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CANAL BREAKS AND PHOENIX FLOODED; DAMAGE \$300,000

Much Damage Also Done at Florence and Ray, Where Dry Goods House Loses \$50,000; Worst in Years

For the first time in many years the flood waters from a break in the Arizona canal at Phoenix this week reached the fair grounds and as far as the capital grounds. Damage was due to heavy rains in the mountains outside the valley, although better than two inches fell in the city.

At Florence and Ray much damage was done, the river and canals going over their banks. Stores were flooded at Ray and one dry goods house lost \$50,000 worth of goods in a flooded cellar. Telegraph and telephone lines were down during the night and the following day and railroad and stage traffic held up. The flood was one of the worst in that country in years.

4 OUT OF 6 BROTHERS, MEMBERS OF LOYAL FAMILY FIGHTING FOR UNCLE SAM

M. B. Dudley, who is operating mining property in this county, is in receipt of a wire from a younger brother that he is going across to France in the service of Uncle Sam. He is the fourth brother in the service, out of a family of six boys, which is a good record for any family, not even the family of Teddy Roosevelt excepted.

Mr. Dudley may get into the service himself, although getting close to the line above which the government will not accept fighting men, or for that matter men in any governmental positions.

POSTMASTER DONATES \$250 TO UNCLE SAM

Prior to the recent ruling of the government that postmasters no longer be paid \$5.00 per capita for all men enlisted by them for the navy, Postmaster Metcalf secured 50 men for naval service. Instead of accepting the \$250.00 allowed he turned it back to the government.

MRS. GRANGER RECRUITING AGENT FOR ENLISTING NURSES FOR U. S. ARMY

Mrs. Charles H. Granger has been appointed recruiting agent for enlisting nurses in the U. S. army. The drive closes today.

Application blanks may be secured from Mrs. Granger and after the applicant is accepted she is sent to a training school to prepare for her work.

Among the requirements is a high school or college diploma. Mrs. Granger will be glad to answer any questions concerning the work, applications, etc.

NEW POSTOFFICE AT WOLF HOLE

A new postoffice has been established north of the river in Mohave county. The name given the new office is Wolfe Hole, a name that takes you back to the days of "Alkalie Ike" and "Two-gun Pete."

The postmaster is Dexter M. Parker and the mail is brought by special messenger from St. George, Utah, 30 miles north of Wolf Hole.

NEW MOTOR ROAD ROLLER NOW BUSY

The motor road roller recently purchased by the supervisors for Mohave county has been brought to Kingman and is now engaged in the overhauling of Fourth street between Pine and Oak streets.

The machine is a combined tractor and road roller, it being able to draw the different road implements in the preparation of the roadway and finally serving its purpose by rolling the soil into place.

County Engineer Haywood is in charge of the work.

Letter Arrives in Kingman This week Travels in Airplane

The first letter, sent through the mail by airplane, to reach Kingman, was received by Postmaster Metcalf this week.

The letter was mailed by Carl Hayden at Washington, August 3, and came to Kingman via New York. It carries a stamp with a picture of an airplane on it, costing 16 cents, which also pays for special delivery. A three cent stamp was added at New York to pay the postage from New York to Kingman.

HEAVY RAINS WASH OUT TRACKS BOTH SIDES OF KINGMAN

Thursday night such a torrential rain fell over the two valleys on either side of Kingman that washouts occurred on the railroad to the east and west as well. Trains were delayed many hours, No. 8, due at 2:40 a. m., Friday morning, arriving at 2:30 p. m. that afternoon, some twelve hours late.

A washout at Haviland, between here and Needles, Thursday night, delayed train service on the line for about 24 hours.

About 250 feet of track on a nine-foot fill was washed out by a wall of water caused by the heavy rains in the hills. The men were on the look-out for washouts and as soon as it was discovered word was sent to Needles and Kingman to hold all trains and a wrecking crew of over a hundred men was sent out to repair the damage done.

Train service was resumed at noon the next day.

CLOUDBURST KEEPS HIM OUT ALL NIGHT

I. L. Neal had a very damp experience Thursday night as a result of the heavy storm which fell in the Sacramento valley.

Upon returning from a trip to Oatman that evening he was halted by the quantities of water running down the "Thirteen Mile Wash," and so long did it run that when the rays of morning light arrived, they found Ivan still awaiting the abatement of the water.

Shortly after this, however, he was able to get started to town and after a small experience with a small pile of sand, got through and to town.

3 MORE MOHAVE COUNTY BOYS ARE NOW "OVER THERE"

Three more Mohave county boys are helping make it merry for the kaiser "over there." Louis Boggs is driving a locomotive somewhere near the front and Dick Taggart is firing for him. A. W. Silvers, former chief clerk for J. A. Christie of this division, is Captain in charge of this particular division.

M. G. WAGNER BUYS VULCANIZING WORKS

Elsewhere in this issue you will find the advertisement of M. G. Wagner as successor to the Kingman Vulcanizing Works.

Mr. Wagner has purchased the entire stock of rubber and plant of this company from F. B. Layne and will in future take care of all of this business in this city.

He will soon erect a building to the west of the Old Trails Garage for the reception of this equipment and as soon as this is done will cater to Mr. Automobileist for the care of tires and tubes.

COUNTY ASSESSOR WINS TAX SUIT

County Assessor Frank L. Hunt was notified this week that the bankruptcy court at Prescott had rendered a decision in his favor in his tax suit against the trustees in bankruptcy in the case of the Kingman Mercantile company.

This cause was one growing out of the refusal of the trustee to pay taxes on the values of the property as assessed by the assessor and as a settlement they proposed to pay on the stock values of the property as of the time of going into bankruptcy. This was refused and the suit instituted by Assessor Hunt with the results as above stated.

MOHAVE COUNTY HIT BY VIOLENT ELECTRIC STORM

Electric storms and cloudbursts have been very violent in Mohave county and surrounding territory the past 24 hours.

Oatman has had a violent rainfall and a house is reported to have been considerably wrecked by lightning.

The storm has worked havoc with the Desert Power & Light company lines and at noon today power service had to be discontinued, every available man being sent out to repair the damage.

The telephone company reports lines down at different places throughout the county, and in especially bad shape at Oatman.

The Harvey House at Needles is flooded, water reported as being two feet deep, and as deep as eight feet in the park there.

ENTHUSIASTIC CROWD GIVES LIBERTY BOYS A HEARTY SEND OFF AT LOCAL DEPOT

One of the largest crowds yet gathered turned out to see Bryan Hilty, Bryan Mensch, Ivan H. Mathews, Clay A. Cornwall, Bud H. Wilder and William Smith off for Camp Fremont last Monday night.

The boys gathered at the courthouse at 8:15 and were then told to report at the depot at 8:45. Bryan Mensch was appointed captain of the guard.

As the train pulled out three husky cheers were given the boys and the crowd knew that six more of "Mohave County's best" were on their way to bear their part of the burden of America's men.

TODAY'S MINING STOCK QUOTATIONS

Following are the latest quotations on the Oatman stocks as furnished by Black Bros., brokers, with the sales for the past week in Oatman and Los Angeles:

	Bid	Asked
Adams .....	.02	
Alycone .....	.15	
Argo .....	.04	.05 1/2
Gold Dust .....	.03	.10
Gold Ore .....	.04 1/2	.05
Lucky Boy .....	.01	.02 1/2
Red Lion .....		.21
Tom Reed	1.52 1/2	1.53 1/2
United Eastern	3.55	3.60

SALES	
Argo	1,500
Alycone	1,000
Gold Ore	45,600
Red Lion	2,000
Tom Reed	6,200
United Eastern	2,412

MURDERS INCREASING IN ARIZONA SINCE ABOLITION OF CAPITAL PUNISHMENT

Sheriff W. H. Wilky, of Maricopa county, makes the statement that more than twice the number of murders have occurred in that county for the eighteen months ending June 3 than in any other corresponding period prior to the abolishment of capital punishment. He also makes the statement that the same county has more murders according to the court records than any other two counties in the state prior to the adoption of the anti-capital punishment bill. This shows the necessity of re-establishing capital punishment, not because of the likelihood of hanging a few measly criminals, but for the deterrent effect it will have on the criminal element.

HUNT IS APPOINTED DELEGATE NATIONAL TAX CONFERENCE

Gov. Geo. W. P. Hunt, under date of August 5, has appointed County Assessor Frank L. Hunt as a state and county delegate to the twelfth annual conference of Federal, State and Local Taxation, to be held at St. Louis, Mo., the week beginning November 11, under the auspices of the National Tax association. These appointments were made by the governor at the request of the state of Missouri.

15-YEAR-OLD MOHAVE COUNTY BOY SERVING UNCLE SAM IN FRANCE

Probably the youngest boy in the service from Mohave county is Lark C. Jenkins of Oatman, not yet 16 years of age.

Jenkins entered the signal corps last May and is now in France. At that time he was 15 years old and will not be 16 until the 30th of this month. Lark's father is an employe of the Tom Reed at Oatman.

TWO MEN INJURED THIS MORNING AT WASHINGTON MINE

Norman Nelson suffered a broken leg and R. E. Rohr was badly bruised at the Washington mine early this morning when they waited too long for a fuse and the charge exploded, catching them in the shaft.

The men were working in a shaft which was down about 50 feet. The accident occurred at 1:30 a. m. Dr. White of Kingman was called and he reached the mine about 4:30 a. m., bringing Nelson back to Kingman with him. Beside the broken leg, between the ankle and knee, Nelson received bad wounds in the thigh and abdomen.

PINK-EYE KILLING MANY CATTLE IN SOUTHEASTERN ARIZONA AND NEW MEXICO

A report from southeastern Arizona and New Mexico, states that many cattle are dying of a disease that has been identified as pinkeye by veterinarians. The cattle become afflicted with the disease, which attacks the eye. The eyeball swells up and bursts and the animals starve to death. The disease has so far killed many cattle, but the cattlemen are getting together and combatting the disease successfully.

BIG LEAGUER WILL CROSS BATS HERE SUNDAY, AUGUST 18

A baseball game is being arranged for a week from Sunday, August 18, between a picked team, captained by "Scotty," and the Kingman town team. The batteries will probably be Abe Bale and Scotty Stewart-Ray Robinson and "Chet" Warren.

ALLEN DE LACHMUTT ARRIVES IN FRANCE

Mr. and Mrs. L. G. De Lashmutt received a card announcing the safe arrival of their son, N. Allen De Lashmutt overseas. Allen enlisted a year ago June and has received training in four different camps.

WHAT IS AUTHORIZED POLITICAL PUBLICITY?

"Authorized Political Publicity," appearing over a story means that such statements as are made are authorized by the candidate mentioned and opinions expressed in such publicity are not necessarily the opinion of the people.

Liquid Fire Runs Mad Race up 4th Street

A gasoline flame extending along the gutter, from the Central Commercial store on Beale street to the Watkins drug store corner, broke out this morning about 7:30. Although gasoline is high the gutter ran expensively with it for a while. A leak in the Central Commercial gasoline tank on Beale street was the cause.

The gasoline was carried down the gutter by the heavy rain and formed a pool at the corner of Fourth and Beale. Evidently someone touched a lighted match to the stream at the bank corner and the flame immediately started traveling both ways.

The fire was soon smothered with dirt by men in the stores before any serious damage was done.

Swift Little Swift, Named 'Mike Casey' to Help Get Kaiser

A swift little "Swift" left Kingman yesterday as the official mascot of a bunch of rookies from Oklahoma and Texas.

While in Oatman the middle part of the week, the swift was given to Geo. A. Shea by John Casey, who had captured and made a pet of it. Mr. Casey, being a good Irishman, named the swift "Mike."

The "rookies," 53 of them with a car all to themselves, were delayed in Kingman on account of the washout. Mr. Shea, meeting some of the boys, inquired about their mascot and on being told that they lacked this one essential of being true sailor boys, offered them the swift. The boys received it with enthusiasm and immediately rechristened it "Mike Casey" for the former owner.

A collar and harness were fitted up for the new mascot and he left to help get the kaiser.

LIVESTOCK SPECIALISTS BOOKED FOR KINGMAN ON MONDAY, AUGUST 19TH

W. E. Musgraves, U. S. Biological Survey, of Flagstaff, will discuss means of eradication of predatory animals of the range at Kingman, Monday, August 19. It is possible that D. A. Gilchrist, or some other representative of the biological survey, will treat of prairie dogs and other rodents of destruction on the range and ranch. The subjects are of great importance at this time in view of the fact that \$50,000 of state and federal funds are to be expended by the survey and state council of defense in Arizona in the present fiscal year in cleaning out these pests.

The meeting will be in charge of Anson H. Smith, of the Mohave County Miner, and stockmen and ranchers wishing information regarding same should communicate with him.

ELI HILTY HAS SIXTY-ONE COUSINS AND NEPHEWS IN U. S. ARMY AND NAVY

Eli Hilty reports that with the entry of Bryan Hilty into the service of the government last Monday he has 61 cousins and nephews now in the American army and navy. This is some family tree, every branch of it being deep rooted in patriotism. It is a name to conjure with and a family record to be proud of.

SEN. JOHNS IN KINGMAN REPORTS HEAVY FLOODS

State Senator A. A. Johns, of Yavapai county, arrived in Kingman Thursday evening from his ranch near Yampai. He reports that the eastern part of the county has been deluged with rain the past several days and that he had to wait a considerable length of time to cross one of the washes, owing to the amount of flood water that was passing toward Red Lake from the mountains.

VISITING IN KINGMAN

Mrs. Ann Williams of Birmingham, Ala., and Mrs. W. T. Hetzler of Chattanooga, Tenn., are visiting with their Brother, D. T. Price, in Kingman. One of the ladies expects to remain here several months, while the other one will leave for home during the coming week.

GET FINAL PAPERS

A. A. Rayer, of Oatman, Arizona, received his final naturalization papers last Wednesday in the superior court here, Judge Thorne presiding.

Mr. Rayer has been a resident of the United States for the past twelve years and the greater part of this time has been spent in and about the gold camp. He was a native of Australia.

Lane Cornwall and father, Adamson Cornwall, brought their brother and son, Clay Cornwall in from the Big Sandy last Monday in response to Uncle Sam's call for that young man's entry into the service.

Clay is a perfect specimen of manhood, standing 6 feet, 3 inches in height, and together with this has undergone training in a military school and we are positive that he will give a good account of himself in his new work.

NEW INSTITUTION WILL DECORTICATE CACTUS NEAR HERE

New Company Will Ship in Machinery and Build a Plant to Recover Yucca, Spanish Bayonet, Fiber

Newton Evans and William H. Heady of Los Angeles, have organized a company with a capitalization of \$100,000 for the purpose of establishing a plant somewhere in this county to recover cactus fiber from the Spanish bayonet and yucca plants. The principal place of business of the company will be at Yucca, but it will also have offices in Los Angeles.

The company will put in machinery to decorticate the plants at some point close to the field and the product will be shipped to a designated city where it will be worked into cordage or bagging twine and rope.

This product will take the place of other rope making material, which is practically unobtainable. The hennuquin crops of Mexico and Central America have been small the past several years and fibre must be obtained from some other source.

A fiber making plant in this county will be of inestimable value as it will open up a new industry, which later may be followed by the manufacture of paper pulp and cellulose.

LOCAL RED CROSS LADIES GIVE 13,000 CIGARETTES, MANY MAGAZINES, CARDS

The women of the Red Cross canteen have turned in a report of their work of distribution among the soldiers passing through the camp the past two weeks. These women have kept the boys supplied with magazines, post cards, cigarettes and gum. They met every train during the day and the boys truly appreciate it.

The canteen has given away 13,000 cigarettes, 2028 post cards and 152 packages of gum, besides the magazines they have collected throughout the town.

The women wish to thank the people of town for their generous contributions toward this worthy cause.

ALL BUCKS MUST BE DIPPED BEFORE OCT. 1 IS UNCLE SAM'S ORDER

An order put out by the Arizona Sheep Sanitary commission requires that all bucks within the counties of Apache, Navajo, Coconino, Yavapai, Maricopa and Mohave must be dipped between the first day of August and the first day of October under penalty. If the owners have no certificates to show that dipping has been carried out the bucks will be seized and dipped and all expense will be chargeable to the owners. The order comes through the U. S. Bureau of Animal Industry, and is made for prevention of the spread of scab.

FLOODS EAST OF KINGMAN DELAY TRAINS MANY HOURS

Westbound passenger and freight trains were delayed many hours Wednesday afternoon by the washing out of a section of track sixteen miles west of Seligman. Train No. 9, due here at 9 p. m., did not arrive until 2 o'clock Thursday morning. The rains east of Kingman have been very heavy.

FEDERAL COURT NOW IN SESSION

The federal court for the district of Arizona is now in session at Prescott. Practically the only business now before the court is violation of draft laws and sabotage, of which cases there are many. The court is convening one month earlier on account of the pressure of business in the south part of the state, which takes the greater part of the time of Federal Judge Sawtelle.

MEXICAN IS INJURED

Francisco Mesa, a Mexican employed on a Santa Fe gang, was injured Thursday morning while at work. A heavy piece of timber fell on his foot and he was taken to Dr. White to have the injury dressed.