

# LAS VEGAS AGE

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THURSDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 26, 1929.

## RAPID PROGRESS.

THE BOULDER DAM project is making rapid strides toward the beginning of construction. Secretary Wilbur and Commissioner Mead are doing everything possible to advance the project and close the preliminary arrangements to the point where work on the railroad, the highway, the camp and other necessary things can begin.

The officials of the Interior department have been tireless in their efforts to advance the matter as fast as possible, but it is obvious that in so great a matter there are many important details to be worked out.

Chief of these is the problem of power contracts whereby the cost of the enterprise will be repaid to the government. The department has been busy on this feature for several months and all reports indicate that purchasers are in the field for more power than the 550 foot dam can produce.

The suggestion coming from the Los Angeles bureau of power and light, that the dam be built to a height of 575 feet above the water level is receiving careful consideration by the engineers and by the officials of the Interior department. If the benefits of the additional height are found to justify the additional expense, as seems probable, the change in plans may be made.

This change, however, should not result in any delay in beginning the preliminary work on the project since the requirements in the matter of railroad and highway will be the same in either case.

Las Vegas should not be too impatient. The project will be built just as fast as human effort can do it. Any addition in height will naturally result in increased benefits to this city in the long run.

## AN ASSURED FUTURE.

LAS VEGAS occupies a position unique in the history of cities, in that its future is assured by circumstances not a part of the activities of the city. Few cities have ever been so favored by circumstances.

The government of the United States in all its departments, is committed to the creation at our doors of the greatest engineering work ever undertaken. It comes as something entirely outside the usual activities of city building, but of which Las Vegas will receive the benefits whether we will it or not.

So far as the Boulder Dam project goes, it is assured as absolutely as anything can be assured by human agency. The fact that the government is proceeding with precision, step by step, absolutely in accordance with the terms of the Boulder Dam act, makes assurance doubly sure.

The expenditure of many millions of dollars here during the period of construction, with the assurance of ample power, the cheapest in the world, with which to develop our mineral wealth and our industries, places Las Vegas in a position of advantage almost unparalleled.

The people of Las Vegas are entirely justified in going forward with their enterprises with full confidence.

## NEW FIRE TRUCK.

THE CITY Commissioners acted wisely in providing additional equipment in the shape of a new fire truck for the Volunteer Fire Department.

The boys have done more than their share to secure the safety of the city for these many years. They should not be compelled to go up against the difficulties and dangers of possible conflagrations inadequately equipped.

And as a measure of economy, good fire department equipment is essential. We may think that we would be getting by cheaper if we side stepped expenditures for fire fighting equipment. But such would not be the case. We would surely pay dearly for neglect in this matter. Even though there should not be a fire within the next few years, the property owners of the community would pay many times over in insurance rates for the protection they ought to have should the fire department not keep up with the reasonably demands of the growth of the city.

Las Vegas, it should be remembered, has much more property to protect than it had a few years ago, and with the growth of the city, the liability of loss by fire is increased.

A fire department is a real asset. Las Vegas has been fortunate that her boys were willing all these years to do our fire fighting for us without the necessity of maintaining an expensive paid fire department.

## FEDERAL BUILDING SITE.

SENATOR ODDIE informs us that he will press the matter of accepting the chosen site for a federal building tendered by the city and hopes for early action by the government in accepting it.

The acceptance will be contingent, we assume, on the carrying out by the city of the assurances they made to the government officials when they were here, but there can be no substantial delay in that matter whenever the government gives the word.

The city park site on Stewart street was acceptable to the officials who inspected it and it has the approval of the great majority of the people of Las Vegas. It is obvious that no other site can be obtained within the cost limit set which will come near to having the advantages of the park site, and it seems that nothing can be gained by additional delay.

## SUITS FILED

Joseph C. Beatty vs. Mr. and Mrs. Louis Crawley, Mr. and Mrs. Leo A. Pyatt, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Adams, E. W. Griffith and Fletcher M. Griffith, H. J. Woodard, Phillip Buck, and any other heirs of Lucy K. Buck. This suit is brought through attorneys Ham and Taylor for the purpose of quieting title to lots 15 and 16, block 9, Buck's Addition to the City of Las Vegas.

Ruth Anna Harris, plaintiff, vs. Edward Case Harris, defendant. The couple were married at Santa Ana, Calif., in July, 1928. The complaint states that there is one minor child and alleges extreme cruelty as the cause of action. Roger Foley, attorney for the plaintiff.

# HOLLYWOOD'S FILM SHOP.

By DUANE HENNESSY United Press Staff Correspondent HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 25. (U.P.)—Nothing aggravates a screen cowboy more than to perform a difficult, as well as hair-raising stunt before a camera and then be accused of using a double.

"Once I turned a somersault from one horse to another in a picture and was accused of using a double, so now I content myself with vaulting over a horse, turning his belly, or standing on my head in the saddle," Ken Maynard said. "The kids howl with delight and their pants claim it was a double anyhow."

Maynard said that riding Roman style, on two horses, or swinging off the horse to rescue the girl looks better on film than some of the very difficult stunts.

The Universal star has many interesting experiences to tell regarding how he won trophies for riding and roping and of his experience with the Ringling Brothers circus.

The third time she worked her ride was wounded still more deeply. Ten girls dressed as Southern belles sat in a row. In walked the director to announce that the girl who was to play the part of the negro servant was ill. He offered an extra five dollars to the girl who would take her place.

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sion. Improvement comes during rides, too, because a stunter must be on his best performance, or someone else will get all the ribbons.

Maynard believes western films will survive the talkie invasion because the early West is filled with so much romance and love still untouched.

Louise Fazenda claims the world record for the most uronomic entry into motion pictures.

Her first day's work at Universal was in a western and all she did was wave goodbye to the cowboys. They held her two more days, but she was not called upon.

The next experience was no more flattering. Mack Sennett wanted someone to play the ugly princess and from all those on the set he chose Louise.

"Then and there I gave up my secret ambitions to be a charming beautiful actress," Louise said, "and became reconciled to comedy."

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## By KIRK SIMPSON

WASHINGTON — In these days of tariff revision discussion it is interesting to note that so learned an authority as James G. Blaine found more than a half century ago that there was nothing new even then in the terminology of the debate.

Blaine's reflections are recorded in his "Twenty Years of Congress 1861 to 1881," printed in 1884. In its preparation the author read all of the tariff debates in congress from the first session to his day. And he makes this observation on his reading:

"It is a circumstance of curious interest that nearly if not quite all the arguments used by supporters and opponents of a protective tariff system were presented at that time (in the first congress) and with a directness and ability which have not been surpassed in any subsequent discussion.

"The ad valorem system" of levying duties was maintained against "specific" rates in almost the same language employed in the discussions in recent years (the '90's).

"The infant manufacturers," the need of the "fostering care of the government" for promotion of "home industry," the advantages derived from "diversified pursuits," the competition of "cheap labor in Europe" were all rehearsed with a familiarity and ease which implied the previous and constant use in the legislative halls of the different states before the power to levy imposts was remitted to the jurisdiction of congress."

Were he still living, Mr. Blaine might repeat in 1929 what he observed in 1884. The terminology of tariff debate remains the same now.

And there is another aspect of the study of the beginnings of and reasons for the American protective tariff policy which might equally well be brought up to 1929 date only with the boot on the other leg.

For Mr. Blaine accounted in part for the situation in the period before the beginning of the war between the states and which marked the tariff question, in his judgment one of the major contributing causes of that war, by the fact that a "prodigious capacity" for industrial production had been set in motion in England "by the agency of steam."

Today the term is "mechanization" of industry and it is American, England, which leads the world in productive capacity. Blaine argued that this factor led to the production peaks and following commercial depression period and that it was "beyond the operation of duties either high or low to correct."

Brought Up To Date By a freak of chance, the Bystander stumbled over this bit from Blaine's writings just after he had read Secretary James J. Davis' discussion of "American Labor Problems" in a September issue magazine.

The problem of finding employment for those workers thrown out of jobs by the constantly increasing mechanization of American industry is placed first in the secretary's list.

"This great machinery of production we have put together turns out a volume of goods that it may take us to consume," Mr. Davis said. "We cannot permit the growth of unemployment through too rapid improvements in mechanical means. We must learn to create new public works and new industries to supply them."



## By DEMING SEYMOUR

NEW YORK — The speakeasies of midtown are being abandoned as hangouts by the notables and pseudo-notables of Broadway.

For a long era, as Broadway crags, many a Times Square clique had its favorite oasis—some hideaway where an intimate group gathered nightly, after the theater, to gossip and wisecrack over illicit liquors.

Sandwiches and Chili The new hangouts of the mid-night cliques are three or four eating places along middle Broadway and Sixth avenue. Two are sandwich shops. Another is a chili parlor.

A New England woman, Mrs. Lee, and her gorgeous daughter Babe are proprietors of Chili Villa. Neither, despite their corn came specialty, was ever in Mexico.

Their villa is opened for business each night at 6 o'clock, and it remains open until 4 the next morning. The peak of the patronage comes around midnight.

At none of these places which have usurped the speakeasy's sphere can liquor be bought or brought. Each has its group of patrons, and makes doubly sure of them by discouraging the patronage of such outsiders as come only to gape and eavesdrop.

## Brass Rail Price Trend

It was about six years ago that speakeasies began to grow numerous on Broadway. They were so new and so modest before then that Deimonico's old bar brought only \$30 at auction in 1923, and the Waldorf-Astoria bar sold for so little that a Rivington street gin merchant was able to afford it for his speakeasy dive.

When speakeasies began to get smart trade the tendency was reflected in the price of bars. Small ones built for use in stage sets sometimes sold, after the plays had run their course, for several hundred dollars. In recent months several stage bars have gone to gather dust in theatrical warehouses with no worthwhile bid on them.

## Midget Headquarters

The offices of vaudeville booking agents in Longacre Square are headquarters for about 150 midgets. That new business is employed in the show business in the United States—most of them in vaudeville couples, but a few in circuses, at amusement parks, and even in musical comedy and on the dramatic stage. Most of them are managed by two or three agents who specialize in midget attractions.

It is a current belief that virtually all the midgets come from Bavaria, and that all midgets are extremely sensitive about their small stature. Willy Rolle, one of the veterans among them, says those impressions are false.

Many of his comrades, he says, come from Germany, Austria and Hungary, but there are as many from the United States and England. As to being sensitive, that anard arises, he thinks, from the fact that normal folk try to treat midgets as children, when in all but stature they are thoroughly adult. Most of the midgets in the show business are between 20 and 30. After 40 they are too old to perform.

## STOCK CARS DO 100

PARIS (U.P.)—A hundred miles an hour is made by every roadster delivered by a leading maker of fast cars. Tests are held for each one under the supervision of the automobile club of France.

When you see the driver of a delivery truck backing up, probably saving another try at a tree he called to skin.—Buffalo Evening News.

## Suspect Held For Identification

Finger Print System Used to Check Up On Man Who Answers Description of Idaho Murder Maniac.

A hobo giving the name of Charles Russell, who states that he came to Las Vegas from Los Angeles after making his way down the coast from San Francisco, is being held in jail here while his record is being checked by Chief of Police Percy Nash.

According to Chief Nash and Officer Joe May, the hobo answers in a general way the very general and meagre description of the man who was brutal in Twin Falls, Idaho, for the brutal murder of an eleven-year old girl whose mutilated body was found in the Snake river.

Although the man held seems to be a degenerate, there is little probability that he is the man wanted for murder said Chief Nash and Officer May yesterday. However, photographs and finger prints are being forwarded and the suspect will be held for possible identification.

The finger print and photograph system recently installed in the Police Department is of great value to the city, said Chief Nash. "We send all records and finger prints out through the Sacramento Bureau of identification which is in touch with all the police departments of the country. Of all the arrests since the system was installed more than 90 per cent have been found to have records of previous convictions of crime."

You don't have to hire alienists to prove you are crazy if you are good.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

## Sensation Will Come From 'Mad Heiress' Death

SUISUN, Cal., Sept. 25 (U.P.)—A sensational death in the mysterious death of Irene Wolfskill, "mad heiress," whose body was found in Wooden Valley creek last Thursday, was predicted today by Sheriff Jack Thornton, who declared he might have something to announce at the end of the week.

Declaring that his announcement would "rock California" to its foundations, Sheriff Thornton said he had received "new and startling information" from what he considered "a reliable source."

Miss Wolfskill, self styled "empress of the world," disappeared from her ranch home in July. She was heiress to nearly \$1,000,000 and an eccentric member of a well-known California family. Her two brothers Matte and Ney Wolfskill benefit by an equal division of their sister's estate.

Rev. Robert Windsor, rector of St. Luke's Episcopal Church, whose body was found hanging from a beam in a barn in the rear of his home late today, committed suicide. The 50-year old clergyman had been in ill health for some time, police declared.

## Liquor Cargo of Seized Ship Short

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 25 (U.P.)—Nearly two hundred cases of alcohol and 16 barrels of whiskey have disappeared from the alleged rum ship Quadra since it was seized off the California coast two and a half years ago, a report by United States Marshall Fred Escala revealed today.

The Quadra was owned by a Canadian concern, the Consolidated Explorers, Ltd., of Vancouver. Investigation into the missing alcohol and liquor was under way today.

W. B. Hamilton, collector of the port and official custodian of the ship and her cargo, asserted that the alcohol had been distributed to government hospitals.

## Wife Takes Profits Hubby Asks Divorce

After running her husband's business for five years and spending all the profits thereof, while hubby did the heavy work, W. R. Bruce, Jr., alleges his wife Alice Laura treated him with extreme cruelty by nagging and scolding him day and night.

The couple were married at Iola, Kansas, in 1914, and separated at Twin Falls, Idaho, last April, according to the complaint, which also charges that the defendant has all of the community property in her possession. J. R. Lewis appears as attorney for the plaintiff.

The shortage came to light when Marshall Escala obtained an order from federal court for destruction of the alcohol and liquor. The amount remaining in storage did not tally with the original seizure.

## Las Vegas Stock Exchange

Closing Bids and Asked Quotations LOS ANGELES CURB AND EXCHANGE STOCKS Wednesday, Sept. 25, 1929.

	Bid	Ask
Calif. Bank	140	142
Mer. Natl. Bank	22	25
Natl. Bank Com.	40	42
Sec. Fst. Natl.	137 1/2	140
Pac. Fin. Com.	151	153
Barnsdall "A"	33 1/2	35
"Bolsa" Chica	192 1/2	205
"Buckeye Un.	35	39
McMillan Pet.	3	36 1/2
"Oceanic	75	90
Occdntl. Pet Com.	240	250
Gilmore	13 1/2	14
Riochfield	40	41
Rio. Grande	28	29
Std. Oil. Cal.	73 1/2	75
Union Oil	51	52
Douglas Air.	26 1/2	27
Emco Dr. Cm.	31	32
So. Cal. Edsn Com.	87	88
Av. Corp. Del.	13	14
"Bach Air	107 1/2	115
Bk. Am. Cal.	130	135
Bk. Am. N. A.	240	250
Bandini Pet.	6 1/2	7
"Exeter	145	150
Italian Pet. Cm.	205	215
Mex. Seabrd.	25	30
Sinclair	35	35 1/2
Fokker Air	41	43
Lockheed	3	7
Maddux Line	5	7
Trns. Am. Corp.	160	164
Trns. Con Air.	14 1/2	17
"Gold Ace	10	20
Continental of Del.	32	33
Republic Pete	450	500

Las Vegas Exchange—Open Board	
"Associated Metals	50
"Golden Ace	50
"Italo-Amer	55
"Virginia Con.	01
"Gold Reef	01
"Rhyolite Con.	10
"Monawk Ace	01 1/2
"Monarch Gold	45
"Gulchman Pete	85
"Yellow Pine	12
—Price in Cents.	

CUBA'S "HENRY FORD" TO FLY HAVANA, (U.P.)—Aguino Munero, a Camaguey mechanic known to his friends as "el Enry Elford de Cuba" (Henry Ford of Cuba) is the first Cuban to build an airplane. Munero will take a ride in it as soon as he completes a flying course.

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## Will Rogers writes about LEVI STRAUSS OVERALLS

Bad Year for City Slickers, Says Rogers

NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—Say, our champion New York university team looked like Man of War till that bunch of Oregon apple knockers got a hold of 'em this afternoon. It was no place for a raccoon coat athlete, up against an old bunch of wheat shockers whose college emblem is a pair of Levi overalls.

These old salmon giggers from the mouth of the Columbia had the city slickers strewn from goal to goal. With Yale, Harvard, Princeton, Columbia and Al Smith going down all in succession. It just looks like it's the old country boys' year.

Yours, WILL ROGERS.

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