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INTER-STATE CONFERENCE

Ed. W. Clark and Charlie DeArmond, Colorado River Commissioners, are off to Yellowstone Park where a conference of all the Colorado River Basin states will be held for the purpose of reaching an agreement on the price of Boulder Dam power.

To the casual observer these conferences going on month after month seem futile and without result. As a matter of fact they are necessary and logical steps toward the solution of the many complicated problems involving the division and use of power from the dam. And each of the many meetings solves some of the annoying details.

In a matter affecting so many states and so many conflicting interests within each state, progress must necessarily be slow. The time and expense are fully justified.

SELF EXPRESSION

The modern system of bringing up sons and daughters by encouraging "self expression" results in too many insolent, petulant, egotistical young men and women who are beset with the idea that their own selfish impulses are all that count.

It would be a wonderful thing if our schools should revert to the old system of teaching children to be polite and considerate and to read, write and figure.

Discipline is something that every person who amounts to anything must have. Mental brilliance is of little value unless its owner is taught to direct it properly. In fact modern business and industry would prefer one plodder who can be depended upon to do as he is told, to any number of the smart-alec type and, instead of there being no opportunities, millions of good jobs await the dependable.

Too often our modern system of education and training of children results in young men and women whose chief ambition in life is to look at the funny paper.

HAWAIIAN CLIPPER

Reports from across the Pacific today raise the grave fear that the great Hawaiian Clipper airship which has flown in safety for more than a million miles on its trips from San Francisco to the Phillipines, has met with mishap which will result in the loss of the ship and her fifteen passengers and crew.

Disasters to air craft during the past year have been appalling yet no more so than those which occur hourly on our highways.

Science, during the past fifty or one hundred years, has fought and conquered disease to such an extent that man's span of life has been materially increased.

Now, it appears, science is so venturing into new realms of speed traveling as to offset to some extent the advantages she has conferred on humanity in other respects.

OBSERVATIONS

By CHARLES P. SQUIRES

BIG FISH

I had the privilege of viewing the "biggest fish" yet taken from the lake above Boulder Dam soon after it was caught Wednesday last. The fellow weighed a little more than nine pounds and the sight sent thrills of adventure through my nerves.

It seems probable that fishing in Lake Mead, which until recently we thought of as merely incidental and comparatively unimportant matter, will develop into one of the most important of our community assets.

Fishermen are interesting specimens of humanity. Like our President, who takes a fleet of warships to the southern hemisphere so that he may enjoy a few hours fishing, the fish fans in general will go to almost any trouble and expense to catch a fish such as they could buy in any fish market near home for a few cents.

Lake Mead already enjoys a reputation as one of the fine fishing grounds of the West. When it becomes more widely known we may expect to see hooks, lines and bait sold on every corner in Las Vegas and Boulder City, although we can hardly hope to develop the "worm" industry as they have along the western slope of the Sierra Nevada range north of Owens Valley.

Along the highway through the Mono Lake country. I have observed signs every quarter of a mile or so for long distances, "worms 300 feet." Which, when I first passed that way seemed like rather long worms even for California, the land of big things.

In Las Vegas I observe already all the funny contrivances for fooling fish are blossoming out like tropical gardens in many of the store windows. Whether these gadgets are attractive to fish I do not know, but the would-be fisherman sure do bite and the stores do a profitable business.

What difference to us if we do spend \$20 for every fish caught? The fun is worth it.

REMAKING THE MOUNTAINS

Not many years ago the mountain areas about Las Vegas were mysterious and but little known regions. One who spoke of summer snow banks, cool weather, majestic timbered mountains and ice cold streams near Las Vegas were branded as silly optimists.

Now we find the situation changed. Thousands each week are visiting the timbered mountains one hour or less from Las Vegas and enjoying all those things, including some of the most wonderful scenic areas in America.

Paved highways and improved roads built under direction of the U. S. bureau of forestry are remarking the mountains, bringing what was once a remote and almost inaccessible region to within a few minutes of us.

Adding to the safety and convenience of summer residents in the mountains a telephone line is being constructed from a connection with the present telephone line to Charleston Park, to Deer Creek and Lee Canyon. This will make it possible for businessmen of Las Vegas to spend much of their vacation time in the mountains and still keep in touch with their business affairs.

Nature has provided wonderfully

for the comfort and pleasure of Las Vegas people and Uncle Sam, through the forestry service and the PWA is making it possible to fully enjoy our privileges.

Which reminds me that the new highway to Deer Creek being constructed by the CCC boys under direction of the Forestry Service, has reached the top of the grade and, according to appearances, may soon be opened to travel. This new section will make the drive to Deer Creek almost as quick and easy as it is now to Charleston Park.

City of Steel In Sixty Years

SAN FRANCISCO, July 27 — The city of 1999—what will it be?

Selecting San Francisco, the site of the 1939 Golden Gate International Exposition, as the subject for architectural and engineering evolution, United States Steel, as a part of its exhibit on Treasure Island, will show how imaginative builders, working with steel, could transfer a city into a thing of fabulous beauty and convenience.

Visitors to the 1939 Golden Gate International Exposition will see a moving diorama of what United States Steel envisions San Francisco may be sixty years after the conclusion of the World's Fair of the West.

In the San Francisco of 1999, seven hilltop communities form the outstanding feature of the residential section. On the crest of these hills will be forty-story apartment houses, with the slopes cleared and converted into protective green belts.

Each hilltop community will be a unit within itself, with shops, landing fields and parking areas. Connecting these communities will be elevated highways, with spiral ramps leading to the lower levels which are laid out in super-blocks which are approximately 500 feet square. Low-cost homes of steel and three-story apartments are to be found in the lower level residential areas.

Plans for the dramatic exhibit were announced here by Ambrose Diehl, president of Columbia Steel Company, West Coast subsidiary of U. S. Steel.

BICYCLE-MOTOR VEHICLE DEATHS ARE DOUBLED

Bicycle-motor vehicle deaths have more than doubled during the past five years throughout the nation, reports the public safety department of the Automobile Club of Southern California. Approximately 700 deaths and 35,000 injuries occurred during 1937 in collisions between bicycles and motor vehicles. Most of the victims were children of school age.

ADJUST THE FAN BELT

Before starting on the vacation trip be sure to check the fan belt. If it is old and frayed it should be replaced for it may break when traveling in the country where a new one is not readily obtainable, reminds the emergency service department of the Automobile Club of Southern California. Most fan belts operate the generator or water pump, or both.