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WE WONDER if Las Vegas is not going a trifle beyond the bounds of propriety in assuming to regulate the conduct, or the business or the morals of those living outside the city limits.

Quite possibly we think ourselves better qualified to say what those people should or should not do than they are themselves. Perhaps to us living within the city has been given a quality of wisdom so superior that we are really under obligations to take care of those unfortunates who think they prefer to stay outside.

Nevertheless, as we have observed through the course of history, such attempted control does not result happily. People in all ages have resented domination by others. Even in our own country where we have been growing rather tolerant of late years, people insist on having a voice in the election of those who are to impose the laws upon them. Not that it always makes so very much difference who is elected, but people generally are funny about wanting to have a voice in their own affairs.

The Age has no particular desire just now to argue as to whether or not the Las Vegas police department is doing well or ill in attempting to regulate the bootlegging business outside the city. It is quite obvious, however, that if they were not burdened with this duty outside the city, they would have more time to regulate affairs within the city; or perhaps, if things are already well enough regulated for all practical purposes, the expense of the police department might be materially reduced.

VETERANS' HOSPITAL

THE AGE has received commendation for the suggestion made in these columns recently that Boulder City, in four or five years from now, when the dam is completed and the population there is reduced to a hundred or two souls, might be turned over in large part to the Veterans' Bureau for hospital purposes.

The necessary civic improvements would be already provided—paved streets, curbs, sidewalks, water system and sewers, street lights and power lines, cottages, administration buildings, dormitories and even a small hospital.

About all that would be needed in the way of construction would be the main hospital buildings. The incidental requirements, generally more costly than the main buildings, would be already there.

By adopting such a policy, it is probable that authority can be secured whereby the Interior department could turn Boulder City over to this useful purpose after its usefulness as an adjunct to construction of the dam is fulfilled.

One clear advantage is that it would save the government several millions in money and would give the disabled veterans a hospital in a location the health-giving qualities of which are unexcelled.

LOCAL OFFICES REDECORATED

Offices of Warner and Nordstrom, local architects, were redecorated and refurnished, the work ending yesterday, the last of four days. Tinting and painting all walls, new curtains, furniture and fixtures have now made the suite of reception room, office and drafting room one of the most attractive of its kind in this city.

TAX OFFICE IN CITY HALL

J. T. Watters, U. S. Internal revenue collector for the district of Nevada, has established an office for the convenience of the public in the city hall. The desk room was provided through the courtesy of Mayor Cragin and the city commissioners. Henry R. Gilbert, deputy collector,

WASHINGTON BYSTANDER

BY KIRKE SIMPSON
WASHINGTON—More than a hundred years ago there appeared in a Boston newspaper a poem beginning:



"Ay, tear her tattered ensign down!"
Written by a youngster just out of Harvard, that bit of verse saved the fragile Constitution, "Old Ironsides," from the shipwrecker's hands.

A century later she still lifts to the surge of the blue waters where she made history, a glorious memorial to herself and the long dead brave who peopled her decks.

But that old, never-to-be-forgotten verse did more than that. It set into American history a glowing page, all its own, for the name Oliver Wendell Holmes, poet, father and soldier-jurist, son have kept it bright in American hearts for more than ten decades.

They have kept faith with the patriotism the father sang, that the son wrote into the vital philosophy of American law. They have made a household word of the name they bore.

NEVER HIS LIKE
Now, his snowy head bent under his years but his heart as less, the son has stepped off the bench of the highest court that, for all its great men, has never known just his like.

Of in severing his tie of active service to the nation, to know a little the honored retirement so long ago fully earned, Justice Holmes displayed once more that gallantry of spirit that in father and son alike has found responsive echoes in American hearts.

He spoke in his letter of resignation of the "absorbing interests that have filled my life."

"But the time has come and I bow to the inevitable," the old Justice added. "My last word should be one of grateful thanks."

There is something about those words that gives them emotional thrill, that harks back to the poet father.

They are of a piece with many another touch of poetic conception the son has found words to express within the cold, factual requirements of judicial utterance.

UNWAVERING
Justice Holmes is renowned for the philosophy of law that guided him, for the unwavering conception of the true purpose and meaning of democratic government under law he never failed to voice.

That made him known as the great dissenter, yet he always rejected that view of his place in American jurisprudence. He felt himself merely keeping faith with the spirit and purpose in which the nation was born.

And he ended his active career with a gallant gesture. It was like the greeting he invariably gave in court to comrades or foemen in old wars on the bench.

Finger tips rose to time-frosted eyebrow in military salute as he passed, and a twinkling glance added its own message.

NORTH LAS VEGAS NEWS NOTES

NORTH VEGAS WED
A beautiful wedding ceremony was solemnized Monday when Vera May Rhodes became the bride of Virgil Orion Clester, both of North Las Vegas.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Moráček, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Hart, Mrs. Mary Clester, Iona Clester and Dorothy Clester.

Mrs. Hart acted as bridesmaid and Mr. Hart as best man. Judge William E. Orr officiated.

MRS. KINTZ IMPROVES
Mrs. Harry Kintz, who has been seriously ill for the past week at her home, is said to have shown little improvement.

FROM STOCKTON
Clarence Witherow of Stockton, Calif., was a North Las Vegas business visitor Monday.

LEAVE FOR SOUTH
Orion Clester and family and Mrs. May Clester leave Tuesday for Enid, Okla.

They will go by way of the Pacific coast and southern California.

SUITS FILED IN DISTRICT COURT
City of Las Vegas vs. W. N. Marshall and Bertha Murphy. Petty larceny. Appeal from municipal court. Guy E. Baker, attorney for defendants.

City of Las Vegas vs. J. M. Murray. Possession of intoxicating liquor. Guy E. Baker, attorney for defendant. Appeal from municipal court.

State of Nevada vs. Birdsall Yates. Petty larceny.

Oliver J. French vs. Helen G. French, for divorce. The parties married in Santa Ana, Calif., June 8, 1923. Extreme cruelty is alleged as cause of action. Fred S. Alward, attorney for plaintiff.

will be in charge of the office during office hours and the public is urged to make use of the service that he can perform in aiding people to fill out their income tax returns.

Eighty-five per cent of Canada's 1931 tobacco crop was grown in the province of Ontario.

EVERYDAY MOVIES



"How long have you been in the city, Jenny?"
"Ah dunno exactly, ma'm, but Ah've been married two times since I been here, and it seems an awful long time."

REBEL LEADER HAS ARSENAL IN WILDS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18. (U.P.)—The State department, fully accustomed to strange reports from all parts of the world, received one today regarding a former Mexican revolutionist that baffled even the diplomatic puzzle-solvers.

The American consulate at Montreal, receiving Canadian information, sent word that a former Mexican revolutionary general, Jose G. Escobar, was piling up ammunition in the Canadian wilds.

The general, who headed the revolutionary forces in the 1929 campaign against the Mexican government, is reported to have established a stock farm at Val Barre, northwest of Montreal and on the Lak De Eeres.

The reports said that Escobar had stocked his farm with a few scraggly cattle, which seemed to be receiving little attention. What really interested those who knew of the general's latest homestead was the assertion that he had bought a hydroplane and, so the report alleged, some \$75,000 worth of guns and ammunition.

Just why Escobar, if the reports are correct, should be accumulating armaments, is a puzzle to the State department. So is the hydroplane, so is Escobar's presence in Canada.

Escobar led Mexican forces to defeat at Jimenez in 1929 and fled to the United States by airplane. He came to New York and, according to officials here, attempted to withdraw a large sum of money on deposit in a New York bank. The Mexican government took legal steps to prevent the general from gaining the funds, claiming they were loot.

The next time State department officials heard of Escobar he was in Los Angeles, where he remained for some time.

There his trail was lost, to be picked up again unexpectedly in the Canadian wilds.

MURDER CHARGES FACING MAN WHO KILLED PET PIG

OKLAHOMA CITY, Jan. 18. (U.P.)—A farmer, who allegedly killed his neighbor's prize hog, was charged with first degree murder late today.

An assistant Oklahoma county attorney, Charles Webster, filed the charge against George Jackson in an action believed without a precedent in American court. The complaint, entered by John Williamson, said Jackson beat to death his 400-pound prize Berkshire brood sow when he found it in his field.

"I intend to prosecute this case," said Webster. "According to Williamson, the killing was willful. It was murder, just like homicide."

Bud Lamb, who was arrested Sunday night when he was alleged to have wheeled his auto down Fremont minus a tire and rim at 60 miles an hour, with resulting clatter and racket, failed to appear yesterday in police court and forfeited his \$15 fine.

The fishing industry, estimates the bureau of fisheries, directly supports more than 200,000 persons.

SCREEN LIFE IN HOLLYWOOD

By HUBBARD KEAVY
Kid Chocolate, Cuban featherweight. None saw the great Barrymore. **BABY'S EARLY START**

When Esther Ralston's daughter was born five months ago, the former actor's husband and manager, George Webb, told the interviewers that the baby had cost the Webb family \$100,000.

Although she won't be "billed," baby Mary Esther Ralston Webb now is "out in vodvil" with her mother and father.

When Mary Esther isn't asleep or emptying one of her six daily bottles, she will be seen in her mother's arms during one of the episodes of the Ralston vaudeville turn.

The act is getting, according to reports, \$4,250 weekly. It will require only six months to earn that \$100,000 Mary Esther's father spoke about.

HERE'S THE CATCH
The catch in the "tour the city and see the movie studios absolutely free" gag has been disclosed.

Tourists and new residents, eager to see a studio, have in many cases unwittingly signed a preliminary agreement for the purchase of a lot in the belief they are merely attaching their signatures to a free sightseeing tour check.

By hereby warned, tourists and future residents of Hollywood, there is no way to get in a studio—some of the racketeers would have you believe—unless you have a "pull."

Every photograph reminds me of a simile that must have originated in Hollywood: "Honest as a re-touched photograph."

TRUST HEADS TO FACE RED TRIAL

MOSCOW, Jan. 18. (U.P.)—Forty-five officials of the Soviet Fruit and Vegetable Trust and private traders arrested for speculation will be put on trial publicly soon on charges of systematically diverting government goods into private channels.

It was alleged the goods were sold privately for exorbitant prices. Eight monster monoplanes have been ordered in England to provide a nine-day express service between London and Cape Town.

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MANHATTAN MIRRORS

By UNITED PRESS
NEW YORK, Jan. 18. (U.P.)—Five hundred workers are busy collecting names and addresses for the new three-volume city directory, and they tell some strange tales of their experiences.

One man found a family living in a two-room apartment; with no rugs, no pictures, and only a cheap wooden table, a rickety chair and two boxes for furniture. But in the kitchen stood a shiny new automatic refrigerator.

The enumerators found a number of cab drivers living in \$200 a month apartments on Riverside drive.

They frequently have to explain to people why they want the names and addresses. One enumerator, trying to convince a woman that he was not a confidence man, said: "Now suppose you went to Baltimore to visit your friends, and while there you thought of looking up another friend, whose address and telephone number you did not then know. You would stop into the nearest hotel, drug store or service station, consult the city directory and find your friend's address and number."

"Well," said the woman, "that wouldn't do me any good. I don't know a soul in Baltimore."

Mrs. Sarah Keolan sells newspapers at a stand in Times Square. Of late her competitors, boys and

men, have been attacking her, tearing up her papers, pouring itch powder down her neck, stealing her signs and broke her jaw all because she undersells them. The case was up in court today.

The defendant was Richard Lamore, former prizefighter. Said Mrs. Keolan: "Judge, I'd like to see you put him away but I want you to let him go. I want to get him outside so I can beat the livin' daylight out of him."

"The judge gave Lamore 30 days.

The night boat for Albany is traditionally associated with whoopee. Many an overnight party is held in the cabins.

Today the Hudson River Navigation company, operator of the Albany boats, was named in an application for appointment of a receiver. The petition declares that the steamboat company is in arrears for principal and interest on a bond issue to the extent of \$2,855,000. Hudson whoopee is at low tide.

Paul Wearengen, the apple-eating burglar, was sentenced to 15 years in prison today. He was convicted of entering a Park avenue apartment. While in the place, a servant entered the room and heard a crunching noise. The servant looked behind a screen and there sat the burglar, calmly eating the apple. He has served two prison terms for burglary.

MAN HELD DEAD IS FOUND ALIVE

LIBERTY, Mo., Jan. 18. (U.P.)—J. T. Kelley, then 61 years old, left his Missouri home in 1922 shortly after his wife's death. Relatives searched the country over for him, and the old man finally was given up as dead.

His son, William J. Kelley, lumberman, applied for his father's life insurance, a court ruled the man legally dead and the policy was settled.

The elder Kelley was found, however, in a Houston hospital suffering from the infirmities of old age. He had gone to Houston, changed his name to J. T. Riley and had been working for a lumber company.

"We're faced with the problem of returning father to the list of the living," said the son. "He was declared legally dead inasmuch as he had been missing for seven years."

"I will go into court within the next few days, have the case reopened and seek to have the verdict set aside."

The elder Kelley, although still ill, is almost assured of recovery, physicians said today. Visitors were barred from his hospital room. He is unable to explain the reason for his mysterious disappearance and 10-year silence.

BONDS EXPECTED TO ARRIVE TODAY

Las Vegas' sewer bonds are expected to arrive here this morning from the printers in Salt Lake City, and will be passed on for approval this afternoon by the city commissioners.

Following the expected approval by that body, the negotiations for the sale of the bonds to the Nevada state industrial commission will be completed.

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