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BOY SCOUT DRIVE

OF ALL the causes for which we raise money, none has more real merit to recommend it than the Boy Scout movement. "The boy is father of the man," is just as true today as when it was first written. We see about us in Las Vegas, as elsewhere, men in command of important enterprises whom, but a few years ago, we knew as boys. And we see those who have long held the center of the stage stepping back to give the young fellows the play.

Just now in Las Vegas we are asked to contribute to a fund of \$750 for Boy Scout activities this season. It is a sum ridiculously small, but under the careful management of Ira Earl and his finance committee it will do much for the local boys.

Last year we raised \$1,500 for Scout work. This year, because of the condition of business, the sum to be collected has been cut to the lowest possible figure.

Mr. Earl has devoted much of time and effort to the Scout work and should have the enthusiastic appreciation of the people. And, now that the sum asked is so small, let each one give a little promptly and cheerfully, and the money will be raised without the usual strenuous campaign of solicitation.

COPPER TARIFF

THE FIGHT is on in the senate to secure a tariff on copper. The movement is opposed by the group owning vast amounts of foreign copper, who would like to have the American market left wide open so that they can produce copper by the use of slave labor and sell it in America at a price less than it could be produced for here, at the same time making more profit on their operations than they would make if operating domestic copper mines, which would be very fine from a money making standpoint, but destructive to the copper producing states.

We find that Nevada is suffering severely because of the curtailment of production and employment in the great copper mines at Ely. In Arizona we are told that unless the copper mines resume operations there will be 28,000 destitute people in that state by July first. Utah, Montana and other copper producing states are suffering similarly.

If a reasonable tariff is placed on copper, the western states will be able gradually to resume copper production and absorb their large percentage of unemployment.

MOONEY DECISION

GOVERNOR Rolph of California will tomorrow announce his decision as to whether or not to pardon Mooney, serving a life sentence for participation in the Preparedness day parade bombing in San Francisco in 1916.

The vast amount of investigation done has so far unsettled the public mind that not many know what they do think of the merits of the case.

However, it is to be hoped that Governor Rolph will find sufficient reason to liberate Mooney, and put an end to what otherwise will be a never-ending source of controversy.

OBSERVATIONS

A SOFT JOB
We read in the news dispatches from Geneva that the League of Nations is trying to elect a new secretary-general to fill the vacancy in that office.

The task so far has been complicated by the fact that every member nation wants to name one of its own diplomats for the post. So it is possible that, since the United States, fortunately, is not a member, the new secretary-general may come from this country, and Newton D. Baker is mentioned. Mr. Baker served the country well

A WASHINGTON BYSTANDER

By KIRKE SIMPSON
WASHINGTON—For hours Democratic oratorical batteries, big and little, were active at the Jefferson day party mobilization in Washington.

A continuous barrage of barbed words fell in the vicinity of the White House.

To most observers—and to many participants, for that matter—the show was a sort of rehearsal for the June convention. Possibly that was why Governor Roosevelt considered it inexpedient to attend.

The New York governor hopes and expects the question of who is to be nominated by that convention to be virtually decided before it meets.

His representative at the Washington party, "Big Jim" Farley, capped his appearance with a stout reiteration that Roosevelt would be nominated on the first ballot.

As a coincidence, records of the Nebraska primaries coming in while the Jefferson day show here was at its height disclosed Mr. Roosevelt so far in front of the Garner and Murray challengers in that state as to top their combined vote.

Did the Democratic pow-wow, then, have any effect on the pre-convention campaigning for the Democratic presidential nomination?

Did Roosevelt help or hinder his boom by absenting himself? Those are the pertinent questions arising out of the Jefferson day show. It will have been forgotten itself by election time.

SMITH'S ADDENDUM
Well, clearly a chapter was added to that long story of political alliance and friendship, the story of Al Smith and Franklin Roosevelt. Mr. Smith continued to it.

At least four years ago Roosevelt dubbed Smith "The Happy Warrior" in nominating him at Houston.

After quoting from a Roosevelt radio address, though not naming Roosevelt, Smith told the Jefferson day diners there was an exception to his self imposed role of inactivity as a candidate for the 1932 nomination.

He would fight "to the bitter end" any candidate who persisted in "demagogic appeal" to class prejudice, he added.

Did he mean Roosevelt? It is difficult to assume otherwise.

And at this stage of the pre-convention proceedings, what would be the result if Smith began an active campaign in his own behalf, or in support of Speaker Garner—of anybody but Roosevelt?

ROOSEVELT'S ADVANTAGE
As Smith sounded that warning Roosevelt had actually or probably bagged nearly one-half or more of the 450 convention votes then decided. Smith had one picked vote. It will take 70 to nominate.

Could even "The Happy Warrior" hope to overtake a lead like that? Smith's speech may have recalled unhappy memories of New York in 1924 to his hearers. He has that to reckon with in shaping his plans.

MOAPA VALLEY NEWS NOTES

The Moapa stake primary convention, held annually, convened in St. Thomas Sunday, April 17, under the auspices of the Moapa stake primary president, Mrs. Effie B. Syphus, and the members of her board.

There was a visitor from the general primary board in Salt Lake City and delegates from each community participated in the splendid program, arranged as follows:

Morning theme: "For every child spiritual and moral training to help him stand firm under the pressure of life." Afternoon session, theme: "Within every life is a divine spark. To find that spark and to fan it into flame is the supreme achievement of the teacher."

Addresses appropriate to the themes suggested with suitable musical numbers made up the program.

Robert O. Gibson, Bert Mills, Willard L. Jones and Clarence Lewis were in Las Vegas on Friday to attend a directors' meeting of the Farm Bureau being held there.

Miss Dorothy Tobiasson of Enterprise, Utah, is here to visit her father, Neils Tobiasson, and his family in Logandale.

Bishop and Mrs. Robert Wells of Logandale visited in Las Vegas on Friday.

The home of Charles McDonald is being enlarged by the addition of two comfortable rooms and the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Logan is being repainted this week.

The group of young people coming from Panaca to participate in the Stake M. I. A. honor day were: Ward M. I. A. president Afton Matthews, Louise Lee, Marvill Hicks, Elmo Long, Austin Dalyle, Eula Lee, Jean Biad and Mr. and Mrs. Willis Robison.

Principal Rulon A. Jones and students of the St. Thomas school enjoyed an outing at Warm Springs on Friday.

Among the group of M. I. A. young people from Las Vegas attending the Stake M. I. A. honor day here are: Misses Marie Davis, Elina Farnsworth, Ruth Hansen, Elvina Johnson, Venice Neilson, Rowena Sprague, Verda Barnum, Anabelle Sprague, Mary Dotson, Relda Whitney, Beth McFarlane, Lovina Whitney, Carol Peck, Flora Jones, Amy Earl, Leah Peck and

EVERYDAY MOVIES



"Will you try and get the attention of the waiter, Henry?"

BUNKERVILLE

Warren Hardy and his mother, Mrs. Heber Hardy, and Mr. and Mrs. Harley Adams attended conference at Salt Lake City.

This community was shocked to hear of the death of Eugene Perkins of Overton. The sympathy of the people goes out to his grief-stricken wife, who was formerly Miss Ella Hafen. Those of her closest relatives who were at the funeral were Charles, John, Herman, Adolph, Arthur K. and Orval Hafen; Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Leavitt, Mr. and Mrs. Laurel Leavitt, Mrs. Juanita Pulsipher, Mrs. Lorenzo Leavitt, Mr. and Mrs. Clement Gubler and Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Gubler.

Mrs. Reed Blake is enjoying a visit with her mother from Leeds, Utah.

Several from here attended the junior prom at Dixie last Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Reber were visitors here over the week-end.

A dance was given here last Saturday by the losing side of the bird hunt which was carried on recently. A Las Vegas orchestra furnished the music.

A retold story by Lily Knight and a girls' chorus sponsored by the M. I. A. were features of our Sunday services.

Several men and boys spent two or three days making a road to the mountain so as to haul drinking water for the summer.

Mrs. Rube Bradshaw, formerly Miss Ethel Hardy, spent Sunday here with friends from Elgin, Nev.

Mrs. Don Tobler returned with her mother to Pleasant Grove after visiting here a few days.

MESQUITE

John Johnson, father of Mrs. Anthon Abbott, has been very ill for some time.

Mrs. Hannah Terry has gone to Beaver Dam to spend the summer with Mrs. Clark McKnight.

Miss Thelma McKnight, who has been attending high school here, returned home last week.

A meeting will be held tonight to consider ways and means to put in electric lights in Mesquite and Bunkerville. Supt. F. Edgar Mineer and Henry Leavitt of the school board met with E. F. Lowe and a number of the citizens here Friday to consider the possibility of putting in electric lights for the schools and combine with the water ditch to provide lights by water power on the mill site.

Ted Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Frances Pulsipher spent the week-

Vera Dodge, Walter Long, president of the Las Vegas M. I. A., accompanied the group.

A delegation of farmers from Leeds, Toquerville and Hurricane, headed by Bishop McMullen of Leeds, spent Saturday in the Valley in the interest of cooperative marketing of farm crops.

Rail Splinters

John Litchworth for a few days is back on the old job of calling engine and train crews. A while back John was made the victim of too much whiskers, all same as engineers and firemen.

Miss Myrtle Hill, stenographer in Master Mechanic Wilson's office, spent Sunday visiting relatives and

and here visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Jones.

The Home Economics girls gave a dance Saturday night and sold ice cream to help pay their expenses to Reno.

Mrs. Emily Hughes, Miss Edith Knight, Miss Whipple, Mrs. Pansy Hardy and Perry Abbott went to Overton Friday to attend the M. I. A. contest. Mrs. Pansy Hardy won the oration and Perry Abbott won in the M men's contest.

Mr. Lyon, John Tobler and Mr. Johnson from Overton were here Sunday in the interest of the Sunday school.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Hardy spent Tuesday in St. George shopping.

Leo Hardy returned from Las Vegas last week where he has been for some time on business.

Elmer Hughes will start for Reno tomorrow with the girls who are going to contest there. Della Leavitt and Mable McKnight will go from Mesquite.

Mr. and Mrs. George Corbridge and Mrs. James McKnight visited here with Mrs. Frank Hardy Sunday.

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SCREEN LIFE IN HOLLYWOOD

By HUBBARD KEAVY
HOLLYWOOD—Al Jolson is getting ready to start in a picture that he was paid for nearly two years ago.

He didn't have to make the film, but because his "old pal," Joe Schenk, paid him — nearly \$500,000 he feels obliged to carry out his part of the agreement.

The contract (written informally on a paper bag) was made before Jolson's last two Warner films were released.

Their failure to impress movie audiences is believed responsible for the mutual cancellation of the Jolson paper sack contract.

Jolson puts it this way: "I'll never make a picture again until I know the story is good. I knew before we started the last two what the result would be. But

off the 3rd district passenger, and then, of all things, Bagsley turns about with malice aforethought and just messed up Fireman Doyle's job, and Geo. was riding along so peaceful and calm. But you can't always be calm and peaceful on a railroad job. Well Homan can tell you that, and be well substantiated by Frank Newlin. Men who shave should not work for a railroad when depression is stalking about.

"Who's who" in Engineer and Fireman circles? A pretty darn hard question to answer. Firemen get bumped by engineers, when the latter get on the "spot," so you just can't figure.

Blacksmith Charley Hemphill will put in the day doing some necessary blacksmith work. Charley is also a depression victim.

Firemen Rudd and Guthrie, who were hit by bumps, etc., have secured employment at the dam. Not so smooth as riding an engine, but it keeps the "home fires burning." Good luck, boys.

like a sucker, I went ahead with them anyway.

"When I saw what they were like I said it would take a darn good story to induce me to make a picture for anyone again.

"Now, I believe, we've got a good story. I think something can be made of it. Anyway, I'm going to do the right thing. Joe paid me the money, just on account of the contract, but I didn't earn it."

NO LOVE STUFF
Jolson's story is an original by Ben Hecht, called "Life's Merry-Go-Round." It, I gathered from what Al said, is a sort of what-difference-does-money-make idea.

He said it's not a love story. "There aren't any dames in it; it's just a beautiful story, with a few songs."

Jolson denies he is making a "comeback."

"I'm just as good now as I ever was," he said. "If I can't get material, I can't be funny.

"In 'Mammy' and 'Say It With Songs' I gave as good performances as ever. The stories were terrible. Therefore I was considered a flop."

Al seemed a little bitter toward Hollywood for giving him the cold shoulder because some of the pictures were failures.

HOLLYWOOD CRITERION
He said he's heard the expression, "You're only as good as your last picture," but he didn't think it true.

And he repeated, "I was as good in them (referring to the two bad films) as I ever was."

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