

# Boulder Dam: No. 4—BOULDER CITY THROWING OFF PAPIER MACHE

First Signs of Permanence Crop Up at Site of Dam Building.

BY ARTHUR MOORE Times Staff Correspondent

BOULDER CITY, Nev., Jan. 20.—In its evolution from construction camp to model city, Boulder City is just leaving a papier mache stage to enter an era of brick and plaster. The Six Companies, Inc., contractor for Boulder dam, has been a dominating influence on the town—and will continue to do so. Its buildings were built to last during the six years of dam construction—no longer. But along the top fringe of the town site, small homes of brick and stone are being completed to house United States employees.

After eight months' work on the dam, Boulder City is still in its building stage. Street grading has just been completed and there are few structures in the area set aside for independent concessions.

## Protest Exploitation

The reason, explains Walker R. Young, in charge of Boulder City as a reclamation bureau construction engineer, is that the government called for leases from its concessionaires only on Nov. 24. About thirty have been signed so far, and Young believes most of the 230 concessions granted for business will be acted upon.

Las Vegas business men, competing for a share of profits from the dam workers, predict most of the concessions will go unfilled, due to Six Companies' competition.

A strong element of Las Vegas business is firm in a stand that the Six Companies has revealed itself as an exploiter of its own workmen and as a potential monopolist of Boulder City trade. It issues scrip to workmen on their pay and to men arriving on the project broke—as most of them do who arrive.

The Six Companies explains its activities as "workers' welfare." "There is no other place for men to spend their money. We have to furnish them necessities and amusement," officials say.

## Gaming Rule Shattered

Much of the same language is used by Glenn E. (Bud) Bodell, Boulder City police chief, to explain why he sponsors and controls a poker game in the company clubhouse, in defiance of laws for the reservation as laid down by Ray Lyman Wilbur, secretary of the interior.

Bodell rules the morals and manners of the dam workers with a breezy confidence that he knows what is good for his wards. He works on a double theory—give the men something to do; crush out radicalism at the first whisper. The result is one of the most unusual police forces in the world. It is composed of ten uniformed United States marshals and thirty undercover men mingling as laborers on the job.

## Liquor Present Problem

In the clubhouse were a half dozen tables with about eight men at each one. Before every man was his company badge—insignia that he belongs in Boulder City. Beside his chips lay a written pass to the reservation—identification ready if any marshal should question his participation in the game. For only men with proof that they are Six Companies employees may play. Any man can bank the game so long as he can show sufficient reserve funds.

Liquor presents a bigger problem to Bodell and the marshals. "They'll drink anything—that's what makes the job so tough." He exhibited samples of confiscated liquor—patent medicines, tonics, rubbing alcohol, canned heat, even a face lotion.

Bodell's pride is his espionage system. He calls it "one of the most efficient I ever saw." He considers his constant war on radicals as the most important part of his job and boasts that he knows of every agitator on the job.

"We've got 'em spotted. Give 'em rope until they blab too much—then off the reservation they go."

## THE END

## 23 NAMES URGED FOR NEW NAVY DIRIGIBLE

Palo Alto, Cal., Has Edge, Backed by 11 Chambers of Commerce.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—Twenty-three names have been suggested for the ZRS-5, the navy's new dirigible now under construction.

One Governor, twelve senators, twenty-four representatives, seventeen Chambers of Commerce and two mayors have sent telegrams and letters on the subject to Secretary of Navy Adams.

The leading contestants appear to be Palo Alto, Cal., with eleven Chambers of Commerce and a Governor supporting it; Amarillo, Tex., with five senators and eight representatives; St. Louis, with numerous requests from all quarters; Cleveland, Hartford, Conn.; Winston-Salem, N. C.; Baltimore, and the state of Washington.

## COLDS

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The first dose of Laxa-Pirin halves the fever of colds, cures the headache, relieves the aches and pains, soothes the throat, loosens the phlegm and eases chest soreness in a way that is really astonishing.

Pinex is a highly concentrated compound of Norway Pine, containing the active agent of creosote, in a refined, palatable form. Nothing known in medicine is more helpful in cases of severe coughs and bronchial irritations. Do not accept a substitute for Pinex. It is guaranteed to give prompt relief or money refunded.

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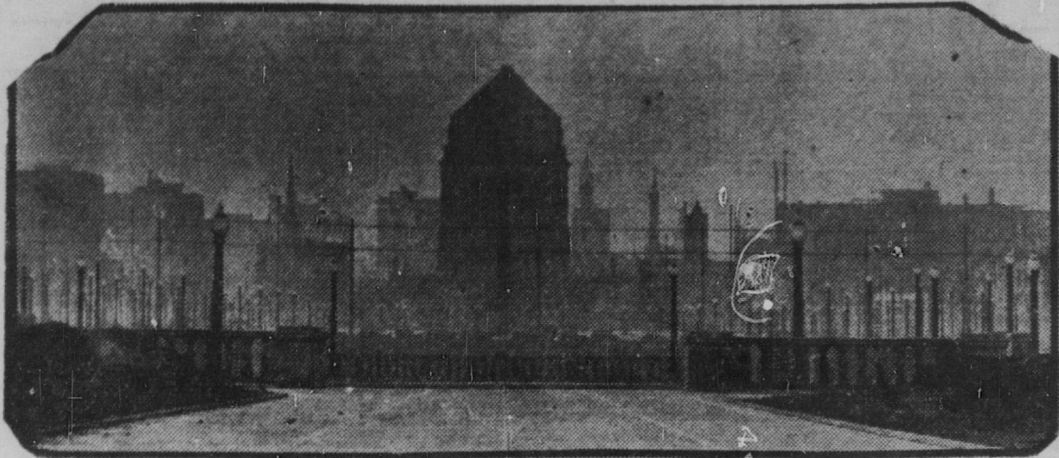
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# Smog Lays a Pall on the Mall



A forest of light poles abetted by an Indianapolis smog gives this view of the World War Memorial mall and the soldiers' and sailors' shrine.

The photo was taken from in front of the Indianapolis public library with the camera pointed to the south.

Factory smoke bombarding the skyline places the haze over the memorial. The Soldiers' and sailors' monument may be seen dimly in the background.

# AUTO TAG SALE AHEAD OF 1931

Receipts \$170,591 Greater, Mayr Reports.

The nation's bugaboo—depression—was on the receiving end of two attacks staged by state officials today. The first was the annual automobile license sale, which began at 9 o'clock this morning. The second was the annual tag sale, which began at 10 o'clock.

Frank Mayr Jr., secretary of state, announced that the state had collected \$170,591.25 in advance of last year. Mayr said total amount collected this year was \$1,110,429.95, as compared to \$929,838.70 for the same period in 1931.

At the same time Governor Harry G. Leslie urged thirty La Porte county farmers to "have confidence in American institutions."

The farmers were seeking road construction in their county to relieve unemployment conditions and were presented to Leslie by Senator Earl Rowley of La Porte.

"You can be assured no one in Indiana will suffer from cold and hunger this winter," Leslie said. "Do not lose your confidence in American institutions. The cause of 90 per cent of our bank failures can be laid to depositors."

## PROTEST ROAD CHANGE

67 Marshall County Residents Oppose No. 6 Rerouting.

Sixty-seven persons living on Road 6, west of Lapaz, Marshall county, appeared before the state highway commission today to protest proposed rerouting of the highway. Included in the representation was State Senator Earl C. Rowley, La Porte.

When the road was taken into the state system, a straight line route between Lapaz and Walker-ton was ordered. Since then, it was said, there has been agitation for a change. The protest was against this proposed alteration.

## DRUG ADDICT BEGS HELP FROM COURT

Tragic Plea Wins Order for Treatment in City Hospital.

Trembling and pleading, a 27-year-old man today begged Municipal Judge William H. Sheaffer to save him from the dope habit and insure the happiness of his wife and baby.

He is Lee Stotter of 1532 Park avenue, who was found unconscious on a west side street by police Tuesday afternoon.

Sheaffer's query of "What is the matter?" caused Stotter to break down and sob his plea for help. "For God's sake, help me," he pleaded. "I want to be cured. I want care. Send me somewhere where I'll get those things."

Pleads for Wife, Baby Police officers informed the court that the city hospital refused to accept Stotter for a long period. "I've got to have some help," Stotter continued. "I've been taking three grains of morphine a day for two years. I haven't been able to break the habit and at times I don't know what I'm doing or saying."

"I have a wife and little baby. For God's sake help me." Under Sheaffer's questioning, Stotter said he hitch-hikes weekly to Danville, Ind., to obtain the narcotic.

Sent to Hospital He told a tale of privation of food and clothing to himself in order to get the morphine. "Once in a while I work," he said. "But when I do I spend most of it for the stuff I've been taking."

"It's awful. Right now I'm so weak I can hardly stand here. Some one has to help me. Think of my family, please."

Sheaffer ordered Stotter taken to the city hospital until Jan. 28, when the court will rule on the vagrancy charge against the admitted dope addict.

Whooping Cough Fatal HARTFORD CITY, Ind., Jan. 20.—A four weeks' illness of whooping cough brought death to Betty June Dearduff, 2, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dearduff.

Asthma Made His Life a Burden Found Quick and Lasting Relief. Has Been Well Ever Since.

Sufferers from asthma and bronchial coughs will find unusual interest in a letter written by Joe. Thompson, Pittsboro, Ind. He says:

"I had asthma 7 years and a severe bronchial cough 12 years. It kept me and even my neighbors awake at night. I was confined to my bed at the time I tried Norval. But before I had finished one bottle I was able to go downtown. I improved steadily and am now feeling fine. Have had no cough and no asthma for over a year."

Hundreds of people who suffered for years from asthma and bronchial cough state that their trouble left and has not returned. Their letters and a booklet of vital information will be sent free by Nacor Medicine Co., 408 State Life Bldg., Indianapolis, Ind. Call or write for this free information and find out how thousands have found lasting relief.—Advertisement.

# THEY TELL ME

BY BEN STERN

LAFAYETTE, Ind., Jan. 20.—The old knife is being whetted and alliances cemented to do a little stabilizing when the new Second district organization is formed next May.

Principal object of the carving program is Tom McConnell, old Tenth chairman, who, aspires to head the new domain and who, from all accounts, is perfectly able to protect himself.

It seems that the faction centering about the office of Secretary of State Frank Mayr Jr. would like to see McConnell supplanted by some one more favorably disposed toward its cause, and has picked Hugh G. McMahan, Fulton county auditor.

McMahan declared at the district rally Tuesday night that he does not wish to be known as the candidate of any group or faction. "I am friendly to State Chairman Peters, but I do not believe that he should be identified with any group or back any candidacy," he declared, taking a little shot indirectly at Peters' partisanship of Paul V. McNutt.

Robert Codd, deputy secretary of state was on the spot to do his bit toward chipping at the McConnell foundation, but didn't seem to do much good.

Neither the Mayr crowd nor McConnell stands high with the Tippecanoe leaders. The reason, as usual, is patronage.

Mayor John Hudson, who, with his city chairman, Al Krasbe, maintains a pretty good hold on county affairs, insisted that Thomas Byrnes be named automobile license distributor. McConnell, listening to part of the county organization, recommended Bert Yocum, former county chairman; while Mayr and his boys, as if by precedent, went far afield and picked Mrs. Hetty Duncan, thus provoking the ire of all.

The boys at the city hall naturally resent McConnell's failure to

come along with them, but are much more bitter toward Mayr for ignoring their request.

Harry Schultz, the county chairman, and city attorney, provided the soothing syrup and ointment for the ruffled feelings and smooths his way. They say he is for McConnell.

The hope is that when reorganization takes place, Tippecanoe will be found in the McConnell column.

Of course, as you no doubt well know, the principal reason for the Mayr-Codd fight on Tom is because of his Peters-McNutt partisanship.

Wouldn't it be an awful laugh on that crowd, if, after succeeding in electing McMahan, they should learn that he had written McNutt, pledging his support?

# MINE TROUBLES TO BE AIRED AT UNION SESSIONS

Unemployment to Be Chief Concern of Meeting Here Next Week.

Unemployment problems, legislation to stabilize the coal industry and internal difficulties will be discussed when 1,000 delegates of the United Mine Workers of America begin their biennial international convention Tuesday in Tomlinson hall.

President John L. Lewis is expected to present recommended solutions for difficulties now besetting the industry. Several months ago he asked President Hoover to call a joint conference of miners and operators in an attempt to agree on some plan of action for the "demoralized industry."

Lewis, several weeks ago, told a congressional subcommittee that approximately 240,000 miners of this country are unemployed, and that work in the bituminous coal industry is inadequate to provide an American standard of living, even at the highest prevailing wages paid.

"In 1930, Illinois miners worked only an average of 156 days; Indiana miners, 157 days; Iowa, 155 days; Kentucky, 187 days; West Virginia, 204 days; Pennsylvania, 198 days, and the average for all coal mining states was only 187 days."

The union will introduce two bills before congress, introduced by Senator James J. Davis (Rep., Pa.) and Representative Clyde Kelly (Rep., Pa.), seeking to set up federal regulation of the bituminous industry, it was declared.

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# Probes Crime



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Seth W. Richardson, above, former buck private in the World War, has been chosen to make an investigation of crime conditions in Hawaii, following many reported attacks on women in Honolulu. He now is an assistant attorney-general.

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# ABDUCTORS ASK \$50,000 RANSOM

Denver Baker Kidnaped From Home.

By United Press DENVER, Jan. 20.—Benjamin P. Bower, manager of a Denver baking company, was held for \$50,000 ransom today after being kidnaped from his home.

Two men entered the Bower home late Tuesday night, menaced six persons with revolvers, and forced Bower to accompany them. They said Bower would be killed if the ransom is not paid by noon today.

The men told Mrs. Bower that Stephen Knight, one of the owners of the bakery, "could put up plenty of money for your husband's release."

Shortly after the kidnaping Roger D. Knight, vice-president of the company, received a telephone call. "I'm speaking for the same crowd that robbed your bakery the other night, and I want to tell you we have kidnaped Bower," a man's voice said.

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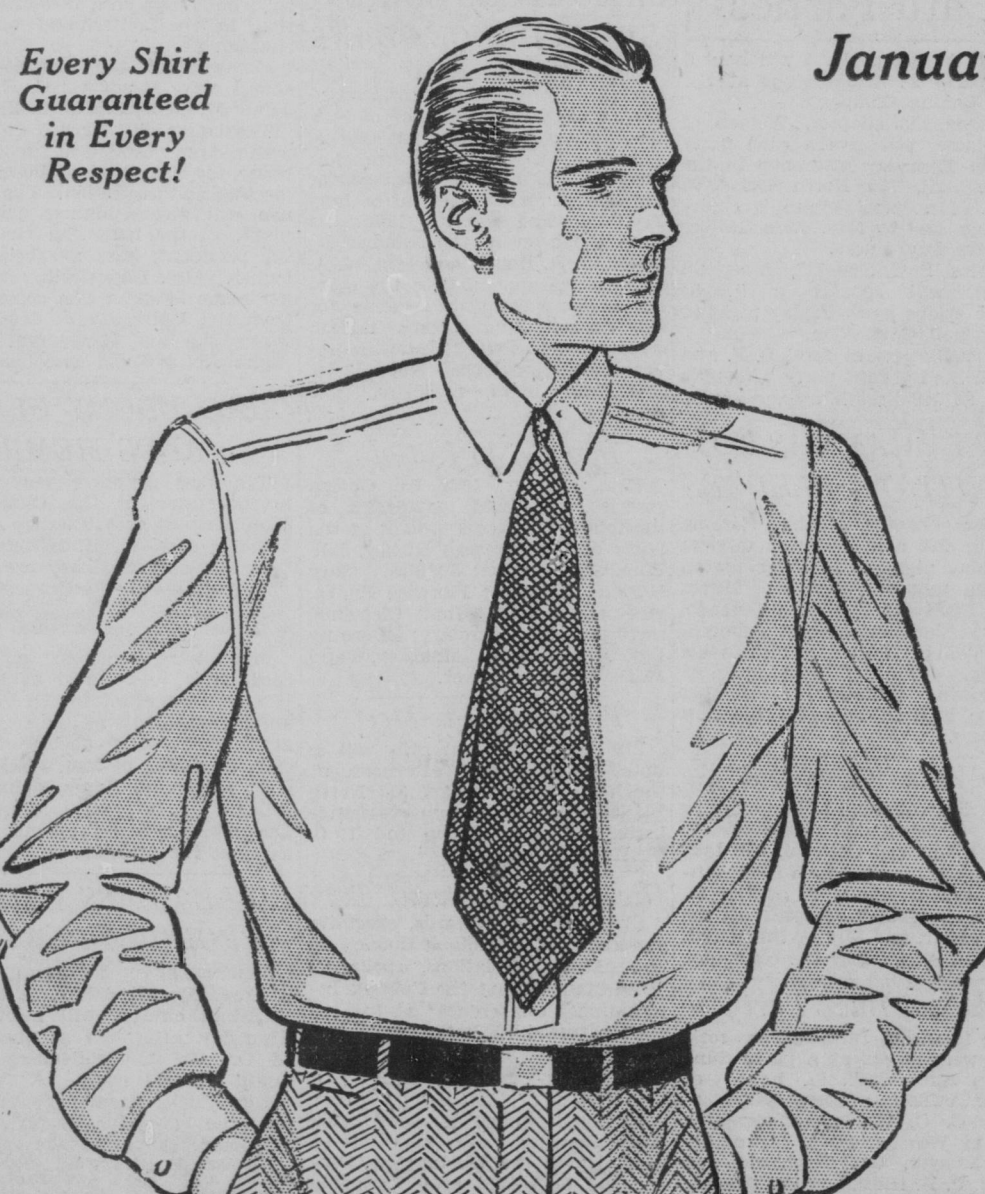
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