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DAY COMPRESSOR TO BE MOVED TO CON. PIOCHE

PLANT AT DAY MINE AT JACK RABBIT TO BE BROUGHT IN—GREENWOOD MINE IS TO BE PLACED ON ACTIVE LIST AGAIN—PUMP FOR WINZE.

The big 8-drill compressor that has been in use at the Day mine at Jack Rabbit is to be moved to Pioche and installed at Consolidated Pioche No. 1 shaft. This move has been authorized in a telegram to Ernest L. Godbe managing director of the Consolidated who has been in the city several days looking after company interests. The transfer of the equipment is to be made right away. As soon as the plant is installed at

No. 1, a pipe line will be run over to the Greenwood mine, through which air will be conveyed for use in the operation of machine drills and pump. The winze sunk from the lower level contains considerable water, which is to be removed to permit of the further exploration of that part of the mine.

That it is the intention of the Consolidated management to keep working is now apparent and it is anticipated that there will be no more shut-downs on this side of the Ely range for sometime to come.

Work is progressing at No. 1 under the supervision of William Lloyd and with highly gratifying results.

COMMISSIONERS DECLARE AN OFFICE VACANT

Probably the most important business transacted at the regular December meeting of the county commissioners last Monday was the passage of the ordinance drafted by a committee of the Pioche Commercial club, creating a town advisory board, the purposes of which are set forth in an advertisement appearing elsewhere in this paper.

The petition was presented to the commissioners by E. F. Freudenthal, president of the Commercial club, and Charles Lee Horsey, representing the committee.

The petition bore the names of W. W. Stockham, M. L. Lee and C. A. Thompson, who were recommended for appointment as members of the advisory board, but inasmuch as the latter is a member of the board of fire commissioners, the board of county commissioners took the view that as a member of both the duties would be conflicting whereupon J. A. Clark was appointed instead.

OFFICE DECLARED VACANT.

It appearing that James Lemoine, public administrator of Lincoln county, had not complied with the order of the board of county commissioners relative to furnishing additional bond in the sum of \$5,000, the office of public administrator was declared vacant. A successor will likely be appointed at the next meeting of the board.

The usual batch of bills against the county were presented.

A claim of \$8.60 from the A. S. Thompson Co., was disallowed for the reason that the amount should be paid by the county physician, Dr. J. W. Smith's claim of \$122.95 for judgment rendered against the county in the justice court of Caliente was ordered laid over. The claim of Mrs. Bertha Foley for the sum of \$20, was reduced to \$10 on the ground that the balance should be paid by Clark county.

AID FROM COUNTY.

Mrs. Parraia of Delamar was placed among the list of persons requiring aid from the county and until further action of the board will receive \$15 per month.

HALF MOON MILL.

Upon petition of Jesse Simmons, the chairman of the board was empowered to proceed with the sale at public auction the improvements at the Half Moon mine, which came into possession of the county through a tax sale. Among the improvements is a leaching plant and mill.

J. G. Hull was appointed justice of the peace and James Cazier, constable at Atlanta. The appointments are to become effective upon the filing of bonds of \$1,000.

The resignation of H. W. Tur-

ner as justice of the peace at Delamar was received and F. A. Gibbeaut was granted an engineer's license.

STORM RETARDS WORK AMONG THE MINES.

The heavy snow storm of this week which developed into the proportions of a blizzard Wednesday night, had the effect of interfering very materially with ore shipments from the mines and for several days not a pound was delivered to the Salt Lake depot from the Prince Consolidated and Mendha, which are the principal shippers in the district at the present time. The storm has also interfered with the doing of assessment work and likewise has retarded activity in mercantile lines.

Oldtimers declare that the storm was the worst one seen in this region in years, particularly for this season, when under ordinary circumstances good weather would be anticipated. Last winter the storms did not arrive until well along towards the end of January.

SEWERS FOR VEGAS.

Clark County Commissioners Authorize Sale of Bonds.

LAS VEGAS, Nev., December 9—At the meeting of the board of county commissioners last Monday, the sale of \$30,000 worth of sewer bonds for the town of Las Vegas was authorized. The bonds are in denominations of \$500 and bids will be received by the county clerk up to January 3, 1910. The bonds bear interest at the rate of six per cent and mature at the rate of \$2500 per annum after three years. Award will be made to successful bidders about March 1. County Clerk Harmon reports widespread interest in the first evidence of the county's indebtedness, and it is believed the bonds will sell at or above par.

A. Martony has been arrested, and held to the district court for forging the name of Harry Belgen, a local business man, to checks. All of three checks were cashed and the money soon faded over a gambling table.

George Farren, who is accused of robbing his partner, J. H. Ferguson, an aged prospector, of \$165 in currency, has been held to await the action of the grand jury by Justice Lillis.

BANK DECLARES DIVIDEND.

Directors Take This Action At Meeting Held Last Tuesday Evening.

At a meeting of directors of the Bank of Pioche, Inc., last Tuesday evening a semi-annual dividend of 6 per cent was declared on the stock of the corporation. G. M. Whitmore, president of the bank, came over from Nephi, Utah, to attend the meeting, as did N. P. Ipson, of Beaver, Utah, who is a director.

ADVISORY BOARD IS NOW A REALITY

The Town Advisory Board, created through an ordinance presented to the county commissioners by the Pioche Commercial club last Monday, has affected an organization.

The board as appointed by the commissioners, consists of Dr. W. W. Stockham, Milton L. Lee and J. A. Clark. The former has been chosen chairman of the board and Mr. Lee as secretary.

At a meeting of the board Wednesday evening, matters pertaining to the streets and sidewalks of the town were discussed and the proposition to purchase a team and wagon for the use of the municipality met with favor. The board has figured it out that the team would soon pay for itself, for under existing conditions, when any hauling of gravel or any grading is done on the streets it is necessary to hire one.

Not only would the team be useful in making street improvements; but it would be available for fire protection. It is planned to house one horse at each of the fire stations and in case of conflagration at night, the animals would always be ready for service in moving the chemical engines and other apparatus to the scene of the fire.

BOOSTS FOR PIOCHE.

W. F. Scheffel Makes More Investments In This Camp

William F. Scheffel of Twin Falls, Idaho, after an absence of one year returned to Pioche to look after his interests which consist largely of city property. He is an enthusiastic of the future prospects of Pioche as even cannot keep his hands off from acquiring new mining properties. In fact, is now negotiating for a group of claims most favorably situated in the camp.

"While I have devoted most of my time," said Mr. Scheffel to the Record, "to land, I cannot help staying with Pioche; because of its enormous tonnage and gradual development of its properties. Capital is bound to seek investment here and if the Piochites are reasonable—treat capital as it should be treated—it is sure to come in."

"I know from past experiences that the people here are ever ready to meet capital half way. A smelter is sure to be erected in the near future for the mines are already developed to the stage which justifies the expenditure for that purpose."

"I certainly congratulate the people of the camp. Large bodies move slowly and Pioche is surely a large body."

DRILLING FOR OIL IN MUDDY VALLEY.

Frank Culbertson has moved the rig, which has been lying near Logan for the past year, to a point midway between Moapa and Logan and is going after oil. The rig has been repaired and set up about a quarter of a mile north of the river bed. A car of coal is being hauled from Moapa to the rig and everything indicates that this promising field will be proven.

Rumor has it that the Standard Oil company is behind the move, but, however that may be, the long hoped for well is now assured.—Las Vegas Age.

ODD FELLOWS' ELECTION.

Local Lodge Chosen Officers For Next Half Year.

The semi-annual election of Pioche Lodge No. 23, I. O. O. F. was held Tuesday evening and resulted in the election of the following: James E. Rice, noble grand; Robert Roy Orr, vice grand; W. M. Christain, treasurer and A. A. Carman, secretary, to serve during the ensuing term which is from January to July.

The officers elected will be installed on the night of January 4

SCOTT MINES MEETING IN ZION NEXT WEEK

A meeting of stockholders of the Scott Mines company is scheduled to occur in Salt Lake next Tuesday and according to all accounts, it is going to develop into a lively affair. For some months past trouble has brewed between eastern shareholders of the company and A. W. Scott, who has been charged with gross mismanagement of the affairs of the Scott Mines company, which not only controls the Boston & Pioche mine in this district, but the Rawhide Northern Mines at Rawhide, Nevada, Nevada, as well as a gold property at Bouse, Arizona, in which a number of Pioche people are interested.

The parties making the fight on Scott claim to hold proxies for 75 per cent of the Scott Mines stock in which event, they would gain control.

The Record has ascertained through a letter from an eastern shareholder that since the organization of the Scott Mines company, the Scott management has expended in the Boston & Pioche, and the other mines mentioned, approximately \$112,000; that the treasury of the company at the present time is empty and that the pay roll at the Bouse mine for the last month remains unpaid. Work of course has been suspended at Bouse. The men at the Boston & Pioche were taken off last July, since which time this valuable prop-

erty has been in the care of a watchman.

But what has caused no end of dissatisfaction amongst stockholders of the company is the alleged breaking by Scott of the escrow agreement entered into by Scott and the shareholders of the several properties included in the Scott holdings. The latter exchanged their stock for Scott Mines stock, but under the provisions of the escrow agreement, which was deposited with the Rhode Island Hospital Trust company, in the city of Providence, Rhode Island. The agreement was to have been in full force and effect until sometime last September, when the pool terminated.

According to the letter from the shareholder referred to, Scott is alleged to have pulled his wires in such a manner that he extracted 135,000 shares of his own stock from the pool and disposed of it.

So confident are the eastern stockholders of displacing Scott that plans are on foot to move the headquarters from Salt Lake to Providence. A general manager will be stationed somewhere in the west; at a point somewhat centrally located from the mines.

The proxies from the eastern stockholders opposing Scott are in position of, and will be voted by, C. C. Parsons, chief legal advisor to Samuel Newhouse. The outcome of the fight will be eagerly watched.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ARE REAL FARMERS

PANACA, Nev., December 10—Last Saturday was a big day for the young people of Lincoln High. Prof. Graves, Mrs. Graves and Miss Nath were at Pioche over Friday night, returning at noon to find every able bodied man in the school at work clearing the space which had been selected for the low bench plot for dry farming.

At 3 o'clock, they repaired to the school grounds where a warmly contested game of base ball was played, but without casualties.

In the meantime, the young ladies had been discreetly and quietly busy in the commercial room, and at 5 o'clock invited the boys to a sumptuous dinner, which one and all, pronounced about the finest ever. After the "farmers" were satisfied, the president, director, and a few others seated the girls and served them in turn, winding up by helping them wash the dishes.

At 7 o'clock, the orchestra tuned up and the time until midnight was devoted to dancing, speechmaking and candy pulling, the sugar having been furnished by the defeated ball team.

The ladies of Panaca have long been famous for their beauty, wit and social brilliancy, and it is certain that the young ladies of Lincoln High are equal to the task of maintaining the reputation of the village in a social way.

DREDGING PROJECT PROVED A FAILURE.

The dredging operations of the Colorado River Dredging company were suspended Thursday, November 25th. The proposition, according to reports, has failed to make good, and those promoting the scheme are now chiefly interested in fixing the responsibility for the failure on the other fellow. The investment to date approximates \$180,000, furnished chiefly by eastern capitalists. Various reasons for the failure to save the values

are given, among them inability to reach bedrock with the suction dredge lack of values in the dirt handled and the fineness of the gold. It is said also that the silt and cement in the water would fill the riffles in one hour's run so that they were as smooth as a bar of soap and that the gold is so fine that it simply floated on top of the water as though it were greased and none of it could be saved.

In face of the fact that a trial run of 23 days resulted in practically no saving of gold, it is said that reports have recently been spread in many of the large cities that a cleanup of \$30,000 had been made. This report is of course without foundation in fact.

It is thought by mining men that a process can be perfected where by the gold of the Colorado river may be recovered, but up to the present time practically all attempts in that direction have been unsuccessful.—Las Vegas Age.

MASONIC ELECTION.

Dr. W. W. Stockham Chosen to Preside Over Local Lodge.

The annual election of St. John Lodge No. 18, F. & A. M., occurred Monday evening and the following were chosen to fill the elective offices of the lodge during the ensuing year: Worshipful Master, Dr. W. W. Stockham; Senior Warden, Charles A. Thompson; Junior Warden, Lewis H. Leason; Secretary, John H. Deck.

The date of installation of the officers-elect has been fixed for Wednesday evening, the 15th inst.

REBEKAH ELECTION.

Mrs. Lillah Carman Chosen Noble Grand of Miriam Lodge.

The members of Miriam Rebekah Lodge met at Odd Fellows hall Thursday evening and elected the following officers for the ensuing year:

Lillah Carman, noble grand; Ethel Middleton, vice grand; Ethel Orr, secretary; A. A. Carman, treasurer.

Following the regular meeting a banquet was had over which David Lemmon, past noble grand of Utah presided as toastmaster.