

PITTMAN MOURNED BY VEGAS FRIENDS

Charles P. Squires, James Scrugham Eulogize Nevada Solon Over KENO

All Las Vegas mourned the passing of Key Pittman, Nevada's senior senator, who for more than thirty years was the friend, regardless of political complexion, of hundreds of Vegans in all walks of life.

As a sort of memorial to the memory of Senator Pittman, the Las Vegas radio station KENO devoted a period to the reminiscences of some of those who had known the senator for many years.

Congressman James G. Scrugham arrived in Las Vegas just in time to speak very briefly, on the radio program, expressing his sorrow, and mentioning some of the outstanding pieces of legislation standing to Senator Pittman's credit.

Charles P. Squires, editor of Las Vegas Age, made the following memorial address over KENO:

"Little did I think last Tuesday evening when I tried to give a little bit of reminiscence on the life of Key Pittman following his re-election to the United States Senate, that I would be here again so soon to mourn with you at his untimely death.

"I come here tonight with sorrow in my heart at the passing of a great man whom I was fortunate enough to know rather intimately for nearly thirty years as always my kindly and loyal friend.

"I would, if I could, eulogize his busy life and his accomplishments as a statesman. But that I must leave for those who have the eloquence for such things. Instead I hope I may help to build in the hearts of some of those who are listening some little milestones along the paths of memory—some little monuments in your hearts to those things Key Pittman has been to us of Las Vegas.

"Not that Key and I were close political friends. Quite the contrary, for I came of the north in those days following the Civil War when Republicanism and patriotism seemed almost to be synonymous. And Key Pittman came of the South when the bitterness of defeat and hatred and distrust of the North were almost inevitable in the southern heart.

"Key Pittman was born in Vicksburg, Mississippi, September 19, 1872 and stepped quietly into another world last night, aged 68 in years, yet still he carried the happy optimism of youth through all the distinguished career of the past thirty years during which I have known, loved and respected him.

"Key came of distinguished southern ancestry. His father, William Buckner Pittman was an officer of the Confederacy and was captured by Federal troops at the fall of Vicksburg. The father came also of southern ancestry, being a descendant of the notable Simon B. Buckner family of Kentucky.

"Key's mother, came of ancestry no less distinguished being a lineal descendant of the Marshalls, of Virginia, and of Francis Scott Key who wrote the immortal lines of the Star Spangled Banner.

"His early schooling he received from his mother, and from private teachers. In 1890 he entered South-



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western Presbyterian University at Clarksville, Tenn., where he studied law.

Later (1919) that University and George Washington University both bestowed the degree of Doctor of Laws upon him.

"He began the practice of his profession in Seattle in 1892 when but 20 years of age. But the lean years following the panic of 1893 did not prosper him, so he began looking for other opportunities.

"In 1897 the call of the gold of the Klondyke drew his adventurous spirit to the unknown wilds of Alaska. Although not used to hard physical labor, he nevertheless, fought his way over that historic, yet terrible trail The Skagway for six weary weeks, carrying the heaviest pack which contained the provisions upon which, he knew, his very life in the unknown wilderness ahead depended.

"Once over the divide, he joined with several fellow pilgrims, felling trees, sawing out boards and building a boat. In this boat through deep and dangerous canyons, across stormy lakes and down the fearful rapids of the mighty Yukon he fought his intrepid way to Dawson, across the boundary of Alaska in the Canadian Northwest, arriving there at the beginning of the Arctic winter.

"Unable to practice law because of the restrictions of the Canadian government, he worked as a miner for two long years through the terrible hardships and privations of the far north. Yet, even then, though unable to practice his profession, because of British restrictions, he became the advisor of a group who were fighting the corruption of the Dawson government and he had a considerable part in ousting the old gang and establishing reforms in Dawson.

"In the year 1899, Key again took to the mighty Yukon and voyaged more than a thousand miles down its course to the new city of Nome. Here immediately he took a prominent part in the civic and political life of the city, where 8,000 adventurous spirits had gathered with no organized government. By common consent, under the leadership of Key Pittman and a group of strong citizens, a form of local government was adopted and Key became the first district attorney, a position of great power under those circumstances in establishing and maintaining law and order.

"In 1891, a group of powerful but unprincipled men in Nome organized what today would be called 'a racket' and robbed and despoiled many helpless miners of their rich mining claims and their fortunes. Key Pittman it was, who later was

pictured by Rex Beach in his novel 'The Spoilers' as the young attorney who took the lead in forcing reform. There are some men whose property was saved through the vigorous efforts of Key Pittman, who still live to mourn with us his passing.

"It was in Nome, that Key Pittman met and married the woman who became the loyal and loving helper and companion of his lifetime, Miss Mimosa June Gates, who as a young girl had accompanied her parents to Alaska from Eureka, California.

"In 1901, the Pittmans returned to San Francisco and, as I told you last week, Key was seeking new adventure and a chance to grasp the fortune which eluded him in the gold mines of Alaska. When a friend he met on the streets of San Francisco told him of the new silver camp with the strange name of Tonopah somewhere in the remote desert regions of Nevada, Key, it seems, must instinctively have recognized his star of destiny.

"To Tonopah he came and today, after almost forty years, the fact that Tonopah gave to Key Pittman the opportunity to achieve fortune, fame, and political power which finally seated him in one of the world's greatest and most distinguished seats of power as chairman of the Foreign Relations committee of the United States Senate and presiding officer of the Senate, is Tonopah's highest claims to distinction.

"Through the various stages of local enterprise and politics, Key naturally became the Democratic candidate of United States Senator in 1910, but against the incumbent, the brilliant, wealthy and powerful Senator George S. Nixon, he was unable to reach his goal.

"Some of you may remember, I read last week a little of what I wrote about Key in the Las Vegas Age, when I was opposing him and supporting Senator Nixon in that campaign.

"I wrote of Key in reporting the political meeting the Democrats held in Las Vegas, following my first meeting with him:

"Key Pittman was the attraction of the evening—a youth full of dreams of glory."

"I must have written better than I knew because, through the thirty years since intervening, we have seen his 'dreams of glory' realized in fuller measure, perhaps, than even Key, himself, had imagined possible.

"Undismayed, Key became a candidate again in 1912, was elected, and took his seat in the United States Senate March 4, 1913 to serve the four years of the unexpired term of Senator Nixon. And so we have seen him again elected in the years, 1916, 1922, 1928, 1934 and 1940, each time more secure, if possible in the affections of the people of Nevada.

"I will not attempt to follow his career in the Senate when he became the intimate friend and advisor of President Woodrow Wilson, and the kindly and wise counselor of Presidents Harding, Coolidge, Hoover, and finally one of the closest and best trusted friends of President Roosevelt.

"I would, if time permitted, enjoy recounting Key Pittman's many masterly efforts in helping mould into form the Boulder Canyon Project Act during the long years when it too was a rather nebulous 'dream of glory'.

"The first contact I remember to have had with him on that subject was when he came to Santa Fe, New Mexico, in November, 1922 to advise and assist in forming the

Map Shows How Big Cold "Snap" Caught Car Owners

MORE car owners than ever before in all automotive history were caught napping by the record-breaking cold spell that recently swept the country. Hundreds of thousands of winter drivers are on the alert now, and the subject of car protection is a live topic, especially to owners of new models.

is using some kind of alcohol anti-freeze. Then he has to check his solution occasionally. If he is using a permanent anti-freeze, practically his only job is to see that his radiator is never over-filled. When that happens, heat expansion may force some of the liquid out through the overflow pipe.

which are part of their composition. But combining "inhibitors" with a permanent type anti-freeze is a difficult chemical process, it is pointed out. So the permanent anti-freeze which has proved its effectiveness beyond all doubt is the kind to be preferred. One of them has been used in more than 40,000,000 cars. If the car is not brand new, the



It is natural to want to keep the new car new, in spite of blizzards and zero temperatures. And, the experts assure us, the fact that a car is new makes its protection very easy. Its cooling system is clean and the chances of leaks are slight. Put in a good anti-freeze and the owner is all set for the winter.

Colorado River Compact between the seven states of the Colorado River Basin, when James G. Scrugham, Ed. Clark and myself were representing the State of Nevada in the Santa Fe conference. This compact made possible the legislation known as the Boulder Canyon Project Act and led to the building of the great project through which Las Vegas and the whole state of Nevada have so greatly profited.

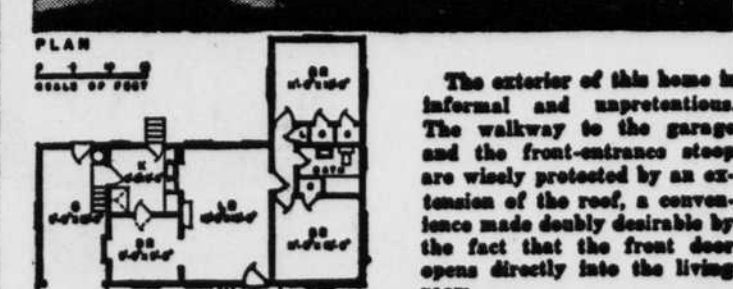
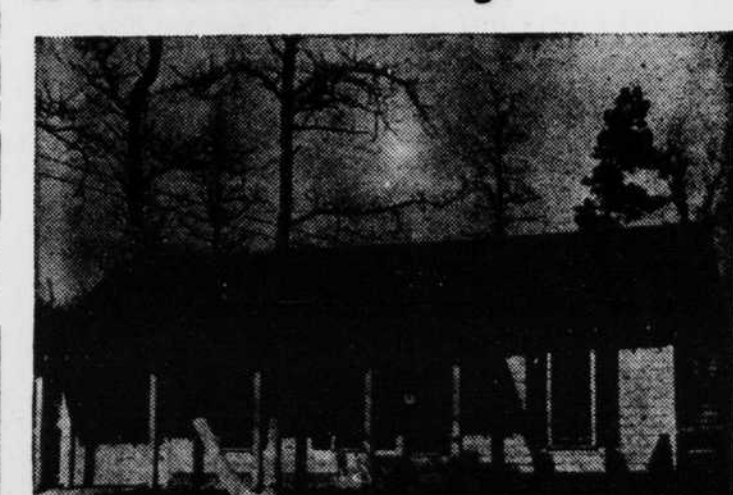
"Through the long years of tireless effort and thousands of disappointments following the making of the compact, Key Pittman's agile mind and never failing resourcefulness were constantly at work, and his friendly and congenial personality opened for us many doors to power and influence in Washington.

"An eager partisan always for what he believed the interest of his state, Key Pittman remained nevertheless, throughout his career free from personal prejudice and bitterness.

"Well I remember how strongly Senators Ashurst and Hayden of Arizona fought the Boulder Canyon Project Act and how, largely through their efforts, the enterprise was delayed year after year. Yet finally the fight being practically won, Key said to me:

"Charlie, come out to the house to dinner tonight. I am inviting Henry and Carl to help celebrate the passing of the Boulder Dam Act. So happily, out I went and after a noble dinner Key brought out a bottle of champagne which he long had been keeping for the purpose and we all four drank a toast: 'To Boulder Dam.' Although beaten the Arizona Senators lifted their glasses and drank: 'To Boulder Dam.'

Complete Home For Small Family Is This 5-Room Cottage



Here is a complete home for a family of modest size. Containing two bedrooms, a good-sized living room, separate dining room, kitchen, and garage, this home offers no startling architectural innovations but should provide a pleasant place in which to live.

The exterior of this home is informal and unpretentious. The walkway to the garage and the front-entrance steps are wisely protected by an extension of the roof, a convenience made doubly desirable by the fact that the front door opens directly into the living room.

Perhaps the most interesting feature of this home lies in the financing. This property, valued at \$8,500, was financed with a mortgage of \$2,500 insured by the Federal Housing Administration. Monthly payments on a 25-year mortgage of this amount, exclusive of taxes and hazard insurance, amount to approximately \$18.

Independent Grocers Adjust Themselves

Although modern big business methods are popularly supposed to have driven the independent merchant to virtual hidin, Government statistics show that last year 66% of the nation's food bill was paid to the 40,000 independent merchants and only half as much to the chain stores, writes Jesse Rainford Sprague, noted business commentator, in the current Rotarian Magazine.

"If you believe a small businessman hasn't a chance against the competition of big, corporate business, have a talk with Mr. Jones, the groceryman around the corner," Mr. Sprague advises. "His seems a pretty hopeless situation. Yet he manages to pay his bills and keep going."

While he undoubtedly has some tough competition from his mammoth adversaries, Mr. Sprague points out, he has a lot of advantages as well. His being a "home town" man is a great asset; his flexibility to meet changing local conditions and his ownership and its influence on his own efforts are all in his favor. Many independents live in the same building with their business—which is a decided advantage for the independent merchant.

In fact, Mr. Sprague adds: "The most successful grocers don't have any special grudge against their big-business competitors. Some even consider it an advantage to have a chain store near them, because the chain store draws transient customers. For example, a friend of mine in a good-sized New England town told me that when the chain store next door to him closed because a big supermarket opened two blocks away, his sales dropped off \$10 a day."

However, Mr. Sprague warns against starting in business with too little capital—the outstanding enemy of all small businesses. In the grocery line, he advises at least \$2,500 invested with another \$1,000 available—just in case! And yet he points out cases of successful operation on as little as \$350; but unless you are a business genius as in the cases cited, he advises against trying to duplicate this.

QUICK WORK

The science teacher asked her class: "What is velocity?" Janey answered very confidently: "I know, it is what a person puts a hot plate down with."—Indianapolis News.

Writers Debate The Battle of Sexes

As one who has suffered from both male and female secretaries, Fred DeArmond, associate editor of "Nation's Business," writes a strong plea for the man secretary in the current Rotarian Magazine; but as one who has been a female secretary only, Rae Chatfield Ayer, secretary in a San Francisco advertising agency, denies his arguments emphatically.

"The 'office wife' gets more satisfaction from pleasing her boss than from doing a good job," writes Mr. DeArmond. "A girl must like her secretarial job and want to stay with it to be successful," answers Mrs. Ayer. It is not necessary to maintain that all men are discreet to enforce the point that women often talk too much to make good secretaries," opines Mr. DeArmond. "Men secretaries are more likely to disclose office secrets. In an effort to appear 'in the know,' they intentionally let things slip," counters Mrs. Ayer.

Even when they agree on a thing, the two debaters interpret it differently. Mr. DeArmond thinks that the fact that a man secretary has an eye on better things ahead makes him a better worker. Mrs. Ayer thinks that this same fact is a decided disadvantage, since it makes for comparatively frequent changes. To which, Mr. DeArmond points out that a woman is no more permanent—there is always the lure of matrimony. "A male secretary's zeal is fired by ambition to rise. To a woman in a similar position no social stigma attaches to failure. She always has a face saver, since to retire to domestic life increases her social prestige."

To this, Mrs. Ayer does not answer. She is married—and still a secretary!

ALL SET

"George," asked the nagging wife as they prepared to retire, "is everything shut up?" "That depends on you," growled George, "everything else is." Exchange.

The old law of compensation always gets in its dirty work. There is less static on the radio in the fall and winter, but more comedians.—Minneapolis Morning Tribune.

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