

FEDERAL BUILDING SITE OPENED

Lava Flows Over Town, Engulfs Hundreds

GUATAMALA VOLCANO IN ERUPTION; 300 KILLED

Santa Maria Emits Lava and Ashes From Its 12,300 Foot Crest, Is Reported to Have Buried Entire Community; 27 Bodies Recovered; City of 10,000 Is In Turmoil

GUATAMALA CITY, Guatemala, Nov. 4 (U.P.)—Three hundred persons were estimated to have been killed last night and today when Santa Maria, volcano, vomited lava and ashes from its 12,300 foot crest overlooking the Pacific ocean. An unconfirmed report said the entire population of Finta Gatro-mo was buried by lava. Twenty-seven bodies were recovered there today and soldiers were digging for others. The heavy rainfall since last night made salvage work difficult and many places were cut off from communication.

The government dispatched red cross workers to the aid of the injured by the railroad. Quezaltenango, city of 10,000 population near the volcano, was in turmoil. Its terrified inhabitants filled the streets and prepared to flee. The volcano has been active intermittently since 1902.

N. Y. to Elect Mayor Today

NEW YORK, Nov. 4 (United Press)—New York's mayoralty candidates made their final bid for votes today on the first anniversary of the fatal shooting of Arnold Rothstein, gambler, whose unsolved death has been one of the issues of the present campaign. The four major candidates—James J. Walker, democrat, incumbent; Florence H. La Guardia, republican-fusion; Norman Thomas, socialist and Richard E. Enright, square-deal—will make the customary election eve speaking tour tonight of the strategic voting centers of the city. Mayor Walker's recent declaration that his political enemies planned to perpetrate a "diabolical forgery" on election eve had not been fulfilled today.

Many Inquire About Vegas

Inquiries concerning Las Vegas were received by hundreds, and from as far east as Illinois, by Mr. Humphrey of Boulder Dam Information, Inc., following the five minute radio broadcast late last week from Denver. A great deal of interest is being shown in this community and locality by prospective investors in the East. Humphreys states.

LOCAL ARTIST RETURNS

C. H. Mayberry, local artist, arrived in town last Friday after several days spent in the desert surrounding Beatty. Mr. Mayberry is an artist of note and has a good many of his paintings on exhibit in the Gateway hotel. He expects to spend a few days here on business, after which he will return to the northern town.

Aimee McPherson, Mother, Effect Reconciliation; To Work Together

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 4 (U.P.)—Aimee Semple McPherson, following a complete reconciliation with her mother, Mrs. Minnie Kennedy, was en route north today to visit branches of her Four Square gospel church. The woman evangelist intends to stop over at Chico, California, and Eugene and Portland, Oregon, to meet with her branch ministers in those districts. Mrs. Kennedy expects to join her daughter in the northwest. The formal announcement that her mother would again be associated with her was made by Mrs. McPherson last night.

Druggist Attempts Suicide When Dry Officers Make Raid

CHICAGO, Nov. 4 (U.P.)—When prohibition agents raided his drug store, Wm. Stearns rushed out and tried to commit suicide by leaping in front of a street car, the agents reported tonight. The agents dashed out after him, grabbed him by the collar just as a trolley came along, and brought him back to the store where the dry officers said they found five one-gallon cans of alcohol.

Road to Be Oiled From Crystal to Glendale, Nev.

Widening, Re-Surfacing of Stretch Is Planned; Survey Is Begun; Section Near Mesquite Finished.

Preliminary surveying work preparatory to the starting of the job of widening and oiling the state highway from Crystal, the point to which it has been oiled, to Glendale, was started late last week under the direction of C. C. Boyer, highway division engineer. The road was widened and oiled to Crystal last winter, and the work on the Crystal-Glendale stretch will be started some time this winter, it is expected. The roadbed will be widened from 0 to 24 feet and the graveled portion from 15 to 18 feet. The actual work will be started shortly after January 1, according to Boyer. Some stretches will be re-located and rebuilt, eliminating bad curves and grades. The contract will then be let for oiling of the road. The grading will be completed, and the stretch ready for oiling about June 1, it is expected. Work on the one mile section of new highway from Mesquite to the Arizona state line was completed last week; this, however, cannot be used until the Arizona portion of the new "strip" highway is finished, which will be a matter of several months, it is expected.

Americans Die In Mexico Plane Crash

MEXICO CITY, Nov. 4 (U.P.)—Two Americans and a third man only partly identified, were killed today when their airplane crashed near Villa Del Carbon, in the State of Mexico, during a rain-storm, according to advices from Gov. Carpio of the state of Aguas Calientes. The Americans are R. C. Lowry, superintendent of traffic for the Mexican Aeronautical Transport company, which owned the plane, and John Karmachuel, the pilot.

"Mother will be back in the work with me from now on," she said. The mother and daughter separated almost two years ago in a dispute over the conduct of Angelus Temple and other churches of the Four Square gospel. The first intimation of the reconciliation came last week when Mrs. Kennedy appeared with Mrs. McPherson before the grand jury, now engaged in an investigation of the handling of the temple funds. Mrs. McPherson said she will return here next Saturday and be on hand next week when the jury is scheduled to again consider Angelus Temple financial matters.

Trading Drops; Billions Clipped From Values

Quiet Market is Contrast to Frenzied Activity of Past Ten Days; Price Changes Are Bewildering.

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NEW YORK, Nov. 4 (U.P.)—Several billion dollars were clipped from market values of stocks today as a quiet market—as compared with the frenzied trading of the past 10 days—saw bewildering price changes. The market was variable. It opened well down with great blocks of stock being traded. The trading dropped off and the market gained. Prices ranged back and forth during the day until just before the closing, when the market broke again, and the close was lower. Leaders were off 1 to 15 points near the close. The reason for the late reaction was given as profit taking in advance of the election day holiday. For a time in the afternoon both buying and selling dried up and the list was moving in an extremely narrow range. This gave heart to the bull forces and they at once began to bid up the favorites. Steel rose to around 190, and other leaders made proportionate gains. The advance brought out the profit taking and further selling of support stock. In the opinion of traders this unloading process will require considerable time in view of the tremendous amounts of stock that had been taken last week to prevent the break from going too far. Today's opening was disappointing. Wall street had expected a vertiginous flood of buying with prices soaring to fancy figures. The traders did not reckon with the professional element, and the size of the orders pouring in from all parts of the country. These for the most part were small and did not come anywhere near equalizing the size of the banker's blocks. Brokers have not yet caught up with their books and some of their force may be drafted tomorrow. The exchange has arranged to close at 1 p. m. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday and all day Saturday. Sales today totaled 6,202,930 shares. The tape caught up with the market at 3:24 p. m. In many cases the closing prices were at the lows of the day, due to the late selling rush. Heaviest losses were sustained by leading issues. Oils showed good recuperative powers as did some of the special issues and coppers. In the latter group, however, Anaconda was a weak spot, closing with a loss of five points at 95. In the oil group, Sinclair held to the previous close of 29 and closed there. Standard of New Jersey closed with a loss of 3 1/2 at 66 1/2, after touching a low of 65. Earlier in the session it touched 69 1/2.

Auto Upset Results In 'Broken Neck'

Charlie McKinley of Good-springs in Bad Shape, With Vertebrae Misplaced; Cash Clark Is Also Injured.

Suffering what may prove a broken neck, Charlie McKinley of Goodsprings walked for a distance Sunday morning for help after having been in an automobile upset near Jean, according to Dr. Frasier of the Union Pacific hospital, who is caring for McKinley. The man had to carry his head bent over to the left, and still has to be held in that position late yesterday. An X-ray taken at the hospital showed some of the vertebrae to be misplaced, but through some miracle the spinal cord has not had sufficient pressure to bring death. Attempts will be made today by Dr. Frasier to reduce the condition. Physicians are in a quandary as to the exact status of the case. Cash C. Clark, who was with McKinley, was taken to the Las Vegas hospital with a badly cut left ear, contusions of the back, and other minor injuries. George Ross was the third member of the party, which was moving along the highway toward Good-springs at about 5 a. m. Sunday when it went off the road and overturned. Dr. N. Michelena is attending Clark.

'Charge Is Still First Degree Murder-Harmon

Still facing a charge of first degree murder, "Horsefly" Williams will come once more to trial, according to District Attorney Harley A. Harmon.

The prosecutor had given the matter thought from all angles since he had asked for a reasonable time in which to consider the matter. Saturday when the first jury was dismissed, and he expressed confidence in the ability of the state to prove Williams guilty of murder. "And the charge will not be reduced from murder in the first degree, either," Harmon stated.

NEW VEGAS-RENO HIGHWAY JOB WILL CUT UNIMPROVED DISTANCE DOWN TO 36 MILES

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Man Makes Bad Check Confession

Dreads Trial Here for Train Wreck Attempt

Neely'd Rather Be Tried in California
Because "it goes so hard for a fellow" who has been breaking the law in Clark county, William L. Neely, accused of causing derailment of a railway motor car on the U. P. track, confessed to writing of bad checks in California and stated he would rather be sent to California to be tried for these offenses than be held here. The confession was made and signed in Las Vegas and is now in possession of District Attorney Harley A. Harmon. "Will his request be granted? Not if the preliminary hearing in justice court at 2 p. m. Thursday shows there is sufficient evidence to bind him over to district court for trial here," said Harmon late yesterday. "If he is held to answer he probably will be tried at the same court session as 'Horsefly' Williams," the district attorney said. Neely was seen walking along the track when two motor cars were speeding down the track near Apex, about five minutes apart. The first car passed Neely. The second car hit an obstruction consisting of a rock and a bolt, which had been placed on the track since the first car passed over. The second car was derailed but no one was injured. Neely was seen walking a short distance from where the derailment occurred, and Road Foreman Ray and his men took him into custody and brought him to Las Vegas, where he was haled into justice court yesterday. Thursday was set by JJude Roger Foley as the date for preliminary hearing. Whether or not Neely planned to wreck a train by placing the obstruction on the rail is a matter which only he can answer, but this is seen as the most plausible explanation for his asserted action.

Engineer Coming Here to Inspect Testing Plant

Chief Designing Engineer Savage Expected Today to Look Over Federal Activities Relative to Boulder Dam.

Chief Designing Engineer Savage for the government arrived this morning from Denver on an inspection tour of government activities here. It was stated by Government Engineer Walter that Mr. Savage will inspect 47 testing cars passing and that probably while here the work of testing samples of sand and gravel will begin. Mr. Savage is the chief designing engineer of the government reclamation bureau and it is in his department that the designing of the Boulder Dam is under way. It is expected the engineer will spend a few days here.

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Plans for the building of a tourist court on several lots purchased on Vegas Boulder addition No. 1 are being laid by Frank Lydie, of San Diego, who arrived in Las Vegas yesterday with W. K. Cox, one of the subdividers of the tract. The bungalows planned will cost three or four thousand dollars, and will be started in about two weeks, according to plans announced yesterday. Ten lots in this tract were sold for cash recently. Cox stated, the purchaser being interested in investing money in Las Vegas. Mr. Cox and Mr. Lydie have known each other for many years.

Gas Explosion Is Attributed To Carelessness

Howard Nelson Suffers Painful Burns When Heater Causes Fire in Apartment; Damage Around \$200 or \$300.
Carelessness in the lighting of a gas heater was blamed last night by A. H. Sittle apartment house owner, for the injuries sustained yesterday morning by Howard Nelson, mechanic, who was badly burned about the face and hands with a gas explosion which did damage Sittle estimated at \$200 to \$300 in the apartment. The statement that a leaky gas pipe caused the explosion was repudiated yesterday after Al Hike, plumber who installed the gas fixtures, examined them carefully during the day. Error Admitted The individual who first attributed this cause for the accident has admitted it was erroneous. Sittle stated last night. Nelson, an auto mechanic, is believed to have tried to light the heater, left for another match and returned, leaving the jet on in the meantime, the accumulated gas causing the explosion. Nelson, who rents the apartment from Sittle, ran out the door, his hair and clothes aflame, it is reported, and was trying to put out the fire by wallowing in the sand when a neighbor came with a sheepskin coat and helped him get rid of the flames. Puts Out Fire She then put out the fire in the apartment with a garden hose, according to Sittle. When the fire department arrived the fire had been entirely extinguished. Nelson, taken to the Las Vegas hospital by friends, was cared for by Dr. N. Michelena. His hands and face were severely burned and his eyes bloodshot, but it is believed there will be no permanent after-effects of a serious nature. The apartment is at Fifth and Bonnevile.

CITY PARK LOCATION APPROVED AT MEETING

Overwhelming Majority of People Present at Mass Meeting Last Night Vote in Favor of Locating Building in Site Already Tended To and Accepted by the Government

Holmes Had Used Dynamite 55 Years, But It Got Finger
After having used dynamite for 55 years and instructed many in its use, W. H. Holmes, 80-year-old miner, had his left index finger blown off Sunday by a premature explosion when he was prospecting for tuffa about thirty mile south of Las Vegas. The finger stub was amputated by Dr. F. M. Ferguson in Las Vegas hospital. Holmes had gone out with some men whom he wanted to show certain tuffa deposits and was placing a shot when it went off, while his hand was still near the hole. The court room in the court house last evening was packed with a crowd of people interested in the proper settlement of the federal building site controversy. The meeting was called by Chairman W. E. Ferron of the City Planning Commission, at the suggestion of the city board. It was advertised both by hand bills and newspaper advertising by those who are opposed to the selected site and desired to overthrow the already well considered and carefully made decision of the majority. Members of the planning commission present were Chairman W. E. Ferron, R. B. Griffith and W. J. Rhoads. Mayor Hesse sat with the commission. In opening the meeting Chairman Ferron stated that the planning commission was there to hear all expressions on the subject of a site for the federal building and would then take the matter under advisement and report to the city commissioners. E. W. Griffith was the first speaker. He advocated making a civic center about the court house and dwelt on the great expense to the taxpayers which he alleged the park site would entail. He also condemned the reduction in the area of the city park and likewise condemned the cost to the taxpayers of improving the area remaining. C. J. Harvey agreed in many points with Mr. Griffith but expressed the opinion that all should carefully concur in reaching a final decision. His main objection to the park site he said was that it is inconvenient and out of the way. Others made pleas in support of waiting a while to see if a site could not be had near the court house. Supporting the present site, brief remarks were made by Carl Ray, Dr. R. W. Martin, W. J. Flowers, S. R. Whitehead, E. A. Ferron, O. A. Kimball, L. J. Oakes, Al Cahlan, C. P. Squires and others. Mrs. Nettles, colored, said that if the negro colony near the proposed site were a hindrance to its approval she would guarantee that they would all sell out and move, if so desired. Mr. Nungesser asked about the possibility of placing the federal building in the block with the court house. S. R. Whitehead proposed that a vote be taken of the crowd present as to whether they favor the present site or not. The vote was taken after slight discussion, with the understanding that all present would abide by the decision so made. The result of the vote was 59 solidly in favor of the park site that the chairman did not think it necessary to announce the result. It may be conservatively estimated that there were five votes or more in favor of one against the site already tendered by the city and accepted by the government. Therefore there is great hope that the final decision on the site for a federal building is really final.

Convicts Slug, Shoot Way To Freedom

Three Prisoners Cut Thru Roof of Cell Block in Ohio Penitentiary; One Is Shot By Guard, Dies.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Nov. 4 (U.P.)—Arthur Brooker, 23, state penitentiary convict, shot after escaping over the prison wall, died late today. COLUMBUS, O., Nov. 4 (U.P.)—After cutting their way through the concrete roof of a new cell block three prisoners slugged and shot their way from the state penitentiary here early today. One of them, Arthur Brooker, 23, was shot by a guard and recaptured. After cutting their way from the cell block, Brooker and his companions, Guy Tensen, 32, and William Miller, 20, lowered themselves to the prison wall, slugged guard J. R. Montgomery, seized his two shotguns and lowered themselves over the wall with a rope. As the three prisoners fled, Guards Clark and Phillips exchanged shots with them. It was not known Brooker had been shot until he was discovered hiding near the prison wall, unable because of his wound, to flee with Tensen and Miller. Brooker was shot in the right arm and right side. His condition was considered critical. The new cell block, only recently completed, was believed escape proof. The prisoners apparently had secreted sharp instruments in their cell and Tensen gradually cutting their avenue of escape. Guard Montgomery had just emerged from his sentinel tower when the three convicts attacked him. His cries attracted Guards Clark and Phillips, who immediately opened fire.

Nevada Divorces Not Binding When Residence For That Only—Judge

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 4 (U.P.)—Nevada divorce decrees are not binding upon the courts of other states when residence has been established solely for the purpose of obtaining a divorce, Superior Judge Leon Yankwich, ruled again here today. The decision was made in giving Mrs. Gertrude Broder, separate maintenance from Gustave Broder, her husband. Broder opposed his wife's action on the ground that he already had divorced her in Reno, Judge Yankwich held that Broder's Nevada divorce was not bona fide, because Broder merely established residence there long enough to get the divorce. Judge Yankwich made a similar ruling last year.

LAD HAS OPERATION

The fifteen-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse L. Logsdon underwent a major operation Sunday morning in Las Vegas hospital, and is reported recovering nicely. Drs. Mildren and Ferguson performed the operation. Mr. Logsdon is owner of the Second Street Market.

DRAGUIGNAN, France, Nov. 4, Richard Cordett, who shot his mother to death to end her sufferings from cancer, was found not guilty of murder charge today by a jury which deliberated only a brief time. Cordett made a dramatic plea that the killing was justified on the ground of mercy since his mother's case was hopeless and she was suffering agonies as she begged him to end it all.