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HOOVER DAM PROGRESS

Resume of Present Activities and Those of the Near Future on Greatest Engineering Project of the Age

MAIN CONTRACTS

Bids were opened March 4 at Denver. Lewest bidder was Six Companies, Inc., of San Francisco, a combination of Utah Construction Company of Ogden, Utah; Henry J. Keiser and W. A. Bechtel, McDonald & Kahn, Merrison-Knudson Company, J. F. Shea Company, and Pacific Bridge Company. Amount of bid \$48,890,999.00.

Letting of contract to be announced Tuesday March 10. Contracts will cover tunnels, penstecks, outlet works, spill-ways, coffer dams, excavations for main dam, main dam construction, valves and gates, and power houses.

UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD-Main line to Boulder City, 22 niles, completed. Cost estimated at \$800,000 GCVERNMENT RAILROAD-Boulder City to dam site, 8.6 miles

under construction by Lewis Construction Company. Contract GOVERNMENT KIGHWAY—Boulder City to dam site, 1014 miles of 22-foct highway, under construction by R. G. Le-Tourneau, Inc., subcontracters, Contract piles 8329,917.15.

BOULDER CITY-Excavation for water tanks-Contract let to Butterfield Co.

Les Angeles. Canks for water system-Contract let to Lacy Manufacturing Company, Los Angeles.

Residences-Bids for first group of 12 three- and four-room ecttages will be opened at Las Vegas office of Reclamation Service March 12. Laying cut of final plans for the city-As soon as these are

approved, contracts will be let for the streets, sidewalks, curbs, paving, water system, sewer system, pole lines for electricity, Administration buildings, dormitories, garages, etc., to follow as soon as possible. POWER SUPPLY-Transmission line from Southern California

under construction by Southern Sierras Power Company. Substation—Earl Roche, General Construction Company of Las Vegas, grading site near dam for Southern Sierras Power COMMUNICATION LINES-

Telephone Lines—From Las Vegas to Boulder City being built by Scuthren Nevada Telephone Company and is nearing com-pletion. Phone service to Boulder City new available. Telegraph Lines—Joint Western Union and Union Pacific line to Boulder City now in operation.

ELECTRICAL MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT-To be installed by the government and includes turbines, al-ternators, switchboards and transformers.

CITY BUILDING

CURPASSING even the great benefit that will be brought cans. Curtis of Kansas, Willis of hole to one of the cleanest cities of I to us through the construction of Hoover Dam, will be Bound the vast number of enterprises that MUST come-hand in hand, with this great project.

Will history repeat itself. Will the many thousands Kansas City convention prelimi- of the United States public health who have visited Las Vegas during the past few years, rethis favorite son group against the American Sanitary bureau, whose turn and take advantage of the golden opportunities that Hoover movement. It did not get code is used to direct the campaign. now present themselves—that have been waiting, in anywhere, due in part to Mr. Dr. Long went into Guayaquil to the property own people to take advantage of?

Borah's early defection to the when that port had one of the lowvain, for our own people to take advantage of?

Office buildings, stores, hotels, apartment houses. homes and every manner of buildings are now needed. Democrats after March 5 show any conquered after a long fight. They are going to be built, and construction will start on signs of a favorite son alliance them in a very short space of time. Whom they will be built by—those who have lived here for years, and are still In fact, almost anything can grow Plague still exists, actually or waiting, or those who realize the golden harvest tat will cut of that gathering. It bids fair potentially, in a number of South built by-those who have lived here for years, and are still be reaped, it remains to be seen.

We need not worry, however, they WILL be built. When necessity demands improvements enterprising people will heed the call.

WATCHFUL WAITING

FOR many years, years of uncertainty, we have been content to look into the future—to the time that the construction of Hoover Dam would be a reality, when we would build great hotels and buildings of every nature. Prosper- WILSON-STREU: Floyd F. 27, own steps to make its ports clean. ity would be ours, rightfully ours, after the many years of working and waiting.

Actual construction has already started on this great project, and today we find that we are still waiting, waiting, BAKER-PETERSON: Barlem, 23. Wilfred Louis De Santels, 23 years frankly speaking for someone from some nearby city to take advantage of the demands and needs that our city is crying for.

Los Angeles, San Francisco and other enterprising cities on the Pacific Coast are celebrating the starting of construction on the greatest engineering project in history. They are planning on getting their share of the benefits therefrom.

When we finally wake up to the fact that millions are being spent, and made, from this great undertaking, we will wonder if there is anything left for us.

We will wake up and see a busy city with big hotels, large buildings and beautiful homes--and tell each other how we knew that they would be built and how Bill Jones

came from Los Angeles and made all his money here. Bill Jones is here now, but he won't talk-he is going to build.

THE GAMBLING QUESTION

THE AGE believes that the enactment of the gambling bill

is a step in the right direction.

Gambling in the State of Nevada has existed since the before spring is passed. advent of the white man-just the same as it exists today in every city in the United States. Here in Nevada, the only difference is that it is not done under the guise and cloak of some fictitious name-where the licenses will go into the construction of municipal and state enterprises and not into the pockets of "police protection."

It has been estimated that over a million dollars a

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RYSTANDER

By KIRKE SIMPSON

WASHINGTON-The one - time habit of the senate that made new enators observe discreet silence for he first year or so of their service has only one champion among present-day senate freshmen.

Dwigh: Morrow of New Jersey continues to supply nothing but silence, and not much of that, so to

By contrast, Cameron Morrison of North Carolina, is about as voluble on the senate floor as any new senator ever was. His main theme is

Since he came up by appointment after the death of Lee Overman, Morrison has all but usurged Demecratic "dry" leadership, vocally at least. He has almost put the nose of that prohibition ploneer. Morris Sheppard of Texas, out of joint

A Reason

Quite possibly the fact that Sen-Morrison sits only until the 1932 elections shall decide who is to complete the Overman term has something to do with his volubility. He needs to make some sort of an issue for himself, perhaps, if he expects to be confirmed as senator at that time.

And the Democratic national committee free-for-all March 5 affords him an exceptional opportunity. As national committeeman from the old north state, the senator will have a part in that meeting quite aside from his senatorship.

Assuming, as almos: everybody does, that Chairman Raskob had in named to assis; him. mind in calling that meeting proposing action in some form to commit the party (so far as the narepeal or modification plank in 1932. Morrison's chances to continue as front page news after congress adjourns look good.

Incidentally, that Democratic get-together is going to afford oppor-tunity for a roll call of Democratic favorite sons. What with Robinson of Arkansas, George of Georgia Lewis of Illinois, Bulkley of Ohio and goodness knows how many more Democratic senators who will in all probability, be the it least nominal first choice of their state delegations for the 1932 presidential nomination, the senate seems to be more than ever the hot-house where real or fancied presidential coms are sprouted.

Chio. Watson of Indiana, even the world," as one health experi Borah of Idano figured in the show put it, are following suit. for a while.

to be a political event of 1931.

Marriage Licenses He is now in Peru, the there in June.

ELKIN-STERRE: Raymond E., 38, gentina's ports. At the same time

of Glendale.

FULTON-KATZ: David H., 51, and Chile's long coas; is already under La Verne M., 49, both of Santa control.

COOK-FLETCHER: Merle, 24, of body was shipped this morning to

Fight on Smith To Give Courts Unique Problem

WASHINGTON, March 9. (P)-A constitutional question unprecedented in American history is to be anwered in court

The legal battle is between President Hoover and the senate over the right of Chairman George Olis Smith to hold office as chairman of the power commission.

issue involved is whether the senate, acting within its own rules, can reconsdier the nomination of a government official after he has been sworn into office.

The senate confirmed Smith December 19. He was sworn into office December 22. The next day he and Commissioners Garsaud and Draper, also first confirmed, dismissed two employes of the com-

When congress returned from its Christmas recess, Senator Walsh. Mentana Democrat, moved to reconsider the confirmation. The senate reconsidered the nom-

ination and asked President Hoover to return notification of their confirmation. He declined. Insisting that the President's re-

fusal did not interfere with its course, the senate proceeded to reconsider the names as if the commissioners were not in office. Finally it reconfirmed the nomi-nation of Garsaud and Draper and

rejected Smith, centering the contest on him. Then it adopted a resolution to bring a court test of Smith's right

to office. The case, which is to be tried in the District of Columbia supreme court, is expected to reach the United States supreme court. John W. Davis, former Democra-

tic presidential nominee, has been A. A. William D. Mitchell, attorney- 10 a. m.

general, announced that representa-tives of the department of justice the jurice department of the nec-essity of opposing the senate di-rectly.

Content of the nec-dered summary administration had. A. H. Harrington

South America Wins Campaign

SANTIAGO, Chile, March 9, (A) South America is winning the fight for elimination of the plague, long a scourge of many of its por s. Ecuador took the lead, and the Two years ago most of these sen-aterial lightning rods were Republi-mation of Guayaquil "from a pest-

Virtually all the work has been What that was all about, as the under direction of Dr. John D. Long Dr. Long went into Guayaquil

It will be interesting to see if the only plague, but other diseases, were Dr. Long estimated that 280,000 against somebody for 1932. It might rats ha been killed in Guayaquil

American ports, but Dr. Long is hopeful that the entire continent may be rid of it in the near future. is now in Peru, but expects to

He then will go to Buenos Aires and begin a campaign to clean Arond Grace, 28, both of Tujunga, he will work with health officials of Uurguay.

BALL-DALE: Richard L., 22, of Brazil, too, is showing interest in Los Angeles, and Na Diene, 19, the work, and so are Venezuela and Paraguay. Colombia has taken its and Reba, 29, both of Los An- Bolivia, with no sea coast, does not have to fear plague, said Dr. Long

and Doris E., 21, both of Los An- of age, died today at the Ferguson-Balcom hospital of pneumonia. The San Bernardino, and Gladys, 18, Ely for interment, where his wife and mother are now living.

month goes into the pockets of the Mexican border cities. Las Vegas will be content in helping the wealthy who wish the excitement of fling at the roulette wheel, faro bank or what not, attain their desires for a fraction of that amount and at the same time stay here in "God's Country."

BUILD THE COUNTY JAIL-NOW

WE can't figure anything economical in delaying the construction of the county jail. This addition to the court house will have to be met in the near future. Construction at the present time would surely aid greatly in starting building construction here as well as furnish work for many.

the present time, and from every indication the officers will Both the city and county jails are filled to capacity at be compelled to hang the "sold out" sign on the front doors

CITY ELECTION

WITH the city election only a short few weeks away, we are beginning to hear the rumblings that always accompany an event of this kind. There will be elected a mayor and two commissioners. Several names have been advanced as possible candidates for these offices.

Those who are entrusted with the management city government during the next few years will be faced city government from anything in the past. Consequently, a great deal of thought should, and will be given to the selection of those who are to handle the affairs and destinies of our city. \$xxxxxxxxxxxxxx

PROJECT HEAD



This Ogden, Utah, man, W. H. Wattis, has been named president of the six great construction companies which, combining as one organization, won the centract to build the Hoover dam and power house on the Colorado river, near Las Vegas, Nev.

Proceedings In **District Court**

Hon. Wm. E. Orr. district judge. March 6th

of Las Vegas, plaintiff, vs. Hinman, defendant. retained by the senate as it; chief Sevens attorney for plaintiff, Chas. counsel, and Alexander Groesbeck. Lee Horsey, attorney for defendant, former governor of Michigan, was Demurrer filed; partially argued and hearing continued to March 7 at

> In the matter of the estate of Henry Neal, deceased, C. D. Breeze, petitioner. Order appointing C. D. had. A. H. Harrington and T. M.

> Carroll appointed appraisers.
> Wilma Frances Akins, plaintiff, vs. Ernest Eugene Akins, defendant, Decree of divorce granted. J. R. Lewis, attorney for plaintiff. March 7th

Safe of Nevada, plaintiff, vs. William Clancy, defendant. Harley To Rout League Wiley, attorney for defendant. Trial continued to March 12 State of Nevada, plaintiff, vs. James Cortangan, defendant, Harley A. Harmon, district attorney, appearing for plaintiff; Louis Cohen for defendant. Trial continued to March 17 at 10 a. m.

Order: Jury which was summoned to appear on Tuesday, the 10th. will be excused until Tuesday, the 17th of March, at 10 a. m. The clerk to inform sheriff to get in touch with all summoned jurors and inform them to those of and inform them to that effect.

Calling of law and motion cal-

Calling of trial calendar March 9th

Grace C. Pinner, plaintiff, vs. Raymond G. Pinner, defendant. I. S. Thompson, attorney for plain iff. Decree of divorce granted. Raymond L. Taylor, plaintiff, vs. Jargaret Taylor, defendant. T. A. Vells, attorney for plaintiff; J. R. Margaret Taylor, defendant. T. A. Wells, attorney for plaintiff; J. R. Wells, attorney for plantal, Lewis, attorney for defendant. Hearing on order to show cause. Partial hearing and continued to March 13

Eugene L. Sadowski, plaintiff, vs. 5 A. J. Schur, defendant. Hearing on

Europe Studies "Tourism" in Bid For Travelers

PARIS, March 9. (P)-The value of the tourist purse in reducing the red side of the balance on European trade ledgers is getting new recog-

Continental European governments constantly are adding to the official travel lures of their countries, and the latest move in this direction has come from the new Balkan conference, made up of Greece. Turkey, Albania, Rumania, Bulgaria and Jugoslavia. These six governments have established a joint agency to study

Those "Invisible Imports' Switzerland, the "nation of hotel keepers," and France, always on the lookout for tourist money, have long been in the van of this activity. Now Portugal has saired an elab-

crate system of training hetel and restaurant staffs and has taken measures to make her hotels modern and keep them so. The United States department of The United States department of locomotives and 50 steel passenger commerce is credited with having cars. Half the coaches are to be

It has been insisting for some into use in July, ime that when trade relations are the tourist season. discussed the balance in favor of America should be modified by tak- and to Cherbourg are getting new ing into account the "invisible Eu- rails and new ballast, and this work, ropean exports" represented by miltraveelrs annually leave on this side of the Atlantic.
France has a federal commissioner

of tourism, the office having been established by the Tardieu cabinet. It is being maintained by the Laval

French Lines Modernize As part of the national campaign the French state railways, which serve Atlantic ports, have undertak-

motion for appoin ment of receiver. J. R. Lewis, attorney for plaintiff; E. F. Dupray, attorney for defendant. Motion denied. Time shortened for hearing of new motion to March 10 at 11 a.m.

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Turkish Refugees Cleared of Deft; Long Misery Ends

ANGORA, March 9. (F) — After seven years of misery, 400,000 Turkish refugees from Greece are to

have their burdens lifted. They were uprooted from their homes in Greece when Athens and Angora agreed to exchange populations of their respective nationals About a million Greeks were simul-

taneously sen: out of Turkey.

This country, however, was not prepared to absorb 400,000 new citi-

zens and much suffering resulted.

Many of the repartriates have been camping for seven years in Mosque courtyadrs because no place could be found for them on the land. Others were allotted plots un-

der a 20-year payent plan, but have had trouble making a living.

Now the Angora parliament proposes to relieve the landholders of all indebtedness, giving them clean titles without further payment. Those to whom no land has been allo ted will be given treasury

en a big program of improvements. The system has ordered 20 heavy impressed this viewpoint on Eu- fitted with kitchens, and the first into use in July, in the midst of

The lines from Paris to Havre

too, will be completed by July. New lions of doffers which American stations are going up at both ports, and a new terminal is to be constructed in Paris within a few years. Last but not least, on the railway program is a shortening of rune ning time between the capital and the coast. Trains are to make the run from Havre in two hours and a half and from Cherbourg in four hours and 15 minutes.

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Beaded Jackets Now Sleeveless

PARIS, March 9. (A)-Sleeveless beaded jackets are a new trick for evening wear at southern resorts. The jackets, generally matching the frock in shade, are made of a chiffon foundation trimmed with loops of beads closely set. They give a brilliant pridescent effect under

Senator's Daughter Married in Gray Suit

WASHINGTON, March 9. (P) — At her wedding to John Knight of Grand Rapids, Miss Barbara Van-Mrs. Arthur H. Vandenberg of Michigan wore a gray cloth suit with gray fox collar, gray shoes, bag and gleves and a corsage of orchids.

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