the rest of his days.

The young man's notoriety began when he was disinherited, and when he sought a divorce some few years ago from his wife, who is part negro, of which fact he maintained he was in ignorance at the time of the marriage. Ever since his attempt to secure a divorce in New York City failed, he has been dogged everywhere he went by reporters, until he found solitude in Clark county.

"Still in County"
"Rhineland is still in this county, but not in Las Vegas," said Harmon at 3 p. m. yesterday. "I am not privileged to tell where he is."

Pictures of Rhineland and Harmon were taken in this city several hours before, but the lawyer refused to divulge in which direction he had gone. He still has with him the male friend who came to Las Vegas with him in his Ford in February.

Big New Movie Merger Plans to Build Here

Five Film Companies Said to Have Joined Forces For Formation 'Colorart Synchronone Corporation.'

The Colorart Synchronone Corporation of Dover, Delaware, Los Angeles and Las Vegas moved into Las Vegas yesterday in the person of their president, Burtis U. Cain, their vice president, Aubrey Kennedy, and Secretary Mervyn E. Dowd.

The Assistant Secretary of the company, Thos. J. Salter, met them and joined with them in a chorus of enthusiastic plans and projects.

The new corporation is said to be the culmination of months of concentrated merging, the present one being a combination of five active, producing organizations of Hollywood, New York and Boston.

Talkies and Color
The Colorart Synchronone Corporation, it is stated, will combine in its structure theater equipment for reproducing talking motion pictures. They are at present producing in Hollywood colored, talking pictures; their distribution activities are set with the Tiffany Stahl company, and their projected circuit of acoustical theaters is already said to be in progress.

"We have definitely placed Las

350 Students Saved From School Blaze By Orderly March

OWENSMOUTH, Calif., June 12, (AP)—Some 350 students at Owensmouth high school marched in an orderly manner to safety today while fire almost completely demolished the two-story building.

Officials of the Van Nuys and Los Angeles fire departments announced that none was injured.

A short circuit in the wiring was held responsible for the blaze. Firemen from Los Angeles, Hollywood and Van Nuys joined to keep the fire from spreading to four other school buildings.

As the students were marched out of their classrooms, squads were organized and furniture and school equipment was carried out.

Officials said the prompt and orderly action of students and spectators aided in preventing injuries and the loss of many valuable records.

Donovan Holds Conferees For Pact Together

Colorado River Meeting Chairman Still Entertains Hope of Bringing Arizona and California Together.

WASHINGTON, June 12, (AP)—Held together by the persistence of Chairman Donovan, the lower basin tri-state Colorado River conference survived Wednesday, and will continue over to Friday to hear what Donovan, himself, has to say on the compact.

Commissioners had predicted adjournment for late Wednesday but this afternoon the general session failed to convene. The commissioners sat separately and at the close of the day said: "I am working this thing out to the least common denominator, and shall put the results in a formula which can be used as a basis for compromise for the commissioners Friday."

George Malone, of Nevada, who reported to the governor that he believed a compromise and compact were coming within a year, stood alone today. He is planning a compromise campaign of his own this summer, which includes addressing the American Legion at Williams, Arizona, in July.

Ross, of California, said at the unconvicted session closed. "Malone made a real contribution, and did some fine figuring when he presented a more complete showing of what water may be there than anyone had yet done."

Bacon, of California, opined that much better feeling exists between the deadlocked commissioners, and that he had arrived at where all recognize each other's problems instead of "grabbing all they can get."

Colorado River Water Survey

Through the courtesy of Senator Tasker L. Oddie, the Age is in receipt of a copy of Water Supply Paper 636-A, issued by the U. S. Geological Survey.

The subject of the paper is "Quality of Water of the Colorado River," and it is written by C. S. Howard. Copies may be obtained by those interested by writing to Senator Oddie.

Man Killed Taking Son to Be Married

While driving his twenty-one-year old son toward his intended wedding in Salt Lake Adolph Levy of Los Angeles met death early yesterday eighteen miles north of Las Vegas when he lost control of the car in which the pair had driven from Los Angeles during the night. As the car came suddenly to a detour turn-off while traveling at a high rate of speed.

The father, who was 65, died a short time after the accident, after officers had arrived from Las Vegas but before medical aid could be reached.

The son had relinquished the wheel to his father shortly before they arrived in this city, and was sleeping at the time his father came unexpectedly upon the detour, consequently is unable to tell anything of how the accident happened. He was not injured, although Levy Senior was so badly crushed he was unable to move.

Levy is survived by his wife and son. His wife lives in Los Angeles.

Great 'Welcome' Arch Planned For Officials

Idea of Erecting Big Sign Across Fremont Gains Headway in Reception Plans for June 21.

When Dr. Elwood Mead, director of the Bureau of Reclamation, Secretary of the Interior Ray Lyman Wilbur and Engineer Walter are driven away from the Las Vegas depot and down Fremont street toward the center of town, the first thing they will see will be a huge, electrically-lighted "Welcome" Arch, from one side of Fremont to the other just east of Main, according to plans now being pushed for the welcoming of the men who will start the ball rolling toward the actual construction of Boulder Dam.

Various unions have agreed to furnish the necessary labor gratis for the building, lighting, painting and decorating of the arch, and arrangements are under way for the furnishing of materials.

E. Roland Brauch, electrician, presented the plan for the arch to the executive meeting Tuesday night of the labor unions, and the electricians, carpenters, painters, plumbers and others all agreed to get behind the project and donate the labor necessary.

The matter will be taken up by the groups in charge of plans for the welcome, it is promised, and an entrance which will do the city proud is planned, lattice work attractively decorated leading up the sides, and the great arch with lighted lettering, "Welcome to Las Vegas, Gateway to Boulder Dam," stretching from side to side.

The official party is expected to arrive at 10:40 the evening of June 21, and a mammoth welcome is being prepared, as will befit the occasion.

House Plans to Vote Today On Debenture

By PAUL R. MALLON
United Press Staff Correspondent
WASHINGTON, June 12, (AP)—While a hurry call was being sent out to 118 absent representatives, the house today made plans for a vote on the debenture.

Polls indicated the tariff bounty plan would be defeated by 50 to 75 votes. This was heartening to administration leaders, who now predict the debentureless farm bill will be made a law by Saturday.

At the senate side of the capitol, where the debenture was originated and twice adopted, rumors of discord were heard immediately in protest of the agreement which President Hoover reached last night with his congressional leaders at the White House. Senator Smith W. Brookhart, of Iowa, took the floor at the opening of the session and advised the Republican debenture fight to organize for a militant fight against the measure.

The new municipal band will furnish the music if arrangements can be made, he said.

The American Legion will assist in the arrangements, and the fights to be staged at the Legion arena tomorrow night will not start until the Flag Day program is over.

Stockholm-New York Flight Is Held Up

REYKJAVIK, Iceland, June 12.—(AP)—The big Swedish airplane Sverige lay at the water's edge here tonight, the time of its departure for Greenland indefinite.

It was not believed the three fliers would continue their Stockholm to New York flight until Thursday at the earliest, because of motor trouble.

Two Liquor Suspects Raise Bail Money

Bill Clayton and R. B. Free, two of the men taken into custody by Salt Lake City federal prohibition agents late last week, succeeded in raising the required \$2,000 each yesterday necessary to get them out of the county bastille.

S. Custer, one of the six men taken at that time, raised his bail shortly after he was placed in jail. Three men are left in confinement now as the result of the federal raids here which lasted over a period of some five days at least, and which resulted in the destruction of a great deal of liquor-making paraphernalia and "rum."

Incorporation of \$200,000 Vegas Gas Firm Pushed

Thos. J. Salter, of Local Law Firm, Instructed to Proceed; Company Said to Be Completely Financed.

The incorporation of the Las Vegas Gas company, at \$200,000, and distribution system in this city for the installation of a gas plant is being pushed by Harmon and Salter, following a long distance conversation yesterday between Thos. J. Salter, of the law firm, and R. F. Crittenden, who was in Las Vegas early in May.

This concern was granted a franchise on May 2, and it is backed by Robert E. Moody, formerly vice-president of the Alvin-Frank company, it was stated by Crittenden while he was in this city. Carroll Allen is attorney for the backers.

The firm will be incorporated with 2,000 shares at \$100 a share, and it is fully financed at present, it was said.

A survey has been made of this city with the view to ascertaining the number of meters to be required, Salter stated, and plans are said to be ready for the construction of the plant.

When informed of the granting of the franchise for the new concern a month ago, C. O. Lauritzen, president and manager of the Clark County Gas company, stated that his concern expected to put in a gas plant and mains when the population of the city is sufficient to justify the necessary increase of cost entailed by the interest on the investment without making gas rates exorbitant.

The franchise given Crittenden by the city council provided that work on installation of the piping must be commenced within six months of the issuance of the franchise, and gas must be supplied within a year, or by May 2, 1930.

Proclamation by Mayor Half Holiday June 21

WHEREAS, the Swing-Johnson Bill, authorizing construction of the great dam at Black Canyon on the Colorado River, will automatically become effective on June 21, 1929, and on the same date there will arrive at Las Vegas Elwood Mead, Commissioner of Reclamation, Raymond Walter, Chief Engineer in charge and other distinguished government engineers, with Secretary of the Interior, the Hon. Ray Lyman Wilbur, Senators Tasker L. Oddie, Key Pittman, Representative S. S. Aranz and other prominent government officials, to outline the preliminary steps toward such construction, and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that such event be celebrated by our citizens and that such visitors be given a suitable welcome.

NOW, I, J. F. Hesse, Mayor of the City of Las Vegas, do hereby declare the afternoon of Friday, the 21st day of June, 1929, a public holiday, and request that all ordinary business be suspended for the remainder of that day, and that all of our citizens be at the Union Pacific Depot at 10:40 o'clock that evening to welcome on their arrival our distinguished visitors.

Done under my hand this 12th day of June, 1929.
(Signed) J. F. HESSE,
Mayor

Elks' Convention Entertainment Program

July 4
8 a.m.—Start of the trap shoot in which all Elks and visiting Elks are invited to participate. There will be four grand trophies and 40 individual trophies awarded, costing \$1,000.

9 a.m.—Grand parade.
10 a.m.—Opening of the State Convention at the El Portal theater by State President Harley A. Harmon.
10:30 a.m.—Ball game at Union Pacific ball park.
1:30 p.m.—Ritualistic work in which all lodges in the state will send their teams to compete for the state championship. At least three teams will be able to compete this day.

5 p.m.—Championship fight to be held at the Union Pacific ball park.
7:30-8:30 p.m.—Band concert at Lorenzi's resort.
9:00 p.m.—Fireworks.
9:30 p.m.—Opening of grand ball.
July 5
8 a.m.—Continuing the trap shoot.
9 a.m.—Convention meeting at El Portal theater, with band concert.
10 a.m.—Continuing the ritualistic work.
1:30 p.m.—Ball game.
4:00 p.m.—Wrestling bout at Union Pacific ball park.
6:00 p.m.—Band concert and barbecue at Lorenzi's resort.
9:00 p.m.—Dance at Lorenzi's.
July 6
8 a.m.—Continuing trap shoot.
9 a.m.—Trips to Boulder Dam and surrounding country.
3:30 p.m.—Water sports.
6:00 p.m.—Banquet at Lorenzi's resort.
9:00 p.m.—Dance and Grand Finale at Lorenzi's resort, with the awarding of the prizes for the trap shoot and ritualistic work.

All special Elks' trains will be met at the depot and trips to the Boulder Dam will be during the entire three days.

Chamber Plans Reception For High Officials

Night of June 21 to Be Gala Event; Streets to Be Decorated and Illuminated for Occasion.

The Chamber of Commerce at its regular meeting Tuesday noon, took action to support Mayor Hesse and the City Commissioners in giving a notable reception to Secretary of the Interior Wilbur, Director of Reclamation Dr. Mead, Chief Engineer of Reclamation Walters and others who plan to reach Vegas Friday evening, June 21, or the morning of Saturday, June 22.

According to such information as is now at hand, the entire party except Secretary Wilbur will reach Vegas at 9:40 p.m., June 21. Secretary Wilbur, it is said will arrive on the 22nd.

Committee Named
President Ham appointed a committee to cooperate with Mayor Hesse and the Mayor's committee in making preparations for the reception as follows:

S. Henderson, J. T. Waters, O. K. Adcock, S. R. Whitehead, F. F. Garside.

These five will act in cooperation with the Mayor's committee which is composed of President A. W. Ham of the Chamber of Commerce, Ed. W. Clark, Roy W. Martin, J. G. Scrumman and C. P. Squires, and which will act under the Mayor in the reception of the guests.

Plans for the reception discussed at the meeting include decorations, illumination of all places of business, a short automobile parade, etc.

Cooperate With Elks
Dr. Martin also brought before the Chamber the matter of the Elks' Convention, July 4, 5 and 6, and President Ham was authorized to appoint a committee of three to cooperate with the Elks in that matter.

The committee is to give special attention to getting the streets leading to Lorenzi Lake, which will be the Elks' playground while they are here, put in good shape and filled to lay the dust. The cost of this is estimated at about \$1,600 and the Chamber at suggestion of Scout Executive K. O. Knudson, proposed to endorse the selling of stickers for automobiles to raise the necessary funds.

U. S. Liquor Trials to Start Tuesday

The Las Vegas defendants in the matter of the liquor possession and conspiracy charges filed by federal agents some two months ago are scheduled to come up for trial in Carson City June 18, according to the latest information to reach the office of W. J. Hooper, U. S. commissioner for this district.

That date was set at the time of the postponement of the trials which was due, it is said, to the sickness of one of the defendants.

BUSINESS DISTRICT HAS BAD MIDNIGHT FIRE

Nevada Bakery and Clawson's Barber Shop Damaged by Flames—Building Owned by Adolph Levy Saved From Complete Destruction by Good Work of Fire Boys.

The Levy building, which in its life of about 24 years has been the scene of several destructive fires, narrowly escaped complete destruction by a blaze which was discovered shortly before midnight last night.

The Nevada Bakery, owned by Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, and the barber shop, separated from the bakery by a thin partition, both suffered severely.

The origin of the fire is still a mystery but according to those who first observed it, it started at the rear partition of the barber shop. Opinion is divided as to whether it may have been due to defective wiring or to the water heater belonging to the shop.

For a time the Boggs Brothers Grocery, adjoining the Levy building on the west, and Blanding's Palace Market on the east, were threatened. Smoke and heat filled the spaces between the roofs and ceilings, but fortunately the flames did not find foothold on either side. Both the adjoining stores suffered some smoke damage.

The smoke from the Levy building poured into the open windows of the Oak Hotel above the Las Vegas Pharmacy and drove the guests from their beds in haste.

The entire rear portion of the bakery was gutted by flames. The damage to the barbershop was mostly by smoke and water.

The loss of Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, owners of the bakery is covered by insurance. We are not informed as to whether the barber shop carried insurance.

Firemen Save Two Homes as Garage Burns to Ground

Prompt work of the city fire department saved two residences from being burned yesterday morning when the garage of T. W. French, 212 Garcia, burned to the ground.

The French's car, which had been standing near the garage, was barely saved from a bad scorching, possibly destruction, when Mrs. French, told of the fire by two truck drivers who happened to see it while passing ran out and drove it away from the garage. The car belonging to Art Gilmore, which also is quartered in this garage, happened also to be out, and so was also unharmed.

Gilmore's house and the French home, owned by Mr. Paulus undoubtedly would have caught fire had it not been for the quick response of the firemen, said Mrs. French a short time after the fire.

New Electrical Code Is Passed By City Council

Permits Required for All Electrical Construction Work; Inspector to Be Appointed by Commissioners.

Providing for the appointment of a city electrical inspector, establishing the bureau of electrical inspection for Las Vegas and providing for the issuance of permits for installing of electrical construction, with penalties for violations, a new ordinance was passed Tuesday by the city council.

The code was drawn up by E. Roland Brauch, secretary for the electrical workers and contractors of Las Vegas, with Attorney Frank A. Stevens, The National Electrical Code, as approved by the American Standards association, is embodied in the new Las Vegas ordinance, which provides that the use of materials and fittings in conformity with the standards of the National Board of Fire Underwriters' Laboratories shall be accepted as prima facie evidence of approved methods, it is provided.

Board Will Appoint
The electrical inspector will be appointed by the Board of City Commissioners. He shall issue permits, make inspections, and keep complete records of all permits and shall perform such other official duties as may be provided in the ordinance.

He is given the right to enter any building in the discharge of his official duties, during reasonable hours, and it will be unlawful for anyone to interfere with him in the discharge of his duties, it is stated.

It will be unlawful for any person or firm to install any electrical equipment or fixtures in such manner that it will not conform to all the provisions of the new ordinance.

Three on Board
The Bureau of Electrical Inspection is to consist of three members: the Mayor, the chief of police and city electrical inspector.

Permits will be required for the doing of any kind of electrical construction within the city, and fees will be charged according to a schedule set forth in the ordinance, from one to five dollars for each installation.

Penalties to be hidden from view must be inspected before concealment, a tag or marker giving permission to proceed with the concealment of the wires being necessary before such concealment may be done.

The city electrical inspector must furnish \$1,000 bond and will be entitled to receive in payment for his services such amount up to \$200, as he shall collect in the form of fees, the city not to be liable for the difference between the amount collected and the sum of \$200, according to the code.

"LA SALLE" RAIDED
The La Salle on North First, was the object of a raid by city police Tuesday afternoon, and the case will come before municipal court this morning at 10 o'clock.

Something in the way of ingredients was removed from the place, according to Nash.

Nothing to report.

Oddie Presses River Highway

Nevada Senator Takes Up Matter of Boulder Dam Road with Secretary Wilbur, Urging Prompt Action.

WASHINGTON, June 12, (Special)—Senator Tasker L. Oddie of Nevada has personally taken up with Secretary of the Interior Wilbur the matter of building a highway from Las Vegas to the Boulder Dam site.

Senator Oddie insists that the highway should be built without delay and that the question of allocation of cost be determined hereafter rather than cause unnecessary delay by insistence that the cost be carried by one governmental fund or another.

Secretary Wilbur today wired Senator Oddie from Denver that he will give this matter his personal attention immediately upon his arrival at Las Vegas this month.

Senator Oddie is working hard in an effort to expedite the work on the Boulder Dam program of development. He is making a special effort to interest desirable and financially strong interests in the mineral possibilities of Southern Nevada and in the power that will be available from Boulder Dam with the idea of placing in Nevada such manufacturing and industrial enterprises as may be inaugurated on a permanent and successful basis.

Boyce, Boy Scout Organizer, Dies

CHICAGO, June 12, (AP)—The death of W. D. Boyce, 69, whose life was spent in search of adventure in the far corners of the world, has ended the career of the founder of the Boy Scouts of America, which opened new experiences to 4,000,000 American boys.

The veteran publisher, globe trotter and big game hunter died last night in his bungalow atop his own 12-story Boyce building, overlooking Lake Michigan and the busy Loop.

He spent many years in foreign lands. While in London, in 1905, he became lost in a crooked maze of streets. A boy in khaki uniform saw his predicament and offered his services.

Boyce was guided to his destination, but was amazed when he proffered shilling was refused by the boy with the explanation: "A Boy Scout does not accept money for his daily good turn."

His secret movement in England, started by Sir Robert Baden-Powell, was well under way, but Boyce had not heard of it.

On his return to the United States, Boyce incorporated the Boy Scouts of America in the District of Columbia February 8, 1913.

News From The Sheriff's Office

Nothing to report.