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EX-SEN. MARCUS A. SMITH SPEAKS AT LEGISLATURE

Ex-Senator Marcus A. Smith of Arizona delivered what he declared to be his valedictory speech in the senate at Phoenix on Friday afternoon of last week. He said that:

"I addressed the General Assembly of the State of Arizona on one previous occasion and that was when I was unanimously elected to the United States Senate. I have now been called upon to deliver my valedictory."

"I have always been an optimist but no man can tell what is liable to happen in the present condition in which the United States is in, and I am not holding any political party responsible."

"The time is here when every man who is a member of the legislature must do for the state what he does for himself as an individual—cut his expenses to the bone. Any man has the right to give away his own money but no man has the right to give away the money of the state."

"I feel like giving advice to the younger men and that is: Don't select a life of service to the public unless you keep your eyes fastened on the star of honesty, integrity and service to the people at all times. If you do so you will deserve, whether you receive it or not, the commendation of every honest man."

"No matter how hard you may try you cannot do what everybody wants you to do and the wider your field the more opportunities there will be to disappoint people."

"I am delivering my valedictory address. I have no lingering regret. I bear no malice and have no man to get even with. So I say to you that in serving the people you will gain nothing through injuring your state. It makes no difference whether you serve one session or 10 sessions, your party will never gain anything if the state is injured."

"As for myself I can truthfully say that I have never sought personal aggrandizement, or personal advantage at the cost of the people. I have always done what I believed was in the best interest of my country. I say this as a valedictory speech as it is probable that I will never again make a speech in Arizona."

"Referring to congress and the national government, Senator Smith said that:

"I had wanted above all else during my career to have the dam built across the Gila. It was impossible to get individual appropriation for irrigation projects through the congress. The only opportunity that Arizona had of getting the projects built was by an appropriation of three or four million dollars which would be apportioned among several states."

"Even the western and irrigation states are opposed to Arizona getting any more appropriations as we have secured twenty million dollars now to their three or four millions."

"Referring to the old days, he said: "No man has a more tender spot in his heart for the old territory—if you will permit me to call it such. The old timers are nearly all gone, a couple in Tucson, a few in Prescott and a few in Phoenix. They are all passing on. If you younger men will be as true to the state as they were to the territory, Arizona will take the place where she belongs as the greatest state in the union."

"The Grand Canyon of the Colorado is the greatest wonder in the world and I have often told senators when they told of the beauties of the parks in Wyoming, Colorado and other states that their parks could not be hung like tapestries on the walls of the Grand Canyon without ruining its beauty."

"In conclusion I wish to say that no dishonest penny has ever been received by me, my friends think I am honest and I think so too."

"Be partisan, I believe in party government. If God ever made a democrat who has gone down the middle of the road I am that man. But be for your state first."

Grist Gathered at the Court House

The March jury session of the Superior Court will convene on next Monday morning with the Hon. W. R. Chambers, Judge of the Superior Court of Graham County, presiding. Judge Laine in turn will preside over the Superior Court of Graham county on next Monday. One criminal case and several civil cases will go to trial on next week at the conclusion of which the jury will be excused until the first Monday in April at which time several more civil cases will be tried.

Sheriff Bradberry has made his return of service on the following named jurors: James Cocking, W. C. Zimmerman, J. G. Hicks, J. H. Creedy, Waide Harris, Andrew Lefler, J. A. MacLeay, Frank Davis, J. R. Robba, B. A. Wilson, Will Laney, George Younger, Gus Burcher, J. B. Simms, Chas. S. Beck, Norman C. Hardy, L. J. Owen, John C. Cosper, M. A. Robertson, E. B. Packer, Dewitt McWilliams, H. K. Mortensen, T. J. Hunt, Fred E. Johnson, W. R. Stevens, H. Albert, W. E. McDowell, King Sloan, John D. Williams, Arthur Crowfoot, Jesse Simmons, J. R. Bowie, Jr., Clark Young, A. N. Livvix, Cliff Cosper, Thos. Moon, Chas. D. Hale, John K. Clifton, G. W. Harriman, I. B. Gale, W. L. Keppler, W. L. Neel, David Campbell, Jr., J. A. Faul, Eugene McGrath, Adam Knapp, H. K. Grimes, W. J. Walters, Chas. Harris, O. O. McDowell, W. T. Hall, Erick Moler.

On last Monday Miss Olive A. Pixley, Naturalization Examiner with headquarters at Los Angeles, heard several petitions for naturalization in the Superior Court and the following persons were granted final citizenship: Sydney Stickland, a subject of Great Britain, Ole Hazen, a subject of Norway, and Oscar Leonard Lindquist, a subject of Sweden. Several other cases were continued until the September hearing on account of non-appearance. Miss Pixley enjoys the distinction of being one of the two lady Naturalization Examiners employed in the United States and has been with the Government for the past four years, being head office Examiner at Los Angeles, and examining in the territory of Southern California.

C. E. Hull, Administrator of the estate of Albert Ystad, deceased, was this week granted a decree settling the account of said estate and decree of distribution.

Agreement—
C. F. Hill, et al., and Greenlee County Fair Commissioner.
Satisfaction of Mortgages—
Border Mortgage Company to C. F. and J. W. Hill.
Gertrude S. Romney to Edward Lunt.
First National Bank, to J. H. McHenry.
Peoples Bank and Trust Company, to P. Anderson, et al.
Peoples Bank and Trust Company, to Sam Tilley et al.
Peoples Bank and Trust Company, to Mauricio C. Samora, et al.
Peoples Bank and Trust Company, to C. M. Quinn, et al.
The Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company, to Richard Stephens, et al.
Warranty Deed—
C. F. Hill et al. to Greenlee County, Arizona.
Conditional Sale—
R. D. Reper Motor Company to Charlton Jay.
United States Army Discharge—
U. S. A. to Lloyd V. Potter.
U. S. A. to James Campbell.
Chattel Mortgage—
M. J. Mansour, to The United Loan Auto Company.
Proof of Labor—
On Willow Springs by W. F. Willis.
Bills of Sale—
W. J. Collins, Treasurer to John Salerni.
D. V. Beal to Ramon Rodriguez.
Receipt—
The Board of Supervisors to Greenlee County Highway Commission.
The County Engineer, to Greenlee County Highway Commission.

HOOVER CONDUCTS FORESTRY ENGINEER HEARING AT PHOENIX COLORADO PROJECT TO START WORK

PHOENIX, March 15—Herbert Hoover, secretary of commerce and chairman of the Colorado river commission, arrived in this city today as the government's representative. He will open the first of a series of hearings this afternoon. Discussion of proposed development of the Colorado river will be the main order of business.

At 10 o'clock Thursday morning, Mr. Hoover will address the state legislature in joint session in the house in the state capitol. The commission then will resume its hearings in the federal court rooms at 11 o'clock and will take a recess at 12 o'clock for lunch, convening again at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. The hearings on Friday will begin at 10 o'clock in the morning and, if possible, the commission will close its hearings in Phoenix at noon Friday. Unless necessary, no hearings will be held at night by the commission, Mr. Norvell said yesterday.

On Friday afternoon, it is the plan of Mr. Norvell to take Mr. Hoover and his party and the members of the commission for an automobile tour of the valley. Mr. Hoover and his party and the commission will leave Phoenix either over the Southern Pacific or the Santa Fe for Los Angeles shortly after 6 o'clock Friday evening.

The hearings of the commission before Mr. Hoover in Phoenix will be limited to problems concerning the apportionment of the waters of the river and the rights of the several states to the same. Mr. Hoover, he said, desires to learn what uses each of the states will make of the waters and what concessions if any they will grant to the other states. The states in the Colorado river basin, each of which has a representative in the commission, are Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, Nevada, California, Utah and Wyoming.

Governor Thomas E. Campbell will address the commission on the problems of the Colorado river this afternoon.

Governor Meacham of New Mexico will probably be heard before the commission on problems of his state.

Mr. Hoover and the commission may make a one day stop either on March 18 or March 20, in the Imperial valley after leaving Phoenix. The hearings in Los Angeles have been scheduled for March 21 and 22 and the hearings in Salt Lake City for March 27 and 28, and the last hearings in Denver on March 30 and 31. During the interim after leaving Phoenix on March 17 and arriving in Salt Lake City on March 28, Mr. Hoover and the commission may make a trip through the Boulder canyon on the Colorado river by boat and make an inspection of the site for the proposed Boulder canyon dam.

The chamber of commerce has been notified that members wishing to appear before Herbert Hoover at the Colorado river hearing must give notice and each will be allowed 30 minutes. Mr. Hoover desires to have the speakers confine their remarks and suggestions for the division of the waters of the Colorado river. Members of the chamber are urged to notify the secretary immediately so that application can be made to W. S. Norvell, state water commissioner and member of the Colorado river commission. Mr. Norvell's letter, which gives more details regarding the hearing is given herewith:

"It is the desired of Hon. Herbert Hoover chairman of the Colorado river commission, that those who are interested in the problems of the Colorado river be given an opportunity to express their views before the commission at the hearing to be held in the federal court room."

"It is also the desire of Mr. Hoover that the speakers confine their discussions principally to the rights of the several states in the partition or division of the waters of the stream system."

FORESTRY ENGINEER ARRIVES IN CLIFTON COLORADO PROJECT TO START WORK

On Thursday of this week there arrived in Clifton a corps of Forest Highway Engineers, under the Federal Department of Public Roads, from the Albuquerque office, who will have charge of the engineering work on the final link in the Clifton-Springerville Highway, through the Apache National Forest, a distance of forty four miles.

The corps is in charge of Mr. W. R. F. Wallace, chief engineer, and the personnel includes Messrs. Weg Cooper, A. J. Chaifant, G. J. George, Ted Perrin, C. R. Brashears, and C. W. Outland.

The party drove into Clifton with two trucks and an auto carrying their field equipment and Friday was spent in getting together supplies for the camp and engaging a cook. On Saturday they departed for Pine Flat over the Springerville road where Coter & Black, the successful bidders on this link, were in receipt of this week of their formal contract with the Department of Agriculture which they signed, and accompanied by the required surety bond, was returned to Washington for formal and final approval. Notice of approval is expected early next week when actual work will be started.

R. S. Black, of the contracting firm will be in charge of the construction and the time limit for the completion of the forty four miles is four hundred working days. Mr. Black is confident that the highway will be completed within the specified time and is the present plan to begin construction at both ends of the link. The first part of the construction in the vicinity of Rose Peak will be heavy rock work, but the work on the major portion of the new link will be done with teams. Approximately forty men will be employed in the beginning and the wages paid will be the prevailing industrial wages of the district for similar work.

Mr. Weg Cooper, with the engineering corps, was at one time a resident of Clifton, in the earlier days, as an employee of The Arizona Copper Company, and had charge of the old blue stone plant adjoining the leacher. He was happily engaged on Friday in renewing old acquaintances and engaging in pleasant reminiscences.

The Clifton-Springerville Forest Highway, upon which construction of the last link is about to be started, had its inception about six years ago, following the passage of a law through Congress providing for co-operative construction between communities and the forestry department. The Clifton-Springerville Highway was the first project authorized under this bill and the first survey of the route was made five years ago. The route has been completed a distance of forty miles from Clifton into the forest and the present link about to be started will complete it to a connection with Springerville.

Leaving Clifton the highway winds its way through Chase Creek Canyon with scenery unsurpassed in the state outside of the Grand Canyon. The pine belt is reached at Pine Flat and from then on the road traverses the beautiful and picturesque Apache National Forest. The Clifton-Springerville Highway will prove an attractive route to tourists and in addition will provide the second north and south intrastate highway.

SENATOR H. A. ELLIOTT IS TAKING LEAD FOR ECONOMY

A saving to the state of a \$1,300,000 would result from the enactment of the financial code and the general appropriation bill, which were introduced in the Legislature at Phoenix on Wednesday of this week.

Slashes in proposed expenses for the year commencing next July 1, total \$831,000, while a saving of an additional \$500,000 is contemplated in the financial code.

The new financial code changes no salaries, but proposes economies in administration by providing for a general tightening up of the present financial system. It repeals 179 statutory or continuing appropriations and deprives officials and boards of all power to commit the state to indebtedness beyond that prescribed in general appropriation bills.

It sets forth that all expenses of all state agencies shall be paid out of the general fund and further provides that receipts and fees of all state agencies shall be paid into the general fund.

It prohibits all activities which shall create debts or deficits in excess of appropriations and provides penalties for violation of any of these provisions. Each such violation is a misdemeanor.

The code was introduced into the Senate by Senator Elliott of Greenlee county and in the house by Representative Cobbe.

Six of the constitutional amendments proposed by the Arizona Industrial Congress now are ready to be placed on the ballot for submission to the people. Passed by both houses of the legislature and sent to the governor, they were transmitted this week to the secretary of state. A seventh amendment, Senate Bill 15, proposing amendment of the initiative and referendum provision of the constitution still is in the hands of the standing committee of the house, and is expected to be reported out tomorrow.

The six amendments had been sent to Governor Campbell several days ago but were held by him until yesterday because of a doubt of the necessity of action upon them by him. The matter was referred to the attorney general, who, in an opinion today, stated that inasmuch as they were not subject to the veto power of the governor, his approval of them was not required.

When the amendments will be placed on the ballot hinges on the fate of Senate Bill 38, by Senator Stoddard. This measure, providing for a vote on the constitutional amendments, was up for final action today, and failed to obtain the necessary two-thirds to carry the emergency clause. Stoddard changed his vote to nay for the purpose of moving a reconsideration.

The senate received a letter from Assistant Secretary of War Wainwright in response to a memorial urging retention of troops at Fort Apache stating that a reduction of the army posts where troops were not needed. Therefore, he said, Apache troops will be transferred to Fort Huachuca as part of the border guard which now is inadequate.

Senator Larson on Thursday renewed his attack on the motives of the Arizona Industrial congress. Explaining his vote on the bill for farmer's co-operative marketing association, he declared, "When it is said the constitutional amendments come from the Arizona Industrial congress the truth is not being told, if reference is made to its eight thousand members. Not one of the members know anything about what the heads of the organization are doing."

The bill under discussion later was passed by a vote of 13 to 6.

The committee of the whole today recommended defeat for the Burton bill, to raise the governor's pay from six thousand five hundred to twelve thousand dollars a year. Senator Sims moved to have the bill amended so that any senator voting for it would be eligible for the office of governor. This motion later was withdrawn. Commenting on the bill, Senator Stoddard remarked, "It is an absolute disgrace for this legislature to be trying to raise salaries when we are striving for economy."

Representative Cobbe introduced in the house a bill to amend the law concerning marriage and divorce so that persons wishing to wed may apply to any justice of the peace for a license. He said the existing law requiring parties to appear at the license bureau in the county seat works a hardship on poor persons.

Burton in Air
The ire of Senator Burton of Yavapai was aroused during consideration of the banking code yesterday afternoon when numerous amendments were offered in addition to many already proposed.

"It is a dirty outrage," declared Mr. Burton, sponsor of the code. "Here is a bill which has been prepared by the leading bankers of the state assisted by the bank examiner. We who know nothing about it have been

Norman Carmichael Elected Director of Phelps Dodge Corp.

Word was received in Clifton this week that Norman Carmichael, formerly General Manager of The Arizona Copper Company Ltd., with headquarters in Clifton, had recently been elected a member of the Board of Directors of Phelps Dodge Corporation. In addition to his duties as a director of the corporation Mr. Carmichael was recently appointed as consulting engineer for Phelps Dodge Corporation, for the Clifton-Morenci district.

Mr. Carmichael will have his office in New York and will make frequent visits to this district in the capacity of consulting engineer and director.

The election of Mr. Carmichael to be a director of Phelps-Dodge Corporation is in pursuance with the agreement made at the time of the purchase of the holdings of The Arizona Copper Co. Ltd., which provided that the stockholders of The Arizona Copper Co. Ltd., should be represented on the Phelps Dodge directorate with one director.

Mr. and Mrs. Carmichael have been visiting in El Paso this week following a two months vacation on the Pacific coast. They expect to arrive in New York, where Mr. Carmichael will assume his new duties, on April 1.

BROUGHT TO CLIFTON FOR BURIAL
The remains of Joseph Casarez, a former resident of Clifton and who was for sometime delivery clerk for Becker Franz Co., arrived in Clifton Tuesday night from Chicago for interment in the local cemetery. The remains were accompanied by Santiago Rodriguez. Casarez was shot to death by a Mexican as the result of a quarrel following a card game.

PEOPLE OF OUR TOWN



The Merchant is wondering, if there ain't no Hell, where his Business has gone to. The Poorer it gets, the Less he Advertises, and the Less he Advertises, the Poorer it gets. How long will it take Him to get Busted at this Rate?

STATE BANK OF METCALF CLOSES DOORS

At the end of business on Saturday, March 11, 1922, The State Bank of Metcalf, through its Board of Directors, closed its doors and requested State Bank Examiner Fairfield to take charge of the affairs of the bank and liquidate its assets.

The procedure on the part of the directors was a voluntary one, after discussing the affairs of the bank with the state examiner, and in view of the announced policy of the Phelps Dodge Corporation regarding the operation of the mines in the Metcalf district, which policy does not contemplate any activity in their low grade properties there until the completion of the big concentrator.

With no immediate prospects for the early resumption of operations at Metcalf the directors decided that in all fairness to depositors and stockholders the institution should be closed at this time, instead of continuing to operate at a loss. The profit and loss statement for the Bank of Metcalf for the year 1921 showed a profit of \$11.45.

When it became apparent that local conditions at Metcalf were likely to be unfavorable for business, over a period of three or four years, the directors requested that the State Examiner come to Metcalf and discuss the affairs of the bank, and the local industrial situation, with the officials of the bank. Mr. Fairfield, the state examiner, came in person, and spent three days in the district going over the situation with Phelps Dodge officials and the affairs of the bank with its officers. With no immediate improvement in sight the directors decided to go into voluntary bankruptcy and on Monday morning last a sign on the window announced the closing of the bank and the state examiner took charge.

In conversation with an Era man State Examiner Fairfield stated that he was certain that all depositors would be paid dollar for dollar but that it would take several months to do this under a Receiver. He predicted that the first dividend of twenty per cent would be paid within three or four months.

Under the banking laws of Arizona the depositors will be paid in full first and the stockholders last. The state examiner has reported the

voluntary bankruptcy proceedings to the Attorney General of the state who in turn has requested Judge Laine, of the Superior Court, of this county, to appoint a Receiver. The appointment will probably be made the first of next week and the Receiver will take charge and begin the liquidation of the assets of the closed institution.

The last statement of the State Bank of Metcalf was made to the state examiner under date of December 31, 1921. At that time the individual deposits in the bank subject to check was \$43,155.84, and time certificates of deposit, \$22,210.27. The capital stock of the Bank of Metcalf is \$15,000, with a surplus account of \$3,000.00 and undivided profits of \$1,400.92.

The loans and discounts at the same date were \$58,249.97 and the bank owned \$5,000.00 in United States Bonds and \$28,500 in state, county and municipal bonds. Cash on hand amounted to \$12,514.55.

W. E. Lutz, Superintendent of the Morenci schools was a Clifton business visitor on Tuesday of this week.