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ADVISORY BOARD IS TO BE APPOINTED

PIOCHE COMMERCIAL CLUB TAKES LEAD IN CAMPAIGN FOR STREET AND SIDEWALK BETTERMENT—A NEW ORDINANCE HAS BEEN DRAWN.

The creation of a town advisory board, consisting of three persons, which is to have general supervision of street and sidewalk improvements, is one of the matters to be brought before the board of county commissioners at its meeting next Monday.

The proposition will be presented to the commissioners in the form of a resolution from the Pioche Commercial Club, accompanied with the draft of an ordinance, amending existing Pioche town ordinances, relative to proper application of monies dispensed from the Pioche fire and town funds.

At the Commercial club gathering last Wednesday night, Chairman Carman of the board of county commissioners, told of some of the difficulties experienced by the commission relative to the expenditure of these funds—more particularly the Pioche town fund. He said that some of the streets of the town are in bad condition and apparently there is no one to look after them as they should be looked after.

Mr. Carman declared that he is aware, and other members of the board of commissioners are aware that money had been expended from the town fund from which the town really derived but little benefit and he thought something should be done to place the streets and sidewalks in control of a committee of citizens, in the hands of men who have the welfare of the city at heart. "I know of cases," declared Mr. Carman, "of where men had been employed by the day and paid for a day's work and yet they did not put in a day's work, simply because there has been no one to see that the work was always done. I don't know what to do; but this being a representative meeting of business men, I thought it a good time to bring the matter before the Commercial club."

ORR ON THE FLOOR

This brought William E. Orr to the floor, who explained that the statutes provide for the appointment of an advisory board. The town of Las Vegas, Mr. Orr stated, had taken advantage of this statute with the result that the town had been saved many thousands of dollars. For illustration, Mr. Orr spoke of the application made by the Las Vegas Water company for a franchise. "While the county commissioners of Clark county had given the matter attention and had taken some action relative thereto, they were not in position to scrutinize the proposition in the limited time which they had allotted to its consideration.

But the town advisory board stepped in, with the result that the water rates were cut in two and other changes were made, as the franchise was finally passed, which materially benefits the people of Las Vegas.

After some further discussion of the subject, a motion was carried unanimously, authorizing the president of the Commercial club to appoint a committee of three to draft the ordinance referred to for presentation to the board of governors of the club at a meeting to be held tonight. The committee named for this purpose consists of M. L. Lee, John R. Cook and Charles Lee Hersey.

The board of governors, in turn, will present the ordinance to the county commissioners with the names of three citizens who will be recommended for appointment to the advisory board.

KAHN A GOVERNOR

Owing to the departure from the district of James P. Gaskill, a vacancy was left on the board of governors and the place was filled by the election of Elias Kahn, proprietor of

the Leader Clothing store, who was chosen by acclamation.

LETTER OF APPRECIATION

The secretary was also instructed to draft a letter to F. A. Wann, general traffic manager of the Salt Lake Route expressing the appreciation of the Pioche Commercial club, and the citizens of Pioche in general, for the recent improvement in the train service inaugurated on the Callente & Pioche railroad.

LADIES' NIGHT PLANNED

The matter of having a "Ladies' Night" at the club was brought up and met with popular favor. A committee on arrangements was appointed consisting of Charles A. Thompson, C. R. Lamont and William E. Orr. This committee will report to the board of governors tonight. It is proposed to arrange an elaborate program for the occasion, the date of which will be announced later.

More than forty members attended the Wednesday night meeting and smoker.

DEALS IN REAL ESTATE.

A. W. Scott Disposes of Residence and Business Property.

Several deals in Pioche real estate were consummated this week. In one of them David Lemmon, superintendent of the Point mine of the Pioche Metal Mining company, appeared as the purchaser of a residence property on the west side of Main street owned by A. W. Scott. The property is just a little above and across the street from the Record office.

Mr. Scott has also disposed of the business property at the corner of Meadow Valley and Main streets to H. R. Loomis of New York. This is one of the best corners in town and it is to be hoped that Mr. Loomis will embellish it with a modern business block. There was some talk earlier in the year of making it the site for a hotel. Mr. Scott signified his willingness at the time to turn the property over to a company for a consideration of part cash and the balance in stock but when it came right down to business, he failed to come through and the scheme was dropped.

GOODSPRINGS MINES

SHIPPING ZINC ORE

Goodsprings is now shipping 30 tons a day of ore which averages 45 per cent zinc. It brings \$23 a ton at the railroad. When the reduction works at Owens Lake shall have been completed all of the ore which is now going to Kansas smelters will be sent there. Quite a difference, too, will be paid, as the Owens Lake plant will pay for the lead and silver in the ore, where now the miner gets only the price of the zinc at the Iola, Kan., smelter. In about a month the Owens Lake works will be finished. The district has been brighter since the advent of the Clark road. The Potosi mine has resumed work and has a number of men employed. Searchlight Bulletin.

LEASERS WORKING IN MINES AT DELAMAR.

It is understood that several leases have been let by the receiver of the Bamberger-Delamar mine at Delamar and that they are shipping ore to the Salt Lake smelters which nets a fairly good profit.

Ernest H. Green is also working a force of men in the property of which he is manager and promises to put on more miners before the end of the year.

The receipts of gold bullion at Salt Lake from the Bamberger-Delamar mine for the month of November are reported to have been \$80,000.

HAULING ORE FROM THE PRINCE CONSOLIDATED MINE

Notwithstanding the bad condition of the road occasioned by the recent storms, teams have been kept busy hauling ore from the Prince Consolidated mine. The teams have been bringing over 50 tons of manganese ore per day.

CHANGE IN MANAGEMENT BRISTOL CON. REPORTED

Rumors have reached Pioche, but which have not been confirmed, that W. C. Brace has retired from the management of the Bristol Consolidated mine and that eastern shareholders are awakening to the fact that it is about time to do something toward placing the Bristol mine on the active list again. The mine has been operated in a desultory sort of a way it is recognized as being one of the most valuable mining propositions in this camp.

Manager Brace has visited the district only once in a year and at no time has the company employed more than a few men. A few leasers have been at work and they have shipped quite a little ore from which the company has realized a royalty.

During his visit to camp several months ago, Mr. Brace gave out the information that the Bristol Consolidated was about ready to launch a very active campaign of development and ore extraction and

that among the improvements to be made this year was the construction of an aerial tramway over the Jack Rabbit range, which would remove the present difficulties of transportation. But the year is drawing to a close; nothing has materialized so far to indicate that the company meant business under the management of Mr. Brace.

Engineers who have visited and inspected the Bristol Consolidated have reported immense bodies of developed ore of a splendid marketable grade; yet little effort has been made to make use of these resources and give shareholders a show.

It is an outrage that the Bristol Consolidated is idle and a change would be welcome to many of the local shareholders. By rights, the Bristol Consolidated and Day mines, the latter the property of the Nevada Utah company, should be operated and controlled by one company and it is just possible that something of the kind will be brought about sometime.

MR. GASKILL LEAVES.

Has Been Manager of Nevada Utah Mines For Several Years.

James P. Gaskill, who for several years has filled the position of general manager of the Nevada Utah Mines & Smelters corporation, departed for the north yesterday afternoon. After cleaning up some matters for the company at Frisco and Bingham, where Nevada Utah owns property, he will sever his connection with the corporation altogether.

During their stay here, Mr. Gaskill and family won the confidence and esteem of a large circle of friends and their departure is keenly regretted.

As manager of Nevada Utah, Mr. Gaskill made a good record, and the work performed at the Day mine at Jack Rabbit, where he accomplished a tremendous reduction in operating costs, is an example of his skill as a mine manager. Notwithstanding that he had to contend with arbitrary treatment from the smelters in recent months, considerable profit was realized from the low grade ores at the Day.

Just what his plans are for the future, Mr. Gaskill was not prepared to say when he went aboard the train yesterday afternoon.

ELY VALLEY TO GAIN MORE DEPTH IN SHAFT

The Ely Valley company, in pursuant to recommendations made by Manager Thomarson to English shareholders sometime ago, began sinking the shaft to the 500-foot point this week.

While the company has devoted much time and energy toward the exploitation of the 300-foot level, and has opened up some large bodies of low grade ore there, Manager Thomarson is convinced that a little more depth will reveal the presence of some extensive bodies of high grade.

CENTENNIAL PIOCHE SHAFT GOING DOWN

Development work is progressing about as usual at the Centennial Pioche property, of which Murray C. Godbe of Salt Lake is manager. Superintendent Lloyd reports that the shaft has attained the depth of 325 feet and that the bottom now shows a mineralized limestone formation.

Mr. Lloyd believes that the Centennial is destined to become one of the winners of the Princeton side of the district.

MILLING PLANT FOR THE POORMAN PROPERTY.

Frank A. Lamont, the leaser of the Poorman mine, have purchased a stamp mill from Fairbanks, Morse & company of Salt Lake and advices have been received to the effect that the plant has been shipped. It will have a capacity for the treatment of from 10 to 20 tons of ore per day. The leasers have installed a horse wheel and are working a force of seven men in the mine.

Mr. Frank has decided to close his assay office in town and move it over to the mine. He is also going to make his home right at the works and devote his entire attention, along with Mr. Lamont, to making a success of their undertaking, which they surely will.

There is lots of good ore in the Poorman and Messrs. Frank & Lamont are going to get it out.

PUSHING WORK IN THE PIOCHE METALS SHAFT.

Superintendent David Lemmon of the Point mine of the Pioche Metals Mining company has work well under way in that shaft. He is raising from the 100-foot level to the surface. Several sets of timbers have been put in and things are in shape now so that rapid progress can be made.

Mr. Lemmon presented the Pioche Commercial club with an elegant specimen of ore from the Point mine this week. It contains almost a complete combination of the several metals and the piece is highly prized by members of the club organization.

SCOTT MINES SHAREHOLDERS TO MEET IN SALT LAKE.

A meeting of stockholders of the Scott Mines company is to be held at Salt Lake on the 14th inst. at which time, it is understood, an effort will be made to bring about a change of management. A. W. Scott, the present manager, is at odds with stern stockholders of the company and the latter claim to have enough proxies to give them control.

FIRE AT DELAMAR.

Bamberger-Delamar Office and Piles of Wood Go Up in Smoke.

Deputy Sheriff Jake Johnson has received a letter from Delamar containing the information that the office building of the defunct Bamber-Delamar Mines company, also 4,000 cord of wood, were recently destroyed by fire. The origin of the blaze was not stated.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS TO STUDY FARMING

UNIQUE PLAN TO DETERMINE WORTH OF SOILS NEAR PANACA—EXPERIMENTS TO BE MADE WITH DRY BENCH LAND—ASSOCIATION FORMED.

PANACA, Dec. 3.—The pupils of Lincoln High school have embarked upon an experiment which is certainly unique and which bids fair to have no less than a plan to test the availability of bench land of this region for the purpose of dry farming. They have already cleared and prepared two acres on second or high bench east of Panaca and they propose to prepare a like plot on the lower bench. These will be plowed as soon as possible in order to conserve the winter moisture and in the spring the ground will be harrowed, fenced and planted to a variety of crops. About the same methods will be employed and the same crops planted on the two pieces and a comparison will thus be made between the high and low land. The object is not so much to make a profit, as to gain experimental knowledge of soils, crops and conditions.

ACRES OF BENCH LANDS

There are thousands of acres of bench lands in this county, and if the experiment is successful, larger plots will be taken next year, and doubtless many citizens of the county will be induced to form on a larger scale and to give up the idea of confining their efforts to irrigated land. Several agriculturists of Panaca have already made a success of dry farming with certain crops at various points in the mountain valleys, but this will be the first attempt by any school in this region, or perhaps in the state to obtain a wide range of experimental results. The citizens of Panaca are taking a deep interest in the movement which may result in a considerable influx of settlers when the results become known.

STUDENT FARM OFFICERS.

The officers of students Dry Farming club are: Washington Edwards, president; M. O. Graves, director; Miss Edna Wadsworth, secretary; Miss Sue Heaps, treasurer.

It will be noted from the above that the boys like all good farmers, have admitted the girls to an equal share in the hazards and profits of the enterprise. The boys furnish the muscle and the girls furnish the grub, while both furnish the appetite.

Many good times are looked for while the young people are engaged in the pursuit of knowledge in this very practical manner.

Why should not Lincoln High become the agricultural and mining college of eastern Nevada as well as the high and normal school?

STEAM UP AT CON. PIOCHE NO. 1. SHAFT.

Consolidated Pioche No. 1 shaft is under steam again. Orders were received from New York early in the week to put a force of men on there to do sufficient work to count on the annual assessment for the several unpatented claims included in the Consolidated properties. The instructions came to Manager James P. Gaskill from the Nevada Utah offices, who installed S. F. Whitney as engineer and put on a force of five miners.

The work will probably continue for thirty days by which time it is expected the plans of the Consolidated company will have been announced.

Beginning with this morning, William Loyd, superintendent of the Prince Consolidated, will direct the work at No. 1. Mr. Gaskill having left yesterday for Beaver county and Bingham, Utah, to look after Nevada Utah interests, prior to severing his connection with the latter, which, it is understood, is to occur January 1.