

Ben Macready Died Saturday

Benjamin Macready, once a pioneer mining operator at Searchlight, died in Los Angeles last Saturday in his eighty-seventh year after a lingering illness. Christian Science services were conducted and interment had in Forest Lawn Memorial park Monday.

Macready was born in Brooklyn, N. Y., and came west at the age of twenty to Denver, Colo., where he started work as a newspaper man. He there became interested in mining and later operated mines in Colorado, Nevada, Arizona, and California.

Besides his widow, Mrs. Mattie Macready, he leaves three sons, George A. Macready, Los Angeles geologist, and Henry and Maj. John A. Macready. He lived at 300 North Plymouth boulevard.

Macready was a Mason, Thirty-second Degree, and a member of Al Malaikah Temple since 1902.

"Jack" Macready, one of the sons, who was best known in Clark county, enlisted in the air forces of the United States at the start of the World war. He became famous, it will be remembered, for his non-stop cross-continent flights, and later for his altitude records.

Ben Macready, whom many of the older residents of Searchlight and Las Vegas remember well, was a scholarly, distinguished gentleman and an agreeable and congenial friend. Those of us who were here when he lived in Searchlight express their sincere sorrow at his passing.

Ashton Divorce Granted Monday

Willard H. Ashton was on Monday last granted an absolute divorce from Cora B. Ashton, after seven years of bitter opposition by the defendant. The decree provided, at suggestion of Mr. Ashton, for an income of \$100 per month to be paid to defendant.

The case has attracted much attention among attorneys because of some of the unusual turns which complicated the litigation. About five years ago the divorce was granted by Judge Walsh and plaintiff married again. However, because of doubt being cast on the legality

of the second marriage by a decision of the supreme court in another case, Mr. Ashton and his second wife immediately separated and had the marriage annulled.

The matter was further complicated by the death of Judge Walsh, before whom the case had been for some time. The subsequent proceedings were carried on before Judge Lockhart, of Ely, who ordered the decree Monday which, it is believed, marks the end of the legal complications.

W. L. Scott of this city and Sidney A. Shupe of Los Angeles appeared for plaintiff.

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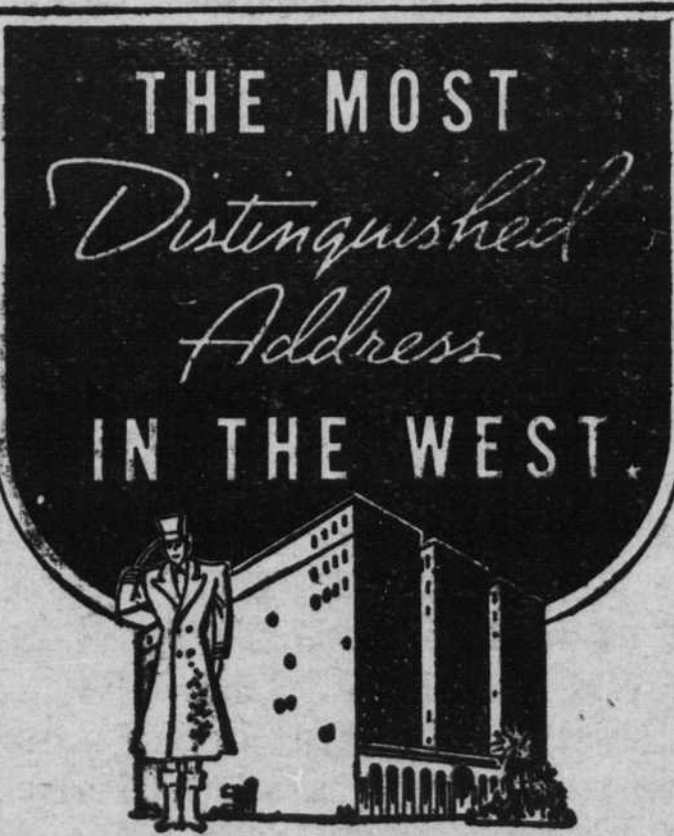
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