

Half of that time I did not receive any money from the State of Nevada, most years not even expenses—only pay during legislative periods. Governor Balzar, as the people of this state know, was ill for a considerable period of time. It was my duty to carry on. I was not in a position, until after his untimely passing, to actually investigate the affairs of this state. I wish that you could realize the position that Morley Griswold was placed in. I had the responsibility without the right to do other than carry on. Since Governor Balzar's passing approximately seven months have elapsed. Governor Balzar's term of office was a stormy one—treasury defalcations; collapse of 80% of the banking structure of the State of Nevada, as well as the banking structure of the entire United States; drought to an extent unheard of in the history of this state; a depression such as the world has never known—and in the midst of it. Governor Balzar passed away. Thereupon the entire load was thrown upon my shoulders. But I am not crying about it, nor am I asking sympathy. If the accomplishments of Morley Griswold in less than seven months do not justify the people of this state having confidence in his ability, then he is not entitled to your preference. In that period of time, I have gotten from Federal funds, over Two Million Dollars for the State of Nevada, without the state advancing a cent. I fought the Federal Government against a special session of the Legislature. We are one of the few, if not the only state in the Union, that has received this aid without advancing state money to match Federal funds, and Morley Griswold, as Acting Governor, refused to do likewise for the State of Nevada. The drought relief: Do you realize that I have saved thousands of head of cattle and farms and taxable property for the State of Nevada. The people in interest know that I was the moving spirit in that effort, and that I am entitled to credit with our Congressional Delegation for those accomplishments. And the Truckee River and Tahoe water situations: I made a talk before one of the service clubs in Reno about the Tahoe and Truckee water situation, and it got some publicity, and I was told that it was good politics anyway. We have all tried that, and none of us has ever been successful," or words to that effect, but, notwithstanding that, I said I was going to get that water if I had to go to the highest authority in the land, and that's where I did go before I was through, and I don't want all the credit. I received aid in Washington from our Congressional Delegation, but when it came to actually putting it across and fighting our neighbors in California, it was Morley Griswold who had to bear the brunt of it, and it was Morley Griswold who put across the final steps and got water, so that you people here in Reno saw flowing down through this beautiful city, a bountiful stream of water in place of white rocks and a dry river-bed, and the farmers and ranchers, and the Truckee Meadows obtained that benefit without the expenditure of one cent of money. As to whether or not it was Morley Griswold who put it across, I will leave it to Mr. King, Mr. Devore, Mr. Duker, or any of the other people who worked with me. I don't have to leave it to the people of Fallon, because their delegation has openly given me due credit, and the local newspaper at Fallon was fair enough to publish the fact.

When labor trouble was brewing

in Las Vegas, at the Boulder Dam, the first one they called for was Morley Griswold, and I travelled 1,000 miles or more to learn what was happening and what I could do. The employees and the employer both authorized me to make the public statement that they were entirely satisfied with my action, in satisfactorily settling the matter without loss of time or money, and both authorized me to make that statement in the public press, and I did so. This may sound egotistical again and bragging, but I have never been able to find where the news item carried in the Reno evening newspaper. Some of the "little mouthpieces" — so the interior press was dubbed by that paper—were kind enough to publish it. If this plain statement of fact is slinging mud, then Morley Griswold is guilty.

You don't have to guess as to how I stand with reference to railroad matters and the public utilities because, since I have been Acting Governor of the State of Nevada, I have been called upon, as Chairman of the Tax Commission, to pass upon their requests for a reduction of taxes. The records of that Commission are open to the public, and you will find my statement that the Southern Pacific and the Western Pacific should not have their taxes reduced. Both of those companies have sued the State of Nevada, and from all of the facts, and I made a careful investigation, I am of the opinion that they are not paying more money in proportion, than are

the home owners and the small business men and the farmers and the ranchers. I opposed reducing their taxes. It is a matter of record, and you don't have to take my word for it. Look it up. And I turned down the Sierra-Pacific Power Company on their request for a reduction of taxes. I could not see where that company was entitled to a reduction under the showing that was made and considering the payments that we all make to that company for our light and power, so you don't have to go further than the record to see how I stand regarding those corporations. It is a noteworthy circumstance that when Mr. Kirman resigned as a director of the Bank of America in Nevada, that Mr. George Campbell, who, by the way, is a fine gentleman, took his place as a director. It is a striking circumstance that the banners of one of my opponents were, before Mr. Branson wrote his challenging letter to Mr. Kirman, being carried openly on the Sierra-Pacific Power Company trucks. If you want to know about putting placards on that company's poles, I will be very glad to give you the names of at least two people who can inform you.

Do you people of the State of Nevada realize that the public utilities have sued this state for a reduction and taxes amounting to over \$300,000; and do you realize, you home owners and small business people and farmers and ranchers and miners, that if they can get the reduction that they claim, that it

means jumping your taxes approximately 17%; and do you realize that I certainly did not endear myself to those public utilities when I refused to grant them a reduction of their taxes. Morley Griswold is stating facts — the people of the State of Nevada can draw their own conclusions. Do you realize that the biggest melon that will ever be cut in the history of the State of Nevada is about to be cut in Southern Nevada; that we have coming from contracts already signed by the United States Government and the Department of Reclamation, when the power is turned on at Boulder Dam, over \$600,000 per year? That money can be used for the benefit and betterment of the State of Nevada, but, that is not the melon

On the Air



Mary Pickford, screen luminary, goes through a dress rehearsal in preparation for a series of nationwide broadcasts which she will undertake shortly.

King Peter of Jugo-Slavia



Here is the latest picture of the new King of Jugo-Slavia. The picture was taken in London on Sept. 20 as the then Crown Prince returned to England to attend school. He is shown here with his attendant, taking in the sights of the English capital.

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