

EMPIRE BUILDERS

Yuma Sun Enthusies Over Great Progress Made by Imperial County Folk in Developing Desert.

(Yuma Morning Sun.)

Since Yuma has been stirred, somewhat recently, by a good roads agitation and a proposition to issue bonds for the building of roads, it is well to look across the river and see what our neighbors in California are doing in that line.

Recently the Board of Supervisors of Imperial county appointed a committee of experts to look into the road situation and suggest what could be done to better the roads.

They also suggested that the county issue bonds to the full limit of their taxing power, which is 5 per cent. of their assessed valuation, permitting a bond issue of \$474,500.00, for the purpose of building the roads suggested and carrying out their scheme of road building.

The board of supervisors have called the bond election and we on this side of the river will watch with interest this road-building campaign.

NEARLY LOST HIS LIFE.

It appears that loss of life was narrowly averted in the burning of the Hodges hotel and saloon at Mexicali last week. George Hodges, who was employed by his brother, owner of the building, attempted to save some valuables after the building was well ablaze.

FARR NOT A CANDIDATE.

Attorney F. C. Farr, of Imperial, who received the endorsement of the Democrats of Imperial County in a recent mass meeting for the nomination for Congressman from the Eighth District, has issued a public letter in which he thanks the Democrats of this county for their support but states that he cannot make the race on account of legal demands and the financial sacrifice which would be necessary to make the proper canvas and which he could ill afford.

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WESTMORELAND'S SCHOOL.

May Vote Bonds for Erection of Four Room Building.

As the result of a meeting of the school trustees of the Westmorland district, held Wednesday evening, it is probable that a vote will be taken by the electors of the district on a proposal to issue \$6,000 in bonds for a schoolhouse, says the Brawley News.

The trustees are George Biles, chairman; A. J. Hillhouse, clerk, and C. F. Bozart.

SIXTY-EIGHT PUPILS QUALIFY.

Grammar Schools of Imperial Valley To Furnish Many Freshmen

Imperial Valley grammar schools will furnish sixty-eight freshmen for the valley high schools at the opening of next school year. Out of the 114 pupils taking the examination for entrance to ninth grade studies, sixty-eight were successful.

The following districts have new candidates for entrance as freshmen as indicated:

Adair, three; Brawley, seven; Calexico, eight; East Side, one; El Centro, fourteen; Elder, four; Eucalyptus, one; Heber, three; Holtville, four; Imperial, fourteen; Jasper, one; Silsbee, one; Alamitos, one; Mt. Signal, two; Date, two; Wideawake, two.

All of the pupils who took the examinations from the districts of Adair, Calexico, Elder, Eucalyptus, Mt. Signal and Wideawake passed the required percentage.

An investigation shows that many of the pupils in the country districts who passed the examinations will enroll themselves in the Central Union High School at El Centro next fall.

SIPHON SHAFT COMPLETED.

The shaft on the Arizona side for the siphon to carry waters under the Colorado River at Yuma was completed last week. The solid casing of concrete is down to a depth of 130 feet, where it rests on a base of solid sandstone.

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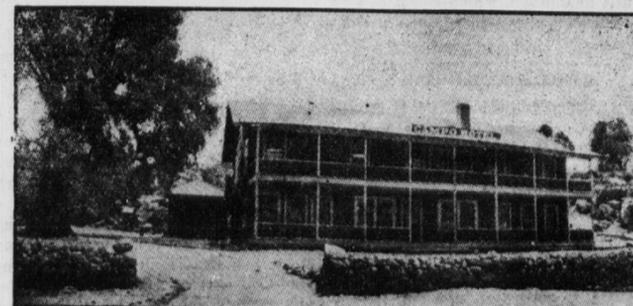
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