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SLEDGE FOR STATE SUPERINTENDENT

Las Vegas and, in fact, all Southern Nevada, is gratified that it has a candidate of such calibre and fitness as Leonard W. Sledge to offer to the people of Nevada for Superintendent of Public Instruction.

The educational qualifications of Mr. Sledge are unquestioned and the fact that he was born, brought up and received the greater part of his education in Nevada gives added strength to his claims for consideration.

However, the highest recommendations the young man has as a candidate for the important office he seeks are his fine character and impelling personality, both of which make him a leader which the young people of Nevada will be happy to respect and follow.

The Department of Education is one of the most important in the State of Nevada since it is costing far more than any other department of the government. We may be sure that the next Superintendent of Public Instruction will carefully consider whether the rising cost of our schools is justified.

A BLOW TO JAPAN

The necessity which forced Japan to abandon its elaborate and expensive plans to be host to the Olympian games in 1940, is a severe blow to the nations pride and national prestige.

Coupled with the announcement of abandonment of the Olympiad, comes the statement of reasons, among them that the war in China may last another couple of years.

It is unfortunate that Japan's attitude toward China has been such as to alienate to a large extent the good opinion of the world. Those who still have a kindly feeling toward the people of Japan are fearful that the prosperity of the nation is set back several generations by the arrogant and intolerant attitude of its dominant military class.

Concludes Work On Pine Beetle

With the approaching of the fire season and dangers of fire spreading from control operations, the insect control job on Charleston Mountain was brought to a close this week, it is announced by Forest Service officials. One small fire in Lee Canyon, caused by the burning of insects, resulted in the termination of the job for this season. Considerable work remained to be done but the fire hazard was too great to continue.

More work has been done this spring than was anticipated would be necessary although control operations thus far have covered only the main areas in Kyle and Lee Canyons and Deer Creek. Heavily infested areas in Clark, Carpenter, and Wallace Canyons and Cold Creek remain to be treated in order to prevent spread into the heavily used areas which have already been cared for.

Beginning with the arrival of the CCC camp in the later part of April, 1600 man days were spent in covering approximately 10,000 acres of timber. The timber species treated included Western Yellow and Limber Pines and consisted mainly in felling the tree, peeling off the bark and burning the bark which contains the insects. 825 trees were thus treated prior to which each tree, within the area covered, was examined by one or more men to ascertain which trees were infected.

Any one who is mathematically inclined can readily figure the damage which would have resulted next season by the insects which were destroyed in this year's control operations. It is safe to say that each tree of the 825 would contain 2000 beetles. Each beetle which escaped would probably lay 10 eggs and in turn the resulting new beetles would attack new trees in the proportion of about 200 to 2000 per tree, thus destroying in the neighborhood of 8000 or more trees during next year.

It is believed that the control operations carried on this summer were more than well paid for and served to check the epidemic of this beetle in the Charleston Mountains.

OBSERVATIONS

By CHARLES P. SQUIRES

OUR MOUNTAIN AREAS

I had the privilege last Sunday of accompanying that old pioneer, J. T. McWilliams and John Russell on a tour of the Lee Canyon area. The last time I was there was about a year ago and I was astonished to see the many recent improvements made by the government work under the direction of Claude Mackey.

Most noticeable of these is the new administration building with its pleasant hall designed for recreation purposes. In addition to this there are several new dormitories to accommodate Clark county boys and girls on their summer outings, and some other additions to the recreational facilities.

Nearly a hundred boy scouts from Redlands, San Bernardino and Las Vegas were enjoying an outing in the Lee Canyon area. I was privileged, with several other visitors, to have dinner at the camp and found the food excellent and observed that the boys all had appreciative appetites.

I was interested in the permanent quality of the improvements being installed in the camp, the buildings being substantial and well planned and the lavatories, showers and toilets having the latest type of plumbing fixtures. There is an excellent plant for heating water for baths, and the playgrounds are equipped with many appliances for the use of young people.

AN OLD ONE REVIVED

The other day my old friend John Klarquist, recited in great glee a little poem he had recently learned.

In the year 1911 or 1912, I went to Tahoe with Governor Oddie and there for the first time met the Bliss Brothers, owners of the vast timbered domain on the west side of Lake Tahoe. And, of course there was a little conviviality, such as would be appropriate to the occas-

ion, in the course of which I came across a little poem printed on a post card, which the whole company seemed to enjoy. It was the same which my friend "discovered" as something new the other day.

I print it below for the benefit of Lake Mead fishermen of whom, all of a sudden, there are so many enthusiasts:

THE FISERMAN

Behold the bold fisherman!
He riseth up early in the morning
And disturbeth the whole household.

Mighty are his preparations.
He goeth forth full of hope
And when the day is far spent
He returneth, smelling of strong drink—

And the truth is not in him.

SANITARY APPLIANCES

At Boulder City the other day in the principal soft drink emporium I saw in operation for the first time one of the modern sanitary glass washers and sterilizers and was struck with the way in which our neighboring city is keeping strictly up to date.

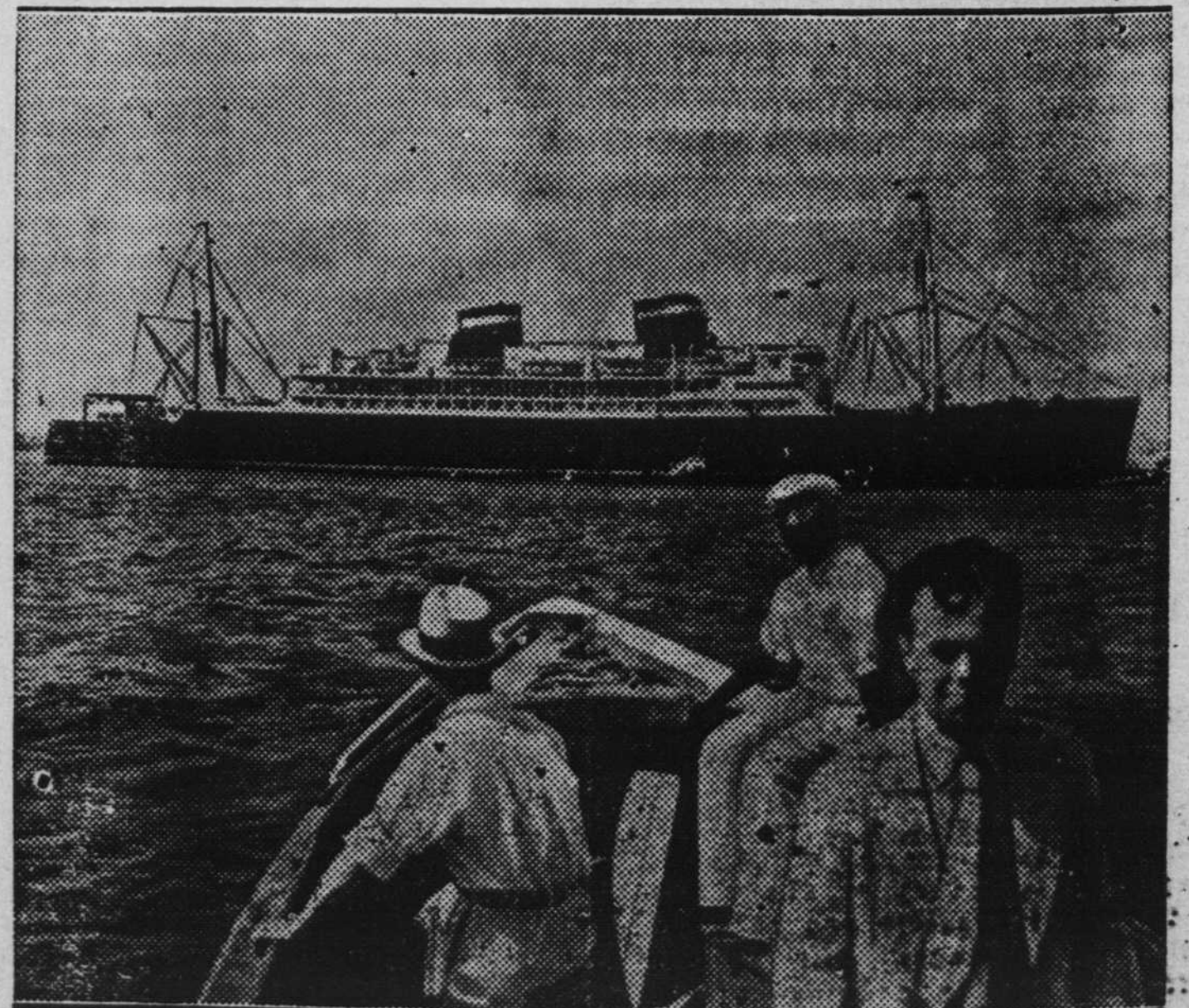
The device is quite simple and not so expensive but what every concern using many glasses may secure one. It consists of a revolving brush in a vat of antiseptic fluid, which scours the glass thoroughly on the inside. After being rinsed in clear water the glasses are left sterile, clear, clean and inviting.

There are similar devices in a few of the Las Vegas drinking places and, we are told, others are planning to install them. It should be unanimous.

It has been our observation that fear of the transmission of disease by poorly cleansed glasses prevents many persons from patronizing the places where drinks, otherwise appetizing and wholesome, are served.

After this month dogs in Vienna will not have to carry muzzles any more. But how about the newspapers?

AT ANCHOR



In many Caribbean ports, the great liners, such as the Grace Line's "Santa Rosa" above, must anchor out in the harbor. Cargo is transferred in lighters and passengers are taken ashore in launches.