

Wingfield Again Seeking Fortune

The public belief that George Wingfield is again on the road to fortune is strengthened by an Associated Press story from Reno, under date of September 21, which says:

George Wingfield at 21 years of age a buckaroo, at 40 a millionaire, and at 60 a bankrupt, is on the comeback trail.

A few days past 61, Wingfield is engaged in what he considers a big-time gold mining venture.

Just 40 years ago he drove a bunch of range horses from Lakeview, Ore., to Golconda, Nev. With money advanced by George S. Nixon, a telegraph operator, he went to Tonopah and Goldfield. He sat in a gambling game, won a stake and turned to mining. He made a fortune and increased his wealth in banking.

In 1912 he became one of the few men in the country to turn down a seat in the United States Senate. It had been proffered him when Nixon, his telegraph operator partner who became senator, died.

The Wingfield empire crashed in the lean years following 1929. The climax came November 1, 1933, when his twelve banks, deep in livestock loans, closed their doors.

Finally, Wingfield went into bankruptcy, listing assets of \$10,504 and liabilities of \$3,145,462.

But Wingfield again got a grubstake from backers whom he calls "good friends who have come to my rescue." They are not identified, but it is understood one is Bernard Baruch, New York financier who made millions out of the Goldfield mines when Wingfield controlled them.

The new mining company, known as the Getchell Mines, Inc., owns some 18,500 acres of land twenty-seven miles north of Golconda, in the same county as the Jumbo mine, which recently optioned for a reputed \$10,000,000.

The Getchell mines are deemed capable of producing many tons of low-grade ore, which will be milled in a 600-ton plant now being constructed.

SOLDIERS OF OUR WARS

Twenty years after the end of the Civil War 2,000 veterans in blue marched through the streets of Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin, to the county fair grounds at the edge of the city. That's what one comparatively small county could do in those days for a successful reunion.

Earlier this month the seventy-first annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic was held in Madison, Wisconsin, with less than 200 aged veterans in attendance.

The American Legion put New York City on its visiting list this fall and the authorities of the metropolis gave the organization advance permission to march eighteen

hours. Some of the other things happening are features in the news. The story shows that the soldiers of the World War are just about as plentiful today throughout the United States as the veterans of the Civil War were in the North and South when they could pile up their numbers by hundreds and thousands in every community, and scare politicians in every election.

The Blue and Gray may have a joint reunion at Gettysburg in 1938, providing the Confederate survivors agree to the restriction imposed by the Grand Army not to display their Stars and Bars at the joint event.

Who remembers the old horse and buggy days when it was believed that big crops brought prosperity to the farmers?

FOOTHILL BOULEVARD TO HAVE FOUR LANES

Ever-increasing traffic on Foothill Boulevard has brought about a state contract award for its widening from three to four lanes for 20.8 miles between Los Angeles county line and San Bernardino, reports the engineering department of the Automobile Club of Southern California. Work is under way to make this popular, scenic highway uniformly wide throughout. At least two lanes are open to traffic continuously through the section under construction, which is expected to be completed by about July, 1938. United Concrete Pipe Corporation of Los Angeles has the \$369,000 contract.

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