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Squires Returns From Hospital

James W. Squires, managing editor of The Age, who underwent a major operation at the hands of Dr. C. W. Woodbury at Las Vegas hospital two weeks ago last Wednesday, has so far improved that he was removed to his home last Wednesday.

The patient is able to walk about a little and his constant improvement in health and strength indicates that he will be able to attend to business in a comparatively short time.

Dies After Being Found On Desert

John Charles Harwood died Wednesday evening, November 14, as the result of exposure during the two nights he was lost on the outskirts of this city, Thursday to Saturday of last week.

The deceased, who was 78 years of age, had wandered from home and was found by a posse Saturday morning, about three miles north of Las Vegas. He was unable to recuperate from the effects of the chill and exposure he suffered during his two-days and nights in the open.

The deceased leaves surviving him one daughter, Mrs. Fred Bachert of this city. Funeral services will be conducted this afternoon by Bishop Bryan Bunker, of L. D. S. church, at the graveside in Woodlawn cemetery.

SHORTY HARRIS, "OLD TIMER OF DEATH VALLEY PASSES

Shorty Harris is dead. That brief statement means but little to the world but to the old timers of Death Valley it means that the man who was in Death Valley when they arrived, the man who was known through-out that great desert region as the Dean of Desert Rats, is gone. Past eighty at the time of his death, Shorty had spent over sixty years of his life prospecting that desert sink that is now the Death Valley National Monument.

Many years ago Shorty requested that when he quit this vale of tears he be buried beside the grave of an old pal, Jimmy Dayton, who "cashed in" during the summer of '98. On Sunday, November 11th, over 200 people gathered at Dayton's grave near the old Eagle Borax Works in Death Valley to pay their respects to their old friend Shorty as his surviving partners of yester years laid him to rest. Hiding their feelings with words as rough as their weather beaten countenances, these picturesque dwellers of the Valley of Death performed their rites in the gathering darkness.

VISITS VEGAS

George Greenwood of Beatty was a Vegas visitor during the week.

Products of Southern California



Here are the winners of a contest at the University of Southern California to select the "Four Star Co-eds of 1934." The selections were made on beauty, intelligence and personality. Left to right: Mary Todd, Alpha Delta Phi brunette; Ernestine Barnardin, blonde, and Evelyn McPherson, red-head, are Alpha Chi Omegas.

OBSERVATIONS

By C. P. S.

MAXIE BAER

My friend Harry Carr, "Lancer" of the Los Angeles Times, is quite severe in his criticism of world champion Max Baer, deriding his powers as a fighter. And in another column of the same issue (Friday, November 16) is a story to the effect that Paramount discontinued production of a picture in which the Champ was to star, because Max was high-hat, or something like that.

If Max is not a fighter there is a fine opportunity for some smart fellow to come in and knock his block off. However, those who have been in the ring with Max to date seem to have been stricken with some severe illness which, seems to me, must have had its origin in Maxie's fists.

Not being an expert on the gentle art of mauling, I am unable to enter an expert defense of the champion. We can better judge his prowess as a fighter by observing his future career. It is altogether too early to condemn him to a place in the rear ranks, even in such company as Corbett, Dempsey, Jeffries, Willard and Tunney.

But when it comes to criticism of a fellow's personality, that is something else. When Maxie acted as referee in one of the American Legion fights last week, he pleased the crowd, which ought to count for something in the way of personality. I was happily surprised to find Maxie a really fine and friendly person, bubbling over with the joy of perfect health and a clear conscience.

In fact, for pleasing personality and friendly appeal, it seems to me that Maxie has it all over any other important fighter I have seen. And just because he appears human and happy instead of surly and mean is no good reason to assume that he is no fighter. Quite the contrary, because Maxie is bubbling over with the vigor of mental as well as physical activity. And, we must remember, "brains" is no small factor in the fight game. And so far as that "high hat" stuff goes, Maxie just didn't appear that way in Las Vegas.

LEGION SPORTS

The American Legion boys who (Continued on Page 16)

Rankin Killed On Dam Job

Kenneth Hough Rankin, concrete inspector of the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation at Boulder dam, was fatally crushed by a bucket carrying eight cubic yards of liquid concrete to one of the forms, Wednesday night. The manner in which he came to be caught by the swinging bucket is not understood by the officials.

Rankin, who was 33 years of age, was the first government man to lose his life in the dam work. He held the respect of his fellow workers as well as of his superior officers, having been employed under Walker R. Young on work in Washington prior to coming to Boulder dam in March 1931. He was for eight years in the government employ.

The remains were shipped to Ellensburg, Washington, accompanied by the brother, Albert, who is employed at Boulder City.

Robert Wells Passes Wednesday Evening

Robert Wells, bishop of the Logandale ward of the L. D. S. church died Wednesday evening in the hospital at St. George, Utah, where he underwent an operation for appendicitis last week Thursday. After the operation he rallied but jaundice developed which caused his death.

Robert was the son of the late Samuel Wells and came to Logandale as a child from Salt Lake City about 30 years ago.

He was educated in the valley schools. Since the death of his father, he, with his brother, Edwin, have been operating the Wells ranch at Logandale. He has always been a leader both in church and civic affairs and will be sadly missed.

He leaves a wife, Zella Earl Wells, and two little sons, Robert Jr. and Richard; a mother, Mrs. Louise Wells, of Logandale; five sisters, Mrs. Helen Pugmire of Pocatello, Idaho, and the Misses Katherine, Lavina, Margaret and Mary Lou Wells of Logandale.

His sister, Margaret, was taken to the hospital at the same time for a similar operation, but she is convalescing.

The sympathy of the community is extended to the bereaved family.

The funeral services will be held at Overton Saturday at two o'clock.

HERE FROM ALAMO

Mrs. Dan Potter of Alamo visited her daughter in Vegas Wednesday.

TO ATTEND FUNERAL

Mrs. George S. Day and Mrs. H. O. Johnson left Thursday for Los Angeles to attend the funeral of Sterling P. Goodwin.