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Daughters Utah Pioneers Meet

One of the interesting events of the week was the convention of the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers which convened Wednesday at the L.D.S. church.

It was the pleasant privilege of the local camp to have as honor guests Mrs. Oscar Kirkham and Mrs. A. E. Larkin of Salt Lake City, president and vice-president, respectively of the state association of the Daughters of Utah Pioneers. These guests arrived Tuesday from California where they had visited several camps of the order.

They attended the Washington's Birthday party Tuesday evening at the L.D.S. church here and were taken to the Dam Wednesday morning by Wm. Mott and Mrs. Lucy Roberts, the president of the Desert Holly camp of Las Vegas.

Returning at noon time they went to the old fort which was built by Utah Pioneers in 1858 and listened to the story of its building told by Mrs. Charles P. Squires.

Then the party adjourned to the home of Mrs. Mina Stewart and viewed the collection of old-time relics. One of the most interesting was an old portable grist mill made by Mrs. Stewart's grandfather, Dually Leavitt, who with Lemuel Leavitt, Sr., and Ed. Bunker, Sr., founded the town of Bunkerville in 1878.

A delicious luncheon was served in the dining room at the L.D.S. church. A beautiful bouquet was presented to Mrs. Marantha Moulton Heaps of Panaca, the mother of Mrs. Joe Ronnow, who told the story of her mother's life. She was born in England and came with her parents to the U. S. when an infant. She crossed the plains to Utah in one of Brigham Young's parties when she was six years old. Her father helped to found Toquerville in Southern Utah. Most of her life has been spent in Panaca.

Mrs. Renza Myers in a quaint little costume, sang a song reminiscent of the old times.

The afternoon session was presided over by Mrs. Lucy Roberts, president of the local camp. Several old time songs were sung in a chorus and Mrs. Sam Davis of Springville, Utah, led in prayer. Mrs. Kirkham and Mrs. Larkin both gave interesting and inspiring talks on the aims of the organization and of some of its accomplishments.

After adjournment a social hour was enjoyed. While in Las Vegas Mrs. Kirkham and Mrs. Larkin were guests of Mrs. Mina Stewart.

Tom Croal Dies In Auto Crash

Tom Croal, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Croal of this city, was killed Wednesday morning when the car he was driving left the highway on a broad curve, plunged from a five foot bank, careened across the rough ground for about 300 feet, and overturned, breaking his neck and pinning his body underneath. The accident occurred on the Carson Fallon highway near Lahontan Dam.

The coroner's inquest failed to disclose the cause of the accident.

The deceased was a valued employee of the state highway department and his body, accompanied by his widow and his brother, Andrew Croal, is being brought to Las Vegas for interment.

Deceased graduated from Las Vegas high school in the class of 1927 and from the engineering department of Santa Clara University in 1932. He entered the employ of the highway department in 1933 and was right-of-way agent at the time of his death.

He is survived by his widow, Madeline Corkhill Croal; his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Croal, and his brother, Andrew Croal, who now resides in Barstow, Cal.

Deceased was a young man of fine character and pleasant personality and had hundreds of friends who deplore his unfortunate ending. His valuable service in the highway department will be greatly missed.

Funeral services will be held at the Church of Joan of Arc, Monday, morning at 10:00 o'clock. Rev. Fr. Lambe will officiate.

The sympathy of the entire community goes out to the bereaved family.

Republicans to Be Represented

Information received at Nevada Republican state central committee headquarters indicates many strong Republicans are aspiring to all state offices and the lower house of congress, Chairman Clyde D. Souter announced on his return from a regional conference of party leaders at Salt Lake City.

National Committeeman Lester D. Summerfield, Reno, Committeewoman Oline Stewart, Tonopah; and Souter attended the conference called by National Chairman John D. M. Hamilton to start the 1938 political ball rolling. States represented were Nevada, Utah, Montana, Idaho and Wyoming.

Leonard Blood Has Resigned

Leonard Blood, former resident of Las Vegas, but for the past several years resident of Carson City as veteran's placement officer for Nevada, has tendered his resignation to become effective after 30 days.

Mr. Blood's successor in office will be appointed by the U. S. Secretary of Labor on recommendation of the Nevada Labor Commissioner.

Parent-Teacher Association Met

Wednesday evening the P. T. A. celebrated the forty-first anniversary of its founding. The session was held in the Grammer school auditorium and was presided over by the President, Mrs. C. S. Wengert.

The treasurers report showed that over six hundred hot lunches served to under nourished school children were paid for by the organization during the past month.

A delightful program was presented at the close of the business session. The children of the fifth grade sang several groups of songs under the direction of Miss Chandler. Miss Lois Knudson gave a reading. The North Las Vegas Mother's club put on a most amusing skit depicting a session of a P.T.A. The meeting was very well attended and there were a large number of fathers present. The birthday cake was lighted by four past presidents, Mrs. W. S. Park, Mrs. Harold Baldwin, Mrs. W. J. Flowers and Mrs. C. P. Squires.

Past Matrons Dine Tonight

The Past Matrons, O. E. S., are meeting for dinner tonight at the M. E. church with Mesdames Park, Dutton and White as hostesses. A regular business meeting will follow the dinner after which the guests will enjoy a social hour.

MAYOR ARNETT ON VACATION

Mayor Leonard Arnett has been granted a 60 day leave of absence and accompanied by his family has gone to northern California for a rest. During his absence, H. P. Marble will officiate as head of the city government.

Plumhof Speaks About Railroads

H. J. Plumhof, general manager of the south-central district of the Union Pacific railroad system, was the guest speaker at Thursday's meeting of Las Vegas Rotary Club.

His address was an able, instructive and interesting discussion of the problems which today confront rail transportation. He said, in part:

"The development of this country is due largely to the enterprise and efficiency of rail transportation.

"Railroads were long considered as monopolistic in character and were charged with grasping and selfish policies. Such practices brought about governmental regulation beginning in the year 1887 and such regulations have gradually been extended to cover every phase of railroading until, today the roads can do little, if anything, without the approval of the government.

"However, other forms of transportation, by motor truck, busses, and air and by water operate with very little regulation by the government.

"As a result of higher wages, higher taxes and increased costs of materials, the railroads have today reached a crisis. The movement for higher wages had received sympathetic consideration by the administration and the increased cost to railroads in wages paid their employes amounts to 18 per cent.

"Today there is nothing left for the railroads to do except secure an increase in rates. Fortunately, the president has taken a rather

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Thieves Enter Teachers' Home

Last Sunday evening, while the Misses Connie Diskin and Evelyn Chappe, two Las Vegas school teachers were enjoying their dinner down town, their home at 718 So. Fourth street was entered by burglars. Entrance was gained through an unlocked window and almost everything of value which wasn't fastened down was moved out and placed in a car which had been backed into the driveway. Besides radio, clothing, jewelry, bedding, wardrobe trunk, etc., several manuscripts belonging to Miss Chappe were taken. These were valuable because they contained data collected on several trips to Spain. No finger prints could be found making it evident that the thieves wore gloves.