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THURSDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 14, 1929.

### DELAY NOT WASTED TIME.

**SECRETARY WILBUR** in deferring further conferences on the matter of Boulder Dam power is acting wisely.

The power question is too important to be subject of snap judgment. Nevada is too vitally interested in the proper settlement of the question to wish it so. Rather we would prefer that when the final decision is made it be fair to all concerned and one which will be final—not subject to attack by any disgruntled parties.

Whether the Secretary's expressed hope that California and Arizona may come to an agreement on their various points of difference is well founded remains to be seen. At any rate it is worth a few weeks time to make another effort.

### USE POWER AT POINT OF ORIGIN.

**CHARLES J. FINK**, professor of electro-chemistry at Columbia University and secretary of the American Electrical Chemical company in discussing Boulder Dam power at the Washington conference, strengthened the position of Nevada when he said that the power should be used at the dam site.

"It is less expensive to transport raw materials to electric power than it is to transmit power to raw materials," he said. He also declared that Nevada has potential mineral resources which, if power is available, could be turned into widespread manufacturing.

Just what we have been telling for some years. In Southern Nevada are vast metallic and non-metallic resources which can only be utilized by the use of cheap power. That is the reason why Nevada insists upon and must have ample rights from the Boulder Dam project for her future development. With power we can enrich the world. Without power our resources must remain dormant.

It is pleasing to see that so eminent a scientist as Prof. Fink, has come to recognize the justness of Nevada's contention.

### BOULDER DAM PROGRESS.

**TO THOSE** who are continually asking when the construction of the Boulder Dam project will start, we might just as well say definitely that it has already started.

Getting a great project under way is not quick work and its first advance is apparently slow, like a long freight train getting under way. But we know that the power of the great engine which will soon be taking the heavy train across the country at high speed is being exerted to the utmost just to get it under way at the start.

The United States government, that engine which will use its power later to drive the work on Boulder Dam at high speed, it at the present time exerting every ounce of its energy making a start.

And to prove beyond question that the start has been made we have only to point to the government testing plant built here by the bureau of reclamation. The plant used for testing prospective materials for the dam work, is in full operation and is as much a part of the project as the railroad, the highway or the tunnels.

If the Interior Department did not intend to proceed diligently with the work placed in its hands by the congress of the United States, it would not be spending money to test materials.

And, in the opinion of the Age, so long as Herbert Hoover is President of the United States, it will take a power greater than any threat of Arizona to retard or delay the Boulder Dam project.

The thing to do is to stop worrying about "actual construction" and get our house in order for the big party. The invitations are out and the guests are coming.

### New Light System Not Likely To Be Finished This Week

Completion of the city's new ornamental lighting system is not likely until next week, it has been stated, as the result of delays in shipment of materials to Las Vegas. The work, which undoubtedly will be finished long before the contract requires, now consists in the putting into place of the crown pieces and globes, the completion of electrical connections in the standards themselves and installation of transformer and main feeder connections. The installation of the feeders from the main line to the transformer on south Third may delay the turning on of the lights even if the standards were finished this week, according to City Electrical Inspector Payne.

The "open house" celebration planned for the eve of the first turning on of the lights must necessarily be postponed until probably some time next week, it has been announced, particulars to be given out later, when the exact completion date is announced.

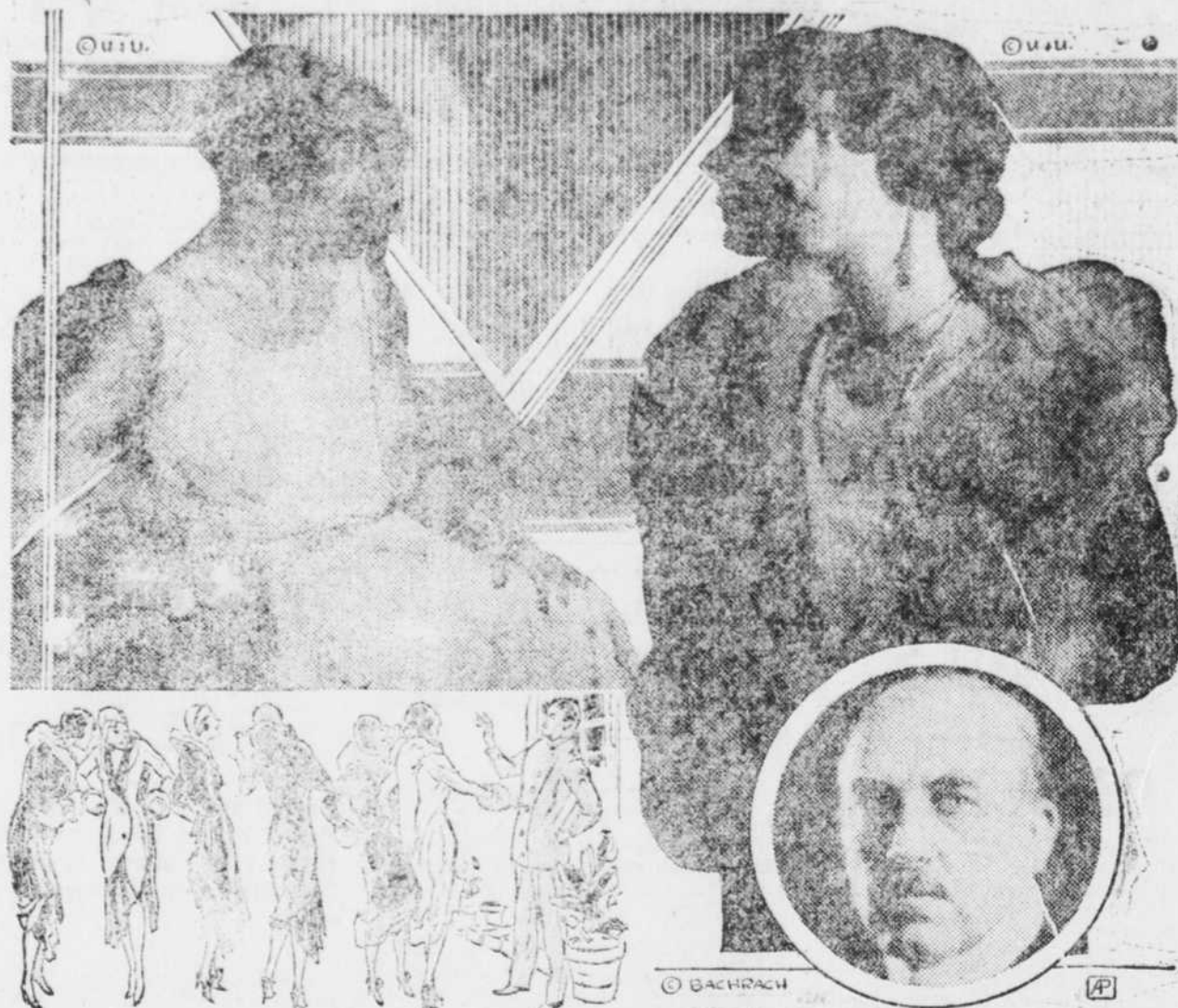
### 'Employment Conditions Good'

Union labor is enjoying a healthy condition as regards employment conditions, according to union officials. Of the eleven crafts, with a total membership of more than six hundred, virtually one hundred per cent were employed. It was stated recently. The painters, the electricians and the culinary workers are among those cited as enjoying a particularly healthy condition at present.

### Novelty Dance to Be Given Saturday

A novelty dance will be given Saturday evening at the Boulder club hall. A seven-piece orchestra, Jazz Morrison's Night Hawks, will furnish the music. The dance will begin at 8 p.m., it has been announced.

## Women Crash Gates In Capital To "Tell The Folks Back Home"



Because so many visitors want to see such folk as Frau Friederich von Peltz (left), wife of the German ambassador, and Mrs. Herbert Owen Williams (right), wife of the British ambassador, an elaborate card index system has been developed against the gate-crasher in Washington. Sergi, Clarence L. Darlymple (inset), head of White House police, deals diplomatically with scores of undinvited guests.

By SUE McNAMARA  
(AP) Feature Service Writer

WASHINGTON, Nov. 11 (AP)—There are no one-eyed Connells in Washington.

But the problem of the gate-crasher is a harder one than in most cities. With the early opening of the social season it will again bob up for its annual solving.

Washington, with its many brilliant social affairs, is a paradise for a person with a cast iron nerve and a pair of spats.

It is not that type, however, which causes trouble. It's the wifely woman who wants to get in where the lights are shining and the music playing "just once so she can tell the folks back home about it." Only the diplo-

may which comes of years of service can gracefully turn her away. The average Washington gate-crasher comes from the respectable well-to-do families of the land. She comes from all over the country. She raises a white-gloved little hand and knocks, oh, so confidently!

"Silly old cards? She just forgot them. But right there she is banging up against the capital city's protection from intruders on its exclusive social affairs.

As a result of its card check-up and indexed name list system Washington has almost rid itself of the social gate-crasher—save at the White House.

This is one place where the great American public feels it has a right to go. It's the one place, too, where the greatest care must be exercised

to see that cranks and other undesirables do not get in.

The would-be gate-crasher wraps her evening cloak about her, trips up the steps and is met at the door by Sergi, Clarence L. Darlymple, head of White House police.

"Cards? O well, she just forgot them." A dazzling smile and she is politely asked to wait just a moment while the list is checked for her name. It cannot be found. This is where diplomacy steps in.

A nice little woman whose only error is a desire to see the President and his splendid party cannot be dealt with like a professional "crasher." The situation is carefully explained to her. She goes away feeling that those nice doormen would gladly have let her in if they could.

## 131 TEACHERS AT INSTITUTE

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Institute, for his regular annual inspection of Las Vegas high school.

Miss Amy Hanson, deputy state superintendent, made arrangements for details of the institute.

One of the features of today's sessions will be the making of the water's basketball schedule by coaches and principals in one of the morning sessions.

This morning's program will be started at 9 o'clock with invocation by the Rev. C. H. Sloan of the Baptist church, followed by music by the Las Vegas high school chorus and the Las Vegas girls' glee club.

Section Meetings Then will follow a violin solo by Mr. Carlyle Wilcox.

Section meetings will then be conducted by Mr. Lewis E. Rowe, on music and art in the elementary grades; Mr. K. O. Knudson, meeting of elementary school principals; Miss Lucile Withers, on correlating health teaching with the curriculum, and Mr. Jacobson, meeting of high school principals and athletic coaches.

The afternoon program will begin at 1:15 with selection from "Rigoletto," presented by Mr. A. E. Johnson and a tumbling act by Las Vegas gymnasium students.

Section Meetings Then will follow a selection by the Panaca high school faculty male quartet and section meetings as follows:

Conducted by Doctor Phillips, "The Use and Abuse of Methods," Miss Opha Miller, district extension agent, "Cooperation of the teacher with extension service," R. J. Newton, high school publications, and C. W. Price, forensics.

A 3:30 there will be an institute tea served by members of the Las Vegas Home Economics club.

Friday's opening session will be started with invocation by the Rev. C. S. Reynolds of the Methodist church, followed by a vocal selection by Lewis E. Rome and national dances by high school gymnasium students.

Boulder Dam Address The first address will be delivered by Mr. C. P. Squires, publisher of the Age and for many years Nevada Colorado River commissioner. His subject will be "History of Boulder Dam Legislation."

Miss Lucile Withers, Clark County nurse, will then address the institute on "Mental Health."

The Moapa Valley faculty will sing "Down by the Sea" and the Moapa Valley quartet will sing "Invictus."

Section meetings will be conducted by Miss Lucile Withers, Mr. Walter V. Long, Mr. L. W. Edwards, Miss Catherine Connelly and Miss Maud Frazier, Las Vegas school superintendent. State Superintendent Walter W. Anderson will give an address Friday afternoon on "School Problems from a Statewide Viewpoint."

There will be a dramatic selec-

## Laborers Plan Costume Dance For Thanksgiving

A masquerade dance will be held Thanksgiving by the hodcarriers' and laborers' union at the Union hall over the Boulder club, it has been announced by William Boyd, business agent for the union.

A prize for the couple with the best costumes will be presented, also several door prizes.

Mayor J. Fred Hesse will lead the grand march, according to Boyd, and the mayor and Albert Duffell will be two of the three judges for the costume prize, he stated yesterday.

Jazz Morrison's Night Hawks will play for the dance, the committee for which comprises Cameron, McCoy, Drake and Boyd, of the laborers' union.

MRS. LINN BOTTS IMPROVING It has been reported that Mrs. Linn Botts, who was operated on several days ago, is very much improved but is still confined to her bed at her home on south Second street.

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## ARENZ' LETTER TO SECRETARY

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out the necessity of assuming obligations which may be burdensome, it also may do away with the uncertainty and possible delay in financing the Boulder dam project.

"I can readily see the force and argument that but one management should control the installation of the hydroelectric generative machinery and equipment.

"I think, considering the Secretary's allocation letter in its entirety it means that primarily the original contractors will become responsible for installation and operation costs and that thereupon Arizona, Nevada and others contracting for power will proportionately become responsible to the original contractors. If this is correct it would seem to necessarily follow that Arizona and Nevada would have to amortize for the payment of their proportionate costs of installation and operation.

In such event it seems to me to be manifestly unfair to leave Arizona and Nevada without representation on the board of control proposed on page 3 of the allocation letter.

"I believe that the limitation in the deduction preferential rights proposed by the Secretary whereby Arizona and Nevada can dispose of

their power only within their own boundary lines, while Los Angeles, the Metropolitan Water District and municipalities are left free both in respecting their disposal of power as they see fit, either is restricted or unrestricted in this respect all should be treated alike. I can see no reason why the allottees should be restricted from disposing of their allotted power as in their judgment is to their best advantage.

"While it appears to be true that literally subdivision (c) of section 5 of the Boulder Canyon project act limits hydroelectric energy going to the states for "use in the states," yet I think this is no more than a limitation of a preferential right and should be construed in pari materia with section 7 of the federal water power act where the only limitation is that of "public interest," which is rather one of regional use than one of artificial state boundaries.

"I believe there should be a specific limitation of power to Arizona and Nevada in the same manner that water is allowed.

"I disagree with the Secretary's proposed charge of twenty-five cents per acre foot for water storage to the Metropolitan Water District. It is much too low. A charge of a dollar per acre foot would be moderate and fair and any charge of less than fifty cents per acre foot is simply an unfair advantage to the Metropolitan Water district at the

expense of Arizona and Nevada, particularly of Nevada, because it can use little of the water because of the elevation of its irrigable lands."

SAMUEL S. ARENZ.

## GAREHIME FILES SUIT

J. W. Garehime filed suit Tuesday against Bob Elam in the matter of a note for \$435, signed July 9, 1929. Garehime seeks the principal, interest and ten per cent for attorney fee, as provided in the note, according to the complaint, which was filed by Roland H. Wiley, attorney for Garehime.

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HOLLYWOOD'S FILM SHOP

By DUANE HENNESSY  
United Press Staff Correspondent

HOLLYWOOD, Nov. 13, (AP) William Powell, who always was cast as the "villain" until recent pictures found in more likable roles, nursed a secret ambition for many years. It isn't a secret now. He got his chance to gratify the ambition the other day; he sang baritone in a male quartet.

Powell's ambition dates back quite a way. It goes back, in fact, to the time when he was a youngster in Kansas City.

"In those days I was a boy soprano," the actor said. "How I escaped with my life, I don't know, for they often killed sopranos in Missouri; drowned them like kittens. It was because of this ever threatening danger that I never had a chance to sing in a quartet during my boyhood. I never could find three others as careless of their lives as I."

Some years later found him in Pittsburgh, selling haberdashery to big steel and iron men. By that time he was a second tenor with indications that the more booming resonance of the baritone range was approaching.

"I hated haberdashery so intensely that even today I curse a necktie every time I put one on," Powell declared. "I believe that if I had been successful in my efforts to become a member of a glee club there, though, I would have stayed in haberdashery and liked it."

But he didn't sing a single note and next he was back in Kansas.

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