

MINING MAN TELLS STORY OF '06 BATTLE WITH DESERT

"One mile to hell and forty to man or beast. When the men and their weary animals came to a halt at what they had anticipated would be the long-sought spring, and found, instead of water, the disheartening scrawl on an old board, there was but one thing to do. They did that thing."

Forty Miles to Water
Indian Springs, forty miles away, was the nearest water. To wait until morning would be disastrous. After a brief rest the weary horses were started on the long night journey toward Indian Springs.

"The three of us walked, of course," said Moynahan Sunday. "Every time we gave the horses a rest some or all of them would lie down. We had a most difficult time getting them to 'keep going.'"

"Finally, ten or twelve miles before we reached Indian Springs, we saw they could not pull the heavy load the rest of the way. We unhitched and left the wagon and the three of us and the four horses made the rest of the distance shortly after daylight."

Horses Ruined
The horses never were able to overcome the terrific strain of that journey, and soon after became worthless as a result," said Moynahan. He told of a trip he had to make, horseback, to Las Vegas for nitric acid for assaying purposes. The assays made around Indian Springs did not run high, and Moynahan shortly after went up to Beatty. There were about twenty in

From Age Files Of Years Agone

Twenty Years Ago

December 11, 1909
Bradley Visits:
W. H. Bradley, county commissioner from Seerlight, was on hand for the board meeting Monday.

Matzdorf Takes Hike:
It is reported that Mr. F. E. Matzdorf hugely enjoyed his eight mile walk in from the ranch Sunday evening.

To Open Office:
C. E. McCarthy was down from Goodsprings this week preparing to open the Vegas office of the Walter M. Brown Engineering company.

Well Down 500 Feet:
The well being bored by Mr. Jefferson, south of Mesquite wells, has reached a depth of about 500 feet. Work is progressing steadily.

Sullivan Returns:
P. J. Sullivan, the well known contractor, has returned to Vegas after a six months' absence, and was greeting his many friends in this city Friday.

Yount Visits:
Sam Yount of Goodsprings spent Monday and Tuesday in town. He was kept busy telling of the remarkable activity in the Yellow Pine district resulting from the recent rich strikes.

Shop Engineer Ill:
J. A. Shanahan, engineer in charge of the Vegas shop work, is still ill at the California hospital in Los Angeles.

Ten Years Ago
December 20, 1919
Girls Give Luncheon:
The girls of the second year cooking class have been giving luncheons for the faculty. Eva Norris was hostess Thursday.

Way for Holidays:
The following high school students will spend their Christmas vacations in other places:
Ruth Ingram, Los Angeles.

the community at that time. The "backbone" of the town was the ranch of a squaw man, Moynahan said Sunday.

In Beatty he learned of a rich strike of green ore made by a fellow named Shorty Harris a short distance west of town. And so he went out, during the first week of the Bullfrog excitement to what was destined to be the town of Bullfrog, so named, according to Moynahan, because of the green, frog color of the ore.

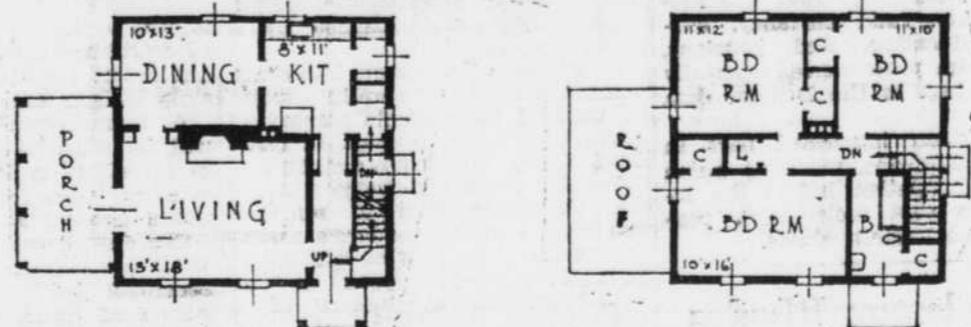
"Harris sold out his interest in this rich strike for a mere \$500," the mining man said.

"I made the first location in the Pioneer district, about fifteen miles north of Beatty."

Moynahan plans to return to Las Vegas in the near future. He expressed an interest in the mining possibilities of Vegas valley.

It is said that the sponsors of the new world bank to handle reparations want to establish it some place where it will be free from political influences. We suggest that they locate it in Indiana.

Dutch Colonial Gains by Low Roof Lines



LOW roof lines in this Dutch Colonial type add to its picturesque features.

While this house should not be placed on a lot smaller than 50 feet wide, the plan embodies a distinct advantage, in that a wing might be added at any time if the size of the lot permits. The addition could be used for a garage on the ground floor with a bedroom on the second floor, and given the same treatment

Oddfellows, Rebekahs Santa Fete Kiddies

The Oddfellows and Rebekahs united Monday evening to hold a Christmas celebration for the children, and, with assistance of Santa Claus, handed out gifts, and enjoyed a program of music and readings.

Mrs. Huston, Dyke teacher, presented a play, "Father's Dream," in which a number of the children participated.

Songs and recitations also were given. Mrs. Mott, chairman, was assisted by Mrs. Chaple and Mrs. Van Dyke in planning the affair.

Funeral Rites Today For Houston Mays

The funeral of Houston Mays, who died Monday morning at the age of 84, will be held at the Palm Funeral Home at 2 p. m. today. It has been announced. Burial will be at the Woodlawn cemetery.

Mr. Mays was the father-in-law of Mr. Armstrong, pastor of the colored congregation of the West Side.

Scientists have discovered that hash contains vitamins, which doesn't surprise us much as we already knew that the cook put about everything in it.

as the house itself, would materially enhance its charm.

Cross-ventilation is provided for all rooms. Ample closet-space and convenient location of the bath are especially attractive features of the three-bedroom layout. The housewife will appreciate the side entrance to kitchen and cellar.

Stone, in any of a variety of materials, is used across the front

in this plan, while the sides are of clapboard with a shingle roof.

Green blinds will blend in the color scheme. A central chimney arrangement results in heating economy.

Maximum construction cost is estimated at \$10,000 to \$12,000 in the largest metropolitan centers and lower in other sections, depending chiefly on proportionate cost of labor.

U. S. Women Point Club Schedules To Welfare Gains In the Child Field

By SUE McNAMARA (AP Feature Service Writer)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 25. — Increased interest in child welfare and in the affairs of women of other countries were significant factors in the trend of women's activities in the United States in 1929.

Many club organizations concentrated on legislation for federal appropriations for maternal and infant hygiene.

Study of foreign countries occupied a prominent place on club programs. A good will tour of Europe by a delegation of United States business and professional women was an interesting event of the year.

President Hoover's program for bettering the health and opportunities of children in America aroused interest among women. A number of women leaders, including Miss Grace Abbott, head of the children's bureau, were appointed by the President to serve on various committees in connection with the project.

Mrs. Hoover's active participation in Girl Scout and parent-teacher meetings drew public attention to the work of these organizations. The First Lady's movements are always widely broadcast. Her trip to New York to a Girl Scout meeting and her entertainment of the Washington branch at a White House party gave the scout movement increased recognition.

The League of Women Voters will carry its campaign for federal ap-

propriation for maternal and infant care into the new year. The league is an ardent champion of the Jones-Cary bill, designed to take the place of the Sheppard-Towner act, which expired last June.

Ability to raise and handle money was amply demonstrated by women in 1929. The D. A. R. dedicated its new \$2,000,000 Constitutional hall the money for which was raised by contributions from members.

American women were given a glimpse of two European women who are world famous. Their visits here augmented the friendly interest in feminine progress abroad.

Mme. Marie Curie, co-discoverer of radium, was a guest at the White House in November and was presented \$50,000, the gift of American admirers. Mrs. Marie Meloney of New York directed the raising of the money, much of which was given by women.

Ishbel MacDonald, daughter of the British premier, was a guest at the White House with her father and was welcomed by various women's organizations.

A former president of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, Mrs. Thomas G. Winter, was appointed to help supervise the filming of motion pictures so that they may more nearly meet the club women's standards of good entertainment.

Francisco Rozzini, French artist in profile portraits to suit each individual, according to his or her physiognomy.

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NEVADA STATE NEWS

Items of Interest From Upstate Dispatches and Exchanges

Christmas Tree Lights Taken; Owners Irate

"Now, if that isn't a fine trick to pull just before Christmas," was the disgusted comment of two Virginia street store managers this morning as they surveyed the decorated Christmas trees in front of their stores. The trees were there, but that was all.

During the night, someone came along and removed the strings of colored lights that decorated the trees and gave them their festive appearance. The lights are too big for an ordinary size tree and the police have been warned to watch for anyone trying to dispose of the electrical strings.—Reno Gazette.

Reno Decorates For Christmas

With five hundred colored lights to be strung, workmen from the city engineer's office were busy early this week decorating the big pine tree at the lower end of Wingfield park and getting it ready for the holidays. The tree is Reno's official Christmas tree, and when it is ablaze with colored bulbs it is a beautiful picture from the Virginia street bridge, with the lights reflected in the river and the flashing festoons along the banks and the illumination in the dam adding to the color.

The tree was moved several years ago from the William Cann residence on Jones street, and was planted on the island. Before this the city would put up a tree in front of the library building, where the Christmas exercises were held.

A Christmas torch will be added to the arch that spans Virginia street at Commercial row. City Engineer Harry Chism said. Small Christmas trees will be placed along the top of the arch, above the name and slogan that are lighted each night.

Tahoe Road to Get Big Improvement
Nevada's allotment of \$94,600 for forest service highway work during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1930, will be expended in Western Nevada.

The forest service officials who heard the pleas and representations of delegates from Nevada communities along the Lincoln highway at a meeting held in San Francisco last week, announced that in the allocation of forest service funds for Nevada construction and improvements they would be guided by the recommendation and wishes of the highway department of this state.

Chief Engineer S. C. Durkee pointed out the lack of highway improvement on the Nevada side of Lake Tahoe and stressed the importance of improving the road from Glenbrook to the California line as soon as possible. The roads in central and eastern Nevada are in good condition. It is claimed, while roads on the Nevada side of the lake leave much to be desired.

The \$94,600 to be available during the next fiscal year, beginning July 1, 1930, will be used for gravel-surfacing the three miles at Topaz Lake; improvement to the extent of possibly \$17,000 in widening and further improving the road between Spooner and Incline; and in construction between Glenbrook and Cave Rock. The Glenbrook-Cave Rock section will not be surfaced until the year following construction.

4-H Clubbers Begin Work for 1930 Show
Stimulated by the success of fellow 4-H club members in capturing prize and auction money with their baby beaves at the California Live-stock and Baby Beef show, many Elko county Four Aitchers are already selecting and preparing to feed calves for the 1930 show.

More interest is manifested at this season than in any previous year, says Joseph W. Wilson, county extension agent, who has trained the youngsters in the art of raising prize winners during the last two years.

Dorothy Bolton and John Bellinger, both of whom won prizes in 1928 and 1929, already have selected Herefords and Shorthorns for their next year's venture.

Lorraine Bellinger, Joe Sustacha,

Year Holds World's Greatest Peace Gain

By KIRK SIMPSON (AP Feature Service Writer)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—Anno Domini, 1929, passed into history signalized as no year before in its accomplishments toward permanent peace.

Within its boundaries of twelve months lay the definite erection of the universal peace pact, the Kellogg-Briand treaty.

Within the year, too, lay new American leadership toward peace—limitation agreements, and reduction of arms burdens for which American presidents have toiled for generations.

"Peace has become more assured," President Hoover said in his message to the regular session of congress in early December. "We not only are at peace with all the world, but the foundation for future peace are being substantially strengthened."

"We have initiated new efforts not only in the organization of the machinery of peace but also to eliminate dangerous forces which produce controversies amongst nations."

It was with this background that London became the center of world attention as the new five-power naval conference prepared to take up its task in mid-January.

From an American point of view, at least, the atmosphere surrounding that fourth effort to widen naval limitation agreements, and also to reduce the world tonnage in ships of war, was more favorable than ever before.

"We hold high hopes that success may attend this effort," President Hoover said in his report to congress.

Within the western hemisphere, at the very doorstep of the American nation, vexing problems that loomed gravely 12 months ago had been largely dissipated.

Nearly 5,000 American marines were still abroad in Nicaragua, Haiti and China, but the forces maintained in Nicaragua only on urgent plea of the new liberal government there, awaiting development of adequate Nicaraguan police forces.

"In the large sense we do not wish to be represented abroad in such manner," President Hoover told congress, adding another chapter to the policy of good-will promotion which led to his long pre-inauguration pilgrimage in South America and may also take him to Central America before his term expires.

The new year was destined to see elaboration at home of the means of keeping relationships with other nations free of friction.

Plans for further upbuilding of the state department were announced by the administration. Slow work toward filling numerous vacancies in the diplomatic corps abroad was explained as due to the care with which men of suitable background and training were sought.

Much will rest upon the shoulders of these American diplomats in the months ahead. Progress of the tariff debate in Washington brought certain to produce important diplomatic conversations in a score of capitals as the new rates take effect.

With the Hoover pronouncements following up the heritage of labors toward peaceful settlement of all disputes left to him by predecessors at the White House, however, there was little prospect of serious clash for the United States in foreign affairs as 1930 was born.

Herbert Weeks and Wilford Wright have joined the ranks of would-be prize winners, while Owen Hill, Bruce Jensen, Hugh McMullen and Sam McMullen, all of whom returned this fall with money jingling in their jeans, are scouring the country for calves to suit them.

HOLLYWOOD'S FILM SHOP

By GEORGE H. BEALE United Press Staff Correspondent
HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 25 (U.P.)—The small town theatres still are yelling for "horse operas."

And motion picture producers always with an ear to the box office are planning to give them in the old time quantity and quality.

The revival will still once again cry that westerns are through. They first were pronounced ready to die when Bill Hart placed his horse in pasture, hung his gun over the fireplace and went about making himself a model ranch at Newhall.

The death call was sounded off and on from that time until the introduction of the talkies.

"Westerns are through for good now," the critics said, and Tom Mix went to a vaudeville. Buck Jones went to circling and a dozen or more of the two gun stars prepared to move on their way.

Ken Maynard and Hoot Gibson really were the only ones of importance who stuck by their saddles and ropes.

Now the midwestern theatres are calling the western players back.

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