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THE WEATHER
LAS VEGAS—Yesterday: Max. 72; Min. 34.
NEVADA—Fair Thursday and Friday. Warmer
Friday.
LEAD—Quiet, prices unchanged, 6.25 a pound
NEW YORK and 6.10 a pound St. Louis
ZINC—Quiet, with prime western at 6.25 a
pound East St. Louis.
NEW YORK—Bar Silver 49%; Mexican 26 1/2.

H. S. CONTRACT LIKELY BE LET TOMORROW; TO OPEN PAVING BIDS

Two Great Community Improvements Probably Will Get Action By Respective Boards This Week; Several Firms Working on Estimates for Street Paving Job

Two major civic improvement projects will be greatly forwarded tomorrow when the contract for Las Vegas' new \$350,000 high school plant will be awarded and the bids for paving of the new paving district will be opened by the city commissioners.

The school board is awaiting arrival of O. K. Adeock, of the board, from Los Angeles, before making final decision upon the awarding of the school construction contract.

F. J. Solt of Los Angeles and Ryberg and Sorensen of Salt Lake City are the two firms between which the decision is believed to center and Adeock's arrival is expected to bring things to a head.

John Simpson and Company of Los Angeles, and Thomas and Burrell, of Long Beach, are still under consideration, although the other two firms are conceded to have first ranking at present.

The meeting is set for 10 a. m. tomorrow.

Late yesterday no bids had been filed for the paving job, specifications for which call for the "Durite" type of paving.

Several concerns, however, are known to be preparing bids, and the contract may be awarded a few days after Friday, if they are favorably received by the city board and are found satisfactory, it was stated yesterday.

New Postmaster For Arden Will Be Selected Soon

Civil Service Examination to Be Held in Las Vegas; Position Paid \$1091 During Last Year.

Civil service examination to fill a vacancy in the postmastership of Arden, Nevada, and other vacancies as they may occur at that office will be held in the near future, according to notice received yesterday from the United States civil service commission.

Applications must be in December 20, 1929, according to the notice, which states it is a fourth-class postmaster examination.

The date for assembling of competitors will be stated in the admission cards, which will be mailed to applicants after the closing of receipt of applications. The examination will be held in Las Vegas.

For the last fiscal year the compensation of the postmaster at that office was \$1091.

Applicants must have reached their twenty-first birthday and not be six days short of the date of the examination.

Applicants must reside within the territory supplied by the post-office for which the examination is announced.

The examination is open to all citizens of the United States who can comply with the requirements.

Application blanks, Form 1753, and full information concerning the requirements of the examination can be secured from the postmaster at the place of vacancy or from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.

Applications must be properly executed and on file with the Commission at Washington, D. C., prior to the hour of closing business on the date specified at the head of this announcement.

H. F. Sinclair Leaves Prison

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20. (U.P.) Harry F. Sinclair, millionaire oil operator, left the District of Columbia jail early this morning apparently in high spirits and good health after serving almost seven months on charges growing out of the senate investigation of Teapot Dome.

His time expired at midnight.

After bidding farewell to Supt. Wm. Teak, Sinclair walked up into the jail at 12:07 a. m. and passed it hood-humored for several minutes while photographers took still, motion and sound pictures in numerous poses.

He refused, however, to amplify a formal printed statement sent to the press earlier in the evening. When asked if he had anything to add to a statement, which reiterated the contention that he was "railroaded to jail," Sinclair said:

"No! That's what got me in here."

Accompanied by his brother, E. W. Sinclair, and his personal attorney, Sinclair drove away in a large enclosed automobile for an unknown destination. It was believed he may have started to New York.

Coffroth Says Agua Caliente May Get Pool

Race Operator Considers Great Lottery Similar to Calcutta; Race Will Replace Coffroth Handicaps.

By JAMES SHEEHY
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BOARD S. S. MOLOLO, ON A ROUND-THE-PACIFIC CRUISE Nov. 20. (U.P.) A great international race will be replaced by the first running of the Agua Caliente \$100,000 added handicap at the new track at Agua Caliente, Mexico, during the coming winter racing season at the border resort, according to James W. ("Sunny Jim") Coffroth.

The race will replace the famous Coffroth handicap, the world's richest purse, which was an annual feature of the program of the old Tijuana Jockey Club.

"We've talked about opening a pool similar to the Calcutta for five years and there is a bare possibility that it might be done this year in connection with the opening of our new track," Coffroth said. "However, there are many complications and several things to be considered before proceeding definitely."

Although thousands of miles from home on the round-the-Pacific cruise of the Mololo, Coffroth is absorbed in the opening of the \$1,000,000 track on December 28—eight days after the cruise ship docks at San Francisco.

Says It's a Gamble

"It's a big venture and somewhat of a gamble," he said when interviewed in his suite. "You know the track is about three and a half miles from the international border and to reach it by automobile, you must pass two or three customs. That's quite a temptation for gamblers. We hope they won't blow all their money before having a chance to play the races."

The new track and increased interest in racing over America no doubt will mean more and better horses for the program, and larger purses, Coffroth said.

"The present plan is to run about 80 days, although that will depend upon developments."

He pointed out that racing was meeting with favor even in places that formerly were opposed to the sport. He recalled the short American Legion program this summer at Gresham, Ore., near Portland as an instance of "new fan" interest.

"But you can't put over racing without the backing of the law," he said. "We tried at Hanford, near San Francisco, without success. I wish the majority of people enjoyed good horse races and in time legislation of many states will no doubt legalize the use of pari-mutuel machines."

"Sunny Jim" started in the racing game 14 years ago this Thanksgiving. Previously he was connected with the majority of people enjoy good horse races and in time legislation of many states will no doubt legalize the use of pari-mutuel machines.

Hoover Leads In Last Tribute to James W. Good

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20. (U.P.) In the historic and flower filled East room of the White House, President Hoover led the nation today in a final tribute to the memory of Secretary of War James W. Good.

Cabinet members, the highest officials of the government and the diplomatic corps also had gathered to honor the war secretary who died in a hospital here Monday night after an operation for gynecous appendicitis.

The casket that bore Good's body stood before a large curtained window of the East side of the room and was draped with an American flag. At either end stood armed guards, their bayoneted muskets grounded.

As the Rev. Joseph R. Sizoo of the New York avenue Presbyterian church stepped forward to the head of the casket, the guards left their posts.

Mrs. Good, with her two young sons, and other members of the immediate family sat along in the green room, adjoining the East room, during the services.

President and Mrs. Hoover, with Speaker Longworth and vice President Curtis at either side, were seated in the front row nearest the casket.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20. (U.P.) The possibility of a cabinet shift to fill the place of the late Secretary of War James W. Good, developed in speculation today.

President Hoover is expected to fill the vacancy soon because of the necessity of having a spokesman for the department while the annual appropriations are being considered in congress.

One unverified report was that either Secretary of Navy Adams or Postmaster General Brown might be moved into the war department in the first instance assistant secretary of navy Jahncke might be promoted to Secretary of Navy. Governor Green of Michigan is a possibility. Assistant Secretary of War Hurley of Oklahoma, house majority leader Tilson of Connecticut, Walter Newton of Minnesota, and William J. Donovan, of New York, also are mentioned as possible appointees.

U. P. A. C. Holds Good Will Meet

That membership growth must precede the securing of Union Pacific management backing for the Union Pacific Athletic club was one of the thoughts brought out when General Superintendent Armstrong and Division Superintendent Cunningham spoke at the good will meeting of U. P. employees last evening in the railroad company storehouse.

Both stated they were more than pleased with the turnout for the safety meeting held in the morning and praised the "growing unity of Las Vegas and the Union Pacific."

U. P. A. C. achievements and aims were discussed, with particular stress upon golf, tennis and the band. The projected improvement of the golf course, with swimming pool and place for dancing, was also discussed.

Plans for the football game to be played Thanksgiving between the Athletic Club and the Santa Fe champions were discussed.

Eagles Will Stage Dance Saturday

A dance will be given in the Eagles hall next Saturday night for the benefit of the baseball team of the Eagles.

All arrangements have been completed and it is understood many novel ideas, created by the committee in charge, will be featured at the dance.

A large sign is being made to place over the doorway and it will be illuminated by many colored lights.

Jazz Morrison's Night Hawks have been engaged to furnish the music.

Jack Wilson is chairman of the committee in charge of the affair.

GRAND JURY TO INVESTIGATE GRUESOME TEXAS LYNCHING

EASTLAND, Tex., Nov. 20. (U.P.) A wave of reactionary sobriety swept over Eastland county today as an official investigation and inquest was launched into the lynching of Marshall Ratliff, convicted bank robber.

Judge George L. Davenport, of the District Court ordered a commission to meet for selection of a grand jury to investigate the hanging. The commission was scheduled to meet at 2 p. m.

Tom Jones, the jailer whom Ratliff shot in his attempt to escape from jail Monday night, died in the hospital here today.

A rope from which the nude man dangled broke as he fell. A second rope was knotted around his neck and again he was lifted, until his toes just touched the pavement.

"Maybe he wants to say something," suggested one of the mob of some 150 men responsible for the lynching.

A murmur of assent ran through the crowd, where faces mirrored horror, pity or angry determination.

"I'll talk," Ratliff gasped but his parched throat held him mute.

"String him up," he doesn't want to talk," came a shout from the mob and he was hoisted high above the street.

No arrests had been made early today. It was pointed out that the size of the mob made official action difficult.

Dressed in a Santa Claus costume, Ratliff participated, with three other men, in the robbery of a Cisco, Texas, bank on Christmas Eve two years ago. A bank official was slain in the gun battle that ensued.

Wildcats to End Practice Today For Ely Game

Local High School Eleven Holds Southern Nevada Supremacy in View on Eve of Big Melee.

The big game of the season, to be played with Ely Friday afternoon, will find Coach Frank Butcher's Wildcat eleven in tip-top shape for the melee, if their turnouts are any indication.

The boys have been working out nightly, and will round out their practice this evening for the crucial game.

The "championship" of Southern Nevada hinges upon this game, and Ely's victory in the White Pine field some weeks ago is still fresh in the memory of the local eleven.

There lingers also, however, the memory that the local team actually outplayed the Elites and lost only by a "fuke" in the last few minutes of the game.

Coach Butcher is leaving no stone unturned to prepare the boys for a win tomorrow, and the Southern Nevada supremacy of the season. The game is set to start at 2:15.

Ford Lays Off Many Employees

DENVER, Nov. 20. (U.P.)—Eight hundred workmen have been laid off through temporary closing of the Denver factory of the Ford Motor company, it was announced tonight. The shutdown was ordered to enable dealers to reduce their stocks on hand, it was explained.

Local Ford officials said the order also affected 34 other branch plants throughout the country.

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 20. (U.P.)—The Portland factory of the Ford Motor company, will close down for ten days Saturday for remodeling preparatory to the turning out of closed body jobs," L. C. Evans, assistant manager, said today.

State Bureau of Mines Reports on Southern Nevada Mineral Resources

The great mineral possibilities of Nevada are revealed authoritatively in their true light in the new Nevada State Bureau of Mines bulletin on the "Mineral Resources of Southern Nevada," which is now available for distribution, and a copy of which has been received by the Age.

Copies of this bulletin can be obtained, gratis, by writing to the Mackay School of Mines, Reno, according to J. A. Fulton, director.

Mineral resources in the Boulder Dam area are dealt with, in relation particularly to their enormous development possibilities when Boulder Dam power is available.

The bulletin has particular interest for the electro-chemical and the industrial chemical industries.

The following excerpts, taken almost verbatim from the bulletin, summarize it in a meagre but comprehensive way:

Mineral Resources of Southern Nevada

For the purpose of this survey, the term Southern Nevada is used to designate approximately that part of Nevada south of the Mount Diablo base line, which in its east-west course, just south of the 38th parallel north, passes close to Goldfield and Pioche. It covers closely that portion whose railroad communication is to the south and whose mineral resources will be most vitally affected by the Boulder Canyon project.

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PARACHUTE JUMP SAVES ONE AS PLANE SPIRALS TON. Y. ROOF; PILOT DIES

Animal Trainer, Told to Leap For His Life Lands on Nearby Building, While Amateur Flyer Goes to Death Trying to Gain Control Of 'Drive it Yourself' Ship; Hit Y. M. C. A.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20. (U.P.)—Spiraling crazily down through the mist of a gray November day, a fly-it-yourself airplane early this afternoon crashed to the roof of a mid-town New York apartment building and brought instant death to its pilot.

The ship, a fast bi-plane, had been rented an hour before at Roosevelt field by Charles I. Reid, an amateur flyer. Reid was killed, while Robert J. Baillie, an animal trainer who had gone along with him as a passenger, escaped without a scratch by leaping from the plane with a parachute.

The crash occurred in one of the busiest sections of Manhattan. Tens of thousands of persons, attracted from nearby Central Park, Columbus Circle, Sherman Square and Broadway, jammed the street immediately after the crash. Police reserves were called out to handle the crowd.

Reid and Baillie appeared at the flying field shortly afterward and rented the ship. Reid was known as a competent pilot.

The pilot climbed to an altitude of 8,000 feet and then headed across the Borough of Queen and the East River.

High over Manhattan, the motor began missing. Finally the plane went into a tailspin. Reid, calmly working at the controls, yelled to Baillie, "You'd better make a jump while the jumping's good. Be quick about it, but be steady. I'm going to try to land her somewhere in the park."

Baillie had climbed out on the wing and he heard no more.

Far below, hundreds of Manhattanites stared upward at the spiraling plane. Suddenly something streaked away from the fuselage and a moment later Baillie's parachute opened.

But the plane swooped on to destruction and struck the new Y. M. C. A. building on West Sixty-fourth street with a terrific crash. It bounded back and landed on the roof of an apartment house. The ship was a tangle of wires and wood and cloth. Reid was dead when police reached the plane. Baillie landed on the roof of a nearby building.

Safety Meeting Of U. P. Draws Big Attendance

The series of "Safety Meetings" arranged by the officials and employees of the Union Pacific and held in this city yesterday were an unprecedented success from all viewpoints.

Especially gratifying was the spirit of cooperation which was manifested between the railroad and the people of Las Vegas. The visiting officials are unanimous in expressing their appreciation both at the interest in the movement and at the whole hearted and valuable assistance given in carrying out the elaborate program.

Approximately one thousand attended the great opening meeting yesterday morning at El Portal theatre, and greeted the various numbers on the program with hearty applause.

The Program

Opening Number—America, by the assembly, assisted by the U. P. Orchestra "The Merry Makers" Prayer—Rev. Reynolds.

Opening Remarks—By Division Chairman E. E. Cunningham.

Address of Welcome—Mayor J. F. Hesse.

Musical—Olive Brothers, Larry Bates and E. Martin, with Frank Corey singing.

Vocal Solo—Mrs. Elizabeth Martin, with Mrs. J. M. Dotson at the Baldwin.

Musical—Union Pacific Orchestra. Remarks—J. E. Norris, Master Mechanic, Salt Lake City.

Remarks—J. F. Long, Superintendent of Motive Power.

Fancy Steps that Count—Courtney & Tex, on the banjo (Steppin' Fetchit isn't in it with this boy).

Remarks—Rev. Sloan.

Vocal Solo—Al T. Stone, Mrs. F. Olive at the Baldwin.

Musical Selection—U. P. Orchestra.

Remarks—Rev. Arthur P. Keane.

Vocal Solo—Mrs. Elizabeth Martin, Mrs. Dotson at the Baldwin.

Festival of Nations—High School girls, directed by Miss Beulah Drom.

Courtesy—By Mr. Ramsey, the "Courtesy Man" of the U. P., including a paper by young Muller of El Segundo, Cal., high school.

Reading—"At Breakfast Time," Miss Ruth Craner.

Chorus—"Neapolitan Nights" by high school elite club, directed by Lewis E. Rowe.

Ladies Chorus—"Indian Dawn" directed by Lewis E. Rowe.

Reading—"Maddy's Wants and Wishes" Evelyn Gregory.

Musical—Union Pacific Orchestra.

The High Spots

Mayor Hesse gave a cordial welcome to Las Vegas and called attention to the wonderful progress of the safety movement.

The stringed instrument selection by Olive Brothers, Bates and Martin, with Frank Corey singing the words to "Singing in the Rain" was greatly enjoyed as was also Mr. Corey's request number "The Desert Song."

The vocal solos of Mrs. Elizabeth Martin, with Mrs. Dotson as accompanist, were highly appreciated and roundly applauded.

Courtney & Tex in "Fancy Steps" and vocal numbers, was one of the niftiest turns ever seen in Las Vegas.

Al Stone, singing "Waiting At The End of the World," with theme song of "Hallelujah," with Mrs. Olive as accompanist, was greatly enjoyed as were his several other selections including "Sweet Mystery of Life," by Victor Herbert, and "Walking in the Tulips."

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Arizona Will Contest Wilbur's Allocation

PHOENIX, Ariz., Nov. 20. (U.P.)—After deciding not to alter their stand on the Boulder dam question at a special meeting late yesterday, the Arizona Colorado river commission today continued with plans to file suit in the United States supreme court as a test to the validity of the allocation of power and river water made by Secretary of Interior Wilbur.

The commission recently announced its withdrawal from further negotiations with California and Nevada concerning the distribution of power and water and made notice of intention to file suit challenging validity of the Boulder dam bill.

In commenting on Secretary of Interior Wilbur's message to Governor John C. Phillips of Arizona expressing regret at the contemplated action and asking that Arizona make another attempt at an agreement with Nevada and California, Charles Ward, chairman of the Arizona commission, said nothing had been found in the message to justify Arizona in changing its plans.

Ward declared that he will probably be filed in Washington before the first of the year.

PHOENIX, Ariz., Nov. 20. (U.P.)—With Arizona's case against the Boulder Dam Bill practically completed, members of Arizona's special legal staff met here today on the invitation of Attorney General K. Berry Peterson to discuss final details of the suit.

Peterson said the suit will be filed with the United States Supreme Court within a few days.

Those who met today with Peterson were John P. Gray, of Coeur d'Alene, Ida., special assistant attorney general and Attorney Clinton Mathews, of Globe, Ariz.

from the Gold Diggers, was warmly received and heartily applauded.

The U. P. Orchestra "The Merry Makers," contributed some very peppy numbers.

"The Festival of Nations," by the high school girls and Miss Drom, delighted the audience with a series of folk dances of the nations of the world. The spectacle was colorful and the various numbers well done.

"At Breakfast," by Miss Ruth Craner, daughter of Engineer Sam Craner, was a fine, snappy reading and true to life.

Evelyn Gregory's reading of "Maddy's Wants and Wishes" met

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