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ADVANCING

WE ARE reminded occasionally that Las Vegas is really advancing. Usually we just take it for granted that we are sailing along as usual but do not compare our present state with what we were a year or two ago.

Too much, we fear, our people spend their time worrying about this or that, generally something which never happens. Or, perhaps, they compare the present day Las Vegas with what it should be five or ten years hence, and become impatient of our progress.

We are moved to this thought by hearing a person telling a friend how everybody is knocking and how; when people come here looking for opportunity, they are frightened away.

If that is the case, which we do not admit, Las Vegas has been doing mighty well under her mistreatment. The Age does not know of any except a few fraudulent promoters, who were given anything but the hand of hospitality and encouragement by the great majority of the people of Las Vegas.

Here, as in every other place, there are the inevitable few who see only the black side of things and who take pleasure in sneering at those who are really trying to advance the community, but we go ahead just the same.

The best proof of the situation is a glance back over the past year or two. Las Vegas has at least doubled in population. It has had through all this period of world depression a constant, steady growth. Its building operations have been steady and of good volume. Many of the enterprises to which we have been looking forward are taking form. For the most part, business has been fairly good.

Las Vegas has felt the depressing effects of general business conditions to some extent but less, probably, than any other little city in America.

We admit that it would be better if people would stand together in all efforts to advance the community. Since they won't do so, the only way is to live along and forget all about them.

If the truth were known we are much closer to complete cooperation in Las Vegas than in most cities. Most of us are working for the same thing but by slightly different methods. And as long as we are getting along there is no need to quarrel about the particular route we travel so long as they all lead to where we want to go.

CRITICIZING

IT IS OFTEN necessary to criticize. Only by fair, constructive criticism do we reach good judgments. None of us are wise enough or great enough to be always absolutely right.

But the carping criticism which vents spleen on every person and thing which one does not like, is not criticism at all. It degenerates into petty abuse which defeats its own ends. It neither aids in the betterment of conditions nor establishes a leadership for itself.

Our officials and the leaders of our civic organizations are too often the targets for the destructive type of criticism. It is hard enough for those entrusted with public duties to follow a sane and reasonable course when they have the consideration of their people.

To heap criticism and abuse indiscriminately on everybody in a public position is destructive.

SCHOOL FUNDS BOOST MUST BE LOAN

CARSON CITY, Nev., Feb. 8. (AP)—The attorney general ruled today that the state superintendent of public instruction cannot legally increase the appropriations of state and county school funds to the Las Vegas school district upon a basis of this year's attendance.

The law, according to the attorney general, does not authorize the superintendent of public instruction to substitute any rule, or to accept any other report, other than the preceding annual report of the average daily attendance of pupils in a school district, as a basis of apportionment of school moneys.

Las Vegas school authorities had sought an apportionment based upon this year's attendance in the Las Vegas schools instead of upon that of last year. The average daily attendance in the schools there is 410 pupils greater than it was a year ago, and to meet the increased costs of providing for these pupils a larger appropriation was sought.

Walter W. Anderson, superintendent of public instruction, said today that the only way more funds can now be obtained for the Las Vegas schools, is through an emergency loan. Such a loan is permitted by Nevada school law, and would have to be negotiated by the school district itself, Anderson said.

Repairs here are that approximately \$19,000 would be needed to adequately meet the needs of the district during the present school year.

TOURIST PLAN MADE AT MEET

SALT LAKE CITY, Feb. 8. (AP)—Plans to attract tourists to the Pacific coast over routes taking them through Utah, Nevada, Colorado and Wyoming were discussed here today at a conference of representatives of communities in the four states.

Due to the Olympic games at Los Angeles and several national conventions on the coast next summer, tourist travel is expected to be unusually heavy, the conference was told by Gus Backman, secretary of the Salt Lake chamber of commerce, who presided.

ORANGE COUNTY GROUP TO VISIT

Seventy persons from Orange county, Calif., will be Las Vegas visitors Thursday, Feb. 18. It was announced here yesterday by the Clark county Farm Bureau. The group, including farm owners and business men of southern California cities, will be taken on a tour of the Hoover dam area and will be feted at a banquet at Pair-O-Dice later in the day.

TOM GREEN ASKED TO WAIT IN L. V.

Expressing anxiety over her absent husband, a telegram from Mrs. T. A. Green, Oroville, Calif., to local police asks that he be located. Mrs. Green's wife asked police to locate Tom Green and tell him to wait in Las Vegas for an important letter, and to wire her at once. Police have no way of locating Green, and ask that anyone knowing the man communicate with the desk sergeant on duty at the police station.

RAIL SPLINTERS

BY JOHN H. LIGHTFOOT

G. Marguz and wife of Westside had a very narrow escape from serious if not fatal injury on Sunday afternoon while driving on the Boulder highway en route to Las Vegas. Marguz was allegedly going at a high rate of speed when his car struck a low place in the road, causing the machine to swerve and overturn twice, rendering Marguz unconscious and giving his wife a severe and painful shaking up. Other motorists assisted in righting the car.

Marguz got a severe cut back of the right ear. He is one of U. P. blacksmith helpers who are temporarily out of employment. Mrs. Marguz is the mother of Henry St. Amant, well known U. P. machinist and boxer.

Fireman N. A. Smith is still laying off on account of the serious illness of his infant child.

Fireman Paulus has been compelled to vacate his run for a few days on account of being taken ill. Those fast piling up miles were the cause of Fireman Marguz being compelled to take a few days' layoff, but those old miles are what the boys like to have.

Fireman Rudd is no exception to the rule and not being an exception he has just hoisted his name upon the "lay-off" board, and will take out the kinks for a day or so.

Now that the ten per cent cut has been settled, the chairman of the respective crafts on the U. P. who were called to Omaha Feb. 1st in the matter of the cut, remained over to meet the management in regard to fixing up a new shop employees' association agreement, which will specify under what conditions the company and the S. E. A. will work in the future. As in all previous meetings the company and committees go over the working conditions thoroughly.

EVERYDAY MOVIES



"Y'see, their penthouse has a fireplace—"

MOAPA VALLEY NEWS NOTES

Mrs. Mary Hunt of Santa Clara is visiting here with her daughter, Mrs. John Tobler.

Mrs. Jos. H. Stocking entertained a few friends on Friday evening in honor of the birthday of her sister, Mrs. Emma Holt, of Salt Lake City, who is here to spend the winter with her.

Marion and Amy Earl, Lila Higbee and Flora Jones of Las Vegas visited here on Saturday.

Rulon T. Shepherd, F. Edgar Miner and Coach and Mrs. Golden Tuller accompanied the M. V. H. S. basketball team to Las Vegas on Friday where they met in a contest with the Las Vegas Wildcats. The score was 23-31 in favor of the Las Vegas hoppers.

Bishop and Mrs. Robert Wells of Logandale went to Las Vegas on business Saturday.

Walter H. Huntsman of this city and of the Meyers Cottage Bakery delivery route to Moapa and Virgin Valley and Miss June Sprague, of Knoll, were married Friday in Las Vegas.

Earl Leavitt, vocational agriculture student at M. V. H. S., has made a production record with chickens. His flock of 75 hens produced 180 eggs each during the past year. As the Nevada state standard production for last year was 169.3 eggs per hen, Earl's flock averaged 111 per cent of the state standard. Earl will graduate this year from the Moapa Valley high school. During his three years in vocational agriculture work he has made an enviable record with his flock and through his activities as a member of the local chapter of Future Farmers of America.

The distillers and tomato plant growers of the valley met in Logandale Friday evening. Geo. Hardman and J. H. Wittwer of Las Vegas were present to discuss with them problems incident to these industries.

The annual stockholders' meeting

WAITE HOYT GETS RELEASE FROM A'S

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 9. (AP)—The Philadelphia Athletics gave Waite Hoyt, veteran right-handed pitcher, his unconditional release today.

His release brings to a temporary halt a stellar professional baseball career that started back in 1916 when Waite was the boy wonder of high school pitchers in Brooklyn. Hoyt's father signed the first contract for him with the New York Giants. His dismissal followed reports that he was a holdout.

SUITS FILED IN DISTRICT COURT

Streyell-Patterson Hardware Co. vs. J. H. Umbaugh, suit for \$440.23 allegedly owed by the defendant for goods purchased, and costs of suit. Attachment issued. C. D. Breeze, attorney for plaintiff.

James M. Armstrong vs. Mable L. Armstrong, divorce. Married in Los Angeles August 6, 1902. One minor child now in custody of defendant. Complaint alleges five years' separation. Guy E. Baker, attorney for defendant.

Moapa, has been transferred to Boulder City.

A meeting is called for Saturday evening in St. Thomas for all whose land is under the line of contour of the proposed Lake Mead, to consider the report of their attorneys, who are endeavoring to obtain a new offer from the government on their lands, the first offer not being entirely satisfactory to the majority of property owners.

Bishop and Mrs. Wm. Wittwer of Bunkerville visited in the valley on Sunday.

Mrs. Golden Tueller and Mrs. Grant E. Snow entertained a group of friends on Saturday evening at the home of Mrs. Snow.

Mr. Wyatt, station agent at

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MANHATTAN MIRRORS

By United Press
NEW YORK, Feb. 8. (AP)—A young matron who lives in a Manhattan apartment has developed a new technique for keeping the apartment above her unoccupied.

A caller was chatting with her today when footsteps were heard overhead. Immediately the hostess jumped up and turned the radio on full blast. She then dashed into the kitchen, opened the dumb waiter and began banging on the door of the gas stove with one hand while beating on the sink with a pan with the other.

"What's the matter, have you gone daff?" demanded the guest. "They're showing the apartment upstairs," she explained. "I don't want anybody to move in because they might disturb me. So every time I hear them showing it, I make all the noise I can. Wait a minute, I want to pound a little bit on the steam pipes."

The apartment overhead, she eventually explained, has not been occupied for more than a year.

The same lady has two sons, about seven and eight years old. Living as they do in a four-room apartment, in a district comprising one big building right after another the boys find it difficult to lead the sort of life they read about in books.

This winter, however, they have been "camping out." They have erected a tent in their bedroom, next to their bed. They scorn the soft mattress in favor of the hard floor, and sleep in their tent every night. During the night

they sometimes wake up and crawl about the floor in quest of Indians to scalp. Their mother is about to call a halt to it because the 3 a. m. war-whoops are shattering her nerves.

Attendants at the aquarium down at the tip of the island seem to be highly imaginative persons. Seldom if ever does a reporter leave the place without some kind of a story.

When a scribbler called today, the guards had something interesting to show. In the tropical fish division, occupying adjoining glass tanks, are the Medakas from Japan and the fork-tailed Paradise fish from China. The two families have crowded to the far ends of their tanks and spend their entire time making faces at each other.

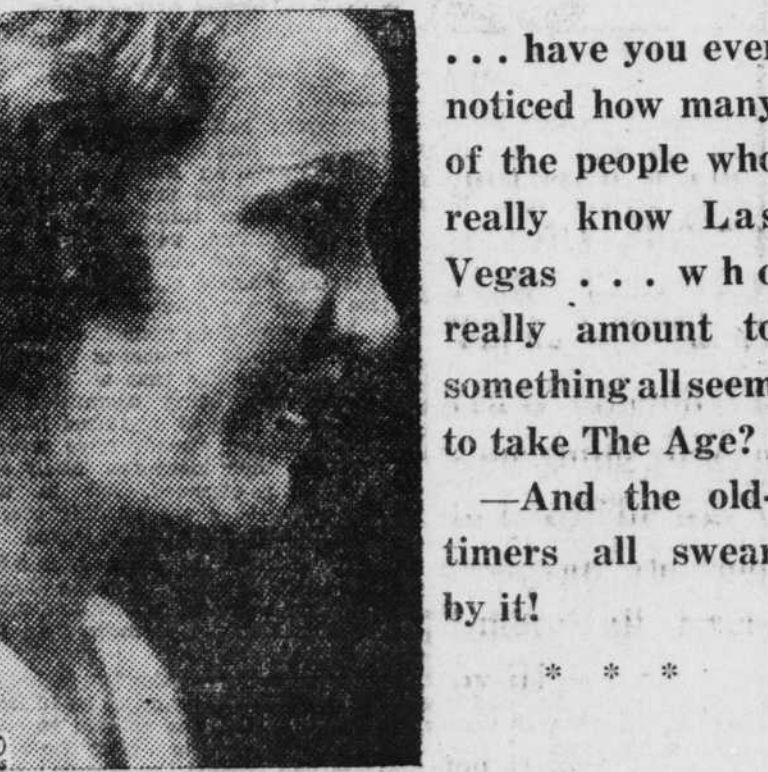
"Let's see them," suggested the reporter.

"Well," said the guard, "matter of fact we're changing the water in the tanks right now and it makes them swim around a little. But no kiddin', when the water's still, they get as far apart as possible."

The stylists of Fifth avenue are prepared to put every American woman in mesh hose before summer. Stockings are growing lazier and lazier. Today one manufacturing firm announced a series of new hosiery. They are called the circle, bubbles, queen's lace, lorelei, sherrie, the wisp, the myth and the frivol.

BOULDER CITY STAGES Five Round Trips Daily Leave Las Vegas 5 a. m. and 8 a. m. Leave Boulder City 1:15 a. m. and 7 a. m. and 9:30 a. m. 3 p. m. and 5:30 p. m. and 6:15 p. m. 12 Midnight. EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1, 1932 School Children Bus Extra Low Fares IMPERIAL SEDAN CADILLAC'S LEAVE DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY FOR BEAVERLY, GOLDFIELD, TONOPAH, RENO, SACRAMENTO AND SAN FRANCISCO. Nevada Motor Transport Co., Ltd. TICKET OFFICE—No. 9 FREMONT PHONE 679

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