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By CHARLES P. SQUIRES  
Cooperative Observer

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By CHARLES P. SQUIRES

CLEVER DUDS

Walking along Fremont street one cannot but be interested in the many shops displaying clever duds for women. Not even in the stylish, high priced, exclusive shops of Los Angeles and Hollywood do we see displays more colorful, attractive and strictly up-to-the-minute than right here in Las Vegas.

Some time ago two young women were here from New York. They had money to spend and after spending some weeks here went on to Hollywood to purchase clothes, desiring to return to New York all tugged out with the very latest Hollywood styles.

A few weeks later they were again in Vegas, stopping over on their way home to New York. "We saw lots of late styles in Hollywood," they said, "but nothing more attractive and striking than what we saw in Las Vegas. And we found Hollywood and Los Angeles prices two or three times what we could buy the same things for in your Las Vegas shops."

So they stocked up on Hollywood styles right here, saved considerable money, and went back to New York with Hollywood styled clothes bought right here in the Las Vegas shops.

The reason why Las Vegas can compete with Los Angeles and Hollywood in such lines is that costs of doing business here are much less and the buyers for Las Vegas stores are right up to snuff when it comes to stocking up with the latest styles. They just hop down to Los Angeles frequently and get the pick of the best just as it comes out.

If you have an eye for women's clothes, or for women in Hollywood garb, you have noticed that Las Vegas girls are just as smart as you can find anywhere.

NEW GOLF COURSE

The new municipal golf course, as we said hopefully months ago, is making real progress toward such a degree of completion that players may soon begin to enjoy it.

To take a piece of desert land in that locality and turn it into a modern golf course with greens covered with sod carpets and the fairways cleared of weeds and brush is some difficult enterprise which not only takes time, but engineering talent and money.

Last summer the water pipes were laid and the sprinkling system arranged so that all the greens could be sprinkled. Then after leveling and preparing the greens, the tedious process of growing grass was undertaken.

Just now the course presents a beautiful appearance. The greens are becoming well grassed and the W-A workers under direction of Claude Mackey are busy snipping up the fairways, the hazards and the greens.

There is considerable rivalry among golfers who have volunteered to see that the particular greens assigned to their care are put in the best possible shape. So golfers are again hopeful that they may soon play on Las Vegas' new municipal golf course.

There is, of course, one thing not yet arranged for; that is a suitable club house. However, as soon as the course is open for play the necessity for a clubhouse will lead to some plan to provide it.

While the delay has been distressing to some of our golf fiends, we can now see that Vegas will have a course as attractive as any in the state, beautiful as to location and outlook and sporty and interesting to players.

One thing we should not overlook or forget. A golf course will add one more to our many resources and will be the means of income to the community. Already inquiries are coming in from some of those who plan to attend the Rotary District convention and others this spring, about golf. Others, who have been informed that our course is not yet ready for play are expressing regret.

The fact has been recognized in many communities that a golf course is not simply a means of amusement for a few of the town players, but that it draws visitors and keeps them happy and contented for stays of considerable duration. It is a real money-making asset from a community standpoint, just as are our dude ranches; Boulder Dam; Ourledon Mountains and fishing in Lake Mead.

PAULETTE GODDARD'S MOTHER WED HERE

Mrs. Alta Goddard, mother of Paulette Goddard, motion picture star because the bride of E.K. Fleming Tuesday. Judge Roger E. Foley performed the ceremony in his office with Sonya Worthy and A. S. Henderson as witnesses.

STRANGE CASE OF EMANUEL BRINGS LIFE SENTENCE TO FLOYD BRUMBAUGH'S SLAYER

By CHARLES S. DOHERTY

In one of the swiftest and smoothest jury trials ever held in Clark County, George W. Emanuel, slayer of Floyd M. Brumbaugh, was sentenced to life imprisonment, after little less than an hour of deliberation by the jury.

Shortly after the jury was chosen, it became evident to veteran court attaches that the problem of the trial was not to determine the guilt or innocence of the youth, because his confession was in the hands of the court, but rather to ascertain the degree of guilt.

Said to be a strange case, it was truly that, inasmuch as the tone of the prosecution, at no time during the trial, demanded the supreme penalty, while the defense in conducting its case never once intimated that they were driving out the verdict of not guilty by reason of insanity be brought in.

The defense in fact, pointed out that evidence as to the when, where and why of the murder was not clearly given, but that the entire case was heard solely on the evidence which the defendant had told or shown the police officers.

Leo McNamee, who conducted the case for the defense, dwelt at length as to the further strangeness of the missing fact, "Why Did You Kill Him."

McNamee in his final argument to the jury maintained, "The defendant said he didn't know why he did it. He told police officers he guessed he did it to rob him, and yet while he was driving out to the scene with the sheriff, he was asked by the sheriff several times why he had done it and he couldn't tell him definitely why. It is true he took the man's wallet out of his pocket and looked through it, but that seemed to be an afterthought. And his actions before and after the killing do not satisfy me that his motive for killing Brumbaugh was to rob him. It was such a senseless thing to do."

McNamee went on to point out that if the young man were of malignant and abandoned heart he would have had a plan to do away with the corpse and to eliminate the possibility of being connected with the murder. He had, it was pointed out, two channels through which to escape:

(1) By hiding the body and driving into Las Vegas leaving the car and then go on his way, or

(2) During the 45 minute ride in from the scene on the Goodspring turnoff, where he put the corpse, he had sufficient time to concoct a plausible story as to the reason for murdering the man.

These things, he pointed out, Emanuel did not do, but rather chose the expedient of coming to Las Vegas, turning himself in and lending every possible assistance to the officers in solving the murder.

He went on to deal with the reason the defense did not call upon alienists to testify as to the sanity or lack of sanity of the youth. Because, he said, the jury would only have the expert opinions, not necessarily the actual facts. But he did leave a question of doubt when he concluded, "I do not say that George Emanuel was insane at the time he fired the fatal shot. I don't know whether he at that time could distinguish between right or wrong, between good and evil. But I will never be able to understand how a person in his right mind, with his background, could deliberately do the thing he did."

In concluding his argument McNamee went on to show that in the earlier life of the defendant he had been under certain experiences which might have tended to unsettle his mind, and make his reactions at times far different from normal.

District Attorney Roland H. Wiley pointed out that there was sufficient evidence to prove the guilt of the defendant, but made his closing arguments as humane as possible by not demanding the death sentence. Wiley in his closing arguments said:

"There are sufficient other facts existing here from which you can logically infer the purpose of this killing was robbery, and therefore counsel's statement that it is necessary for you to find the killing was premeditated and deliberate, to find him guilty of first degree murder, is erroneous."

He continued, "I am not satisfied with anything in this case less than conviction of first degree murder, and that shouldn't take five minutes to do."

Wiley went on to say, "Now, I have no fear at all as to what your verdict will be in connection with the degree of the crime, and the question of his guilt or innocence. As stated a number of times, that (Continued on Page Four)

Chamber Enjoys Interesting Meet

At Tuesday's meeting of Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce, guests included James King, of the American Asbestos company, and Clarence Lewis of Overton.

Secretary Goerman called attention to the meeting of the Associated Civic Clubs of Arizona to be held at Williams, Arizona; also to the fine publicity the Las Vegas area received in the Arizona Highway Department magazine. Declaring that building Helderorado Village is too great an undertaking for one organization alone to carry out, an appeal was made for cooperation of all so that the village may make a striking show by the time the Helderorado opens, May 16. It was suggested that a committee be formed to include all civic clubs so that the ultimate plan will be at least fifty percent complete this year.

Charles Sumski of Western Air Express, was elected to membership in the chamber on the report of the membership committee. The applications of J. C. Maddox and Paul Webb of Boulder City, were received and referred to the committee.

A telegram was directed sent to the Nevada congressional delegation at Washington, protesting further against any plan to transfer the Bureau of Forestry to the Department of Agriculture.

Max Knauss reported that the city officials have arranged to allow the tree planning committee the use of land near the disposal plant for use as a nursery. He stated that the committee plans to carry on experimental work in tree planting there as well as produce stock ready for planting.

Otto Underhill and Wes Houck reported on the Fresno Aviation meeting where the problems of airport construction and flying fields were considered.

"Modern fields must have runways at least 150 feet wide and one and one half miles long to accommodate the great ships weighing as much as 80 tons, now being built," said Mr. Hauck. "Under the McCarran bill, if it is passed, the share of Nevada will be \$2,170,000 for airfield construction."

"We have in Las Vegas the opportunity to bring manufacturing enterprises connected with air planes. There are large tracts of land available, plenty of power, and taxes are low, providing a perfect setup for the establishment of large payrolls. In the aviation business we must keep our feet upon the ground, but our heads above the clouds," he said.

"A modern airfield must have 1200 to 1500 acres of land," the speaker said and concluded with the remark:

"When we know that the past year 874,000,000 miles were flown by the commercial airlines in this country without a fatality, we realize that the aviation industry is here to stay. We have a chance to bring a portion of this great industry with large payrolls to Las Vegas."

Bill and Jim Donaldson, singing Spanish and cowboy songs, were introduced and gave several clever selections. They will provide entertainment in several of Las Vegas night spots while here. Their specialty is putting on parties with "cowboy grilled steaks" it was reported.

O. C. STOCKER'S BROTHER PASSES

Clarence M. Stocker, brother of Oscar C. Stocker, 605 South Third street, passed away Wednesday morning on the east bound Union Pacific train at Cheyenne, Wyoming from a heart attack.

Stocker had been visiting with his brother for the past six months and was apparently in the best of health when he boarded the train. Deceased is survived by his widow and six children.

GARY PICKETT STRUCK BY CAR

Little Gary Pickett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Pickett, 118 North Fourth street was painfully bruised Sunday morning when he was struck by a car driven by Jack D. Flourmoy of North Las Vegas.

Spectators who saw the accident said it was unavoidable as the child ran out in front of the car.

FORMER RESIDENT IN VEGAS

Mrs. May Corkhill of Los Angeles is spending a few days in Las Vegas on business. Mrs. Corkhill was a former resident of Las Vegas.

Fair In '40 On Its Way



These four dainty bits of femininity herald the coming of the 1940 Golden Gate International Exposition, to open on Treasure Island, in San Francisco Bay, May 25. With the famous Tower of the Sun as a background, Marguerite Skirris, left, and Jeanne Bon, Norma Folsom and Patsy Sheldon pose atop the significant 1-9-4-0.

Three Severely Injured When Car Hits Truck

Oliver Goerman, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, Bob Kaltenborn, president, and Walter Hunsaker, a Las Vegas oil distributor, were injured Wednesday evening when returning from a meeting at the Beacon Hotel in Barstow, when the car in which they were riding, driven by Kaltenborn, crashed into the rear of a cement truck near Midway station, about half way between Barstow and Baker.

Goerman suffered a frontal fracture of the skull when the hood of the car striking the rear of the truck was forced back through the windshield, one corner of the metal being driven into his forehead above the eyes. He was riding on the front seat. His condition was considered critical but, following an x-ray examination Friday, hope was expressed that he would recover unless unforeseen complications set in.

Kaltenborn received a blow either from the steering wheel or the metal hood, several teeth being knocked out and his chin and face badly cut requiring more than thirty stitches to close the wound.

Hunsaker, who was riding in the back seat, evidently saw the danger in time to brace himself and received only painful, but not serious injury to one knee.

It is claimed that the truck into which the party crashed carried no tail lights.

The injured men following the crash were taken back to Barstow where first aid was given them, after which the ambulance from Palm Funeral home in this city was sent to bring them to Las Vegas hospital.

Mr. Goerman will be confined to the hospital for some time it is believed. Mr. Kaltenborn is recovering at his home on Clark avenue.

The party had been conferring with California highway officials at Barstow relative to placing a neon sign near Barstow to point the way to Las Vegas.

U. S. Court Will Open Here May 6

The spring term of the United States District Court will open in the federal building in Las Vegas May 6, according to word received from Reno.

Judge Harold Lauderback has been definitely assigned to sit during the term which is expected to last from May 6 to May 18. There are several civil suits to be tried and probably some criminal cases.

Judge Frank Norcross of Reno, judge of the Nevada district, had expected to be here for the coming session, but both he and Mrs. Norcross have been ill. Because of the difficulty of climbing stairs at their home they have temporarily taken rooms at the Riverside Hotel, Reno. He is able to visit the chambers in the Reno federal building daily and is improving in health daily. He regrets very much his inability to come to Vegas for the session.

SYMPHONETTES PRACTICE

Orchestra practice was held at the Mesquite club Tuesday evening for the Las Vegas Symphonettes.

Lila Joy Foremaster, program chairman had a lovely program including a violin solo, Scores from Childhood by Patricia Price; violin solo, Moonlight and Roses, by Bonnie Sage; Guitar solo, Bury Me Out on the Prairie, by Joy Wells and Jean Foremaster; violin solo, Goldens and Clark Hinrickson; piano solo, Chinese Lantern, by Jeanne Price; Guitar solo, March, by Lloyd Casey; violin solo, Dancing Princess, by Vincent Casey; violin solo, Down by the Sea, by Shirley Johnson and David Stevens; violin solo, Grandfather's Clock, by Beverly Beebe; violin solo, Old Favorite, by Betty Ruth Neagle. Mrs. Stevens accompanied all the numbers.

MRS. DON MCCALL SUCCUMBS

Mrs. Don McCall, sister of Mrs. James Wadsworth of Las Vegas, passed away Friday morning in Los Angeles following an operation.

Mr. and Mrs. McCall formerly resided in Las Vegas and were well known here as Mr. McCall was employed by the Union Pacific.

GOES TO EL PASO

Mrs. F. C. Cayot, 626 South 7th street has gone to El Paso, Texas for several weeks on business.

WEEK-END GUESTS

Mr. and Mrs. H. Fenimore of Gardena, California spent the weekend in Las Vegas.

VISITING IN SALT LAKE

Mrs. Leo Smith left by plane the first of the week for Salt Lake for a visit with relatives.

VISITING IN CALIFORNIA

Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Schuyler are spending a week in southern California.

DR. MYERS IMPROVING

Mrs. R. R. Myers reports that Dr. Myers is improving and that after another two weeks in Scripps Metabolic Clinic at La Jolla, where he was taken after suffering a heart attack recently, probably will be able to return home.

Mrs. Myers plans to return to La Jolla within the next two or three days after attending to some business matters here.

CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS IN LAS VEGAS

- April 7—Shriners Pilgrimage to Boulder Dam, sponsored by Al Malaikah Temple of Los Angeles. Delegations expected from Los Angeles, San Francisco, San Diego, Phoenix and Salt Lake City in special trains leaving April 6 and arriving here the morning of Sunday, April 7. 2500 Shriners expected.
- April 12—Jefferson Day banquet of Young Democrats.
- April 14, 15, 16—Rotary Convention 107th District of Rotary. (600 to 1,000 visitors expected.)
- May 2, 3, 4—Footprinter's Convention. (One thousand delegates).
- May 6-18—United States District Court sits in Federal Bldg., Judge Harold Lauderback of San Francisco presiding.
- May 9—Gracie Allen-George Burns "Surprise Party Special" and Parade of 50-Piece U. P. Band during the evening.
- May 16, 17, 18—Annual Helderorado and Rodeo (Las Vegas' most thrilling event).
- June 12 to 16—Veterans of Foreign Wars and Spanish War Veterans Annual Encampment at Boulder City and Las Vegas. Estimated 2,000 in attendance.

Shriners Plan Dinner Dance

The Boulder-Vegas Shrine Club is planning a dinner dance for Members of the Shrine, their ladies and invited guests, for Saturday evening, April 27.

The affair will be held at the 91 Club and, according to Noble Elmer Mikkelsen, member of the entertainment committee, will be another of the jolly parties for which the Shriners are noted.

Charleston Area Weather Report

According to Forest Ranger Jack J. McNutt the weather record for Charleston Mountain, compiled in cooperation by the U. S. Weather Bureau and the Forest Service, is reported as follows for the month of March:

The maximum temperature was plus 67 degrees attained on the 24th. The minimum was plus 12 degrees on both the 12th and 13th. While the greatest daily range of temperature in 24 hours was 38 degrees on the 23rd and 24th.

Only 1 inch of snow fell during the month. Melted snow and rain produced 53 inches of water. This brings the total precipitation for 1940 to 5.34 inches.

Oasis Cafe Will Be Classy Place

The well known Oasis cafe, for long one of the most popular eating places in Las Vegas, is now undergoing extensive remodeling which, it is predicted, will place it near the top in beauty of appointments.

The display windows will be especially attractive in keeping with the handsome interior. It will reopen soon again as one of the most attractive cafes in Las Vegas.

PLEASANT TREK TO CALIENTE

The trip to Caliente last Saturday and the delightful luncheon and social afternoon made a day long to be remembered by the group of Mesquite Club women who were able to accept the cordial invitation extended by the De Launol Club.

The party left Las Vegas at eight in the morning and as the day was bright and fair, the car was comfortable, the chauffeur most competent and the company par excellence, the time passed quickly. A most friendly welcome was extended by the hostess club and a pleasant hour was passed greeting old friends and meeting new ones living in Lincoln County.

Twenty-seven club members gathered around the attractive luncheon table in the U. P. dining room. The Club President, Mrs. Salome Samuel; the Social Chairman, Mrs. Edith Sanford, had planned the affair so perfectly that it will long be remembered as a very lovely occasion. Mrs. Hazel Denton with a few gracious words introduced the guests.

After luncheon several rounds of contract were enjoyed and all too soon the hour arrived when the homeward trek had to be made. The members of the Mesquite Club in attendance were: Mesdames D. S. Farnsworth, Frank DeVinney, Dean Bingham, Murray Dickinson, P. J. Diskin, Roger Foley, F. M. Smith, R. J. Baskin and C. P. Squires.

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SHRINE HOST TO BRAVE DESERT WILL HOLD CEREMONIAL AT DAM CONCERT & PARADES IN VEGAS

High Officials Dedicate Temple

High officials of the Grand Lodge of Masons of Nevada assisted by Most Worshipful Grand Master William B. Ogden, of the Grand Lodge of California and other officials of the California Grand Lodge, gathered at the Las Vegas Masonic Temple Saturday evening last to perform the dedicatory rites.

The Masonic Temple on Third street was completed several years ago and has been in use, but Grand Lodge officers had not before found it convenient to dedicate it.

Vegas Lodge No. 32 was opened in due form by Worshipful Master Prichard at 5:00 to receive Grand Master Charles A. Carlson, Jr. of the Nevada Grand Lodge and other visiting officials, and then took a recess.

At 7:30 the Grand Lodge of Masons of Nevada was opened by Grand Master Carlson, assisted by the Grand Lodge officers: C. Coleman, R. W. Deputy Master.

C. Watson, R. W. Junior Warden. Edward C. Peterson, V. W. Grand Secretary.

Rev. Milton J. Hersey, V. R. Grand Chaplain. George A. Montrose, W. Grand Orator.

Fred H. Callihan, W. Grand Sword Bearer. Wilford T. Voss, W. Grand Steward.

W. T. Baker, W. Grand Steward. Clarence E. Land, W. Grand Pursuivant.

Carl W. Torrance, W. Grand Historian. Andrew H. Smith, W. Grand Tiler.

Past Grand Masters of the Grand Lodge of Nevada present and assisting were William S. Park, Edward C. Peterson and H. R. Amens. Among the distinguished visitors were: William B. Ogden, M. W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Masons of California; Roy C. Bryan, Inspector 7th district of California; John Stewart Ross, Past Grand Master of California; John A. Carlquist, W. Grand Pursuivant, California; J. W. Painter, R. E. Grand Commander of Knights Templar, of Nevada.

Grand Master Carlson officiated in the impressive ceremonies of dedicating and consecrating the Masonic Temple to the uses and ideals of the Masonic fraternity. The principal address of the evening was delivered by Grand Master William B. Ogden of California. The Temple was filled with the more than one hundred members of the Masonic fraternity.

Following the services a supper was served in the banquet hall of the Temple.

Colorado Folks Settle In Vegas

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Pace, who recently came here from Grand Junction, Colorado, with the intention of stopping a day or two and then going to the Pacific coast to make their home, have purchased property at the corner of Fourth and Garces streets, deciding to settle here permanently.

Mr. Pace is one of the early-day livestock men of the Grand Junction, his range including an area of western Colorado and eastern Utah.

After many years in the business he recently disposed of his large holdings, intending to live henceforth in a more kindly climate than that of his accustomed 10,000-foot altitude in Colorado.

ENTERTAINS FAN CLUB

Mrs. Roscoe Thomas was a charming hostess Wednesday when she entertained her fan club at luncheon at her home on South Seventh street. The members attending were: Mesdames C. W. Woodbury, R. R. Russell, Ryland Taylor, F. R. Mildren, W. E. Ferron, Arthur Brick and the hostess.

VISITS DAUGHTER

Mrs. Bernice Schlapp has returned home from a few days visit in Pasadena with her daughter, Marian, who is attending Flintridge School for Girls.

VISITING BROTHER

Miss Edna Borsack, sister of Ed Borsack of the El Portal Electric Shop arrived Thursday evening by plane to spend the week-end.

GUY KIBBEE FISHING AT BOULDER

Guy Kibbee, motion picture comedian and party are spending a few days fishing on Boulder Lake.

Six special trains of fourteen cars each will leave Los Angeles this evening at ten minute intervals laden with more than two thousand Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, the first train scheduled to reach Boulder City at eight o'clock Sunday morning. It is reported that 150 automobiles will bring several hundred additional Nobles from the Southern Calif. area in addition to delegations known to be coming from Phoenix and other Arizona points; Ogden and Salt Lake; Reno and other northern Nevada cities.

According to President Howell Garrison of the Boulder-Vegas Shrine Club, every automobile which can possibly be obtained for the purpose will be taken to meet the trains at the Boulder City depot; transport the Shriners to the dam and finally as soon as possible after the ceremonial which is scheduled to begin at 11:00 o'clock, to transport the host to Las Vegas.

Under the leadership of Nobles Paul Webb, Bob Ferguson, George Clark and R. E. Middaugh, the visiting host will be welcomed by Boulder City and conducted through the dam. The Boulder City contingent are also making the necessary preparations for the ceremonial on the terrace at the north end of the Arizona spillway, an ideal site for such a gathering.

In Las Vegas at three o'clock in the afternoon the famous and colorful band of Al Malaikah Temple will give a concert at the court house and Las Vegas will join in a Helderorado Parade on the downtown streets, including the Shrine Band and drill team; cowboys and the Frontier Riders, Vegas' famous "Desert Love Buggy" and Little German Band and other preliminary glimpses of the Las Vegas Helderorado.

Headquarters for entertainment of visitors have been arranged for at the principal hotels.

Nobles J. R. McDaniel, Elmer Mikkelsen and W. B. Mumby are the Las Vegas members of the entertainment committee.

A special Las Vegas feature will be the presentation by Mayor Russell to illustrious Potentate George Loomis of Al Malaikah Temple of a gold badge "Mayor of Las Vegas," clothing him with the authority of Mayor during his stay here.

Special stress is placed by President Howell Garrison on the necessity of having every available automobile at Boulder City Sunday morning for service in transporting the many visitors. "Attention" is called to the fact that on this occasion Las Vegas is on trial and on the manner in which we handle crowds of this size will depend our success in securing similar large parties in the future.

Powell Speaks On Showmanship

John Powell, representing Zellerbach Paper company, was introduced by program chairman K. O. Knudson as the guest speaker at Thursday's meeting of Las Vegas Rotary club.

He took as his subject, "Showmanship in Business." He said, in part:

"Modern day designers have developed the ability to build into a product the things that make them attractive. We find it in every line of business."

After citing many illustrations of the manner in which attractive packaging and artistic labels and advertisements have given added value to products, he closed by saying:

"P. T. Barnum was a piker compared with modern industrial showmanship."

Jim and Bill Donaldson entertained with a group of songs which brought enthusiastic applause.

Fred O'Donnell made a request that all "Rotary Anns" assist in entertaining the ladies who will come here on the occasion of the 107th Rotary District convention. He stated that