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## NATIONAL OFFICERS HONOR NEVADA ELKS

### Distinguished Visitors Address Nevada State Elks' Convention—Visit to Boulder Dam Site—Harold P. Hale Elected President of State Organization.

The Annual Convention of the Nevada State Association of Elks opened its sessions at ten o'clock Thursday morning, July 4, at El Portal theater.

President Harley A. Harmon presided over the deliberations of the convention in his usual happy manner. He introduced as the first speaker, Judge William E. Orr, Exalted Ruler of Las Vegas Lodge No. 1468, B.P.O.E.

Judge Orr in behalf of the Las Vegas Lodge, extended a hearty welcome to all delegates, saying, "I hope you will like our town," and indicating that the Vegas Elks intended to make them like it. He then introduced a very distinguished member of our order, Senator Key Pittman.

Senator Pittman said: "I am highly honored that the committee gives me this opportunity to welcome the Elks from all over this state. Las Vegas, to some of you is not so well known. It is fitting that on this anniversary of our nation's birth, we should celebrate at the same time the annual convention of the Elks of Nevada.

Nevada was admitted to the Union and cast the deciding vote which brought equality among the races in America. The gold and silver of the Comstock lifted the credit of the government, redeemed the pledges of the government and placed it on a sound financial footing.

"Now it is fitting that the government should undertake a great enterprise in Nevada. The government will build here near Las Vegas a dam, the like of which was never before conceived."

President Harmon appointed committees on resolutions and credentials and the convention recessed until afternoon.

In the afternoon the ritual work was exemplified by the teams of Elko and Las Vegas.

The evening was spent with entertainment at the Union Pacific arena where a boxing card was staged and Lorenzi Lake resort, where there was an elaborate display of fireworks. A dance to the music of the Union Pacific orchestra closed the day's pleasure.

### Friday Morning

The committee to receive the Grand Exalted Ruler and party at the Union Pacific station when the Continental Limited rolled in bearing Grand Exalted Ruler Murray Hulbert and Mrs. Hulbert, William T. Phillips, president of the New York State Elks Association, and also secretary of New York Lodge No. 1; Joseph G. Buch, chairman of the New Jersey State Elks Crippled Kiddles committee and the New Jersey State Crippled Children's Commission, and Harry H. Atkinson of Reno, Grand Esquire.

The Union Pacific band furnished inspiring music as part of the welcome.

The guests with the committee had a delightful breakfast at the Canary Cottage after which they repaired to El Portal theater for the second day's session of the convention.

President Harmon first introduced Grand Esquire Harry Atkinson, who expressed his great pleasure at being present and because of the presence of the Grand Exalted Ruler and other high officials of Elksdom. He introduced Grand Exalted Ruler Murray Hulbert.

The Grand Exalted Ruler spoke but briefly, expressing his appreciation of the opportunity to be present at the Nevada Elks convention, stating that Nevada is the 46th state he has visited in carrying out his official duties.

President Wm. T. Phillips of the New York State Elks Association and who also is secretary of the parent Elks lodge, New York No. 1, made a brief talk, expressing his pleasure at being present with the Nevada Elks at this convention. He paid a high tribute to his brother officials of the Grand Lodge and stated that he would prefer to have his additional time taken by Brother Buch and his message.

At this point the following resolution was offered by Key Pittman on behalf of Judge J. Emmett Walsh and J. J. Proctor, committee on resolutions, and unanimously adopted by the convention:

**RESOLVED**, By the Nevada Elks' Association in Annual Convention assembled at Las Vegas, Nevada, this 5th day of July, 1929:

That the Association deeply appreciates the high and signal honor that Hon. Murray Hulbert, Grand Exalted Ruler, has conferred upon the Association by visiting the Association while in convention assembled:

That Hon. Murray Hulbert in his personal and official character has shown the affection and admiration of the Association by reason of his high character, his patriotic public services in the Congress of the United States, and war work, and by his able and kindly direction of our great order;

That a properly authenticated copy of this resolution be delivered

## Million Fleas Flee Into City Hall as 'Home' Destroyed

### GLENDALE, Calif., July 5.—(U.P.)—The entire city administration and its various aides were bothered today with a problem that had nothing to do with civic enterprise.

The greatest majority of those affected took to scratching but that brought only temporary relief since fleas aren't bothered much by scratching and ordinarily don't retreat before even the most vigorous nails.

The situation was brought on by the desire of the city manager to have the vines trimmed from the city hall so that a new coat of paint could be applied.

A few millions of fleas called those vines home and when the vines were gone the majority of the pests moved inside to new quarters.

The heads of city departments took to scratching and then the aides took to scratching.

Someone called out the police but that department stood around awhile and scratched and then returned to headquarters.

To Brother Grand Exalted Ruler Murray Hulbert, as a memento of our affection and regard.

The great paper of the convention was that by J. G. Buch, chairman of the New Jersey State Elks' Crippled Kiddles Committee, also chairman of the New Jersey State Crippled Children's Commission, a body functioning under the laws of the state.

A synopsis of the address, which was given at El Portal theater was illustrated with slides showing the effect the work of the Elks is having on hundreds of unfortunates, is given in another place in this issue.

### Afternoon, Second Day

In the afternoon Friday the Ely and Tonopah teams put on the ritualistic work in splendid style. It was announced that the winning team would be announced later.

New officers of the association were installed by Brother William T. Phillips of New York, who performed the ceremony very acceptably. The following are the newly elected officers, the secretary, treasurer and the chaplain being appointive officers to be appointed by the new president at a later date.

President—Harold P. Hale, Elko. Vice-president—E. H. Grenig, Ely. Sergeant-at-arms—Otis Goodwin, Las Vegas.

Trustee (2-year term)—Ryland Taylor, Tonopah lodge.

Trustee (3-year term)—F. L. Middleton, Elko.

President Harold P. Hale, who up to the time of his installation was one of the trustees, resigned from that office so that another could be elected in his place.

The next meeting was designated to be held at Tonopah at a date between September 1 and 15, 1930, to be fixed by President Hale.

The Association voted to purchase a \$1,000 bond to forward the work of the Grand Lodge in the rehabilitation of crippled children.

Before adjournment, President Hale made a short speech in which he expressed his appreciation for the high honor accorded him and thanked Las Vegas Lodge No. 1468 for the courtesies extended.

The following resolutions were presented by Senator Key Pittman, chairman of the committee on resolutions:

## New Orleans Is Scene of Street Riots

### Riot Guns Used to Quell Rioting When Strikebreakers Attempt to Resume Street Car Service.

NEW ORLEANS, La., July 5. (U.P.)—The first fatality in two days of rioting and clashes with police in connection with a strike of 2,000 street railway employees here resulted late today when Joseph Morinero, 60 year old striker, died of gunshot wounds.

A score of others, including one woman, were in hospitals suffering from injuries. Two were in a critical condition. The woman, Mrs. Zala Kohman, 24, was critically injured when trampled by mounted policemen's horses. Sylvian Thibodaux, striker, was shot through the head.

NEW ORLEANS, La., July 5. (U.P.)—Every available police reserve was called out to cope with a renewal of rioting and bloodshed in clashes between police and striking street railwaymen here today.

Police headquarters reported two strikers were shot, one critically, today, when a mob attempted to storm the Canal street car barn and seize a strikebreaker operating a car.

Police, using riot guns, fired on a group of 200 men as they advanced with bricks and clubs on the strikebreaker-operated car to leave the car barn.

Sylvian Thibodaux, a striker, was shot through the head and was not expected to live. William Fort was shot through the shoulder when the crowd failed to heed orders of police to halt the advance.

Disorders yesterday began when the 400 strikebreakers arrived here from the East and attempted to transfer to buses provided by the Public Service Co., operators of the line. After 20 minutes of fighting between some 1,000 strikers, strikebreakers and police, order was restored.

During the clash, however, Joseph Morinero, 60 years, a union car washer, was shot in the neck and taken in critical condition to a hospital. Mrs. Zala Kohman, 24, was knocked down and trampled when mounted police dispersed a crowd stoning the car barns.

All efforts to arbitrate the strike, called by the street railway men's union, because of refusal to wage increase demands, had failed today.

## Bell Telephone Company Given Clark Franchise

### School Fund Benefit proviso Attached to Measure Approved by County Board Large Arizona Company Sold.

A 25-year franchise for the furnishing of telephone and telegraph service in Clark county was granted the Bell Telephone Company of Nevada yesterday by the board of county commissioners.

Active construction on the facilities must be begun within 60 days, according to the terms of the franchise, and the company must file within ten days an agreement to pay on the first Monday of each July two per cent of the net profits for the year to the Clark county school fund.

The company must not interfere with the phone service operating between Moapa Valley points and Green River, Utah, and poles must not be placed closer than 39 feet to section lines.

Application of the Southern Nevada Telephone Company for franchise to construct a phone line from Las Vegas to the dam site came before the board, Leo McNamee is attorney for this company. The Public Utilities Consolidated Corporation filed objection to granting of this franchise through Attorney F. A. Stevens.

MINNEAPOLIS, July 5.—(P)—W. B. Foshy Company of Indianapolis, through its utility operating subsidiary, the Public Utilities Consolidated Corporation, has purchased the California and Nevada Telephone Company of Kingman, Arizona, one of the oldest public service concerns in the Boulder Dam district.

The Public Utility Corporation already controls an electric light company in Kingman. The telephone company has lines throughout midwestern Arizona, with extensions into Southern Nevada and Eastern California.

The Foshy interests also have bought the Chloride Water Company, which supplies water for Chloride, a town 28 miles from Kingman.

Maj. Philip M. Case left last night by automobile for Los Angeles. He will go to New York for train, and is planning a trip to Spain.

## PLANE VIEW SHOWS FIRE MENACING MOUNTAIN TAVERN



Here's an air view of the fire that threatened the famous Muir Woods and Mt. Tamalpais, in California, after sweeping through 100 homes in the town of Mill Valley, to render hundreds homeless. Photo by Herman C. Bryant, staff photographer, shows the summit of Mt. Tamalpais and Tamalpais Tavern, with the flames creeping up the far side of the mountain.

## FOR REHABILITATION OF CRIPPLED CHILDREN

### Great Work Being Done by Elks Is Described By J. G. Buch, Leader in Rehabilitation Work In New Jersey.—Appreciation Shown For Assistance Rendered.

The following address was a feature of the Elks' State Convention yesterday, delivered by J. G. Buch, chairman New Jersey State Elks' Crippled Kiddles committee; also chairman New Jersey State Crippled Children's Commission:

Ladies, brother Elks and members of your State Elks' association—I deem it not only a pleasure but a privilege to have the opportunity of meeting with you and bringing to you the felicitations and greetings of over fifty thousand Elks in the State of New Jersey. I consider it an honor to be permitted to represent the aims, objects and purposes of our Crippled Children's work in the state of New Jersey as it relates to the care, treatment, education, vocational guidance and training of crippled children.

Perhaps a brief resume in connection with the inception of our work in New Jersey would not be amiss.

Upon assuming the presidency of the New Jersey State Elks' association about eight years ago, I fully realized that each and every organization must live and grow through service, therefore my recommendation of an Elks' Crippled Kiddles Day.

This recommendation was adopted and the State association appointed a state crippled kiddles committee with members thereon from various parts of the state. Each and every subordinate lodge also appointed an active crippled kiddles committee.

The raising of funds for the conducting of the crippled children's work was left to each individual lodge.

The recommendation of an Elks' crippled kiddles was only a stepping stone to what I really had in mind for the cripples. I thought if I was able to show the need of constructive work for the cripples it would be somewhat easier to bring this most important subject to the attention of the bigharted men holding membership in our organization. I realized fully that it could not be accomplished by talk alone. You can arouse a lot of enthusiasm but it is the kind of enthusiasm that is apt to cool off afterward, particularly when men have a thousand and one things to claim their attention, therefore the outing seemed to offer the best solution of the problem as there is no more wonderful sight in the world than a lot of happy, healthy children romping in the park, nor a more heart-satisfying one than that of those who ought to be having a share in the fun being deprived by a little crippled arm or limb. This latter picture was the one that I wanted the Elks to see, well knowing that the impression it would make would be indelible. I might incidentally say that the first Monday in August has been adopted as an Elks' crippled kiddles day, thereby permitting each lodge to bring a little sunshine and happiness into the lives of the unfortunate cripples.

From the suggestion of an Elks' Crippled Kiddles Day has come into existence the Rehabilitation Movement of "Helping Cripples to Help Themselves" in the State of New Jersey.

A tentative survey was made in an endeavor to locate cripples. The orthopedic surgeons, hospital authorities, and others interested in the crippled children's work were also enlisted with the result that many clinics for examination were held throughout all parts of the State and without a question of doubt one of the most constructive programs ever inaugurated was undertaken.

Through the wholehearted cooperation and close coordination of the orthopedic surgeons, general practitioners, hospital authorities, and every one of the fifty-five lodges in this most important subject to the

## U. P. Will Offer Special Rates As Inducement to Get Industrial Plants Here, Says Sen. Pittman

The Union Pacific railway will offer manufacturing concerns special rates as inducements to help bring them to the Boulder Dam district, Vice-president Robinson of the U. P. stated recently.

This statement of Robinson's was cited the other day by Senator Key Pittman as one of the many indications that Las Vegas is due to become an industrial center with the advent of the cheaper power to be made possible for the Southwest by Boulder Dam.

Many electro-chemical industries in the East have their eyes on Las Vegas, he said, and are not only making a study of the situation but sending representatives to make secret surveys of the facts with the view to probable establishment here.

The aluminum industry, for instance, goes where cheap power is to be had, he stated. When an aluminum plant becomes well established in a community where the commercial use of power becomes more

## Visitors' Roster

Close to a hundred Elks from other lodges have signed the register for visitors at the Mission Cigar store, and more arrive on each train. Those registered up to a late hour last night were as follows:

- Tonopah, Baird F. Spell, F.F. Gar-side; E. C. Marty, Chas. A. Garside, Homer J. O'Connell, Thos. R. McCulloch, Albert McFadden, Martin Burke, D. J. Fitzgerald.
- Elko: Harold T. Hale, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. H. Sherrin, Mrs. F. L. Middleton, R. A. Leberski, I. R. Carver, Chris Eshleman, E. P. Carville, Milton B. Balt, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Woodhouse, Rupert L. Bryant.
- Ely: Vall Pittman, A. J. Proctor, H. E. Jameson, F. C. Rowman, A. E. Thomas, Alex. Baird, Mr. and Mrs. Guy E. Baker, J. S. Hart, J. J. Kelley, D. J. Rodriguez, F. D. Smith, E. E. Goenig, J. A. Simpson, W. C. Draper, J. E. Johnson, J. V. Murphy, Mrs. Namee.

Reno: Senator Key Pittman, Goldfield: Mr. and Mrs. J. Emmett Walsh, Mrs. M. J. Walsh, Bert W. Weaver, John T. Walters.

Elsewhere in Nevada: W. C. Erodyle, Beatty; G. W. Thompson, Las Vegas; H. H. Atkinson, Tonopah; Roger Foley, Goldfield.

Other states: R. L. Van Deusen, Santa Monica; G. E. Rice, Pueblo, Colo.; H. E. Pennington, Shenandoah, Iowa; R. A. Putnam, San Diego; S. Cassman, Sacramento; William Wallace and Robert R. McClelland, Rawlins, Wyoming; Fred Rumph, Osgamatomie, Kansas; J. K. Baker, Ogden Utah; W. J. Garity, Juneau, Alaska; Chas. G. Moorhead, Taft, California; S. R. Phillips, Jr., Taft; Russell R. Langdon, Alhambra; Edward A. Cohen, Santa Monica; A. C. Deikin, Seattle; George L. Black, San Bernardino; B. V. Johnson, Huntington Park, Calif.; M. F. Thomas, Alhambra; Mace Hooper, Huntington Park; M. R. Brady, Huntington Park; Sherman T. West, Santa Monica; M. S. Sullins, Rawlins, Wyo.; James Kelly, San Pedro; A. A. Marcatt, Oroville, Cal.; D. Kelly, Glendale; Harry J. Fox, Pocatello.

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## KOTSONAROS RETAINS GREEK CHAMPIONSHIP

### Leo Papionas Knocked Cold With Back Body Slam Unable to Continue—Kotsonaros Challenges The World.

It takes more technical sporting knowledge and language than the Age can command to adequately describe the terrific contests put on last night at the Union Pacific field, between George Kotsonaros and Leo Papionas, two high class Greek wrestlers, both of whom, it appears, have been claiming the Greek wrestling championship.

If you want thrills until your back and legs are sore from pushing on the seat in front of you; until your head aches and your nerves are taut with the terrible stress of struggling bodies, these two men will furnish them. And the peculiar part of it is that, after going through agonies of punishment sufficient to kill an ordinary man; after being kicked and cuffed and slammed and butted and elbowed and having arms twisted and toes bent double

and heads crushed in the death grip of the "scissors," they come up for more and seem to like it.

To say that the contest was rough does not convey the idea adequately. It was smashing all the way through. If there are any ways to bring distress to the human frame not employed by the two wrestlers we are unable to think of them. Except gouging out eyes, which they did not do for some unknown reason, and strangling and breaking fingers, which are barred although tried.

Referee Mortenson performed the duties of his office with decision and skill and managed to keep from getting hurt, although he had several narrow escapes from being caught in the furious maelstrom.

Leo Papionas, 195 pounds, has wrestled here before, having been defeated once by Ira Dern who slammed him down with the terrible airplane spin.

George Kotsonaros, 200 pounds, hails from Hollywood where he has been appearing in pictures.

The contest, announced by the referee as a grudge fight to a finish, best two out of three for the world's Greek wrestling championship, was a real struggle from first to last.

The first fall was won by Papionas. Throughout the bout both men tried to gain the upper hand by superhuman efforts to extricate themselves from what seemed to the spectators fatal holds. The honors were generally evened up, first one and then the other securing favorable holds.

Toward the last of the bout, Papionas having worn George down to a state of semi-exhaustion, got in a series of head locks and spins and won the fall after a struggle of 35 minutes.

The wrestlers came up for the second bout smiling and seemingly fresh. Papionas learned a new trick and taught it to Kotsonaros—that was to pull out the rubber belt in the back of George's pants and get it snarl back. Several times he so disturbed George by this means as to save himself from what seemed sure defeat. Later George learned the trick and retaliated by snapping Leo's belt. Just why the little spiteful snap of the rubber belt should so disturb the equanimity of the struggling, straining, writhing men, we do not know. But it did loosen things up several times for George too.

As the second bout grew into minutes it seemed that Leo was wearing George to a frazzle. George certainly looked worried and acted woozy at times.

The flyers had remained in the air since 6:38 p. m. last Friday, for a total sustained flying time of 174 hours 5 minutes and 59 seconds. The previous record was 172 hours and 32 minutes, established shortly over a month ago by two Texas aviators, Reg Robbins and Jim Kelly.

Officially the record was broken at 12:10 a. m. today. It was necessary that Newcomb and Mitchell remain aloft a full hour longer than the record in order to be credited with a new mark. They stayed up one hour and thirty-three minutes longer than did Kelly and Robbins.

"We could have stayed up indefinitely as far as the motor was concerned, but our own physical condition brought us down," Mitchell said.

He spoke with a voice hoarse with cold.

The crowd milled about at the hangar entrance at the landing of the plane and police were buffeted by the surging wave. The officers finally resorted to their night sticks to keep the excited throngs from breaking down the barrier.

CULVER CITY, July 5.—(U.P.)—A tiny radio carried by Warren Mendell and Pate Reinhart brought the news to them tonight that they had a new endurance flight record to shoot at.

Shortly after the California flyers had been in the air 86 hours they dropped a note which read:

"Heard it on the radio—about the new record. Wire them our congratulations."

They have the opportunity to wrestle here again.

Special Event

The opening event was a single fall event between George Batalis, 185 pounds, of Las Vegas, and Carl Deighler, 163 pounds, welter weight champion of Ohio.

The bout started viciously and was rough all the way through, getting more furious as it advanced. For 21 minutes they struggled when Batalis got an unbreakable toe hold and defeated Deighler.

## WASHOE COUNTY BANK DRIVEN TO THE WALL

RENO, July 5.—(P)—The Washoe County Bank, the oldest financial institution in the state, was placed in the hands of the State Bank Examiner following a meeting of the board of directors yesterday.

Officers stated that the suspension is temporary, and expressed confidence it can be reorganized. The closing was brought about by withdrawals which started a week ago, and became serious this week.

The failure was induced by the existence of approximately \$1,000,000 in farm loans which were frozen assets. The difficulty in which the bank found itself has been known within a limited circle for some time. Recently, it is said, made a proposal to take over and reorganize the bank, but his terms were not acceptable.

It is believed that the assets of the Washoe County Bank will ultimately be taken over by the Wingfield interests on such terms as will save the depositors from loss.

## Cleveland Plane Sets Re-Fueling Flight Record

### Physical Condition of Newcomb, Mitchell Forces Them to Land After 174 Hours Six Minutes in Air.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, July 6.—(U.P.)—Before the wild cheering of 75,000 persons had died down early today, Byron K. Newcomb and Roy L. Mitchell brought their endurance plane, City of Cleveland, to earth again, successful in their attempt to establish a new world refueling endurance flight record.

The flyers had remained in