

## Reveille Tells Of Wells Fargo

In last week's Reveille-Sun we reproduced a number of items about Austin's first Christmas day taken from the Reese River Reveille of December 26, 1863, seventy-four years ago. Among them was the announcement of a reward of \$500 offered by Wells, Fargo & Co. for the arrest and conviction of the thief or thieves who stole the treasure box from their office in Austin a short time before.

This early day express robbery interested many of our readers who have asked us to tell them more about it.

Unfortunately for the story, this theft was not an old-time wild west express robbery by masked bandits with long rifles but seems to have been more nearly the work of sneak thieves. The issue of this newspaper of December 17, 1863, under the heading "Bold Robbery" has the following:

"Early day before yesterday morning, some time between 12 o'clock and daylight, the express box belonging to Wells, Fargo & Co. which had arrived on the western stage that night was abstracted from the office of the company and

robbed.

"The Overland mail agent who sleeps in the office had received the box when the stage arrived, as he is in the habit of doing, and placed it on the counter, but when returning to bed had neglected to fasten the door.

"When the agent came down early in the morning the box was gone. A few hours later, however, it was discovered in an old incline near the Oregon mine.

"The lid had been broken off, all the money extracted and the way-bill destroyed so that the agents here were unable to tell the value of the lost property. None of the letters, a large number of which were in the box, seem to have been disturbed.

"The agent has since ascertained by telegraph that there was \$700 in money in the box. No clue to the perpetrators of this daring robbery has yet been found."

As far as we are able to learn the thieves were never discovered.—Reese River Reveille.

It is said the New Deal agricultural farm experts regard the farm bill just as they would a bowl of hash. They put everything they had into it and now they don't know what they've got.

## Miss de Motts Speaks to Girls

The three Camp Fire groups in Las Vegas entertained Miss Eldora de Motts, assistant field secretary of the national organization Thursday.

A program with Miss de Motts as the principal speaker was enjoyed at the study hall of the high school at 7:30 o'clock. The program was as follows:

Words of welcome from the Boy Scouts. Tom Connelly; violin solo, Dorothy Cundif; Russian top dance, Margaret Hathaway; Camp Fire Law, by the three groups; "Trail Seekers Desire," Donna Leavitt, and Geneva Moore; song "Mam-m's Moon," by the Dahshnaka group; "Giv ea Cheer" by the Unal-yi group; violin solo, Dorothy Porter with Martha Scott at the piano; address by Miss DeMotts.

The three groups are sponsored by the Rotary club, and the Methodist and L. D. S. churches.

The program brought out many of the parents of the girls in this splendid organization.

## Tourism Class Met Thursday

The first session of the class in Tourism was held Thursday evening at the High school. The class will meet twice a week under the direction of Prof. Elbert Edwards.

Dr. Park was the speaker of the evening and in an interesting talk told of the ancient history of Clark county. His talk dealt principally with the important archaeological finds around St. Thomas and in the Gyp cave.

Several other speakers will be heard during the course of study. Besides those who enroll for regular attendance visitors are invited to attend.

## Indicts Former Vegas Druggist

B. B. "Doc" May, a former Las Vegas druggist, but for several years operating a store in Reno, was one of four Reno druggists indicted by the United States grand jury sitting in Carson City this week. The charge is said to be selling paragoric for non-medicinal purposes.

Judge E. P. Carville, U. S. District Attorney, stated that the case against the Cheneys of Las Vegas, recently arrested in Las Vegas on a narcotics charge, has not yet been brought before the grand jury but would probably be presented next Wednesday, January 12.

## Highway Heads In Las Vegas

Robert A. Allen, head of the state highway department, and August Berning, Jr., of the Carson City office, are in Las Vegas today on business for the department. They plan to leave Saturday.

## More Chairmen to Aid Celebration

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—Appointment of a number of additional county chairmen and one additional city chairman in Nevada for this year's "Fight Infantile Paralysis" campaign was announced today by Keith Morgan, chairman of the committee for the celebration of the President's Birthday.

These chairmen will have charge of the organization of their respective counties and city, both for the founding of the new national Foundation for Infantile Paralysis and also the multitude of benefit entertainments to be held Saturday, January 29th in celebration of President Roosevelt's birthday.

The chairmen appointed follow: Herbert Gerson, Pioche; Berkeley Bunker, Las Vegas (Clark county); Mrs. Roy Person, Winnemucca (Humboldt county); Alan Bible, Virginia City (Storey county) Nathaniel Hawkins, Fallsade (Eureka county).

## Publicity Man Views Wonders

Paul Beach, publicity expert for the Union Pacific system, arrived in Las Vegas Tuesday evening and is spending several days touring the various scenic attractions in this region.

Wednesday morning he was taken by Grand Canyon-Boulder dam Tours up Lake Mead; Wednesday evening he spoke before the Junior Chamber of Commerce; Thursday evening he was taken to Death Valley and on Saturday will be a guest at luncheon at Charleston Park, and Saturday evening he will take the train for Omaha.

"I have visited almost every city of any size in this western United States," Beach said, "and there isn't a one that has the attractions, the climate and the future of your own Las Vegas."

## STETSON HATS TO BE MADE IN AUSTRALIA

SYDNEY, Australia—The John B. Stetson Company of Philadelphia proposes to manufacture its hats in Australia. This was announced by P. B. Sheather, Stetson's Australian representative.

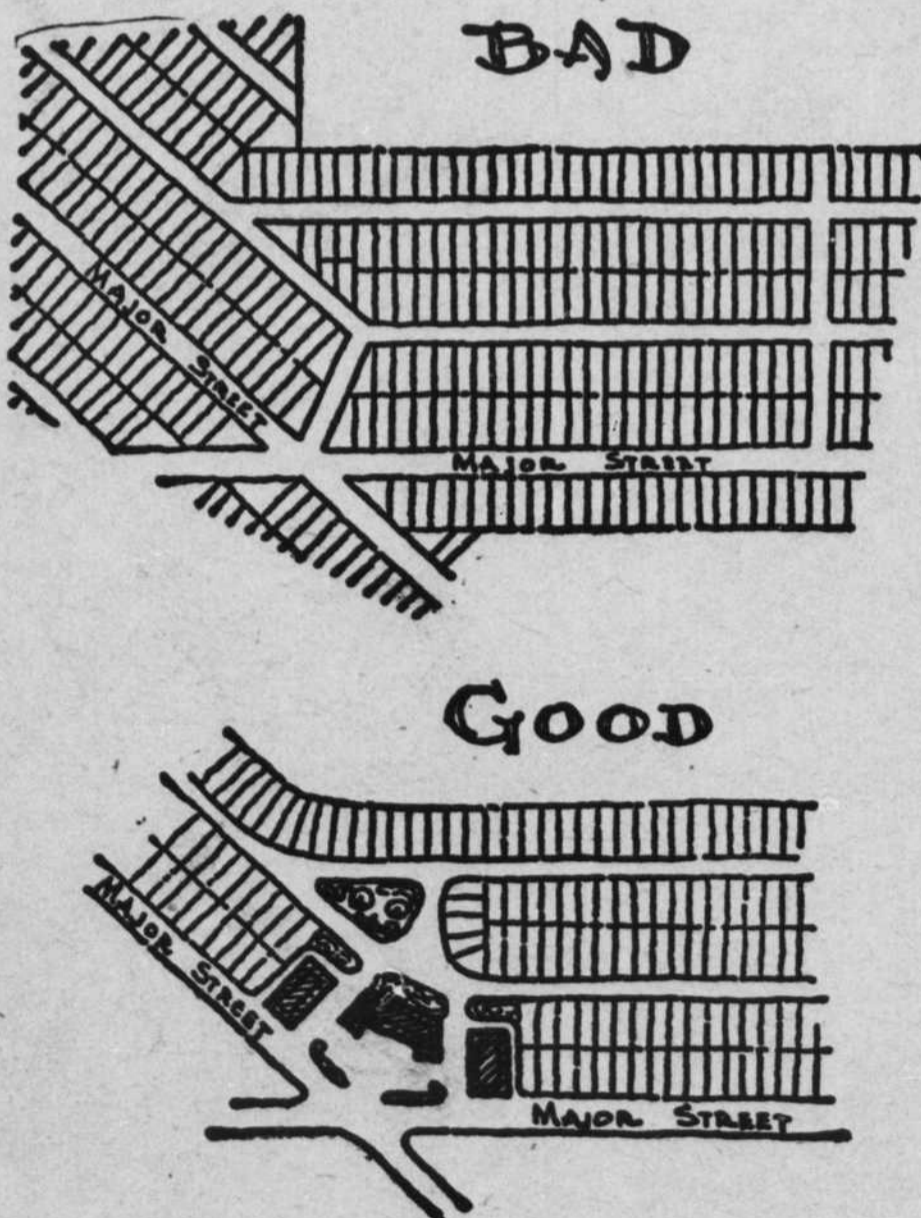
Instead of building a new factory, Stetson's will obtain the co-operation of an established Australian hat manufacturer to produce their goods. his move is the result of Australia's decision to prohibit the importation of men's hats.

## MISS SEMENEZA TO RENO

Miss Grace Semenza has gone to Reno. She was called there by the illness of her father.

An Oklahoma taxpayer was in Wetmore last week and in talking about taxes said everything in Oklahoma was taxed except asafetida, and the only reason there wasn't a tax on that was because none of the law makers knew how to spell it and there wasn't a dictionary in the state house.—Wetmore, Okla., Spectator.

## Land Planning



## PLAN COMMERCIAL SITES AT IMPORTANT INTERSECTIONS

The Land Planning Section of the Federal Housing Administration believes that well-located shopping centers convenient to residential neighborhoods become definite assets to the community. The population of the shopping district and the types of shops needed should determine the size of the area. Unless these commercial centers are carefully located and planned at strategic points within the community an inharmonious business development will result and create an undesirable appearance in the neighborhood.