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LAS VEGAS AND THE UNION PACIFIC.

AN IDEA of the importance of the Union Pacific Railroad to Las Vegas is given by the following figures given out by the company:

Annual payroll of the Union Pacific in Las Vegas, \$1,282,468.

Number of Union Pacific Employees in Las Vegas, 547. Number of Union Pacific employees in Las Vegas who are heads of families, 399.

Number of persons in Las Vegas who are dependent on wages and salaries paid by the Union Pacific, 1,852.

Number of Union Pacific employees in Las Vegas who own their own homes, 129.

Taxes paid by the Union Pacific in Clark county during 1928, \$243,379.

In addition to these expenditures in Las Vegas, the Las Vegas Land and Water Company, a U. P. subsidiary, is constantly extending its system and employing labor and provides the best of water at a minimum of cost. The Union Pacific also contributed its share of the cost of about paying and other improvement projects.

Such are some of the direct contributions of the railroad toward the prosperity of Las Vegas. The indirect benefits are almost as important.

It is obvious that but for the railroad there would be no city at Las Vegas. The railroad was the pioneer and in a large measure the creator of the town. Its building made possible the profitable operation of our mines and other industries. It brings to us tourists to view our scenic wonders. Its power has been used to help promote the Boulder Dam project. It has made possible the agricultural development of the county.

All of which reminds us that when an attack is made upon the Union Pacific, it is likewise made upon Las Vegas. The welfare of the one has a very decided effect upon the welfare of the other. It is to the direct interest of Las Vegas to assure, so far as we are able, that the railroad is given a square deal.

MOVING ALONG.

JUST AT this time when people are thinking things are going a little too slow to suit them, it is worth while to look about Las Vegas and observe the amount of building under way.

A few years ago we would have called the present activity great. Now we hardly notice it because we are so eager for work on Boulder Dam to begin.

As a matter of fact we are not nearly so badly off as some people try to make us think we are.

A BRILLIANT CITY.

LAS VEGAS, since the completion of the Fifth, Main and Fremont street ornamental lighting system, may properly boast that it is the most brilliant city in Nevada.

We naturally defer in most things to Reno, the metropolis of the state. But the writer a few evenings ago was in Reno and we found nothing there so brilliant and attractive as Las Vegas' Fremont street.

The new lighting system would be a credit to any city in the country and we are justified in being proud of it.

Which reminds us that consideration is being given to the installation of a similar system to cover nearly all of Las Vegas not covered by the first installation. It would be a good investment in more ways than one.

HIGHWAY PROGRAM.

CLARK COUNTY and Southern Nevada are exceptionally well treated in the matter of highway improvements programmed for the coming year.

Out of a total of \$1,532,848 available for the use of State Highway Department next year Clark county receives \$232,972 for new work.

This gives Clark county almost one sixth of the money available for the entire state.

In addition to the new construction, the sum of \$83,900 is appropriated for maintenance work in Clark county including the road between the Clark-Nye county line and Beatty.

Some of us are inclined to become impatient sometimes with the progress of our highway program. Nevertheless, it appears to be moving forward in pretty good shape.

Ball Saturday Will Aid Charity Police Shoot Rabid Canine

The Las Vegas Elks' charity fund much of which will be used to give aid to the needy at Christmas time, will be the recipient of the proceeds of the Elks' annual charity ball to be held Saturday in the Elks' hall.

The dance will start at 9 o'clock and the grand march will be about 9:30. It has been announced. There will be refreshments and special entertainment. Jazz Morrison's orchestra will play.

CANCELLED SEARCH SHIPS ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 9. (AP)—Dispatch of two Fokker airplanes to Alaska to participate in the search for Ben Eielson, missing flyer, has been "cancelled." Universal Aviation corporation announced today without further explanation.

So rabid it was biting the bed posts and itself, a small dog was killed yesterday by police in a home on South Second street. The owners of the dog, which was a small creature, had locked it in the bedroom, and when officers arrived it was frothing at the mouth and snapping at the bed.

APPEAL DENIED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9. (AP)—Federal decision rejecting the appeal of Joe Troche, under sentence of death in a California prison for the murder of his sweetheart in Eiderado county, was announced by the supreme court today. His appeal attacked validity of the new criminal law under which the same jury tried him both for murder and sanity.



WASHINGTON—In the death of Senator Francis E. Warren of Wyoming, the senate has lost its pariah-best in age and service. His 37 years in the senate exceeds by a year and a half the record of the next longest service, that of Allison of Iowa.

In the history of the senate only 11 men have served more than 30 years. In order of Iowa service they were Warren, Allison, Morrill of Vermont, Lodge of Massachusetts, Sherman of Ohio, Frye of Maine, Morgan of Alabama, Cullom of Illinois, Hale of Maine, Cockrell of Missouri and Jones of Nevada.

"All were wonderful men," Senator McKellar of Tennessee said in the senate last June in a voluntary tribute to Senator Warren on the eve of his eighty-fifth birthday.

Their names are household words throughout the country. And perhaps none of them has accomplished more for his state and nation than has Senator Warren. His splendid physique, his strong constitution, his handsome appearance have stood him in good stead.

His honesty, his ability and his patriotism are traits of character deeply admired by all his colleagues.

A Democrat's Tribute McKellar spoke at an unsavory and fighting Democrat, but believing in many of the things Senator Warren believes in, yet esteeming Warren as "one of the great men of our country" and a man "honorable, upright and courageous — a man who believes in the right and is willing to fight for the right as he sees it."

That was a rather remarkable tribute to come from across the political no-man's land of the center aisle; and it took Warren utterly by surprise. He showed signs of deep emotion as he rose to make his thanks to the senators—Republicans, Democrats and Progressives—stood to applaud McKellar's tribute to the aged field marshal of the G. O. P. old guard.

He looked the part to his last day in the senate. A heavy shouldered, tall figure, held in soldierly creases that bent very little under the growing weight of his years, he stood as the very bean ideal of a military generation that has all but passed on.

His thick, white hair and the flowing bushy mustache which marked a sweeping double curve across his dark face, made him an unforgettable figure. He must have been a striking sight all these years ago when as an enlisted man in a Massachusetts infantry regiment in the war between the states he won the congressional medal of honor for gallantry in action at Fort Hudson. Invariably for many, many years, Senator Warren wore somber black, his long frock coat accentuating his military bearing. And invariably, too, the small, white-starred button denoting his medal of honor, gleamed in the left lapel button-hole of his coat.

Perhaps it was his own decoration and his pride in it that inspired Senator Warren to offer the bill that created the distinguished service medal and cross for men of the World War. It was a Warren bill that passed the senate in July, 1917. It was a tribute from a fighting man of the 60's to those of 1917-18.

NOTICE State teachers' examinations will be held in Las Vegas, Nev., at the office of the deputy superintendent in the court house December 20, 21, 22 and 23. Nevada school law examinations Saturday afternoon, December 21. Dec. 12-14-17

HOLLYWOOD'S FILM SHOP

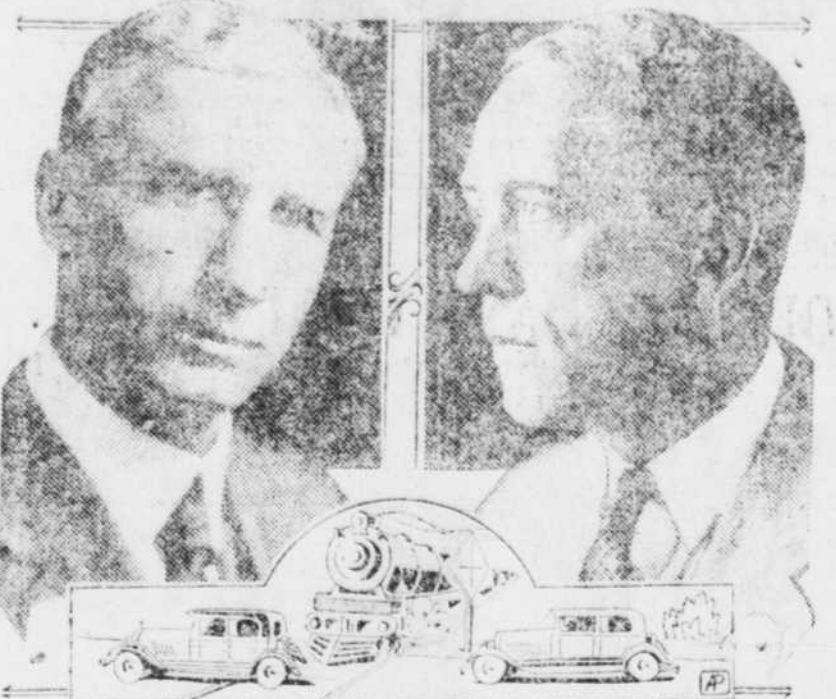
HOLLYWOOD, Calif.—The present cost of sound-reproducing apparatus is about the biggest drawback to running the little "school house" into a movie theater, in the opinion of many leaders in the Hollywood photoplay industry. Jesse L. Lasky, first vice-president and chief of production of Paramount Famous Lasky, is one of those who thinks that educational films have a big future.

"The problem that faces the public schools and universities today is the cost of reproducing apparatus," Lasky said. "I believe that when this element is done away with—as it will be—talking picture films will sell about as readily as text books."

Lasky believes that "text reels" on subjects of science, literature or mathematics will be commonplace in the educational system of the country as the motion picture industry develops the necessary machinery at non-prohibitive prices.

A new crop of Cinderellas has appeared in Hollywood. Annually numerous young film aspirants, as well as older persons, run across some "break" in fortunes which gives them a chance for success.

New Studies May Solve Grade Crossing Problem



Obstacles to crossing elimination may be removed by an investigation to be reported at American Road Builders' convention. F. A. Belmont (left) is president; W. A. Van Duzer (right) is nominating committee candidate for president.

YOUR BRAIN and YOUR HEALTH

RIGHT AND LEFT HANDEDNESS By Dr. Leland B. Alford The fact that a person is left-handed frequently is a subject of discussion among laymen. The phenomenon is often cloaked with mysterious significance. Left-handed pitchers in baseball, though the theory has been shattered by experience, are thought to have a certain subtle advantage; at least, the word "sawhorse" connotes a definite distinction from right-handed pitchers.

Left-handed people are supposed to be mercurial in temperament. Left-handedness probably does go with a certain type of temperament, just as does red hair. It is a very interesting fact that one-half of the human brain is dominant and is by far the more important half. The center of speech, for example, is located only in this same area in the other half does not affect speech at all.

The Christmas Seal committee of the Nevada Anti-Tuberculosis society will be very grateful to those who have not as yet responded to the letters sent them on Thanksgiving day. If they will kindly send in their contributions or return in haste at their earliest convenience. For 21 years, the Christmas Seal sale has provided funds for the prevention of tuberculosis. It has established and maintained for 19 years sanatoriums where hundreds of children in danger of developing tuberculosis have been made well and strong.

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amount until a few weeks ago. Then a call was posted at the studio or a good looking girl with a good voice." Rosalind knew she could sing so she went to the audition room for a tryout. The executives in charge decided she had the right combination and she was selected to play several parts in current productions.

Loyce Owen, who until a few months ago lived in Fresno, Calif., found ever greater "Cinderella luck." Mervyn LeRoy, director, noticed her small feet and needed a girl just that type for an Alice White picture. Now Miss Owen feels she is on the brink of her chance in the movies as she has had several other offers of small parts.

Helen Wright, 19-year-old brunette, has enjoyed a successful career of several years in New York before she decided to try Hollywood. Her singing voice registered in the studios and she had been here but a short time when she won a long term contract with Universal.

Lew Ayers was the fortunate youth of a quartet of newcomers. After a year or so at the University of Arizona Ayers decided to take his banjo and storm the world about the Mexican border. His career in jazz bands led him to Mexico, the Juana, San Diego and Hollywood. Gradually young Ayers worked himself into small motion picture parts and finally he was signed by Universal to play the leading role of Paul in the war production, "All Quiet on the Western Front."

State Highway Department To Plan Fund Use

(Special to The Age) The secretary of agriculture has announced that the state highway department will be authorized to proceed immediately with preparations for the expenditure of the newly appropriated funds during the next construction season. For work during the winter, where weather conditions will permit, and in the spring and early summer throughout the country, Secretary Hyde stated there is available a balance of \$23,000,000 of the federal aid funds previously apportioned, making a total of \$101,125,000 with which the federal government is prepared to match at least an equal amount of state money for expenditure on federal-aid roads during the calendar year 1930.

The federal fund is apportioned among all states and Hawaii in proportion to their respective areas, population and mileage of post roads, and the share of each state is available for expenditure on roads included in the federal-aid system under the joint supervision of the state highway department and the U. S. bureau of public roads.

Nevada's share of the apportionment is \$960,345. Smaller amounts are allotted to the states of Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Idaho, Maine, Maryland, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Rhode Island, Utah, Vermont, West Virginia and Wyoming. Hawaii is to receive \$366,075, the same amount as allotted to several of the states. Texas receives the largest amount, \$4,545,830.

Mills Temporarily Closes Offices Here

The John P. Mills organization, incorporated, have closed their local office temporarily, but plan to reopen it and assume their activities here just as soon as preliminary work is started on Boulder dam.

Anyone wishing to communicate with them in the meantime should write them at their main office, which is located at 610 Commercial bldg., San Diego, Calif., it was announced.

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Prince of Wales, Younger Brother Are Air Conscious

LONDON, Dec. 9. (AP)—The Prince of Wales and his younger brother, Prince George, plan to devote as much time as possible to flying during the winter.

The heir to the British throne, who has qualified for his "A" and "B" pilot's certificates, has spent more than 200 hours in the air. Prince George, who is learning to pilot a plane with the intention of winning a pilot's license, has more than 150 hours' flying to his credit.

To insure comfort during the cold weather, the Prince of Wales has had a heating outfit installed in the airplane which he purchased last summer for his private use. The heater operates from the exhaust. The fumes are collected in a series of tubes, pass through a filter and circulate around the two cockpits.

The prince has arranged to receive weather forecasts from the Air Ministry during the winter months.

The Prince's plane, which bears the registration marks, G. A. A. L. G., carries perhaps more "gadgets" than any other plane in the world. There are specially constructed

Three Men Sue For Divorces

Three suits for divorces were filed recently in the county clerk's office.

John Skiffington filed suit Friday against Ida M. Skiffington, on grounds of cruelty and desertion. They were married in Bismarck, South Dakota, in 1903. Harrison and Salter represent Skiffington.

Harrison S. Ryan sued Blanche J. Ryan, with Ham and Taylor representing him. He pair were wed in Seattle in 1916. Discretion is charged in the complaint, filed Saturday.

Warren L. Heap filed suit against Allene C. Heap for cruelty. They were married in Rockville, Maryland in 1908 and have a minor son, Allen W. Heap, who is nineteen years of age. C. D. Breeze is attorney for Heap.

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