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## OBSERVATIONS

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### HISTORY REPEATS

It is almost thirty years now since I made the journey to Reno to attend the funeral of the brilliant and lovable Senator George S. Nixon who died suddenly in Washington.

The funeral was held at the Nixon mansion overlooking the Truckee and was attended by a distinguished group from the nations capital as well as by hundreds of Nevada friends.

It was a few days after the funeral that Governor Odie tendered the appointment as Senator to George Wingfield, Nixon's partner in the Goldfield mines. It was a deserved and fitting appointment, because both Nixon and Wingfield had broken the precedent of the Comstock millionaires by investing their wealth in Nevada enterprises. It was largely due to their assistance and support that Nevada came through the disastrous panic of 1907 more credibly than did most other states.

Wingfield declined the honor because, he declared, he was then not ready for honors of that nature, and, after his vigorous life in the west, a term in the United States Senate would have irked him.

Again I made the journey to Reno to attend yesterday the last sad rite for our still more distinguished Senator Key Pittman. Some others of those who mourned Senator Nixon in 1912, were there paying their respects to the memory of Senator Key Pittman.

Nevada may be small, and, in some respects, a comparatively unimportant state. Nevertheless she has given to the Union some of the outstanding characters of the national government.

### ELDORADO CANYON HIGHWAY

There has been a feeling among some Eldorado Canyon people, induced we imagine by the unfortunate delay in beginning improvement of that branch of our highway system, the contract for which was let last week, that Las Vegas has been indifferent to their interests or at least lax in pressing the matter of paving the highway into the Canyon.

I have tried to remove that impression because I believe it a mistaken idea. I am sure that our people, including the Chamber of Commerce, have been greatly concerned over what seemed to be the unavoidable delay in letting the contract.

However, in the Las Vegas Age of May 13, 1911, I wrote the following headlines:

"Eldorado Canyon Road Money Raised Through Chamber of Commerce Assurances Its Early Completion."

Then I followed with the following:

"The report of the committee to solicit funds for the Eldorado Canyon road filed its report through its Chairman, Dr. R. W. Martin, showing that \$500 had been subscribed to assist in building the road." The story goes on to state that the work was to be done under direction of Road Supervisor Bill Stewart, the route to follow the former road through what we called Eldorado Pass.

And I quote again: "Mrs. J. F. Gamble was present and protested against the selection of the western pass instead of the Alunite route (Railroad Pass through which the Boulder Dam highway now passes)."

"It was the sense of the meeting that as soon as funds were available for additional expense, the road would be constructed from Alunite to join the present road near the

## NATION MOURNS WITH NEVADA ON DEATH OF SEN. KEY PITTMAN

Many of Country's Leading Statesmen Paid Homage to Memory of Senator Key Pittman at Funeral in Reno Yesterday.

Thousands of Nevadans with tear-filled eyes filed through Reno Civic Auditorium yesterday. Each pausing briefly before the bronze casket in which rested the remains of Senator Key Pittman, to whisper a word of farewell to an old friend and breathe a "God bless you on your journey" to one whose journeys and whose influence has spread far over the world.

A world of floral offerings such as was never before seen in Nevada janked the front of the Auditorium. They came from great and humble alike, from our President, from rulers of great nations, from ambassadors, from the Latin American nations, from governors and from cities among which were Las Vegas, each bearing its message of sorrow and affection. With bowed heads before the casket sat many of Key Pittman's friends and associates of the United States Senate with members of the House of Representatives, Army and Navy officers, and Nevada state officials, including Governor Carville. Near the front sat Key Pittman's colleague, Senator P. A. McCarran who rose from a bed of sickness in the Naval hospital in Washington to make the long journey. All remaining space in the Auditorium was filled with close friends of the family, while thousands, unable to gain admission, stood silently in the park and the streets about the Auditorium.

The Episcopal service conducted by Rev. Warren L. Botkin, was solemn and beautiful and the music of the male quartette sweet and inspiring.

Senator Walter F. George, Key Pittman's close friend and associate for many years in the United States Senate, delivered an eloquent and touching address in memory of his old friend. Then the solemn cortege escorted the remains to Mountaineer View cemetery where they were reverently placed in a crypt to await the preparation of the final resting place in the Masonic plot.

Las Vegas was represented by many friends of the dead senator, among them being Mayor John L. Russell, City Commissioner Al Corradetti, Mr. and Mrs. Gates, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Mackey, Mrs. Mary Phillips, Mr. John F. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. James Cashman, Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. McWilliams, Ed W. Clark, State Senator A. C. Grant, Berkeley L. Bunker, F. F. Garside, Sherwin Garside, Mr. and Mrs. Al Cahlan and C. P. Squires.

A special train direct from Washington brought many of the leaders of our government in Washington, the Congress having adjourned as a mark of respect to one who, for nearly thirty years has been numbered among the outstanding leaders of the United States Senate.

Among those who came from Washington were the following: Pat McCarran, democrat of Nevada; Hattie Caraway, democrat of Arkansas; Theodore Green, democrat of Rhode Island; Walter George, democrat of Georgia; Tom Connally, democrat of Texas; Robert Reynolds, democrat of North Carolina; Alva Adams, democrat of Colorado; Joe O'Mahoney, democrat of Wyoming; James Murray, democrat of Montana; Carl Hatch, democrat of New Mexico; Louis Sch-

old well in Dry Lake." (Years later this was done.)

Then the following item of interest follows: "The application of Mrs. Gamble for membership was received. On motion the rules were suspended and she was unanimously elected and now enjoys the distinction of being the first and only woman who is a member."

So we see that for thirty years Las Vegas has had the interests of Eldorado Canyon at heart, even to the extent of subscribed money. And \$500 was quite some money to raise in those days for any purpose. However, we then could not imagine that more than \$55,000 would ever be spent on a six mile sector of the road to Eldorado Canyon or any other community. Las Vegas thirty years ago could not visualize that so much money would ever be used even for a highway through the county seat itself.

wellenback, democrat of Washington; Alben Barkley, democrat of Kentucky; Pat Harrison, democrat of Mississippi; Homer Bone, democrat of Washington; James Byrnes, democrat of South Carolina; Bennett Clark, democrat of Missouri; Joe Guffey, democrat of Pennsylvania; Kenneth McKenna, democrat of Tennessee; Charles McNary, republican of Oregon; Arthur Vandenberg, republican of Michigan; and Hiram Johnson, republican of California.

From all portions of Nevada and from every walk of life came those who have been associated with Key Pittman since he came to the state in 1901. Each had some affectionate memory or touching story to add to the wealth of reminiscence which have been woven about his memory.

The business houses of Reno were generally closed as were the State, County and City offices. It was a general day of mourning through the state by proclamation by Governor Carville.

## Governors Gather in Boulder City

Governors of seven states are expected to meet in Boulder City tomorrow to confer on matters connected with Reclamation and conservation of natural resources.

The governors invited, most of whom have signified their intention of being present, include Governor Blood of Utah, Governor Carr of Colorado, Governor Smith of Wyoming, Governor Olson of California, Governor Miles of New Mexico, Governor Jones of Arizona and Governor Carville of Nevada.

They will be joined by Director Elliott of the national resources planning board and three other member members of the board who are coming here from Washington.

## Four Bidders On Nelson Highway

CARSON CITY, Nev., Nov. 12 -- Four contractors submitted figures when bids were opened Thursday afternoon at highway headquarters building for the construction of a portion of the State highway system in Clark county from 4 1/2 miles west of Nelson to the junction of U. S. 95, south of Railroad Pass, having a length of 6.77 miles. Carl E. Nelson, of Logan, Utah, submitted the low bid of \$55,506.95 and was given the contract by the highway Board of Directors. Silver State Construction Co., Fallon, was next low with a figure of \$56,927.19, while Dodge Brothers Construction Co., Inc., of Fallon, would have taken the job for \$61,970, and Isabell Construction Co., of Reno, held out for \$67,309.95.

Work will begin within 20 days after the formal contract is signed. Because of the more favorable weather in the southern part of the state during the winter months operations probably will be continued until completion without interruption. This project is a feeder road improvement giving Nelson better service toward the Railroad Junction-Searchlight highway. Several mines and mills are operating in the Nelson district. Otis Wright of the headquarters staff has been assigned as Resident Engineer for the Highway Department.

## Governor Miles Here To Attend Conference

Governor John E. Miles of Santa Fe, New Mexico, accompanied by State Engineer Thomas M. McCluice and A. T. Hammett, has arrived to attend a conference of Basin States Saturday.

## LUNCHEON TO BE HELD AT APACHE NOV. 16TH

Mesdames Cliff DeVaney, John Conway, Archie Grant and Miss Irene Barsaloux will entertain with a bridge luncheon at the Apache Cocktail Lounge Saturday afternoon, November 16th.



## BRILLIANT SUCCESS FEATURES AIR SHOW HELD LAST SUNDAY

Threatening Weather Cleared in Time to Permit Arrival of Outside Ships. — All Advertised Features Carried Out Successfully.

Notwithstanding high winds and overcast weather which Saturday threatened the success of Las Vegas Annual Air Show scheduled for Sunday, the day turned out still, sunny, bright and beautiful, as near an ideal day for a show of aerial navigation as could be ordered.

Because of the high winds and cloudy skies which, during Saturday, cast a pall over the promoters of the show and threatened to discourage all efforts to carry it through, some of the planes which had been promised, were reluctant to come. However, there were ample entries at hand for every event and the show went off with every element of success.

Hundreds of automobiles which transported approximately five thousand spectators to the field, filled the large parking area.

The features of the show went on promptly and were carried through in a manner which brought unanimous approval from the crowd.

The committees in charge of the show are entitled to great credit and the thanks of the community for their hard work and enterprise.

## Boulder City B.P.W.C. Will Receive Charter

The Business and Professional Women's Club which was organized early this month in Boulder City received word today (Friday) that their charter would be ready for presentation November 29 when Miss Ruth Curren, president of the Nevada Federation will visit this section of the state.

Mrs. Lucile Wieland, president of the Boulder City group, and Mrs. Dorothy D. Brimacombe, president of the Las Vegas club, are arranging for a banquet to be given Friday evening, November 29 at the Boulder Dam Hotel. Invitations are being issued to all clubs in the state, to St. George, Utah, and to Kingman, Arizona Clubs.

Miss Curren will present the charter and install the club at that time. Members are urged to save the date and be present for one of the most impressive meetings the Business and Professional Women have had in southern Nevada for some years.

The same week-end Miss Curren will visit with Las Vegas Club members and on Saturday she will go to Pioche where she will contact Pioche and Caliente members. Miss Curren is a teacher in the Lovelock schools.

## Union Pacific Adds Brilliancy

The Union Pacific in its established policy of promoting Las Vegas and adding to its brilliancy, has installed great neon signs on its new streamlined passenger depot, and after slight delay because of breakage turned on the juice for the first time this week.

On the side of the station facing Fremont street a great colored shield of the Union Pacific with the familiar "Union Pacific, Overland Route" and below the shield is another great sign, "Road of Streamliners and Challengers."

The red, white and blue shield measures nine feet three inches in height by eight feet six inches wide. The lower sign is 22 feet long by six feet four inches high.

On the train side of the station will be another neon sign with the words, "Las Vegas, Nevada, the Streamlined City of the West." This measures fifteen feet two inches in length.

The signs fronting Fremont form a most attractive addition to the bright and colorful lights of Fremont street. They illustrate again the cooperation the Union Pacific is constantly giving in the work of making Las Vegas the best known playground of the southwest intermountain region.

Adding their brilliancy to the myriad colored lights for which Las Vegas already is famous, the new Union Pacific signs add greatly to the attractive night life of Las Vegas.

## Pays Tribute To Senator's Memory

The outstanding feature of Tuesday's meeting of the Chamber of Commerce was the tribute paid to the memory of the late Senator Key Pittman, by Judge Roger Foley who claimed the honor of having marched in political parades in Tonopah in support of Pittman in 1910 and having voted for him each time he was a candidate since then.

Declaring that Senator Pittman was the leading citizen of the state of Nevada, he asserted also that he might be numbered among the five greatest leaders of the United States.

After reviewing eloquently the services Senator Pittman has rendered to the state and to the nation, Judge Foley moved a resolution of condolence to be sent to Mrs. Pittman and Vall Pittman and other surviving relatives. The resolution was unanimously adopted.

## Airlines Carried Many Passengers

American Airlines, Inc. carried 104,158 revenue passengers in October, figures released today by Charles A. Rheinstrom, vice-president in charge of sales, revealed.

This compares with 93,376 revenue passengers carried in September 1940 and with 59,128 carried in October of last year.

Revenue passenger miles flown in October were 35,398,139, compared with 31,981,927 flown in September and with 22,336,971 flown in October of 1939.

"From every indication air travel during this Fall and Winter will be heavier than ever before," Mr. Rheinstrom said, "This is particularly true of travel through the 'Sun Country' of Arizona and Texas."

## Red Cross Drive Hopes To Reach Top

The Annual Red Cross Drive has been under way during the past week and it is hoped that our Las Vegas quota will be reached before the end of the week.

When you realize the suffering in every country in Europe you will realize that it is the people on this side of the Atlantic who must give help in some way to alleviate the misery which has been thrust upon perfectly contented people by the greed of two dictators. Where else can the Red Cross look for help? The people of the American republics are still free. They still have their families about them and even if they are poor they are so much better off than the people across the seas that they should give out of the thankfulness of their hearts.

## HENRY DAVIS PINNED BENEATH CAR WHEN TIRE BLOWS OUT

Wife Taken to Hospital Seriously Injured; Daughter Escapes Unhurt When Car Rolls Over Three Times; No Eye Witnesses.

James Henry Davis was instantly killed five miles south of town on Highway 91 Thursday evening at 7:30, when a tire on his car blew out sending the car out of control and causing it to roll over three times before coming to a stop. Davis was pinned beneath the wreckage and died of a fractured skull, according to the coroner's verdict.

## L. V. Age Announces Weekly Air Program

The Las Vegas Age is now on the air every evening over radio station KENO from 7:45 to 8:00 o'clock with a varied program. Each night the radio listener of Las Vegas may find a different form of radio entertainment to please him as the program has been planned to include the participation by the community.

Beginning tonight (Friday) the Las Vegas Age will present the Business and Professional Women's Club which will have as guest speaker, Mrs. Clarabelle Hanley, local education chairman. Mrs. Hanley will speak on American Education and Book Week, choosing as her subject "The Book and Education."

Mrs. Hanley, librarian at the Las Vegas High School, has resided in Las Vegas and taught in the city schools the past ten years. She obtained her Master's degree at the University of Washington. Last summer she enrolled at the University of Hawaii and in the summer of 1939 toured Europe. Mrs. Hanley has one daughter, Donna Jo, enrolled in the local high school.

Saturday evening at 7:45 o'clock will be Las Vegas Age Dance Request Program night. Listeners are cordially invited to send in a request for their favorite dance piece, dedicating it, if they wish, to whom ever they like. Mail the request to Radio Editor, c-o Las Vegas Age, Las Vegas, Nevada.

On Sunday evening the Age will conduct a Request Organ recital. Listeners are again invited to send in their request for their favorite organ selection. If it should happen that the piece is not in KENO's library of records the selection most similar will be played. It is recommended that a first and second choice be made when the request is sent in. All requests should be mailed to Radio Editor, c-o Las Vegas Age, Las Vegas, Nevada.

Romances of Las Vegas will be on the air waves every Monday evening, when C. P. "Pop" Squires, Editor of the Las Vegas Age, will give the history of Las Vegas and Southern Nevada, telling of the colorful adventures, disappointments of the men and women who first came thru this section, exploring and later of those who finally settled here.

Mrs. Squires has appeared before over KENO and is very popular with the air audiences.

Tuesday evening's quarter hour will be conducted by local talent. Listeners are fortunate in having in its midst unusually fine musicians and vocalists who are consenting to appear on the air for The Age.

And Wednesday evening, my dear radio listeners, Sagebrush Annie will take to the air; be sure to listen, you may find it interesting.

Another musical evening is planned for Thursday evening when favorites of popular and classical transcriptions will be played.

## WILDCATS BOW TO KINGMAN

The Las Vegas Wildcats again bit the dust when Kingman roared over them with a six to nothing victory this afternoon in a game played on Butcher Memorial field. In a game marred by fumbles, Las Vegas made a 70 yard march toward a touchdown, only to lose the ball through a fumble on the 20 yard line. Kingman scored in the first quarter and retained their lead throughout the rest of the game.

## JUSTICE MARSHALL RETURNS FROM TRIP TO LOS ANGELES

George E. Marshall, who was elected district judge in the general election, accompanied by his wife, Mrs. Marshall, returned today (Friday) from a trip to Los Angeles. During Judge Marshall's absence, Warren Hardy of Bunkerville presided over the Justice court.

