

L.V.H.S. PASSING PRETTY

By JEANNE SMITH

WE CAN HARDLY WAIT TO SEE

Although the exact date has not been set for the forensic meet in Reno, this contest will be held sometime in late March or early April and with this in mind, many a student at L.V.H.S. will not be able to rest easy until the team from our Alma Mater is chosen. This year a debate team of two, an extemporaneous speaker, an orator, a dramatic interpretation, a one-act play and a Shakespearean scene will be presented by the forensic squad from Vegas at the tournament — but WHO will it be, is the question.

JUST A REFORMER AT HEART

Perhaps I am prouder now than I will ever be — and since no one else seems to have appreciated this achievement it seems that it's left up to this reformer to pat herself on the back for making her first reform in a school constitution. An amendment to the high school constitution stating that the athletic manager should be elected by the Boys Letter club instead of by the entire student body was introduced in the form of an editorial some time ago, giving various reasons for this change — and recently was adopted!

MAKING A STAB AT SOMETHING BIGGER

Editorial from the Desert Breeze by yours truly: A benefit basketball game for Finland was held. This sounds perfectly normal and probably similar events are being promoted in various parts of the United States, but—did you know that right here—in this comparatively small town of Las Vegas, that children in grammar school frequently pass out during classes because of under nourishment? That several parents are unable to send their sons and daughters to school because of inadequate clothing? That large families live in homes made by themselves of any material that is available—cardboard, old papers, sheets of tin, etc.? That one little local paper helps to support a family of five and his tubercular mother? With such situations as this existing in a town of 10,000—what would it be in the entire United States with a population of 130 million?

Our governmental policy has been a neutral one and if we do so wish to avoid foreign entanglements, what is the reason for promoting benefits to aid warring nations? If we have starving, unclothed, sickly citizens in our own country, what is the reason for sending this valuable currency to another nation when it may be the beginning of foreign trouble?

Of course they need the money and all the aid possible, badly—we all pity them and would be willing to help—were it not for the need of charity here!

Bar Of Gold Shipped From Nevada Gold Mill

The Nevada Gold mill at State-line, about eight miles south of Goldpoint, sent a valuable bar of gold bullion to the mint at San Francisco early this week. The bar of bullion represents the clean-up of ten days' operations on custom ore from mines in the vicinity.

Chas. L. Richards, of Reno, president of the Nevada Gold Company, spent the week-end at the mill and took the bar on back with him to Reno in its first step of the journey to the mint for payment.

—Goldfield News.

AGE ADS GET RESULTS

Temple Bar Popular For Fishing

Proof that Temple Bar is fast becoming the most popular spot on Lake Mead for fishermen of Mo-have county, was shown last Sunday when more than twenty cars were counted at the spot, four were from Nevada, two from California, and the balance from Arizona.

E. C. "Slim" Powell, who has been in charge since the change from Detrital Wash, he having moved the V.F.W. trailer house during the week, reports that more fishermen are journeying to Temple Bar than made the journey to Detrital, and that all are loud in their praise of the bay which has been chosen for the protection of the boats that are left there in his charge.

Powell reports that the fish are not biting as well at this time as could be hoped for, but that several good catches have been brought in. Last Sunday the record catch was made by a party composed of Harry Coffman, Pat Nevins and Joe Gad-dis. While they caught but four fish, three of them were worth three full limits. The largest weighed seven and three-quarter pounds, the second six and a half, while the third weighed an even six pounds, the other was just over the limit in length.

The journey to Temple Bar alone is worth the trip. It is an even 70 miles from Kingman, and the view from the summit of the hog-back, about five miles from Temple Bar, is one of the most beautiful to be found in the country. Virgin bay and the river lays to the north and west. Boulder Canyon can be seen farther to the west, with glimpses of Temple Bar bay to the north. The mountain ranges of Nevada can plainly be seen with Mt. Charleston in the distance.

After leaving White Hills you journey for several miles through a forest of Joshua trees, that is part of one of the largest in the country, with cactus of other variety on every hand.

The bathing beach will be worth the trip during the coming summer, as there is deep water for the experienced swimmer, and a long beach for those who just like to lay around in the shallower parts.

—Mohave Miner.

WHEN THE FIRE ENGINES GO BY

Few of us ever got over that juvenile urge to follow the fire engines. It's a thrill to hear the sirens, and see the great red wagons clang by.

But that thrill wouldn't last long if the fire engines led you to your house, and you found it in flames. And the surge of excitement would die an earthly death if the fire razed the factory or the store in which you worked.

Every fire, great or small, brings trouble to some one. And a high percentage of fires leave star-tragedy in their wake—loss of life, loss of employment, loss of possessions which never can be replaced. There are no mitigating qualities in fire. It is the great destroyer.

More than that, the effects of fire are exceedingly widespread. A fire of which you never heard may deprive you of an opportunity for doing business. It may raise your taxes and your insurance rate. It may affect your future life and income.

Here in America fire destroys so much property each year. The indirect loss is estimated at close to \$2,000,000,000. There can be no excuse for that waste, no alibis. Nine fires out of ten are the result of human ignorance, human carelessness, human thoughtlessness. Nine fires out of ten could have been prevented—had someone not failed to take the simple precautions that will checkmate most fires.

Think of this next time you see fire engines go by or smoke and flames rising from a home or building. Then ask yourself if fire prevention is worth while.

Million Dollars In Unemployment Benefits Paid

CARSON CITY, Feb. 17 — Declaring that thus far in the experience of the State Unemployment Compensation law payroll tax collections have shown an adequate margin over benefit payments, Albert L. McGinty, director of the Unemployment Compensation Division this week announced that as of January 31, 1940, a total of \$923,971.84 has been paid out to Nevada workers covered under the law.

"Since January 1, 1939, when benefits first became payable," McGinty said, "nearly a million dollars has been paid out of the Unemployment Compensation fund. During that time the amount of money collected from employers subject to the law was slightly in excess of the total amount paid out in benefits."

"This condition," McGinty continued, "would indicate that the reserve fund of 'back log,' built up during the years 1937 and 1938, prior to beginning benefit payments, should be ample to protect covered workers during unusual periods of unemployment. Of course the Division's experience in the payment of benefits is so limited that no definite forecast can be made but our experience to date reflects a healthy condition so far as the fund is concerned."

Commenting further on tax collections the director said, "Since January 1, 1937 when the law became effective, to January 31 of the present year, the division collected a total of \$2,611,178.89. Interest credited to the fund by the United States Treasury in the amount of \$67,536.29 brought the total to \$2,678,715.18. Deducting the benefits paid, in the amount of \$923,971.84 and \$316,390.40 which it is estimated will soon be transferred to the Railroad Retirement Board, would leave the Nevada reserve fund at \$1,438,352.94 as of January 31, 1940."

McGinty explained that the sum to be transferred to the Railroad Retirement Board represents the share of taxes collected from railroad employment prior to June 30, 1939. On that date the railroad board began administering unemployment compensation for railroad workers.

"Although our experience is too limited to make any definite predictions," McGinty concluded, "it would appear that the Nevada Unemployment Compensation fund is adequately protected. As an example, net collections during the period January 23 to June 30, 1939, were \$429,234.52 as against total payments during the same period of \$421,911.84."

EX-VEGANS VISIT

Mr. and Mrs. George Hardman of Reno, formerly of Las Vegas, spent a few days here this week visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Ham have returned from southern California after a few days visit.

Campaign For Better Dairy Methods

The campaign for better dairy methods and conditions, promoted the past three years through the National 4-H Dairy Production Demonstration Contest, will be continued during the current year with increased awards. As heretofore, it will be supervised by county and state extension agents, and is open to all boys and girls enrolled in dairy projects.

Additional information and assistance may be obtained from county agents in planning demonstrations which must concern breeding, growing, fitting, feeding and judging of dairy cattle or production of milk and cream on the farm. County elimination contests will determine the teams to compete at state finals.

The awards are offered to stimulate members to become better informed on dairy methods, to encourage them to pass along their knowledge, and to give them experience in public speaking, team work and sportsmanship.

Gold and silver medals are provided for members of first and second ranking teams in the counties. State winners will make the trip to Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, with all expenses paid, for the finals at the National Dairy Show to be held there October 12-19. The Kraft Cheese Company provides the medals and trips, in addition to \$3,200 in college scholarships to be apportioned to national winners — \$250 to each member of the first ranking team and \$150 to members of the second team in each of the four extension sections.

THE LOW DOWN FROM HICKORY GROVE

I do not know just how it is done, but the oil companies, they seem to have the knack of picking out the up-and-coming young fellows to run their service stations. You don't anymore than get your foot off the brake, at the gasoline pump, till there is a cheerful kind of young duck comin' on the run. Boy, they are salesmen. You'll like 'em.

If you are in a 1940 super 12 or if you limp in with a Model T, it is all the same. They act like they had been waiting around there all day, just to wait on you, personal. If you buy 15 gallons or one gallon or just want some air — it don't make an iota of difference — they are tickled to see you. They don't overdo it though, but they make business fun — but it is still business.

But there is no patent on wide-awake? courteous service — any little outfit can use it. Most big business today was a pee-wee one time. People harping about all big business being pompous and arrogant — they are talking through their hat.

Yours with the low down,
JOE SERRA

Young Republicans

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said it could not continue so unless the United States is "one sound nation."

"The solution is not hard. I don't advocate an ultra-conservative for president. I only advocate a good American who will conduct his office in the American way; a good American who will do away with the invisible government; who will give industry and labor a chance."

THE CROSS ROADS

It is a popular custom in national campaign years to say that America is now at the cross roads, that the election just ahead is the most important in the history of the country.

Yet it is truer this year than any since the dark days of the Civil War that the people of the nation are really "at the cross roads." This time it is no mere figure of speech.

For seven years we have been traveling a new and untried path in the experience of America. Many of the old principles have been thrown overboard. Principles of states' rights and individual responsibility have been disregarded for a new federal bureaucracy at Washington and national paternalism. The old axioms concerning thrift have been set aside. The government has sought to spend us into prosperity. Orthodox theories of finance have gone by the boards. We have been buying the world's gold and silver at nearly fifty per cent more than

it is worth and burying the yellow metal in the hills of Kentucky. It is now unlawful for the individual to possess gold coin.

We have repudiated the idea of individual enterprise and put the government into private business. Our indebtedness has doubled and reached the legal limit of forty-five billions of dollars. There are disciples of the new dispensation who insist we must go forward on the path which has been cut out for us by the New Deal. They are preparing to put on a great drive to see to it that President Roosevelt be nominated and elected for a third term because there is no one else who can continue to keep these novel policies in effect. On the other hand, there are sound, keen statesmen among us who say that if we continue on this road we are disaster. Only by a turn to the right do they say, adopting the sound and time-tried standards of the past, can we make America prosperous and happy again.

It may be truly said therefore that Americans are at the cross-roads. They must choose in November which way they will go. Will it be to the left and more socialistic experimentation or toward the right and adoption of orthodox methods? There can be no turning back. We cannot revert to the calm and peaceful debt-free days we knew before the World War, any more than we can turn back the calendar. We must go forward. What the people must decide is which path they will choose.

RETURNS FROM CARSON CITY

Deputy Superintendent of Public Instruction, Elbert B. Edwards, returned Monday from Carson City where he was in attendance at the meeting called by Miss Bray, State Superintendent, to discuss general school matters of the state.

Mr. Edwards was accompanied by Mrs. Edwards and their son.

The Past Matron's Club of Southgate Chapter, O. E. S., met for their regular monthly dinner Friday evening at the Methodist church parlors. The affair was in the nature of a combined belated Christmas and Valentine party and was a merry occasion. After dinner the members enjoyed a pleasant hour over their needlework.

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