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OBSERVATIONS

Grist from the Daily Grind

By C. P. S.

DEVIL'S PAINT POT An euphonic name for a perfectly gorgeous bit of desert scenery.

It is applied to that caudron of glowing color from which the black deck of Fortification mountain rises like a pall of smoke out of the witches cauldron.

The name was chosen because it so fully describes the region east of the Colorado river just across from the site of Hoover dam. The place is reached by crossing by ferry from the Nevada side and driving out the Kingman road about three or four miles; or coming from Kingman on the way to the Cashman ferry.

One of the most striking bits of scenery in the west, it will prove an attraction to the countless thousands who will travel east or west via Hoover dam when the Las Vegas-Kingman highway is paved.

SIXTY-SIX TO NINETY-ONE

The government has plans for a splendid highway from Kingman, Ariz., on highway No. 66, known as the Old Trails Route, to connect with highway No. 91, known as the Arrowhead highway, at Las Vegas.

At the time of the celebration of the beginning of construction of the Union Pacific branch railroad to the dam site, September 17, 1930, Secretary Wilbur, in an address, stated that the Las Vegas-Kingman highway would be constructed early in the building program so that the public might have the use of it while the dam is building.

When the dam is completed this splendid link of national highway will follow the majestic curve of Hoover dam, for almost a quarter of a mile on top of the 45-foot wide parapet. On the dam and also on the approaches on each side of the river, travelers will be treated on one of the most majestic and thrilling scenes in America.

So we are hoping that the promise of the secretary will be soon fulfilled, that the vast number of Americans driving the Old Trails highway may have the thrill of seeing the greatest engineering work of the nation under construction and enjoy some of the outstanding scenic attractions of the west.

Besides, Kingman and Las Vegas, as two neighboring communities of adjoining states, need this shortened line of communication.

By the present dirt road, opened by the Kingman people recently, the distance between the two cities is reduced about 80 miles and the driving time from seven hours to four hours. Proper improvement of the route will still further reduce both distance and time. And it may just as well be done now as a year or two later.

FOUND THE POLE

What excitement there was 23 years ago now when Commodore Perry and his big negro companion, Matt Henson, returned to civilization and told of having reached the North Pole!

Their return after having been lost in the vastness of the ice country for two years, brought disaster to Dr. Cook, who had only a short time before returned from northern exploration and announced that he had reached the pole. He had prepared seemingly good proof of his claim in the shape of false records and had convinced a large part of the scientific authorities of Europe that his claim was good.

Dr. Cook's arrival was untimely for Dr. Cook, Perry's records, perfectly authenticated, proved conclusively that Cook's claim was fraudulent. The foxy Dr. Cook afterward engaged in other frauds and only recently was released from a federal prison.

EASY COMMUNICATION

In the days of Commodore Perry, one went into the frozen north and was lost to the world, sometimes for years.

Nowadays, an exploration party can every day keep in touch with the world by radio. None of that heart-breaking suspense which followed the loss and slow starvation of the Greely party years ago. But every day the fur wrapped explorer in the Arctic can greet his family in Hoboken and in turn learn the news of the world.

APPEALS FOR RELIEF FUNDS

W. E. Ferron, chairman of the Red Cross committee appeared before the board of county commissioners Tuesday and urged that a continuance of the \$500 per month that the county has allowed the local chapter of the Red Cross for social welfare and relief work, be granted.

It is stated that a lack of sufficient funds to the county indigent fund, may curtail the donation to the Red Cross that has been made for the last six months.

Without the support of the county the local branch of the relief organization will be unable to continue their work among the poverty stricken and needy families of Las Vegas and Clark county, Ferron said.

At the present time there has been no provision made for the care of destitute women at the county farm. During the last winter they were cared for by the Red Cross, with an additional allowance being made for them by the county.

LAS VEGAS WEATHER

April 6.—Maximum, 75; minimum, 42.

METAL MARKETS

NEW YORK, April 6. (U.P.)—Bar silver, 28 1/2 cents an ounce. Copper, 5 1/2 cents a pound. Lead, 2.80 cents a pound. Zinc, 3 cents a pound.

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BOULDER DAM PROJECT The Progress of this Vast Engineering Work is Fully and Accurately Covered. Associated Press and United Press Wire Service Bring News of the World to This Paper—A Leader For More Than a Quarter of a Century.

Vegas Business Better, License Returns Indicate

First Estimate Paid On Sewer Project By Las Vegas

A more optimistic trend in local business is indicated by the figures made public by City Clerk Viola Burns, yesterday. General business conditions here as shown by these figures is much better than the corresponding period last year.

While the comeback must be slow, due to the general depression existent throughout the country, Las Vegas business leaders are of the opinion that a steady and sure return to normalcy is under way. COLLECTIONS BETTER

Collections of quarterly licenses from Las Vegas merchants and tradesmen total to date \$1,300 compared with \$1,000 for the same period during the first quarter.

City receipts for the month of March totaled \$62,292.59, distributed as follows: Sewer bonds, \$50,138; gaming revenue from Clark county, \$5,017.50; poll tax collections, \$2,643.00.

Business showed a decided increase in this city during the first three months of the year. The city clerk asked for new affidavits from mercantile business the first of the month, as the license levied on this business is determined by the total volume of sales. All businesses but two showed increases.

Receipts for the first quarter totaled \$74,558.82, distributed over the three months period as follows: January, \$8,152.43; February, \$4,212.60; March, \$62,292.59.

MOTT SWORN AS OFFICER

William E. Mott, old time Clark county resident, was sworn in as deputy by Sheriff Joe Keate yesterday afternoon, as the first step in the reorganization of his office to increase the general efficiency of the organization in handling county affairs.

Keate requested the county commissioners Tuesday to grant him an extra deputy until April 15 when the board will take under consideration the auditor's report of county finances.

Mott was formerly with the Pacific Fruit Express company and made his home in Silver City, Utah. He came to Las Vegas in 1920 and has made many friends here during the past twelve years. He will assume his new duties this morning.

EXCHANGE IS PLANNED HERE

A group of men identified with the building industry of Las Vegas met last evening at the Jondahl paint shop and discussed the preliminaries of forming the Las Vegas Builders Exchange.

The decision to organize was reached next Wednesday evening at American Legion hall was set as the time and place for holding the organization meeting.

All those interested in the building industry, including material dealers, contractors and sub-contractors, are invited to be present and take part in the organization. Among those present at the preliminary meeting last night were Hampton Brothers, S. J. Shaw, Hubert Sheet Metal Works, Quality Plumbing Shop, Geiber Electric Co., Nevada Electric Co., Nevada Construction Co., C. A. Beckwith, B. E. Bartlett, H. S. Stocks, Dan Jondahl, Henry Hanson and Mahoney-Cline Co.

City Takes Hand in Naming, Care Of World's Smallest Baby in K. C.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 6. (U.P.)—Citizens of Kansas City tried to take a hand tonight in naming, dressing and caring for the one-pound son of Mr. and Mrs. William St. John.

The telephone at the St. John home rang constantly, with men and women suggesting names for the infant, believed to be the smallest ever born. Those who didn't suggest a name gave advice on how to feed the baby. One woman caller provided clothes, dresses she had made for her little girl's doll.

LATEST RHUMBA



First it was the German stein songs, then the Cuban rhumba ditty, and now it's the Mambo "Moby-hay" that is catching popular fancy. Mrs. Eleuterio Castaneda, descendant of a wealthy Spanish family in Manila, told about it when she arrived from the Philippines on the liner Shinyo Maaru. It's pronounced "Ma-boo-hi" and means cheerio, hello, goodbye, or most anything else. And the song they've written about it is catching on, she says.

FILM PLAYER FACING SUIT

LOS ANGELES, April 6. (U.P.)—Victor McLaglen, screen star, was named defendant in a \$10,000 damage suit today when Thomas R. Hughes charged that the hard-boiled "Captain Flagg" of film fame "set upon him and beat him severely."

Hughes alleged the attack occurred at the Fox studios last January, and that it was not provoked. He claimed he had incurred a broken nose and other injuries.

SPEAKEASY GLASS USED BY OFFICER

CHICAGO, April 6. (U.P.)—Chief of Detectives William H. Shoemaker has installed in the door to his inner sanctum today a panel of "speakeasy peep-hole glass." "So I can see out without being seen," explained the chief, while supervising installation of the panel, which is regular equipment on nearly all Chicago speakeasy doors. It looks like a mirror on one side; like a clear sheet of glass on the other.

BONUS BATTLE WILL OPEN SOON IN HOUSE

Opponents of Payment Hint At Danger Of National Inflation

PATMAN PLAN UP

Sponsors Say Expert Advice Protection Against Panic

By CHARLES M. McCANN United Press Staff Correspondent WASHINGTON, April 6. (U.P.)—A \$2,000,000,000 fight over payment of the soldiers' bonus will be opened Monday before the house ways and means committee.

PUBLIC HEARINGS Public hearings will be held on proposals to pay the World War veterans' compensation in cash and in full at once.

Not only is there involved the primary question of the desirability of paying the compensation now as an emergency measure, but there arises an even more important one—the means of payment.

The most earnest advocates of immediate cash payment do not want to see taxes increased. They favor a means of payment that will involve a \$2,000,000,000 increase in the amount of federal currency, and that brings in immediately the problem of inflation.

Opponents of the bonus payments say inflation gravely damages a country's finances. Those for the payment believe frankly that inflation is a means of ending the depression.

President Hoover's program of depression legislation, capped with the gigantic reconstruction finance corporation, was aimed at ending deflation, but when faced with the positive idea of inflation as a supplement to deflation the administration and many able economists outside of it fear evil effects.

The principal bill to be considered by the ways and means committee is that of Wright Patman, Dem., Tex. It would pay the bonus through the issue of currency, backed by the usual 40 per cent by the free gold now held by the United States. Another means of payment suggested is to issue consolidated federal bonds which would be held by the federal reserve banks against special currency, issued to pay the bonus.

INTERESTED IN PAYMENT Sponsors of payment are interested primarily in the payment itself. They are willing to leave to experts the means of payment. Opponents are interested primarily in preventing inflation of any sort.

WILL SEARCH FOR LOST BOAT

DUTCH HARBOR, Alaska, April 6. (U.P.)—A 40-foot motorboat commanded by Roy Wheeler was made ready at Kanaga tonight to search the 500 mile coast line and channels between there and Unalaska for some trace of the motorship Eunice, which was reported 19 days overdue on its trip to Atka in the Aleutian group.

Seven men were aboard the Eunice when it dropped from sight in waters which are not patrolled by the coast guard.

PLANE USED TO GET BOND

BROWNSVILLE, Tex., April 6. (U.P.)—An airplane was used today to help complete bonds of four of the nine persons charged here with violation of federal lottery laws in connection with radio broadcasts from station XED, Reynosa, Mex.

Will Horwitz, Houston theater man and owner of XED, his wife, and three station attaches furnished bonds, totaling \$28,000.

The others for whom bond was sought tonight were Alfonso Dominguez, Reynosa editor, and three American girl stenographers, W. A. Stewart, pilot of Horwitz plane, took the bonds to Houston for approval.

"Horwitz pleaded not guilty to charges of mailing a lottery ticket to a man at Arkansas Pass, Tex. A lottery scheme has been operated through broadcasts from a border station and postal inspectors investigated for months before making the nine arrests.

RACE HATREDS BURST FORTH IN ISLAND TRIAL

Selection Of Jury Is Difficult For Hawaiian Court

MATRON IS SILENT

Jury Balance Between Whites, Natives Is See-Sawing

By DAN CAMPBELL United Press Staff Correspondent HONOLULU, T. H., April 6. (U.P.)—Hidden racial hatreds were frankly acknowledged by attorneys today as they battled to select a jury to try Mrs. Grace Hubbard Fortescue and three naval men for the asserted "honor murder" of Joe Kahahawai, Jr.

TENSE DRAMA The tense drama in which Mrs. Fortescue, her son-in-law, Lieut. T. H. Massie, and E. J. Lord and A. O. Jones allegedly killed the Hawaiian because they believed he was one of a gang that attacked young Thalia Fortescue Massie involves racial antipathies which Hawaii had proudly said did not exist on this "island of paradise."

That was evident as Prosecutor John Kelley exercised every effort at his command to remove white men from the panel. Just as stubbornly, shaggy Clarence Darrow found the full force of his mighty intellect and legal resource to remove Asiatics and Hawaiians.

Removed from the spotlight while their attorneys battled over jurors to weigh their fate, the patrician Washington society woman and her three co-defendants figured only as spectators today.

COLD AND ALOOF Mrs. Fortescue, who had worn a wine-colored suit in all her previous appearances, today wore a smart dark, blue-furred dress, and a close-fitting knitted hat of blue. Cold and aloof, she sat quietly, fingering her shell necklace.

CROWDS SEE GIANT PLANE

The right wings of the giant Keystone bomber, forced down here Saturday, were damaged beyond emergency repair by the heavy winds of Tuesday night, and will have to be replaced from March field, according to Lieut. Don R. Lyon, pilot of the plane, who yesterday afternoon superintended the removal of wings and fuselage to the old Western Airfield south of Las Vegas.

When towed through the streets last night, the dismantled plane created a great deal of interest. It was towed from the Meadows flying field by truck and the crowd following the plane assumed the proportions of a procession as it passed along Fifth street.

The plane was forced down here Saturday while on a week-end flight to Las Vegas, accompanied by two other huge bombers. After emergency repairs had been made, it was impossible for the pilot to take off on account of the soft ground, Lyon said.

After the ship had been dismantled, a sudden windstorm arose, carrying away two of the wing units several hundred yards, despite the efforts of members of the plane's crew to hold it.

The ship is attached to the 11th Bombardment group, March field. Repairs are now expected to be completed by Saturday, when the plane will return to its base.

In addition to Lieut. Lyon, the crew of the plane consists of Sgt. Martin, Corps. Drury and Rainey.

FORCES OBSERVE YEARLY ARMY DAY

WASHINGTON, April 6. (U.P.)—Khaki-clad figures tramped the streets of many lands today as American military forces throughout the world celebrated "army day."

In the nation's capital, 50,000 persons, including 88 marching units and 20 bands, drum and pipe corps swept down Pennsylvania avenue in one of the greatest military demonstrations since the war, to be reviewed by President Hoover.

On the reviewing stand as the paraders passed were also Mrs. Hoover, Secretary of War Patrick Hurley and a group of high army chieftains.

Lindy Baby Is Alive, Well; Return 'From Sea' Expected Soon; Family Is Optimistic

NEWEST BUST OF FIRST AMERICAN



This bust of George Washington by the San Francisco sculptor, Delmar Gray, was presented to Postmaster Harry L. Todd of that city. Miss Alice Fields, above, officiated at presentation ceremonies.

Penniless Prospector Finds Large Diamond in Brazilian Wastelands

SO. Brazil, April 6. (U.P.)—A penniless prospector foraging through the Brazilian wastelands near Diamantino was reported today to have found one of the largest diamonds in the world.

The stone weighed 574 carats and it was said that an offer of \$80,000 had been refused by the prospector. The offer was understood to have been made by a broker at Rio De Janeiro.

The diamond is the largest ever found in Brazil, and, if further examination of the stone upholds first reports of its value, the prospector will realize a fortune for it.

Diamantino is a mountain town of about 5,000 persons in the Mato Grosso (Great Jungle) district, far in the interior of Brazil. It is in this region that an expedition is now in search of the missing British explorer, Col. P. J. Fawcett, and communication is difficult.

A diamond of 574 carats is of extraordinary size, being out-classed by only a few discoveries in the past, one of which was the famous Cullinan diamond of 3,024 carats found in South Africa. No other stone ever found even remotely approached its size. It was presented to King Edward VII and cut up into smaller stones for the crown jewels.

Several diamonds weighing more than 500 carats in the rough have been found, but they are always reduced in size by cutting.

The largest ever found in the Kimberley mines of Africa was of 442 carats. The largest ever found in the De Beers mines was 503 carats.

Brazilian diamonds usually are of high quality, but the largest ever found in the past was the Star of the South, which was discovered in 1833. It weighed 254 1/2 carats.

SECOND LARK SUSPECT HELD

SEATTLE, April 6. (U.P.)—H. J. "Joseph" Johnson, alleged accomplice of Jesse C. Rumsey in the robbery of the Southern Pacific flyer, Lark, on March 26, was arrested here today.

Johnson allegedly confessed a short time after his arrest and will be taken to San Francisco tomorrow, where he will face trial with Rumsey. The guns used in the hold-up were purchased in Las Vegas, Nevada, in January, where it is thought the pair had a secret hide-out.

OUSTER URGED BY CITIZENS

ST. JOHNS, Nfld., April 6. (U.P.)—An urgent appeal for dismissal of the government of Prime Minister Sir Richard A. Squires was made to Gov. Sir John Middleton tonight by a committee of citizens seeking to end threats of another mob attack on the Newfoundland cabinet leaders.

While former service men, police and volunteers broke up new gatherings of rioters attempting to break into the government liquor stores, the committee called at the government house and petitioned Sir John to announce that the Squires cabinet would resign.

Beer for Mothers and Invalids is Recommended by New York Doctor

WASHINGTON, April 6. (U.P.)—Beer for nursing mothers was recommended today to the house judiciary committee by Dr. S. W. Lambert, a New York physician.

"I believe beer to be a very useful remedial agent for use of convalescents and nursing mothers," Dr. Lambert said. "A bottle of four per cent beer a day is the very least prescription that can be considered desirable."

Other medical men including William C. Woodward of Chicago, counsel of the American Medical association, appeared before the committee in support of the Beck-

Celler bill which would remove the restrictions on prescriptions of liquor and another measure permitting more liberal prescriptions of beer.

"It is a question of practical results to the patient," Woodward said. "A physician hates to stand by and see a patient whom he could relieve being restricted from use of the proper medicine."

Director of Prohibition Amos W. Woodcock endorsed the Beck-Celler bill in a general way but requested one provision that there should be no limit to the number of prescriptions issued, be struck out.

Contact With Gang Is Believed Made By Noted Flier

By DELOS SMITH United Press Staff Correspondent HOPEWELL, N. J., April 6. (U.P.)—Four rapid-fire developments in the Lindbergh kidnaping case convinced observers today that the return of Charles Augustus Lindbergh, Jr., to the arms of his parents is imminent.

DEFINITE STATEMENT In the order of their importance, they were: First, a definite statement by Governor A. Harry Moore of New Jersey, in which he declared that the 21-months-old son of Col. Lindbergh is "alive and well and that he will be returned."

Second, the return to Norfolk of John Hughes Curtis, boatbuilder who believes he is in touch with emissaries of the kidnapers, with the statement that he had established contact with his negotiators, and that he was informed the child is "alive and well."

Third, a growing conviction that Col. Lindbergh's secret airplane trips over the week-end, marking his first departure from the estate since the kidnaping on the night of March 1, were in connection with negotiations.

Fourth, the intangible yet pronounced optimism in all circles, including the Lindbergh family itself, that had been in marked contrast to police and private despair noticed during the preceding weeks.

Neither in the case of Governor Moore nor of John Hughes Curtis, has there been any revelation of the basis for declarations that the "child is well and will be returned," and from the police has come only the steady stream of reiterated denials of all knowledge regarding these phases of the case.

It is held, however, that even these denials serve their purpose—that they indicate a clear road, without official interference, for the traffickers, and that they are designed to give tacit assurance that there will be no vigorous man-hunt after the child is restored.

Every indication pointed today to a return of the baby "from the sea." All developments of the past two weeks, and all activities by the negotiators, have been directed toward the ocean. But it is also believed that the next important announcement to be made will come only when Charles Augustus is back again in the crib from which he was stolen five weeks ago last night.

FLOWERS GET SEVERE JOLT

DENVER, Colo., April 6. (U.P.)—Flowers that bloom in the spring were rather disgusted today when winter returned for a brief enticement featuring snow and lowered temperatures.

The snow which began to fall early this morning and continued all day, melted as it fell. Skies began to clear this evening but the government weather bureau predicted snow flurries and colder temperatures tonight.

Fair and warmer weather was forecast for tomorrow.

NOBLEMAN IS FOUND, DEAD

LONDON, April 6. (U.P.)—The Hon. Cecil Arthur Campbell, 63, second son of the late Third Lord Stratheden and Campbell and uncle of the present baron, was found shot to death in the bedroom of his London home today. A bullet wound was in his forehead and a pistol by his side.

PLANE LOSES DEATH RACE

TULSA, April 6. (U.P.)—A friend's airplane flight here from Kansas City, Mo., failed today to save the life of Ralph Berry, 35, vice president of the Fourth National bank, who died from a pneumonia attack. Oxygen supplies, rushed here by a friend, failed to keep Berry alive. He had been ill about a week.