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## OBSERVATIONS

By CHARLES P. SQUIRES

### AMID OLD SCENES

I had a sad trip this week, back to scenes amid which I spent several of the happiest years of my life, to attend the funeral of my mother—who had been a loving mother to me since the death of my first mother when I was a child and too young to remember.

Death generally is a strange visitation which fills us with dread, distress and grief. For the first time in my life I looked upon death of one near and dear as a solace, a relief from suffering and a comfort to a kindly soul. I had no wish to bring her back; she had lived a long and useful life—34 years almost—and had earned the eternal peace which we all must believe will come to us after we have crossed the dark river.

And the death of this dear mother brought me a step nearer to the great change from which we all shrink so fearfully, yet which we must all soon meet. It is vain for us to struggle to avoid it. But it is my hope to be able to meet the pale boatman unafraid when he calls for me at the brink of the dark river.

### REDLANDS, THE LOVELY

It was a day in November of the year 1887 when we first saw Redlands. We were looking for a spot in which my sister Helen could live in comfort and there, we knew at once, we had found it. That was more than fifty-five years ago and there she still lives and carries on an active life.

Redlands of that time was an area against the rolling foothills from which the reddish soil which gave the place its name had washed down to form fertile areas. There it happened, was one of the choicest combinations of soil and climate for the growing of oranges in all California. And so during the next few years hundreds of acres were planted to orange orchards, for the first few years the trees being only frail twigs four or five feet high.

Today Redlands is famed the world over for the beauty of its orchards and streets and homes. Thousands of semi-tropical trees shade its streets and the choicest flowers and shrubbery are about its homes. The most humble as well as the palatial homes may have everything that is lovely in the floral world.

Which reminds me, that the storm of the past week played havoc in many California cities and Redlands did not entirely escape. It was estimated that at least 130 of the great pepper trees and towering palms which border Redlands streets were uprooted by the fierce bursts of wind which accompanied the torrential rains. For a day or two some of the streets were impassable, but the street department men out removing the fallen trees when I was there.

I naturally have a warm place in my heart for Redlands aside from the fact that it has been the home of my family for many years. Because, when Redlands was still an unnamed infant, my father and I were among those who recognized it as one of the choicest spots in all the west and my father, Dr. James P. Squires, was appointed by President Benjamin Harrison first postmaster of Redlands, which before that had no official recognition at all.

Yes, it is pleasant to go back once in a while and see the flowering of hopes which we once had some hand in starting on the way to fruition. I still think of Las Vegas in a way as the offspring of beautiful Redlands because we had something to do with the beginnings of both.

### FORMER AGE EMPLOYEE AGAIN SEES LAS VEGAS

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wilson of Reno are spending a few days in Las Vegas, at Hotel El Cortez. Mr. Wilson about ten years ago was advertising manager for the Las Vegas Age and now operates an advertising agency under his own name in Reno.

Mr. Wilson informs us that Harvey Buntin who was city editor of the Age when he was advertising manager, is now correspondent of the International News Service in Alaska, and that Selby Calkins who was a reporter for the Age at the same time and has since been editor of the Western Flying Magazine in Los Angeles, is now Captain Calkins, of the army air service.

## LAS VEGAS YOUTH BECOMES MARINE CORPS PARACHUTIST AT CAMP GILLESPIE



A 22-year-old Las Vegas youth, John M. Everitt, used to build airplanes for Lockheed Aircraft Company but today as a U. S. Marine Corps parachutist he jumps from airplanes for Uncle Sam.

Private First Class Everitt, son of John M. Everitt, Sr., of the Apache Hotel, sang opera four years before joining the Marines and his new duties are vastly different.

Everitt, pictured in the center of the three Marine 'chutists, was a tool engineer for Lockheed and joined the Marines recently. After taking his recruit training, learning the use of firearms, the

bayonet, battle tactics and drill, he joined the parachutists school at Camp Gillespie near San Diego. After a strenuous physical conditioning program, Everitt leaped from training towers many times before making his first jump from an airplane.

The Las Vegas Para-Marine is now awaiting duty with a parachute battalion of the Fleet Marine Force at the Camp Elliott training center near Las Vegas. Pictured with the Las Vegas Marine here are Private First Class William Galloway of Glendale, Pa., shown at left, and Private First Class Aaron F. Blough of Friedens, Pa., standing at right.

## University Women Plan Convention

The Nevada division of the American Association of University Women in Las Vegas is planning a state convention in Las Vegas in April. Definite plans will be made in March when the state president, Mrs. Forest Lovelock makes her official visit. At the last meeting of the Las Vegas branch held in the M. E. church Mrs. Harvey Stanford gave an outline of the meetings to be held the rest of the year. At the next meeting to be held Monday, Feb. 1, Leo McNamee will speak on the topic "Present Laws Regarding Women and Property in Nevada." The members of the Las Vegas Business and Professional Women will be guests.

## TRANSFUSION IN NEW GUINEA JUNGLE



NEW GUINEA—Behind the fighting line in the Buna sector of New Guinea, a transfusion of Red Cross blood plasma is being given to a wounded fighter by Lt. Robert J. Gilardi, of Pittsburgh, and Captain Arnold Neustadter (right), of Flushing, N. Y., in a portable emergency hospital. The container of sterile water and plasma in solution hangs from the tent roof. Many men badly wounded in battle have been saved through this method of transfusion practically on the spot. The army and navy have requested the Red Cross to secure four million pints of blood in 1943.

## BRITISH ADVANCE ON TRIPOLI



AFRICA—SOUNDPHOTO—This radiophoto from Cairo shows part of General Montgomery's army under fire from an Axis rear guard who fought a series of delaying actions as the British advanced on Tripoli. The rear guard actions failed to halt the English who entered the city on January 23.

## State Health Board Met In Las Vegas

Dr. Fredrica Keep, a member of the Nevada Health office of Reno spent last week in Las Vegas. Together with Dr. Edith Sappington, director of child welfare of San Francisco and Dr. Morgan, of the County Health office, she visited Overton and conferred with the doctors and nurses connected with the Vir-Mon Maternity hospital and also the members of the hospital board.

Dr. Keep's appointment as a member of the staff of the health office meets general approval as she had a most wonderful preparation for her work. She received her medical education in Vienna and did her interne work at the John Hopkins hospital in Baltimore, Md.

Dr. Keep is a sister of Miss Sam S. Arntz of Simpson, Nevada.

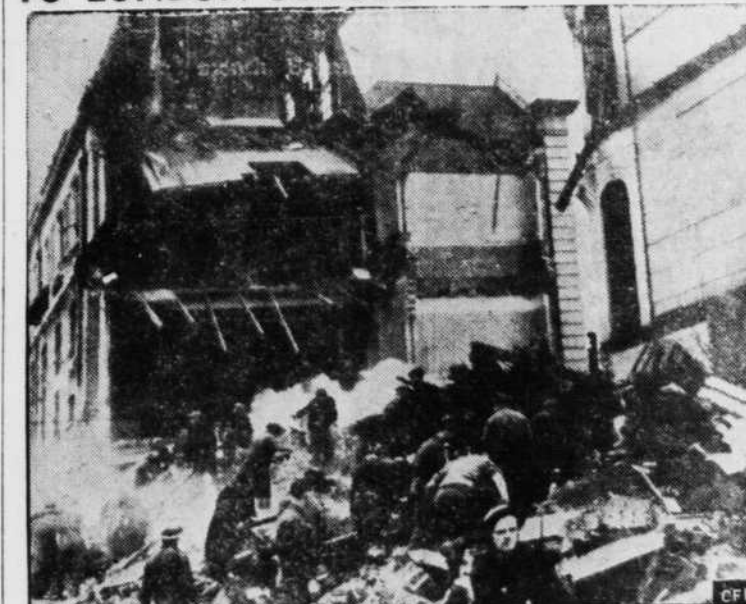
## Two Interesting Books In Library

Two books of especial interest to Nevadans who like to delve into early Nevada history have been ordered by the library board. One, which has arrived and is being circulated is "Desert Challenge" an interpretation of Nevada by Richard G. Lillard. It is neither a formal history nor a tourist guide but a richly documented interpretation of the rise of a unique state under the peculiar conditions of the sage brush desert.

The other book is "An Editor on the Comstock Lode" by Wells Drury.

As a gangling young newspaper reporter, Wells Drury lived through the whole incredible saga of Virginia City—the gun fights, the sudden fortunes, the friendships, the enmities and the turbulence of years of excitement never quite equalled before nor since. He knew and understood not only the important men but also rubbed elbows with lordly stage drivers, bar-flies, desperadoes and gun fighters, miners and all the riffraff of a mining camp and he brings them back to swaggering, violent, exciting life.

## GERMAN BOMBERS GET THROUGH TO LONDON SCHOOL



LONDON—Although incapable of breaking through London's anti-aircraft defenses to strike at any vital war objective, Nazi airmen were still able to unload their cargoes of death on defenseless schools and kill many children. In the most recent retaliatory raid it left this school in ruins. Rescue workers are looking for bodies. This is the first time London has been bombed in many months.—RADIOPHOTO.

## Vegas Man Appointed Senior Price Assistant State Office OPA

Appointment of E. L. Josephson, Las Vegas, as senior price assistant of the state office of price administration was announced today by Dr. Ernest L. Inwood, state price officer of OPA.

Josephson will take over his duties Thursday and will be located in the state OPA office at 123 South Main street.

"In view of the many pricing problems which are constantly arising in the Las Vegas area it has been considered advisable to have a representative of the price division to handle pricing problems exclusively located in Clark county," Dr. Inwood said in making the appointment announcement.

Lincoln county will also be under the jurisdiction of the new price representative.

Although recently in the insurance business, Josephson has had many years experience in retail and wholesale dry goods and food fields.

## Senator McCarran Will Visit Vegas

Word comes from Washington that Senator Pat McCarran will arrive in Las Vegas on the limited night of Monday, February first.

Mrs. McCarran is accompanying the Senator. They plan to remain here for several days while Senator McCarran investigates several matters needing the attention of Washington authorities.

## Deputy Supt. Office Moved To City Hall

Miss Margaret C. Snyder, the newly appointed deputy of public instruction for the Fifth District has moved her office from the County Recorder's office, where it has been housed for many years, to a room in the new city hall. The rent of this office (\$25 per month) is being paid by Clark county.

## Grant Wields Club For Dam Revenue

A measure was introduced in the state senate Monday which would prohibit the further payments to Clark County of \$60,000 of each \$300,000 check received from Boulder Dam revenue.

Archie C. Grant, Clark County assemblyman has taken up the struggle for Clark County and informed the senate judiciary committee that the money rightfully belongs to Clark County in lieu of taxes. Were the dam located in Washoe county the members would readily understand that probably even more than 20 per cent of the payments would rightfully belong to them and would begin to take measures to prove it.

## Books For Men In Service Needed

The drive for new, interesting current books for men in the armed forces has been dragging, according to reports from the committee chairman, Mrs. F. E. St. John.

Las Vegas residents have been asked to check over their book shelves and select some good books. The books will be gathered by the Red Cross Motor Corps and will become a part of the vast library for men in the armed forces who have asked for books.

Books may also be left in boxes at Ronzone's, Penny's Fanny's, the El Portal Theater and the Palace Theater.

## Spanish Classes To Start Monday

More than 65 registered Monday evening for the Spanish classes which will be given by the adult education committee of the P. T. A. Classes will be held on Monday and Wednesday evenings at 7:30 for at least an hour each time. The first class will begin next Monday at 7:30 p. m. in room 11 of the school. Other adults of the community who wish to register may do so this week at the office of the school superintendent. Enrollees will purchase their own books. A small fee will be charged for payment of the teacher.

## Vegas Boy Appointed To Naval Academy

Robert Cardinal, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cardinal, Gilmore dealer, has been named as principal for appointment to the Naval Academy at Annapolis by Senator Pat McCarran. He will enter the new class shortly.

While in the Las Vegas High School, from which he was graduated in 1942, he was active in sports and student affairs. He was senior class president, quarterback on the Wildcat football team, member of the student council and an honor student. Last fall he enrolled as a freshman at the University of Utah.

## M. E. MINISTER EDITS ELY RECORD

While Charles Russell is attending the 1943 session of the Nevada legislature his duties as editor of the Ely Record will be taken over by Rev. Laird V. Loveland, the pastor of the Methodist church.

He has been granted permission by the Methodist church board to assume this duty and thus aid in temporary work due to shortages of men in various professions.

## Mother Of Editor Dies At Redlands

Mrs. Emily Frances Squires, of 1015 West Palm Avenue, Redlands, widow of the late Dr. James P. Squires, died Sunday morning, January 24, following an illness of two and one-half years.

Funeral services were conducted on Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock from the E. E. Dow Memorial Chapel. Rev. Clarke E. Breeze, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Redlands, officiated and interment was made in Hillside Cemetery where she was laid by the side of her husband who died February 14, 1890.

The myriad of beautiful blossoms which filled the chapel gave evidence of the lasting friendships made by Mrs. Squires during her more than 55 years in Redlands.

Emily Frances Weller was born in Geneseo, N. Y., March 13, 1849, and would have been 94 years of age next March 13. She married Dr. James P. Squires in 1867 and they lived in Austin, Minn. until 1887 when they moved to California for the benefit of their daughter's health. Dr. and Mrs. Squires and their family were pioneer settlers of Redlands where the Doctor was active in the early business affairs of the little town which had but recently been brought into being. He was appointed its first postmaster but died before taking over his duties. Before the establishment of the Redlands post office the citizens had been obliged to receive their mail at Lugonia, a mile away.

Mrs. Squires has lived in the home on West Palm for over 40 years. She was a woman of a most friendly and social disposition, and a kind and loving mother. She delighted in her home and was noted far and wide for her perfection in everything pertaining to the culinary department of her home. She was also very artistic and the old home contains many lovely things created by her brush.

About two and a half years ago she suffered a stroke and since then has gradually failed. She was tenderly cared for by her daughter and son who lived with her. Death came as a blessed release from her sufferings.

She is survived by her daughter, Miss Helen E. Squires; a son, Dr. Victor H. Squires, both of Redlands and a step son, Charles P. Squires of Las Vegas, Nevada; three children of Dr. Victor H. Squires, Victor Jr.; Mary Jane and Richard and the children and grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Squires of Las Vegas. Also by a brother, Thomas C. Weller of Los Angeles and several nieces and nephews.

## Women Needed In Munitions Depot

There is an opportunity for women to work at a munitions depot near Reno, where some 700 to 800 are needed, according to J. P. Burns, manager of the United States employment service and war manpower commission office in Las Vegas.

Before migrating to other places to look for work, people should contact the office, says Burns, information as to work available and housing conditions can be obtained. Much of the present manpower problem is due to migration from point to point as a result of rumor.

## DAD ADMIRES NEWEST DUTCH PRINCESS



OTTAWA, CANADA—Prince Bernard poses proudly with his third daughter, Princess Margriet Francisca, born to Crown Princess Juliana of the Netherlands at the Civic Hospital in Ottawa, the first royalty ever born in North America. The hospital room in which the little princess was born was declared Netherlands Territory for the occasion by the Canadian Government.

## Big Flood Damages Carson City Region

(By Florence S. Boyer)

What a week! I suppose in the future it will be referred to as the week of the big flood. It started to rain last Tuesday night and kept it up all day Wednesday, Wednesday night and Thursday.

Damage was estimated at all the way from \$2,000 to \$20,000. I imagine that somewhere half way between those two extremes is about right. The drainage system proved totally inadequate, as it has been doing for a number of years. However, in other years there hasn't been nearly as much water to contend with. This time the culverts, and drainage ditches and pipes gave up early, and were soon washed out or covered with silt.

There isn't a street in town that isn't a sad wreck. The only way to get from one point to another is to drive down to the main street, and then up the east and west thoroughfare which goes nearest to your destination. There isn't a north and south street, excepting Carson, the main street, which can be traversed safely for as much as one block.

Basements all over town had water in them, in varying degrees. We were lucky, in that our basement is on the side of the house away from the flood, so we had no water. Our driveway had a pool about six inches deep, though, for a couple of days. The fire department was busy for one whole day pumping out the basements at the Supreme Court and Highway buildings. Many of the business houses had water in their basements and even on the first floors.

There was a great deal of damage done to various gardens around town. Taber's beautiful garden was covered with silt, and the curbing, trees and shrubs were washed out.

The Virginia and Truckee Railroad trains went into a culvert and has been there ever since. Highway employees from Reno noticed that the bridge over this particular culvert near Frankton appeared to have been damaged by the water, and called the V. and T. office upon arriving in Carson. Apparently little attention was paid to the warning, because the train from Reno plowed into it a couple of hours later. The engine got across alright, but the baggage and passenger cars are suspended in midair. Crews are busy constructing a shoofly around the wreck, but it will probably be several days yet before the track is in shape to carry another train. Meantime mail and freight and passengers are being transported by stage.

We have been told that residents of Stewart and Minden and Gardnerville are suffering from the cold as the result of oil shortage. There is oil waiting for them in Reno, but no railroad to transport it on. There has been no stage from Los Angeles since Thursday, due to damage to the California highway.

Reno suffered considerable damage as well as Carson City. One new residential district, near the airport, was covered with several feet of water. Residents were removed in boats. All over the city the lower portions were flooded, and numerous business houses damaged, as well as private homes.

Saturday and Sunday saw clearing weather, but we had more snow Monday, and it is still snowing lightly this morning. We hope the snow will remain snow, and not melt right away.

Outside of the weather, there has been very little excitement hereabouts. I note by a Reno paper that the Senate completed its business Monday morning in seven minutes, after a recess from Friday afternoon, but that something slowed down the Assembly so that they had to remain in session fifty minutes. Too bad.

I note that a bill has already been introduced to repeal the bill granting Clark county 20 per cent of the Boulder Dam payments. I can't understand arguments that claim the State is entitled to \$300,000.00 in lieu of taxation, but deny the same right to Clark county. Personally I doubt that sponsors of the measure have sufficient strength to force passage. Clark county has a strong delegation, and they have made some favorable alliances. The biggest pressure for repeal of the Boulder Dam revenue bill comes from Reno, which has long been the largest and most important city in the State. Seeing its position challenged, the city by the Truckee grasps frantically at any straw that might in some way hurt the challenger. A far sighted attitude would convince the "biggest little city" that whatever helps Las Vegas, or any other city in Nevada, is going to help Reno.