

**ROONEY SUFFERS EYE  
FROM FLYING ROCK**

Rooney, while employed at Atolia last Saturday, sustained a severe injury to his right eye while operating the crusher. A piece of rock flew out of the machine, striking him in the face, badly lacerating the pupil and cornea. He was taken to Rand hospital where Dr. Drummond treated the wound. The reports some improvement but unless complications subside, Rooney will retain the use of the injured member.

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**Cantel Club Holds  
Election of Officers**

At an all day meeting of the Cantel Club at the home of Mrs. Florence Holderness Thursday, Jan. 6th, officers for the new year were elected. Dr. Rhinehart will serve the club as President; Mrs. Lillian Ling, Vice-President; Mrs. Conway, Secretary; Mrs. Florence Holderness, Treasurer; Mrs. Dorothy Root will act as club parliamentarian, and press correspondents for the ensuing year are Mrs. Dorothy Root of Cantel and Mrs. Selena D. Wells of Rand District.

New members accepted at this meeting were Mrs. Zella Balkwell, Mrs. Wilda Schuster, Mrs. Ethelinda Hadley, all of Rand District; also Mrs. Gladys Hornberger, of Cantel.

The Club will meet February 3 at Saltdale, with Mrs. Tops.

RANDBURG, KERN COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

**SCHOONMAKER HAD  
40-TON MILLING ON  
JAN. 7—35 TONS NOW**

Schoonmaker had a 40-ton milling of tungsten ore on Jan. 7th and already has 35 tons more out for a second one this year.

"Mush" always says they "are just about to pull the pumps and take out the ralls", but we know when he says that, there is plenty of ore in site to keep him going for several months to come.

**ED. BOHREN AND  
L. E. LILES STRIKE  
FOUR FOOT VEIN**

Taking a lease on ground at Atolia previously worked and given up by others, Ed Bohren and L. E. Liles started sinking their shaft on Thanksgiving day and first struck ore at 45 feet.

They are now down 52 feet and drifting on a four foot vein of 4% tungsten ore, of which they have already taken out one milling and are working on another.

To those not familiar with the percentage values per ton of tungsten ore, may we say that 4% ore at present prices, a ton of 4% ore is worth approximately \$125, according to what the writer believes to be good authority.

The leasers above mentioned have ore on both sides of the shaft and can profitably drift both ways, which makes for an excellent proposition—one they may profitably sink on.

Had the original leasers, who only found stringers, kept on and followed the stringers down, the present leasers would never have gotten a chance at this location.

**OFFICIALS TRYING TO  
HALT HIGHGRADING**

In an effort to rid California's gold mining industry of high-graders who annually reap a \$1,000,000 illegal harvest, the state mining board has begun an intensive campaign against the unlawful operators.

State Treasurer Charles G. Johnson, executive officer of the board, said several prosecutions already have been started at Los Angeles against members of an organized gold-buying ring.

**ATOLIA MINING NEWS**

The A. E. A. had Mr. Peterson, an A. F. of L. representative as their principal speaker at the January 10th meeting. It is reported that they are planning on affiliating with the A. F. of L.

Lon Williams, well known leaser at Atolia, was taken to the Red Mountain hospital recently with a case of pneumonia. We all wish him a speedy recovery.

Bill Day is back from the hospital where he has been recuperating from injuries sustained in a blast at No. 1 several weeks ago.

1-20-38 P. 1 ABE MARTIN

**PICKS HUGE NUGGET  
FROM GOLER CANYON**

Goler Canyon is keeping up its reputation for production of huge nuggets. The last, found last Thursday by "Happy" Hoge working on the Chamberlain property, tipped the scales at 24½ ounces. After gladdening the eyes of a few people in Randburg it was promptly sent to the mint.

So far as we have been able to learn this is the largest one yet found there, tho there was one found about a year ago which was more than half this weight, and several other large ones are of record from old Goler. -20-38

**MRS. BISHOP MAY  
BRING DAMAGE  
SUIT AGAINST  
OFFICIAL**

Barstow Newspaper Publishes Letter Saying She Will Sue State and State Minerologist Bradley

Last week's Barstow Printer-Review carried a story from Mrs. Josie Bishop saying she is about to file suit in Federal Court for heavy damages against the State of California and State Minerologist Walter Bradley for statements he is alleged to have made regarding the presence of radium in her ore.

If she goes thru with her plan as stated in her letter to the Printer-Review, it will probably be the heaviest damage suit ever tried in Kern county.

Mr. Bradley's statements were widely published at the time and caused considerable comment as well as many questions whether he would be able to substantiate them should he be called upon to do so.

The outcome of the suit, if filed as she said it would be "within a few days", will be awaited with much interest.

## DAN MURPHY LEASES BURTON BROS.' CLAIM

Well Known Rosamond Man Leases  
Old Hamilton Claim On  
Tropico Hill

Dan Murphy of Rosamond is reported to have leased the old Hamilton claim, discovered 40 years ago by Ezra M. Hamilton, and said to have produced \$750,000 in gold at the old price.

Much of the ore is said to have been high grade, some shipments running as high as \$20,000 a ton, many specimens of which are now in collections and museums.

Recent operations include a winze from the 140 to the 220 foot level to make a connection with the Lida-Mojave mine and provide a working outlet for the Hamilton.

The winze is being sunk on a 3-foot vein carrying good shipping values and ore is already being binned for shipment according to reports this week.

## NICK BROCK HAS RETURNED AND IS LEASING AT ATOLIA

Hoisted \$100 Worth of Ore  
After Firing First Round  
In Old Workings

### SAYS IT LOOKS GOOD

Hopes To Repeat His Luck  
Here During The War—  
Took Out \$100,000

Nick Brock has come back to camp in the Rand District to stay.

He and his partner each netted over \$100,000 at Atolia during the war after which he located at Santa Ana and founded a glass factory, which has been manufacturing specialties in glass. This business he soon put on a paying basis, but the lure of the desert drew him back here, where he has again engaged in mining and has leased the old Papoose No. 5 shaft at Atolia, which no one has ventured down for years.

After installing new ladders, a hoist, compressor and cleaning out the shaft generally, he put in a round of shots at a spot which struck his fancy and after firing the single round took out over \$100 worth of tungsten ore.

He says it is still looking good after the second round and hopes to be able to repeat his early day performance.

He also seems to really enjoy being out on the desert once more and intends to stay permanently.

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### **ATOLIA MINING NEWS**

Earl Osborn, an employee, was severely burned about his right hand when a switch to the roaster exploded. He is being treated at the Red Mountain hospital, and will be unable to work for a few days.

The A. E. A. has applied for their charter in the A. F. of L. and are awaiting the initiation ceremony with much enthusiasm. And why not? With the working men, as a unit, working in full co-operation with their employers, there is bound to be an improvement in the living conditions and production of that district. I am sure the people of such a district will appreciate and co-operate with any movement to improve the living conditions of their community.

ABE MARTIN.

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## ATOLIA MINING CO. MAY BE FORCED TO SHUT DOWN MARCH 31

**Tungsten Market May Cause A  
Shut-Down of the Atolia Mill  
and Mining Company**

Livingston Werneke, president, is authority for the statement that conditions in the tungsten market may make it necessary for the Atolia Mining Company to discontinue production after March 31st.

Notice, addressed to all employees and lessees, covering the entire situation is posted on their property in order that the employees and lessees may have time to make necessary provision for a temporary shut-down unless the market changes, which is possible, tho we would not say probable.

The removal of the tariff on this metal would thus be working a serious hardship on this and all other tungsten camps in the United States.

A large number of men would be thrown out of employment in this District alone and thruout the entire country would run into many thousands, most of whom would soon be added to the relief rolls, if Congress removes the tariff on tungsten.

Below we publish a copy of the notices posted on the Atolia Mining company's properties in fairness to their employees and leasers, so that they will be able to protect themselves as far as possible from loss if the shut-down becomes necessary:

February 7, 1938.

### NOTICE—TO EMPLOYEES AND LESSEES OF ATOLIA MINING COMPANY

The Atolia Mining Company has been notified by the purchaser of its concentrates that the market for tungsten products is very slack. The purchaser does not have any orders on his books for ferro-tungsten or tungsten products for February Delivery.

The purchaser will carry out his contract to purchase our high-grade concentrate produced to the end of March, 1938. After that date the sale of Atolia concentrates will depend upon the market for ferro-tungsten and other tungsten products.

If present market conditions prevail through April, 1938, and there is no sale for tungsten products, all operations at Atolia may be temporarily stopped until market conditions are revived.

This information is given to our lessees and employees so they may plan accordingly.

ATOLIA MINING COMPANY.

By Livingston Warnecke.

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## MINING ASS'N. OF CALIFORNIA SEEKS LOWER INSURANCE

Claims Present Rate Is Now Much Too High Based On Past Experience

An attempt is being made to prevent California miners from securing a \$250,000 reduction in mining compensation insurance rates in 1938, due them under the rating experience of 1936, according to a letter sent to Samuel L. Carpenter, Jr., insurance commissioner, by Claude M. Chaplin, manager of the Mining Association of California in San Francisco.

Chaplin states that the 1936 rating experience warrants a reduction from the present rate of \$9.44 to \$7.00 or less for underground mining, and \$7.72 to \$5.00 for surface mining.

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## BLIND MINER HAS PROMISE OF HELP BY RADIO BACKER

Heine Miller, famed blind miner, who has spent several years alone in developing a gold property near Diamondfield, four miles from Goldfield, is reported to be extending a drift on the 125-foot level of his incline shaft, says the Goldfield News.

He is said to have received additional financial backing recently from Philip Lord, New York radio program broadcaster, who has indicated that he will send an engineer shortly to devise plans for extending Miller's development work. Miller walks alone daily between his mine and his Goldfield home.

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## Two Interesting Talks At Mining Ass'n. Meet.

Two interesting speakers entertained those who attended the regular monthly luncheon of the Mining Association of the Southwest, which took place at the Clark Hotel in Los Angeles at noon today.

John C. Pape, a mining engineer of considerable experience in Brazil, Chile, Alaska and Idaho, spoke on "Mining in The Coeur d'Alene District of Northern Idaho," and also briefly sketched methods of South American mining.

Frank Woodside, manager of the British Columbia Chamber of Mines at Vancouver, who is in Los Angeles for a few days, talked about "Mining in Western Canada," touching particularly upon a new gold district which is just now being opened up. This was his first public address in California.

This has been a banner month from standpoint of new company memberships. Four new ones have just come in, and they are all from different districts. They are:

U. S. Milling Company, Wilmington, Del., operating the Polaris and several other properties in Nevada; Pride of Mojave Mining Company, operating on Soledad Mountain; Governor Mining Company, operating the Governor mine at Acton; Nicholas Baxter and Associates, mining tungsten in the Adelanto district.

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## FINANCIAL REPORT "PRESIDENT'S BALL"

Following is the financial report of the committee on the "President's Birthday" Fight on Infantile Paralysis:

DANCE SUPERVISED BY  
RANDBURG AERIE EAGLES,  
F. O. E. NO. 1883.

Total money received:	
Ticket sales .....	\$40.00
Cash at door .....	31.00
Money paid out—expense:	
Hall rent, donated by	
White House .....	—
Borax Spangles .....	\$1.00
Tickets and Posters .....	8.00
Tax .....	.24
Music .....	\$35.00
	\$44.24
	\$71.00
	\$44.24

Bal. net from dance .....	\$26.76
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Button Sales:	
Randsburg Grade School .....	\$16.25
Saltdale .....	1.00
Inyokern School .....	5.00
Red Mountain School .....	7.90
Randsburg High School .....	4.00

Total Receipts .....	\$60.91
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Signed by—  
WILSON H. JONES, Chairman  
JIM CHRISTENSON, Treasurer  
EARL W. SMITH, Secretary  
Committee.

The committee wishes to thank and congratulate all those persons who helped make this year's celebration a financial success.

## KERNVILLE HAS A NEWSPAPER NOW

Historic Kernville is still "up an' a'comin'"! The latest addition to her claims for attention reached our desk yesterday in the form of a neatly printed little 5-column 8-page newspaper, The Kernville News, brim full of interesting news.

The publisher is Alma Gardner and the editor Ardis Walker.

They start off with a liberal advertising patronage. May they have all the success such a creditable publication deserves.

## ATOLIA MINING NEWS

Here are the highlites of last week's A. E. A. meeting: Mr. Peterson, A. F. of L. representative from Los Angeles, installed the charter, making the A. E. A. local No. 21464 of the A. F. of L. He stressed the advantages of strong membership with the men co-operating in unity with employers; also commented on the excellent working conditions at Atolia's new mill. Mr. Peterson was given full authority to go before the Labor Relations Board and take necessary steps to get this local certified as sole collective bargaining agency. As soon as this is done the local will be officially recognized and a contract drawn.

The following officers were re-elected in addition to three trustees: L. F. Rooney, president; Herman Lutz, vice-president, and E. E. Moody, secretary and treasurer. Trustees: Lee Nieukirk, Jim Morn and Tony Crosswhite. They will remain in office until June 1st. Rules and regulations were also discussed. Adjournment followed.

The next meeting will be held in Atolia hall. 2-17-38

## Cantil Ladies' Club

Members of the Cantil Ladies' Club and their husbands are meeting at the Red Rock Canyon Tavern for a picnic supper on Washington's birthday, February 22.

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## ATOLIA MINING COMPANY HAS CANCELLED LEASES

**Effective March 31st—Will Mill All  
Ore Taken Out Before  
That Date**

The following is a copy of the lease cancellation notice posted last Friday by the Atolia Mining company.

It should be read carefully by all persons in any way interested in Atolia Mining company leases, or who think they are interested:

**Notice To All Leasers and Tenants  
of Properties of Atolia  
Mining Company**

Atolia, California  
February 25, 1938.

NOTICE is hereby given to you and each of you that ATOLIA MINING COMPANY does hereby cancel and terminate all leases, and any other agreements and arrangements, written, verbal or otherwise, by which you or any of you work or occupy any of the Company's mining properties at Atolia, California, for mining or prospecting purposes, such cancellation and termination to be effective March 31st, 1938.

This action by the Company is necessary because of the change in the market for tungsten and a new basis for sales of concentrates to be effective after March 31st, 1938.

Except in those cases where it shall be necessary for the Company to conduct larger scale mining operations, after March 31st, 1938, new leases and mining agreements will be offered to present leasers and miners upon new terms and conditions to fit changed market conditions, and present leasers will be given first choice for such new leases on the same portions of the property now worked by them. This offer will be made to the present leasers only, and will not be made to any one claiming an assignment or transfer of company ground from any present leaser after this date (February 25, 1938) without the written consent of the ATOLIA MINING COMPANY.

All ore mined and placed on the surface on or before March 31st, 1938, will be milled by the Company and applied on the present sales contracts until such contracts are fulfilled. Thereafter any remaining ore mined before March 31st, 1938, will be milled and sold by the Company as soon as possible and on the best terms available.

ATOLIA MINING COMPANY  
By Livingston Wernecke, Pres.

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"Dance At Atolia Saturday Night," Randsburg Times,  
March 3, 1938, p 3:

The orchestra of Roland Evans, of Bakersfield, is  
giving a dance at Atolia Hall on Saturday evening, March 5.  
". . . all devotees of terpsichore are cordially invited."  
Tickets are 75¢; women admitted free.

RANDBURG TIMES,  
March 24, 1938,  
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TO OUR READERS

This column will be conducted to call your attention to things you are prone to overlook, but which vitally concern you. You are invited to write us letters, always signing your name, commenting on the articles appearing under this heading. Address your letters to Nossler & Smith, care The Times, Randsburg, Calif.

**"A LEASERS' CAMP"**

For years the Rand District has been known as "a leasers' camp", but this statement carries no opprobrium.

Rather it is complimentary.

Under the leasing system the miner works for himself and has a definite, fixed interest in not only the ore he takes out, but also in ore he has properly blocked out.

The mine owner is paid a stipulated percentage on the results of the miner's labor, but assumes no expense in the ore production. The miner, if he, or he and partner or partners in the lease, must even carry his (or their) own insurance, if any.

The leaser too, is really more of an asset to the community than the average mine owner, in that practically all of his earnings are spent at home—with local business men; none of his money is shipped out of the District to mine stockholders or owners.

But there is another feature to the leasing system that, more than all else, reacts to the benefit of the entire community, and always will.

That feature is the immunity that must and does always follow in communities where the men are not employed by the companies or owners, but work for themselves under a lease—entire freedom from labor troubles, in which the workers themselves are usually the heavy losers, tho of course, in the case of labor troubles culminating in strikes or violence, the employers also lose, still, in the case of prolonged strikes, the workers' loss is usually greater than that of the employers, but the whole community also loses as well.

The business men of the community, in such cases, are also usually heavy losers.

Take it all in all, then, the leasing system is a highly beneficial one to all concerned and we should be proud to have the Rand District known and spoken of as "a leasers' camp."

"MINING CO. GIVES LEASES"

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# MINING CO. GIVES LEASES

## CAN NOW RELY ON OPEN MARKET ALONE

Company Says Open Market Will Not Permit The Former High Schedules

## DON'T SEEK NEW MEN

Wants To Treat All Former Leasers As Fairly As Possible

The Atolia Mining Co., which recently cancelled all leases, have announced their readiness to grant new leases on new terms which are intended, according to their statements, to accord a fair deal both to the miners and the company under the present arrangement of selling the concentrates on the open market, which is reported "not very brisk."

They announce that they are not seeking new leasers but will grant leases to those who have been leasing in order to accord them as fair a deal as they can afford until conditions change.

Following is the form of the new leases and the schedules of payment thereunder:

**MINING LEASE**  
THIS AGREEMENT OF LEASE made this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1938, between ATOLIA MINING COMPANY, Lessor, and \_\_\_\_\_ Lessee(s).

**WITNESSETH:**

Lessor leases to Lessee(s) and Lessee(s) takes and hires from Lessor that portion of the mining property of Lessor hereafter described upon the following terms and conditions:

1. The term of this Lease shall be for the period of \_\_\_\_\_ months (years) from the date hereof.

2. Lessee(s) shall have the exclusive right to prospect and mine scheelite ore in said premises, but said ore shall remain at all times the property of Lessor and shall not be removed by Lessee(s) from the mining property of Lessor, at Atolia, California, and Lessee(s) shall at no time have any right, title or interest in said ore other than to share in the proceeds from the sale thereof as herein provided.

3. Said ore shall not be removed but shall be left on the surface of the demised premises until picked up by the Lessor and taken to its mill at Atolia for treatment and inclusion of concentrate therefrom with concentrate produced from other ore mined by Lessor or other Lessees for shipment when Lessor makes sale of such ore. Lessor shall treat all ore mined by Lessee(s) at said mill at Lessor's convenience and reduce same to concentrate available for shipment and sale.

4. Lessor shall treat the said ore mined by Lessee(s) in lots separate from ore mined by other Lessees and shall charge Lessee(s) therefor a milling charge and a

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marketing charge as contained in the attached Exhibit and Schedules, and made a part hereof.

5. When Lessor shall have sold and received payment for concentrates produced from said ore, Lessor shall pay Lessee(s) from such proceeds thereof according to the attached schedules.

6. This lease may be terminated by either party by giving 30 days written notice of termination to the other party.

7. Neither this lease nor any part thereof, nor any interest therein shall be assigned by Lessee(s) without the written consent of Lessor.

8. Lessee(s) agrees to work said premises in a good minerlike manner and with due regard to the preservation thereof as a workable mine, and to comply with the safety and accident laws of the State of California in the working of said premises.

9. Lessee(s) agrees to use due diligence in mining said premises and to produce ore therefrom as rapidly as possible under the circumstances.

10. Lessee(s) shall permit no liens to attach to said property for labor or supplies, and shall post and keep posted notices of non-responsibility furnished by Lessor.

11. Lessee(s) shall employ no labor without consent of Lessor, and shall at all times carry workmen's compensation insurance when labor is employed.

12. In the event of the breach of any of the terms hereof by Lessee(s), Lessor may at its option declare this lease null and void and immediately take possession of said premises.

13. The demised premises are described as follows:

ATOLIA MINING COMPANY

By.....  
Agent.

.....  
Lessee(s).

**Exhibit and Schedules**

**MILLING CHARGE:** Lessor will make the following milling charge:

On lots of 5 to 10 tons, \$5.00 per ton.

On lots of 5 to 10 tons, \$5.00 per ton.

On lots of 10 tons or more, 4.00 per ton,

provided Lessee(s) assists Lessor in cleaning out the bins, jigs and concentrate boxes at the end of each separate lot treated. If Lessee(s) can not assist in the clean-up, the milling charge will be \$1.00 per ton above the foregoing schedule. (Lessor will not treat lots of less than 5 tons, except at its option).

**MARKETING CHARGE:** To cover freight and marketing of shipments, Lessor will charge 75c per unit of WO<sub>3</sub> contained in concentrates recovered from ore produced by Lessee(s).

**PAYMENT TO LESSEE(S):** Payment to Lessee(s) shall be based on the value of WO<sub>3</sub> contained in concentrate recovered from ore produced by Lessee(s) and sold by Lessor, but, for the purpose of calculations, the value per ton of ore milled shall be determined by multiplying the total number of units

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of WO<sub>3</sub> recovered in such concentrates by the market price per unit for the shipment in which such concentrates are included, and dividing the product thereof by the total tons of ore milled to make such concentrates. The amount due to Lessee(s) will vary with the per ton value of the ore as milled, and the amount of ore sent to the mill per month by Lessee(s), and will be the applicable percentage of the sales proceeds of said ore as per the attached schedules. From the amount so determined, Lessor shall deduct the appropriate milling charge, and the marketing charge, and any amounts due for supplies and other items purchased from Lessor, and the balance of the proceeds from such concentrates shall be paid to Lessee(s).

Payment so made shall be settlement in full between Lessor and Lessee(s), and Lessee(s) shall have no interest in any recovery which Lessor may make from the treatment of tailings remaining from the gravity concentration of the ore produced by Lessee(s).

Said payment shall be based upon weights, samples and assays as taken and determined by Lessor at its mill at Atolia, California, and Lessee(s) or his agent shall be present while weighing and sampling is done, and in the absence of immediate objection by Lessee(s) to the weights and samples taken, the same shall be conclusive on all parties. Lessee(s) shall be entitled to a part of the sample if desiring independent check assay.

All ore containing 60% WO<sub>3</sub>, or more, will be sampled and assayed and royalty computed as in concentrates but the milling charges will be replaced by a sampling and handling and sacking charge of \$5.00 for all lots of all sizes. Upon mutual agreement between Lessor and Lessee, the proceeds due the lessee from this high grade ore that is not milled, may be paid immediately upon receipt of ore on the following basis, less the handling charge of \$5.00 per lot:

Current Market per Unit	Price to be used of high grade from Lessees
\$12.00	\$11.00
15.00	13.50
17.00	15.50
18.00	16.00
19.00	17.00
20.00	18.00

21.00	18.50
22.00	19.50
23.00	20.50
25.00	22.50

Above \$25.00, \$3.00 less than market price.

Schedules for determining payments to Lessees for ore treated in mill will be found posted at the company office in Atolia and also at the Times for the benefit of those interested, which will enable those wishing to figure out their prospective earnings to do so before taking out the new lease.

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25.00	22.50

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Schedules for determining payments to Lessees for ore treated in mill will be found posted at the company office in Atolia and also at the Times for the benefit of those interested, which will enable those wishing to figure out their prospective earnings to do so before taking out the new lease.

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DISTRICT, RANDBURG, KERN COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

### FRIENDS OF RED MTN. SCHOOL ENJOY PARTY

The sounds of laughter and merriment coming from the direction of the Red Mountain school on Friday evening, April 1, were due to a "bunko" party given by the students and teachers of the school to help defray expenses for the graduation exercises. Everyone, from the youngest to the oldest, joined in the fun, and grandpa made just as much noise as the littlest grandson.

When the final scores were added up, Mrs. Pearl Hatton came out ahead of all the other adult players. For this, she received a one dollar credit slip from one of the local stores. Anna May Johnson won two show tickets for having the highest score among the children. Consolations were won by Mrs. Macintosh for the adults and Arlene Rooney for the children.

Refreshments consisting of sandwiches, cake, punch and coffee, were served by the ladies of the community at the close of the party. Mrs. Lindsay was in-charge of the refreshments.

Due to the splendid co-operation of the children in their selling of the tickets, and of their parents in their donations and purchase of tickets, a nice sum of money was raised which will be of great help in making the graduation a success.

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The Women's Aid of the Community Church are holding an Easter Bazaar and dinner at the Legion Hall Saturday, April 9. Serving begins at 5 o'clock. This is a fine opportunity to get an Easter remembrance.

### Frank A. Traylor Passed Away Tuesday Morning At Hospital

Remains Were Taken To San Bernardino For Interment From Shaw Funeral Home

Frank A. Traylor, who has been quite ill at the home of his brother, William, for the past five weeks, was taken to the Rand District hospital last Friday for further treatment, but passed away Tuesday morning at 2 o'clock.

He was 53 years of age. The remains were taken to San Bernardino, where funeral services will be conducted at the Mark B. Shaw Funeral Home.

Mr. Traylor leaves his brother William here and a daughter, Mrs. Carl Dace living in San Bernardino, who have the deep sympathy of a large circle of friends in San Bernardino as well as many in this community.

### COMMUNITY CHURCH SERVICES

At Legion Hall, April 10

urged tohharf odwarf arfthm thm h  
Sunday School at 10:00 A. M.

Next Sunday is Rally Day, and also Decision Day. Members are urged to remember the scripture lesson.

Epworth League at 6:30.

Evening service at 7:30. Mrs. Carrie Ovall will bring the message.

### Randsburg-Searles Stage Time-Table And Freight Rates

Lv. Searles 6:10 A. M.

Ar. Randsburg 7:00 A. M.

Lv. Randsbur 5:00 P. M.

Ar. Searles 5:50 P. M.

Freight rates, all classes and Express, Forty-five (0.45) cents per hundred, as authorized by State Railroad Commission. For further information see Lindsey, or address him at Johannesburg, Calif. 14-5t

### YELLOW DOG MINE NEAR MOJAVE HITS POCKET OF RICH ORE

Said To Run \$3,500 Per Ton—  
Small Shipment Milled  
At Burton's

Mike DeGraves is reported to have recently struck a pocket of \$3,500 ore at his workings in the Yellow Dog Mine, near Mojave.

A small shipment of this higrade was recently milled by Burton Bros. and Mr. DeGraves is anxiously looking for more of the same kind.

"This is not the first pocket of rich ore he has discovered, it is said, and it is considered likely he will encounter more of it in following the vein he is now working.

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### HERBERT GIFFORD OF REDLANDS IS INJURED IN FALL

Too Many Unguarded Holes Are  
A Serious Menace That Should  
Be Abated

Herbert Gifford, of Redlands, who last Friday nite was camping up in Goler canyon near Curley Carroll's cabin, in walking back to his camp from Mr. Carroll's where he had been visiting, he walked into an unprotected hole on the property said to belong to the Gold Coast Mining Co., suffering a broken leg and several broken ribs.

He shouted for assistance and was heard by Carroll and his partner, who immediately ran over to Geo. Koach's camp nearby, from where the calls seemed to come. Arriving there they soon got the location, however, and procured a plank and a coil of strong rope.

By the time they arrived on the scene, however, others who had heard the calls had also arrived and with plenty of help the victim was soon back on the surface.

He was taken to Carroll's cabin but refused to be taken to a doctor that nite.

In the morning, however, he was taken to the Rand District hospital, where first aid was given him by Dr. Drummond, who then took him to the San Bernardino hospital in his ambulance plane.

There are far too many of these death traps in this District and several serious accidents have happened. Isn't it about time something was done to compel the owners of the properties to at once abate these dangerous nuisances?

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**LADIES AND CHILDREN  
WERE THOT LOST SUNDAY**

Sunday afternoon Mrs. Chas. Lindsey and children, with Mrs. Chaney, drove out to the east side of Red Mountain in search of wild flowers and after getting some distance from the hiway, got the car stalled in a wash and being unable to get it out had to remain there till help arrived.

When they had not returned as the sun began to get low a searching party was sent out to look for them, and they all returned several hours later. pretty thoroly chilled, a little frightened and decidedly ready for a good meal.

It is not safe for ladies to go far into the desert alone and they were indeed fortunate in being so quickly rescued after the alarm was sent out.

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**MR. AND MRS. PAYNE ARE  
ENTERTAINING YOUNG LADY**

Mr. and Mrs. R. Payne, of Atolia, are entertaining a young lady at their home who arrived via Randsburg hospital on Monday, April 4th and weighed 6 $\frac{1}{4}$  pounds. She will make their residence her permanent home. Mother and child are doing nicely according to reports.

**VISITS MOTHER IN RED MTN.**

Lyle Hatley came up from Lancaster Sunday for a short visit with his mother, Mrs. J. W. Hatton, returning the same nite.

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GARAGE**

**Red Mountain, California**

"Bonita Union Hi-School Class," Randsburg Times, April 14,  
1938, 1:2:

Twenty-four students from the chemistry class at Bonita Union High School, under E.N. Green, arrived in Randsburg on Monday evening. The trip was devoted mainly to the study of the Garlock Fault, although they had first inspected the mines at Mojave. In Randsburg, they looked over [Kent] Knowlton's mineral collection, at the Times office, toured the American Potash and Chemical plant, at Trona, and studied the tungsten formation at Red Mountain and Atolia. They then left to visit the Southwestern Portland Cement Plant, in Victorville, and the Santa Fe shops in San Bernardino.

"Mr. and Mrs. Payne Are Entertaining Young Lady, Y Randsburg  
Times, April 14, 1938, 2:4:

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lady at their home; she had arrived via Randsburg.

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THURSDAY, APRIL 21, 1938

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### TO OUR READERS

This column will be conducted to call your attention to things you are prone to overlook, but which vitally concern you. You are invited to write us letters, always signing your name, commenting on the articles appearing under this heading. Address your letters to Nossor & Smith, care The Times, Randburg, Calif.

### IS IT WORTH IT?

Our old partner reads the long awaited Atolia Tungsten Lease, packs up his belongings and leaves for Arizona. His children are lost to the schools; grocerymen, garages, butchers, lumbermen, others where his hard earnings were spent, count one family less in their list of patrons. In the case of our old partner, his thirty years' experience as miner has taught him necessary percentage of profit in the extraction of ore that allows him to pay these creditors. When royalty takes too much of this meagre living, he leaves for Arizona. Such is life of the Lease miner.

In the gold zone, an old mine is repossessed by original owners from a bankrupt company. Four Leasers are caught in the "squeeze" with 300 tons of broken ore. They have the option of losing their ore or agreeing to a 20% royalty and rebuilding the mill. Thus a precedent is established in an exorbitant and unearned royalty that in general operation forbids the miner an American standard of living, forbids development of the mine, guts the remaining ore reserves, and unconditionally points to destruction of the mine. There will be other ill advised mine owners hearing of these royalties and as a summary—other miners will leave for Arizona.

One of the four lease miners expressed the opinion that in signing that lease he betrayed every miner and every business man in the community. In a matter of this kind, **WHAT WOULD YOU DO? IS IT WORTH IT?**

The most dangerous condition that confronts the Rand Mining District today can be summed up in one word—Royalty. What mine in any district can pay 20% profit to owners and continue to operate, especially in view of Compensation Insurance, Social Security, unemployment insurance costs, and other hidden taxes or legalized rackets that have contributed to the elimination of JOBS.

Candidly we call to the attention of these mine owners the recent recommendation of Secretary of the Interior Ickes that all mining property situated on government land should be confiscated and leased or rented to capable operators at a **REASONABLE ROYALTY**.

Twenty to seventy per cent royalty is a bonafide step towards governmental control or destruction of the industry.

Why not an **ASSOCIATION OF MINE LEASE OPERATORS**? Surely men who have the fortitude to spend a lifetime of labor in the eternal dark and dust of the mines, should have the fortitude to band together and demand justice and fair play in each mine lease operation of the district.

Patiently we offer the comment  
—IS IT WORTH IT?

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United Lodge  
OF  
**Theosophists**  
Johannesburg  
Study Class  
Wednesday Evenings  
7:45

**CLARENCE C. JEWELL  
PASSED AWAY IN  
HOLLYWOOD MON.**

**Been Traveling For Health For  
About A Year—Ashes To Be  
Scattered Here**

Clarence C. Jewell, who was one of our pioneer merchants, having been in business here for about 20 years, passed away at his residence in Hollywood on Monday at 7 P. M., after many months of precarious health.

He was about 60 years of age and came here during the first tungsten boom in 1915, soon after that going into business, which he had continued in some lines up to about a year ago, when he sought to improve his already precarious health by travel. He had taken up residence in Hollywood some time prior to his death.

His remains were cremated at his own request. Cremation took place at Forest Lawn cemetery on Wednesday afternoon. Also at his own request the ashes will be brought here and scattered over the desert following services also to be held here.

A community wreath was sent to Forest Lawn cemetery for the ceremonies there.

Mrs. Jewell has the sincere sympathy of a large circle of friends in all parts of the district.

It has been impossible to get further detail of his earlier life or of the relatives he may have left behind, as news of his passing did not reach us until Tuesday afternoon and our forms close on Wednesday morning. 41-28-38 pi

RANDBURG TIMES, May 19, 1938:

## MEMORIAL RITE FOR C. C. JEWELL

Ashes Are Returned to Desert In  
Compliance With Wishes

Memorial services for the late C. C. Jewell were held last Sunday on the hills north of Randsburg. Rev. Harold Erickson of Trona and Mrs. Carrie E. Ovall were in charge.

H. A. Stromberg, principal of the high school, gave a short sketch of Mr. Jewell's activities in Randsburg, his untiring efforts to establish better schools and maintain the work of the church in the community, serving as chairman on the church board for years. J. D. Voss, of Garlock, a warm friend of the deceased, paid an eloquent tribute. Music was furnished by a chorus from the community church. At the close of the service, Dr. Thomas A. Drummond circled over the hills in his aeroplane, scattering the ashes of the deceased over the desert in accordance with the request of Mr. Jewell, who asked that his remains be cremated and the ashes be made a part of the desert.

Clarence C. Jewell was born at Osage City, Kansas, and passed away at his home in Hollywood April 25, 1938, at the age of 65 years. At an early age he moved to Illinois where he received his

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## MEMORIAL RITE FOR C. C. JEWELL

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education as teacher and accountant. For many years he was connected with several large corporations, coming to this state 30 years ago. He lived in Los Angeles and San Diego before coming to Randsburg more than 20 years ago, employed as an accountant for Illingworth & Dunnell in the mercantile business. Later Mr. Jewell purchased Mr. Illingworth's interest in the business and continued until two years ago, when he entered the insurance business.

He leaves to mourn his passing his wife, Kathleen Jewell; his stepmother, Mrs. Mary E. Roth; a sister, Mrs. Gertrude Boyer of Hollywood.

Services were conducted at the Little Church of Flowers at Glendale, with Dr. Kleihauer of Hollywood Christian Church in charge.

## EARL SMITH LEAVES DISTRICT FOR NEW LOCATION IN NORTH

Earl W. Smith who has been associated for the past year with Kent Knowlton and Cameron & Hubbard in the Randsburg Times and who was formerly proprietor of the establishment with his father, has disposed of his interest in the concern and is leaving the district this week. The Smith family will hereafter be located at Clio, California in Plumas County.

Mr. Knowlton with Messrs. Cameron and Hubbard will continue the printing and publishing business. Mr. Hubbard is in active charge of the plant with the assistance of Mr. Knowlton.

Earl Smith and his father Wilfred Smith have been in this community since 1935, reviving the Times after a dormant interval of several years. During his residence here he was active in all civic organizations and community problems. 5-19-38 p. 3

## MOLIHAN-BANGLE NUPTIALS DEFY FRIDAY THE 13TH

The Owl at Red Mountain was the scene of a very pretty wedding Friday, May 13, when Judge James Platt of Atolia performed the marriage ceremony uniting the lives of Blanche Molihan and Robert H. Bangle, both of Red Mountain.

Josephine Prenenty served as bridesmaid and Fred Bangle, brother of the groom as best man.

Out of town guests attending were the bride's brother, Harry Molihan of Rice, and the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Bangle of San Bernardino.

The couple will make their home in Red Mountain. Mr. Bangle is employed at the bar and Mrs. Bangle having charge of the Cafe at the Owl.

The Times congratulates the newlyweds in braving the jinx of Friday the 13th and extends good wishes for their married life.

Friends of the happy couple gave them a rousing charivari Monday night when they "took them for a ride" in a truck returning to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bangle where open house was held for all. 5-19-38 p. 3

## DISTRICT INVITED TO CANTIL SUNDAY

The Cantil Ladies Club, with a new club house and a membership of 100 as its objective, has planned a great barbecue for next Sunday, May 29th, starting at one o'clock and continuing until every one is served. The event will be held at the Munsey Ranch under the tall shade trees which make it an ideal recreational setting. The day is dedicated to fun and food, with Rawley Duntley of Oak Creek in charge of the barbecue. Beer and soft drinks, fortune telling and other recreation features are planned. Kern County candidates for re-election from all Kern County offices will be present or represented at the barbecue.

The Munsey Ranch is located 20 miles north of Mojave on U. S. Highway No. 6.

(excerpt:)

## EIGHTH GRADERS OF DISTRICT GRADUATE

Thursday evening, May 26th at 7:30 o'clock at the Legion hall in Randsburg, six boys and five girls will be given their eighth grade diplomas by County Superintendent Herbert L. Healy. The graduates are Chas. J. Behrens, Floyd E. Hartman, Brookie Monk, Lawrence A. Napolis, Theresa Rayas, Blanche Louise Riley, Ethel Sain, Gabriel Sierra, Marcellina Soto, John Kenneth Weidenbenner and Gloria Branson.

Graduation exercises for the eighth grade of Red Mountain schools will be held at the Hall at Atolia Thursday evening, June 2 at 7 o'clock.

"Aunt Drusella's Garden", an operetta in two acts, will be presented by the entire school, under the able direction of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Swihart. The names of the graduates are:

Anna May Johnson, Lorraine Peterson, Dorothy Brown, Barbara Church, Arlene Rooney, Thelma Waechter, Oscar Cartier, Bill Cooper and Wallace Musgrave.

The decoration of the garden as well as the designing of the crepe

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THURSDAY, MAY 26, 1938

**S. G. DOUGLAS**

Candidate For

**SHERIFF**

**Kern County**

Primary Election August 30, 1938

I WHI Appreciate Your Support

**Red Mountain Boys  
Enjoy Mountain Camp**

Ernest Swihart, principal of the elementary schools of Red Mountain, took a group of boys from the upper grades for an all night camp party in the mountains near Walker's Pass Saturday.

The boys enjoying the trip were: Otis Musgrave, Bill McNulty, Harmon Cooper, Bill Cooper, Jas. Johnson, Dean Peterson and Wallace Musgrave. 5-26-38 p.1

FRANK AND DOLLIE

**RAND POOL HALL**

BEERS — WINES — LIQUORS

— Try —

DOLLIE'S SANDWICHES

**Osborns Parents of  
Baby Boy**

Word has been received here of the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Osborn at Orange, May 14. Mrs. Osborn and babe are with a sister there. The young man has been christened Houston Roy. The Osborns are former residents of Randsburg, Mr. Osborn being employed at Atolia.

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"Eighth Graders of District Graduate," Randsburg Times,  
May 26, 1938, 2:2:

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paper costumes and flower caps are under the direction of  
Mr. and Mrs. Vic Johnson, assisted by the mothers of the  
districts."

## Beautiful Graduation Held At Atolia For Red Mountain School

A full house attended the graduation exercises for the Red Mountain graduates held Thursday, June 2 at the Atolia Hall. The operetta, "Aunt Dresill's Garden" was ably presented under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Swihart, Mrs. Swihart playing the piano accompaniment. The polished acting as well as some exceptionally good solo parts spoke well for the talented coaching the group had received. The solo parts sung by Beverlee Platt, who played the part of "Nelda" were very pleasing.

Much comment was heard concerning the beautifully decorated stage, the background of which was a landscape scene painted by Mrs. Swihart; the arbor and old-fashioned fence were made by Vic Johnson and the stately hollyhock and realistic roses by his capable wife who also designed the artistic dresses and caps for the girls who represented Shasta daisies, roses, sweet peas and forget-me-nots, as well as the sunflower for the gardener, Harmon Cooper, to wear at the Party.

Special music by the Rhythm Band was announced and directed by Master Charles Russel Lindsey. Mrs. Heaton and son Gaylen play-

ed the piano accompaniment. Mrs. Dorothy Mummery of Randburg and Miss Lorraine Atkinson of Red Mountain rendered a violin duet accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Swihart.

Presentation of diplomas was made by president of school board, Charles Lindsey, who also announced that the entire faculty had been employed for next year and received a resounding applause. Post Commander, Jas. Christensen presented the Legion award to Miss Anna May Johnson, who is the third in her family to receive this award, her bother Mat and a sister Wilma having had this honor at their graduation. Miss Johnson acting as spokesman for her class presented the teachers of the school, Mr. and Mrs. Swihart and Mrs. Edwards each with a gift of appreciation from the graduating class. Mr. Swihart was given a fine wrist watch, Mrs. Swihart, Evening in Paris perfume and bath powder and Mrs. Edwards a sillex. Rev. Walter Swihart, father of Ernest Swihart pronounced the benediction, after which a reception was held during which punch and cake were served by a committee of mothers.

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## Folks You Know

### Make Trip to L. A.—

Dick Donker of Donker Dairy at Atolia and Frank Hadley were business visitors in Long Beach Monday.

### Reception for Daughter—

Mr. and Mrs. Vic Johnson of Red Mountain are giving a reception and shower in honor of their daughter, Mrs. Max Stringham and husband on Tuesday evening, June 21 at their home at Red Mountain.

### Graduation Exercises Held At Saltdale—

Mrs. Carrie Ovall was the speaker at the Eighth grade graduation held at the Saltdale school house Wednesday evening, June 1. Her subject was "Chimney Corner Graduates." Only one pupil completed the eighth grade requirements this year, Cecilia Ortez, who gave a talk on "Unusual Uses of Common Things." Special music and recitations completed the program of the evening.

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### Charivari For Newlyweds—

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Max Stringham of Red Mountain gave them a rousing charivari Monday evening of this week, "taking them for a ride" in the Atkinson wreck-er which had been fittingly decorated for the occasion, and followed by cars of friends with honking horns. The merry crowd finally returned to the home of the happy couple where treats were in order.

RANDBURG TIMES, June 16, 1938:

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p. 4 THURSDAY, JUNE 16, 1938

**Reveal Secret Sisters—**

The ladies of Johannesburg were hosts Wednesday to the Women's Aid of the Community Church. At the meeting the Secret Sisters of the past year were revealed and names were drawn for the next year. Delicious refreshments were served. The meeting was held at the Civic Club recreation hall.

**Writes Play For Program—**

An interesting Indian play, "Gifts of the Desert", written by the Mrs. Ethel Mary Standard, teacher of the Mount Owen School at Brown, was presented by the pupils of the school Thursday, June 9 at 5:30 P. M. Mrs. Standard has been the teacher of Mount Owen for nineteen years. Pupils taking part in the play were: James Mozley, Calvin Giraud, Frank Sheltren, Tony Garcia, Jose Garcia, Paul Giraud, Naomi Mozley, Esther Garcia, Hazel Giraud, Frances Giraud, Gloria Garcia, and Shirley Franklin.

**MINES & MINING**

**WATCH**  
**Rand Mining District**  
**Grow!**

Edw. Herkelrath  
Box 253  
Randsburg, Calif.

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### L. A. COUPLE IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Dorothy K. Williams and son of 110 So. Croft St., Los Angeles, experienced an accident early Monday morning, June 6, at the entrance to Red Rock Canyon just north of the junction of Randsburg road and U. S. No. 6, near Mike Pappas' service station. They were driving north in a Packard coupe when the car left the road and turned over. No other car was involved and while young Williams suffered a slight arm injury neither occupant was seriously hurt. The body of the car was badly crushed. Highway Patrolman Scott made the investigation of the accident.

### A. E. A. To Sponsor Chinese Relief Dinner

The Atolia Employees' Association of Atolia are sponsoring a civilian relief dinner of rice, doughnuts and coffee at the Recreation hall at Johannesburg Friday, June 17, from 6:30 to 9:30 p. m.

Bring your chopsticks (if you have them). There will be no cover charge but a silver offering will be taken.

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### UNION ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

Jim Fraser, Vice-President of A. E.  
A. Only New Man

Lester Rooney was re-elected president of the Atolia Employees' Association at a meeting held at Jo'burg Hall last Monday evening, June 13. This will be Rooney's third term as president of the union.

Only new officers of the association will be Jim Fraser, who was elected vice-president.

Elmer Moody was re-elected as secretary. This will be his second term in office.

The three re-elected trustees will all serve their third term. They are Tony Croswhite, Jimmy Morris, and Lee Neukirk.

The Chinese relief dinner sponsored by the association at Recreation hall in Johannesburg Friday was well attended. Proceeds from the event were sent to the Chinese ambassador in Washington.

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### Pets Quarantined to Prevent Spread Of Rabies

All cats and dogs in Randsburg, Johannesburg, Red Mountain, and Atolia are under quarantine. This order was issued Friday morning when it was learned that a dog had died with rabies after biting four children.

The injured children are: Roxanna Movald, age 3; Dorothy Schoonmaker, age 6; Virginia Schlagel, age 7; and Mike Cooke, age 8. The dog was owned by George Schlagel of Randsburg. It was under observation for a number of days before it died last Thursday, July 14.

Serum inoculations were administered by Dr. Drummond to the injured children Friday.

Jack E. Lang, Inspector for the Kern County Health Department and Roscoe Davis, State Inspector, were in Randsburg Friday to put a quarantine into effect.

According to Inspector Lang, all dogs must be kept tied on a chain not over five feet in length, or in a closed cage or paddock at all times until released by the Health Officer. This quarantine will be in effect at least ninety days.

Lang explained that while ninety days might seem like a long time to keep a pet in confinement to keep a pet in confinement, it was absolutely necessary. Rabies does not develop overnight, and in many cases it takes as long as three months for the disease to spread.

It is because of strict quarantine enforcement that Kern county has not had a rabies death since Dr. Joe Smith has been Health Officer, Lang pointed out.

Constable Stewart Fraser, who is in charge of the quarantine enforcement has already killed 7 stray dogs. This work is being done by Fraser in the line of his regular duty, and he is receiving no bounty or extra remuneration for the service. 7-7-38 p.1

## KRAMER CLOSES FOR VACATIONS

### Two Weeks With Pay Given Old Employees

The plant of the Pacific Coast Borax Company at Kramer will be shut down for two weeks this summer while the entire crew takes their vacations at the same time.

All work in the plant is scheduled to cease at 3:30 p. m. Friday, July 22, not to be resumed until 3:30 p. m. on Monday, August 8.

All employees who have been with the company two years or more will receive the two weeks' vacation with pay. At present, almost the entire crew is composed of men who have been with the company for years.

This is the first year this plan has been tried. Formerly, employees took turns, keeping the plant in continuous operation. Some minor maintenance work may be done during the two week interval.

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### Big Butte Property Scene of Activity

Activity is picking up at the Big Butte mining properties, as fourteen leasers are at work.

The Big Butte mill has been running two shifts. With the custom ore that is now coming in the mill is on the verge of putting on a third shift.

Bert Wageman is in charge of the mill during the absence of his brother, Bill Wageman who is on a two weeks vacation.

### Catholic Services To Be Held At Atolia Saturdays

The Rev. James Grady, pastor of the Trona Catholic Church, has taken over the Atolia District and vicinity, and after taking census of the district has decided to conduct services at Atolia once each week, Saturday mornings, at 8:00 o'clock.

The Atolia Mining Company has kindly consented to give the use of their hall.

Catechism instructions will be held for the children every Saturday after Mass.

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## Atolia Employees Choose A.F. of L.

Decision Unanimous as 100% Vote  
For Affiliation

Employees of the Atolia Mining Co. decided today (Wednesday) by a unanimous vote to affiliate with the American Federation of Labor. Every employee of the company cast his ballot.

The ballot box was opened at 1 p. m. in the staff house. Present at the counting of the votes were representatives for the National Labor Relations Board, the American Federation of Labor, and employees, and a neutral judge.

A. H. Peterson from Los Angeles represented the A. F. of L., Mr. Yeager, the N. L. R. B., Lee Neukirk the employees, and Mr. Wimberly was the neutral judge.

The question before the employees was to decide whether to affiliate with the federation or to maintain their union as an independent organization.

It is estimated that it will take ten days to two weeks to get the final decision from Washington granting the A. F. of L. bargaining rights for the employees in their relations with the company. When this final authority is granted, the union will proceed with formation of its agreement with the company.

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# JAMES HOLLAND KILLED IN FALL DOWN MINE SHAFT

## Autopsy Reveals Carbon Monoxide Gas as Cause of Mine Operator's Death

James Holland was instantly killed in a fall down a 150-foot shaft of the Holland mine on Black Mountain, about 12 miles west from Randburg last Sunday, July 10. Mr. Holland was 58 years old.

Autopsy revealed that Holland had died of carbon monoxide poisoning. Evidently overcome by the gas, the man plunged to the bottom of the shaft as he was attempting to climb out, the coroner and sheriff's office reported.

The autopsy also revealed that Holland suffered a broken spinal cord, three broken ribs, a ruptured liver and a severe head injury in the fall, officials said, but that there was no mark on the outside of the body where the injuries occurred.

Gladstone Earl Savage, who was working with Holland at the time, was almost overcome by the gas, officers reported, so that he overturned his car while going for assistance.

Chester McDonald, a neighbor, was summoned and Coroner Houze reports that both McDonald and Savage stated the man was alive after the fall but that he died before a rescue party could be formed and brought out from Randburg to bring the injured man out of the gas-filled shaft.

As well as having extensive min-

ing interests in the Rand district, Mr. Holland was president of the Rio Bravo Pioneer Oil Company. In addition, he had other oil holdings in the Midway fields. He had held interests in the Rand district since 1920.

Holland lived with his family at 4349 Ponca street, North Hollywood. When in Kern county he lived at 1119 Eighteenth street. He is survived by his widow, Margaret Vandever Holland and two stepchildren, John Matlock Hotch and Margaret Vandever Hotch; four brothers, Samuel Holland, of Bellingham, Wash.; George Holland of Kansas City, Mo.; Charles Holland, of Auburn, Ky.; and Homer Holland, of Tucson, Ariz.; two sisters, one of whom is Mrs. Virginia C. Bryson, of Auburn, Ky. The other's name is not known.

Holland was born in 1880 at Joplin, Mo. He came to California at an early age and his operations in Kern county oil and gold fields began years ago. Mr. Holland is known as one of the pioneer operators in the Kern oil fields.

Funeral services were held Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock at the Doughty-Calhoun-O'Meara funeral chapel with interment following in the Union cemetery. The Rev. William E. Patrick officiated. Mrs. A. G. Ryder was organist.

# FIFTEEN MEN RETURN TO WORK AT ATOLIA MINES

## Company Doing Development Work As Carload Order To Be Filled In August

Fifteen men returned to work for the Atolia Mining Company within the past week in order to fill an order for another carload of tungsten concentrate which is due to go out in August.

The men will work the company's mines, especially in shaft No. 1, from which the bulk of the shipment will be taken.

The company shipped a carload of scheelite last Saturday.

Last week the company ran a power line over to the No. 3 mine. This is on the lease recently purchased from Williams and Casu. They plan to install a hoist on this hole in preparation for further sinking of the shaft.

Ed Smoot, manager of the L. C. Main lease is now working two shifts.

Bill Taylor resumed work on the Taylor lease within the past 3 or 4 days.

Ralston Brothers have a short lease on the near surface workings of the Amity lease. The company now has a crew putting pumps to run out water in the lower levels of this mine. This is being done in order that they can connect the Amity with the Union lease.

The mill at Atolia has been shut down for some time, but the mill crew has been kept busy making repairs. It will resume operation soon in order to fill the next order due out in August.

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## ATOLIA UNION SIGNS CONTRACT WITH COMPANY

**Affiliate of A. F. of L. Represents  
Employees as Sole Bargainin  
Agents**

The Atolia Employees' Association has been recognized as the sole bargaining agent for all employees of the Atolia Mining Company. The communication stating the decision of the board was received by President L. F. Rooney Sunday, July 24. The association is Local No. 21464 of the American Federation of Labor.

### **Negotiate Working Agreement**

Upon receipt of their recognition, the Union negotiated a working agreement with the company. The meeting was held Tuesday evening, July 26, at the Atolia Mining Company office. Mr. Wernecke, president of the company, and L. D. Baker, superintendent represented the company, while the A. F. of L. representative was Leo Niekirk. A. T. Crosswhite and Jim Fraser were arbitrators.

In short, the conclusion of this agreement means that the Atolia mill and mines is now a closed shop. All employees with the exception of executives, foremen and clerical workers will be members of the union.

The Atolia Employees' Association was organized on July 29, 1937 as a local union. Its A. F. of L. affiliation became effective only a few weeks ago.

### **Union Has Successful Year**

According to President Rooney, the union has had a very successful year. One month after its origin in 1937 a wage increase of 50 cents per day had been secured. By the end of 90 days, a further wage increase of 50 cents was gained.

Among other things which the new agreement has secured is a vacation schedule for employees.

7-27-38

## **Miner Becomes Farmer To Utilize Water On Claim**

Randsburg now has an honest-to-goodness dirt farmer, Everett William Cornelius, who will soon be harvesting a fine crop of produce grown in the Rand district.

Two years ago a spring developed on Cornelius' mining claim, about half a mile from Randsburg on the Mojave road. Source of water is the Yellow Aster cyanide plant, about half a mile further up the hill.

Cornelius rigged pipe to carry water from the spring, plowed about an acre of land, and planted the ground to vegetables and melons.

Today he has radishes the size of tomatoes, turnips that weigh one pound and five ounces, to say

nothing of string beans, three or four varieties of corn, onions, carrots, beets, potatoes, peas, watermelons and many other varieties too numerous to mention.

The garden has proven a great attraction for birds. A number of doves eat there regularly. And when they have eaten, hawks, in turn, eat them.

Sunday Mack Witt came up from Los Angeles and brought his rifle with him. At 700 feet he killed a hawk with a wing spread of over four and one-half feet. The bird had a dove in its beak as it fell.

Monday, Cornelius had his first meal from the garden, a Mulligan stew, containing string beans, potatoes, carrots, turnips, and radishes.

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RANDBURG, KERN COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

## ***Jerry W. Jones Killed In Compressor Explosion***

Jerry W. Jones, 33 year old leaser at Atolia, was killed almost instantly when a compressor that he was working on blew up Friday afternoon. Bob Kieth, another leaser who was helping Jones at the time of the explosion escaped comparatively unscathed, both his eyes were blackened, and teeth were loosened.

Jones had been in the district for some time, and had been a leaser at Atolia since November of last year.

He is survived by his wife, who lived with him at Atolia, and his father and brother in Saginaw, Mich.

At the time of the accident, Mrs. Jones was on a vacation trip in Canada with her uncle and two sisters. Upon notification they rushed back to California.

The compressor upon which Jones was working was one that had been out of commission for some time. He had just succeeded in getting it into running order and was trying it out when the explosion occurred. From his trunk down, his body was badly mangled. Ross Laney and P. E. MacDuff administered first aid until the doctor arrived. Jones never regained consciousness, dying two hours later.

The body was taken to Sierra Madre. Funeral and burial will take place there.

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"Folks You Know," Randsburg Mines, Aug 18, 1938, p 6:

"Red Mountain Sewing Club--"

The Red Mountain Sewing Club met on Wednesday, Aug. 16,  
with Mrs. Lester Rooney, at Atolia.

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"Saltdale Visitors--"

H.C. Topp, of Saltdale, visited Randsburg on Tuesday.  
He visited the newly built Community Church.

**Layette Shower  
Honors Daughter—**

Mrs. Vic Johnson of Red Mountain was hostess to the Helping Hand Club and their friends with a luncheon Wednesday, August 24, at 12:30 o'clock, honoring her daughter, Mrs. Denzel Johnson with a layette shower. The Club presented her with a bathnette. Those enjoying the afternoon were: Guest of Honor, Mrs. Denzel Johnson; Betty Lavell, Mrs. G. N. Hadley, Mrs. Vera Pitt, Susan Edwards, Josie Netherton, Florence Atkinson, Genevieve Dunham, Jessie Hatton, Mrs. Glen Hatton, Mrs. James Platt, Mrs. Frank Lamley, Mrs. James Nosser, Mrs. John Turner, Mrs. Bea Reynolds, Mrs. Tino Blair, Mrs. L. E. Liles, Mrs. Robt. Steward, Mrs. R. E. Ralston, Mrs. "Pat" Robinson, Cannie Harpham, Mrs. Neal Harwell, Mrs. Leota Straub, Margaret DeVelder and daughter, Betty Trujillo, Mrs. M. J. Edsall, Mrs. Earl Johnson, Mrs. W. R. Hackman, Leita Mae Steward, Mrs. Donker, Norma Martin Schultz, Mrs. Leona Williams, Leona Hess, Jimmie Hess, Mrs. Gertrude Schlegel, Carma Peterson, Martha E. Hackman, Sina P. Lindsey, Mrs. M. Levine, Helen Levine, Doris Mae Levine, Myra Niemeyer, Laura Davis, Lorraine Atkinson, Arlene Rooney, Onna May Johnson, Mrs. Lester Rooney, Mrs. J. W. Davis, Mrs. James Johnson, Mrs. Erma Silveria.

**Osdick, Atolia  
Favor Incumbents**

Red Mountain and Atolia in San Bernardino County reflected the opinion of the rest of the county, supporting the incumbents.

Election day on the San Bernardino side of the line lacked the interest of Kern County politics. Fewer candidates were running, and there was no local political contest to enliven the picture. Judge Platt and Constable Hatton were unopposed on the ballot.

Unofficial returns from the two precincts show the following results:

**Recorder—**

	Os.	Atol	Tot
Eben R. T. Blomquist	12	5	17
Ted R. Carpenter	49	24	73

**District Attorney—**

W. D. Evans	4	4	8
H. R. Griffin	11	9	20
Jerome B. Kavanaugh	46	14	60

**Sheriff—**

H. M. Rouse	12	10	22
E. L. Shay	59	23	82

**Meets Son In Los Angeles—**

Bert H. Rusa, of Red Mountain, was in Los Angeles Sunday to bring back his son Engelbert, who had spent his vacation in San Francisco with his grand-daddy. Engelbert made the trip to and from San Francisco all alone, and says he had a "swell time" there, taking in all the sights.

**Seal Beach Visitors—**

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Milton of Seal Beach came Saturday to spend two weeks in the home of William Sperling. Sunday the group drove to San Bernardino and on to Big Bear where they spent the day. Monday they were business visitors in Lancaster.

**P.-T. A. To Hold  
Business Meeting**

The first business meeting of the Randsburg P. T. A. will be held at the Legion Hall Tuesday, September 6 at 1:00 P. M. The year's program will be made out and the budget planned. Every parent is urged to attend and help make our association standard this year.

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RANDBURG TIMES, Sept. 1, 1938, p. 3:

**GENERAL AUTO REPAIRING**

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## **Proposed Fire Department To Serve All Rand Communties**

**Supplied By State Forestry Department With  
Cooperation of Kern County**

For the information of residents in Red Mountain and Atolia, it is desired that there should be no misunderstanding of the manner in which the proposed Rand District Fire Department will work. The fire fighting equipment which is expected to arrive October 1st is being secured from the State Forestry Department through Kern County. County officials are co-operating in the business of securing it from the state but its use is intended for the communities both in Kern and San Bernardino counties, namely Randsburg, Johannesburg, Red Mountain and Atolia.

**Final meeting to conclude the o**  
arrangements for housing the fire truck and all other matters is called for Friday night, Sept. 30 at the Legion Hall in Randsburg and a special invitation is extended to residents of Red Mountain and Atolia as well as Johannesburg and Randsburg.

At the meeting held last Friday night, the first objective of providing housing for the equipment was partially solved. A lot directly west of the barber shop has been practically donated by Jo P. Carroll. The \$250 needed to erect the 14x22 building will be raised by popular subscription and a good start was made Friday night to that end. Offers of labor were tendered as well as cash contributions.

The committee to follow thru the completion of all arrangements preparatory to starting the fire department and to perfect and manage its operation consists of the following: James Christenson, general chairman and fire chief; A. H. Said, Randsburg; Jas Nossier, Johannesburg; J. W. Hatton, Red Mountain and James Platt, Atolia.

The present sponsorship of the project is by the Coordinating Council, however, the future maintenance will be met by the communities affected through annual benefits of various kinds.

### **Four Jacks Mine Purchased By Knight**

(Mining & Industrial News)  
Sale is reported of Four Jacks Mine on Soledad Mountain, Kern Co., Calif., to Jesse Knight and associates by J. V. Creath, Box 2055, Mojave, Calif. Four Jacks property has been operated successfully for the past four years by Mr. Creath. Mr. Knight has announced no plans as yet for operation of Four Jacks but is expected to continue operations.

### **Nine Ounce Nugget Found Near Big Pine**

Independence, Cal.—How would you feel if you picked up a nine ounce gold nugget?

Well, you'd probably feel just as excited as did Stewart Bedell of Big Pine, who picked up the big nugget—the size of a lemon—on his Marble canyon placer gold property. Its discovery proves that scratching gravel can be a paying proposition.

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### Substantial Fire Loss At Atolia Saturday When Shop Burns

A shop building at Atolia No. 1 caught fire last Saturday morning about eleven o'clock and burned to the ground. The loss is estimated at from \$2500 to \$3000.

While the exact cause of the fire is not known, the blaze started around the furnace while workmen were busy in another portion of the building. It is the intention of the company to replace the building immediately.

## Morse-Irwin Mill Is Busy With Gold Tungsten Placer

### Thirty-five Men Leasing—Opportunity Open For More Leasers

H. H. Morse and C. E. Irwin are now operating the small mill on the Atolia-Rand placer ground. Fourteen sets of leasers comprising a total of thirty-five men are working and four men including Mr. Morse are employed at the crusher and mill. All of the leasers with the exception of one set are reported to be making wages or better.

The mill is operating one shift, supplied by the leasers plus some custom milling. Further volume to permit a second or even a third shift is thought to be possible should enough additional leasers come into the picture.

The present leasers began work about thirty days ago. There is opportunity for a larger number of leasers to work. The mill is running with a capacity of 10½ tons per hour which cares for the millings of the leasers and permits some custom milling. Should the number of leasers increase sufficiently to require a second shift that arrangement will also make more custom milling possible.

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### Johannesburg Juniors Organize New Club

The Joe'burg Juniors met Friday, Sept. 16, and decided to clean up Joe'burg, starting Tuesday, Sept. 20.

The new janitor in the Johannesburg school is Darleen Nossier and the school teacher is Mrs. Rouse.

The officers elected for the Joe'burg Juniors' Club are: Darleen Nossier, president; Susan Wells, vice president; Mary Naimeyer, secretary; Doris Howell, treasurer and Eugene Wells, reporter.

Joe'burg Juniors meet every Friday from 1 o'clock to 2 o'clock. Visitors are welcome at all meetings.

"Folks You Know," Randsburg Times, Sept 29, 1938:

4:3: "Bellflower Visitors--"

Elmer Wood, Atolia, drove to Los Angeles on Wednesday and returned with visitors from Bellflower; they stayed until Sunday.

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4:4: "Return From Hunting Trip--"

Judge James Platt returned to Atolia from a hunting trip to Monache Meadows. Nine men were in the party; they brought back 3 deer.

"Folks You Know," Randsburg Times, Oct 13, 1938, 3:3:

Elmer Moody and his family; F.L. Rooney and family;  
and Bill Church and family, all of Atolia, and Mr. and Mrs.  
Garland Witter and family, of Randsburg, gathered pinon  
nuts in Nine-Mile Canyon on Sunday.

"To Lancaster," Randsburg Times, Oct 20, 1938, 3:2:

On Tuesday, Jesse Cooper drove a truck to Lancaster, where he bought machinery for the Atolia Mining Company.

"Folks You Know," Randsburg Times, Oct 20 1938:

4:2: "To San Bernardino--"

On Saturday, Mrs. James Platt and her daughters, Beverlee and Genevieve, drove to San Bernardino, where the girls take piano lessons.

4:1: "To Victorville--"

Judge James Platt, Atolia, was in Victorville on business last Thursday.

"Folks You Know," Randsburg Times, Nov 3, 1938:

[p 6?]: "Dinner Guests--"

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Moody and daughter, Patsy, were dinner guests on Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Garland Witter.

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[p 6?]: "To San Bernardino--"

Mrs. Elfie Janke, Mrs. Ora Rust and her grandson Billy and Harmon Cooper, of Atolia, were in San Bernardino on business last Saturday.

"Anglo-American And Atolia Officials Hosts To Mining Men,"  
Randsburg Times, Nov 3, 1938, 1:2-3:  
(summary)

A group of 27 mining men, who had attended the American Mining Congress, in Los Angeles, visited the mines and mill of the Atolia Mining Company and the plant of the Anglo-American Mining Company, Ltd.; the companies then treated them to dinner in Randsburg.

COVERING THE RAND DISTRICT, RANDBURG, KERN COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

## Master Key Leasers Have Good Millings

Ores All Found Above Fifty Foot  
Level With Values of  
\$20 and Better

With A. Callicotte and W. B. Gardner on their fourth milling, Lou E. Liles and S. E. Seldomridge completing their third milling at the King Solomon mill, and several other leasers waiting their turn to make millings, a new interest is being given to the area covered by the Master Key group and adjoining claims.

The values in the millings to date are given at \$20 and better with indications of still better ore. The ore is being taken above the fifty foot level.

Among several of the workings in addition to the above is that of W. A. Clapp, John Turner and Bill Johnson who have ore which they expect to recover through the foot-wall of an adjacent old shaft and are starting work this week.

This is a district which local mining authorities declare the Fairchild aerial photograph survey indicates should be valuable in potentialities. The present workings in this area have developed during the past three months with the exception of the old shaft at the Clapp, Turner and Johnson claim and an old tunnel by Al Sanderson, one of the best known and most successful leasers, who always maintained his work there would some day revive gold mining in that section. 11-10-38 p. 1

## Rand District Unofficial Election Returns

OFFICE AND CANDIDATE	Randsburg No. 1	Randsburg No. 2	Johannesburg	Red Mountain	Aloia	Inyokern	TOTAL
<b>GOVERNOR—</b>							
Frank F. Merriam.....	62	44	24	22	18	16	186
Robert Noble.....			2	1	6		9
Culbert L. Olson.....	72	88	35	73	25	79	372
Raymond Haight.....			3	4	3		10
<b>LIEUT. GOVERNOR—</b>							
Ellis E. Patterson.....	74	83	31	61	23	67	339
Geneve L. A. Shafer.....			12	11	10		33
Walter Scott Franklin.....	50	40	21	24	18	24	177
<b>U. S. SENATOR—</b>							
Sheridan Downey.....	78	83	41	72	36	77	387
Philip Bancroft.....	56	39	24	22	15	24	180
<b>CONGRESSMAN—</b>							
A. J. Elliott.....	83	85	37			65	270
F. Fred Heelscher.....	49	33	25			34	141
<b>STATE SENATOR—</b>							
J. I. Wagy, R-D.....	104	90	53			78	325
Charles C. Conners, Prog.....	18	24	8			23	73
<b>ASSEMBLYMAN—</b>							
Rodney L. Turner, D.....	68	85	36			68	277
Paul C. Newell, R.....	55	37	25			31	148
<b>SHERIFF—</b>							
Ed Champness.....	55	54	38			56	213
John E. Loustalot.....	78	73	25			47	223
<b>TAX COLLECTOR—</b>							
J. Perry Brite.....	93	95	51			56	295
Loring F. Bennett.....	32	26	9			33	99
<b>SUPERVISOR—</b>							
Geo. W. Parish.....	99	76	46				221
C. W. Harty.....	37	52	17				106

### Helping Hand Club Event Is Successful

The Helping Hand Club of Red Mountain served dinner to the public on election day at their club rooms in Red Mountain. Some idea of the nature of the dinner and the quantity of food required may be had from the list of supplies used which included 104 pounds of turkey, 3 chickens, 24 loaves of bread, 20 pounds of fresh peas and a hundred pounds of potatoes, besides numbers of pies and salads.

Proceeds from the meals served amounted to \$109.00 and when all expenses are paid the money will be used for community emergencies.

The Club has 24 members, with Mrs. Vic Johnson as president and Carma Petersen secretary and treasurer. At present they are equipping their club house with dishes and silverware, but their funds are chiefly for helping their neighbors in distress. They contributed clothing and comforters recently to the people who were burned out in Randsburg, and are to be commended for their charitable work. 11-10-38 p.1

### WEATHER REPORT

1938	Max.	Min.	The Day
Nov. 1	53	46	Clr. wdy
Nov. 2	61	42	Clear
Nov. 3	64	39	Clear
Nov. 4	70	42	Pt. Cldy
Nov. 5	60	38	Pt. Cldy
Nov. 6	51	36	Clear
Nov. 7	58	36	Clear
Nov. 8	64	40	Pt. Cldy

Average 60.1 39.9  
1937 Av. 75.2 49.2

### PROPOSITIONS—

No. 1	Labor	YES	33	42	20	28	13	29	165
		NO	98	48	41	63	36	68	354
No. 2	Pounds	YES	34	37	17	34	22		144
		NO	73	69	40	32	21		235
No. 3	Highways	YES	74	77	38	75	35	55	354
		NO	41	33	23	11	12	38	158
No. 4	Highways	YES	48	48	29	44	22	35	226
		NO	67	52	32	39	25	60	275
No. 5	Fishing Control	YES	57	59	25	40	19		200
		NO	40	36	31	15	22		144
No. 6	Insurance Tax	YES	71	63	33	39	29		235
		NO	32	35	18	20	12		117
No. 7	Relief	YES	68	53	28	30	24		203
		NO	32	37	22	24	16		131
No. 8	Apport'nmt. Funds	YES	30	23	8	18	10		89
		NO	65	63	40	35	28		231
No. 9	Vet. Tax Exemp	YES	41	44	33	40	22		180
		NO	59	56	18	21	20		174
No. 10	Oil Leases	YES	31	26	15	17	15		104
		NO	70	75	36	48	27		256
No. 11	Br. of Equalization	YES	41	38	12	16	17		124
		NO	50	51	37	37	22		197
No. 12	Bay Exposition	YES	69	62	23	38	27		219
		NO	57	33	30	33	13		166
No. 13	Revenue Bonds	YES	39	22	15	13	15		104
		NO	58	62	34	34	26		214
No. 14	Removal Judges	YES	90	82	42	54	39		307
		NO	18	20	13	11	7		69
No. 15	Judicial Council	YES	41	21	14	17	18		111
		NO	47	57	30	31	21		186
No. 16	Retirement Judges	YES	38	30	12	18	10		108
		NO	55	57	35	29	28		204
No. 17	Initiative	YES	44	33	12	20	16		125
		NO	48	51	35	21	22		177
No. 18	State Money Deposits	YES	36	37	17	25	21		136
		NO	50	45	30	24	17		166
No. 19	State Funds as Loans	YES	23	22	9	11	16		81
		NO	67	60	36	37	23		223
No. 20	Single Tax	YES	35	34	21	28	19	17	154
		NO	72	67	34	37	26	75	311
No. 21	Church Tax Exemp	YES	46	45	20	26	11		148
		NO	59	55	34	32	28		208
No. 22	City Charters	YES	36	34	12	12	12		106
		NO	45	43	31	28	23		170
No. 23	Legisilative Expense	YES	34	37	12	29	14		126
		NO	53	44	34	27	20		178
No. 24	Tideland Drilling	YES	63	22	13	14	15		97
		NO	71	74	40	46	25		256
No. 25	"Ham and Eggs"	YES	85	80	33	65	28	73	364
		NO	48	45	31	31	21	30	206

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"Red Mountain-Atolia Hold Carnival Dance," Randsburg  
Times, Nov 10, 1938, 2:1:

Red Mountain and Atolia residents "are having an old  
time Carnival and dance" at the Atolia Hall on Saturday  
evening, NOV. 19. The funds will be used for the annual  
Christmas party for the children of Red Mountain and Atolia.

### **Carnival and Dance at Atolia Hall A Success**

The Carnival and Dance given at the Atolia Hall Saturday night, sponsored by Red Mountain and Atolia was well attended and the affair was a success from a financial as well as enjoyable standpoint. Music for the dance was furnished by an orchestra from the Owl and Palace. Sufficient funds were raised for the children's Christmas Party and plans are now under way for a program.

#### **Anaheim Visitors—**

D. E. Magill and son George of Anaheim were Rand District visitors Sunday. While here the men enjoyed looking over the mineral display of Kent Knowlton at the Times office. 11-24-38 P.

"Folks You Know," Randsburg Times, Nov 17, 1938, 4:3:

"Enjoy Afternoon"

Six women were the guests last Friday afternoon of Mrs. O.H. Andreasen at Atolia. Cake and coffee were served.

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"Carnival and Dance--"

Red Mountain and Atolia are sponsoring a carnival and dance at Atolia Hall on Saturday, Nov. 19, at 7:30 p.m. The women are holding a bazaar, at which home-made aprons, scarves, luncheon sets, and "many other items especially useful" as Christmas gifts. Refreshments will be served. All proceeds will be used for the Christmas party for the children.

"Folks You Know," Randsburg Times, Nov 24, 1938, 4:3:

"Visit Daughter--"

Mr. and Mrs. Woodmanse, of Phoenix, visited with their daughter, Mrs. James Platt, and family from Monday through Thursday.

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COVERING THE RAND DISTRICT, RANDBURG, KERN COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

# MASTER KEY SOLD

## Lease And Bond Given On Part Of Discovery Ground

Extensive Development Work Is  
Now Being Planned

A. A. Turner, mining and metallurgical engineer, President and Manager of the American Gold and Tungsten Corporation quartz and placer mines near Atolla, tonight announced the purchase of the Master Key Claims, for an Eastern mining syndicate. Price and terms were not disclosed although the reported price is highly satisfactory to both buyer and seller.

Mr. Turner stated that an active development program is amply financed and as soon as detail plans are complete a working shaft will be started.

With the Master Key option, optional transfer of lease rights on the Wade Claims were included. Three lease-operators now producing ore on the Wade claims will continue according to Mr. Turner and several additional leases will be available on undeveloped parts of this valuable property.

With the satisfactory closing of this sale, announcement of which has been withheld for several days, renewed activity in shaft development was resumed in earnest by all lease operators.

Edw. Herkelrath, to whom is credited these new discoveries, will continue operation under the new schedule, associated with Emil Butler and Archie Clapp. Headframe and hoist were installed this week and shaft sinking resumed, the first two rounds breaking high grade mill ore. 12-1-38 P

### Christmas Program At High School

Students of the high school are busy getting a program in shape to be presented before the Christmas vacation. The Glee Club, under the direction of Dorothy Mumery are practicing Christmas Carols and Margaret Hoefner will direct a play. Watch for later announcements.

"Folks You Know," Randsburg Times, Dec 1, 1938, 2:1:

"Spend Holiday at Atolia--"

Mrs. Ora Rust and her daughter [Atolia?] and Mrs. Neil Wade and her husband, of Martinez, spent last Thursday with relatives, Jesse Cooper and family [Atolia].

RANDBURG TIMES, Dec. 15, 1938

p. 1:

"Christmas Programs Throughout  
District Mark Holiday Season"

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(excerpt:)

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RD, Business Managers

### Christmas Programs Throughout District (Continued From Page One)

Quartet, Jimmy Miller, Myra Niemeyer, Doris Howell and Darline Nossler.

Playlet, "The New Fashioned Christmas.

#### Children's Community Party—

The gala occasion of the season is the community party for the children of the Rand District at the Legion Hall December 23.

The treats begin early with a double matinee, the gift of the local A. F. of L. The picture is "Renegade Rangers". also a Walt Disney cartoon, and a Sportlite reel. Two complete shows will be shown beginning at 2 o'clock, thus giving every child an opportunity to see a full show.

It is hoped that at least some of the parents will accompany the children as in a group of youngsters of this size it is most important that there is no confusion during the show.

Following the show a short program of Christmas carols sung by the school and a demonstration of the progress of the Bugle Corps will be given.

The committee reports that approximately 200 kiddies will be remembered by good Old St. Nicholas who will arrive immediately following this program.

#### Christmas Party at Atolia—

Plans are completed for the Christmas party for the children of Red Mountain and Atolia which will be held at the hall in Atolia Friday evening, December 23. The primary grades, under the direction of Mrs. Susan Edwards, are presenting a playlet, "The Old Woman Who Lived In A Shoe." The upper grades will give a group of original plays, followed by the singing of Christmas carols. The Rhythm band will play several numbers. Mrs. Richard Payne will play the piano accompaniment.

#### Inyokern School Program—

School closes at Inyokern Friday, December 23, for the holidays. A program of Christmas carols followed by the play, "Peace I Give

"Folks You Know," Randsburg Times, Dec 15, 1938, 1:3:

J.D. Voss, of Garlock, was in Randsburg on business on Wednesday. Voss owns valuable gold claims at Garlock. He mills his ore at the Burton Brothers mill [near Rosamond]. Two men are employed.

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same, 4:4:

"From Minneapolis--"

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wilker[?], of Minneapolis, visited their cousin, Art Janke, on Saturday.

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"To Los Angeles--"

Judge James Platt and family, Atolia, spent Monday and Tuesday shopping in Los Angeles.

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# Despondent Atolia Miner Ends Life

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On Sunday he had asked friends to bring him a Sunday paper and complained that he had had a very painful night before. He lived alone and has no relatives except a brother in Italy. Poor health over a long period is believed to have prompted the act as it was known that he was not in financial straits. A note dated December 18, 12 p. m. was left extending holiday greetings to his friends.

He was forty-five years old, a native of Italy and had been a resident of Rand District for the past ten years, having been employed at various mines including the Kelly. His last employment was as foreman of a group of leasers for George Rust.

He was well known and well liked throughout the district.

The body was taken to San Bernardino. Graveside services and interment will be at Johannesburg Cemetery at eleven o'clock on Saturday.

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—TRADE AT HOME—

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### Yuletide Party

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## To Customers of the Nevada-California Electric Corp.

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(excerpt:)

## **Engineer Makes Report On Formations Of New Discovery**

The TIMES is indebted to A. A. ("Bert") Turner, president and general manager of the American Gold and Tungsten Corporation, for the following geological report on the region involved in the recent gold discoveries centering around the Master Key Group. Mr. Turner has analyzed the formations from a mining engineer's standpoint and his deductions should assist in a further study of the new field.

By A. A. ("Bert") TURNER

When one's attention is brought to a gold strike, the first thought that enters a layman's mind is, that the strike must be in an inaccessible place. It is so in some cases but in this case the present strike has been made within one mile of Randsburg, a mining camp that has been in existence for years. Two

paved roads, high tension power line and water line passes through the property; every facility a mining project could wish for is there.

One must take into consideration that all mines were prospects at the start and the only reason they developed to mines is on account of the values found on surface. For years people have passed over the claims where the present strike has been made, but one man had the tenacity to persist in digging and prospecting, eventually proved his point by uncovering the ore.

To show how easily a valuable piece of ground can be overlooked for years, will cite the Kelly Mine to prove this point. Numbers of prospectors walked over this ground where the ore was exposed but would not take the time to investigate. Even the men who dug

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"Folks You Know," Randsburg Times, Dec 22, 1938, 6:3:

"Red Mountain S.S. Party--"

The Sunday school of Red Mountain and Atolia enjoyed a Christmas party on Sunday morning. There was an exchange of gifts and treats for the children. The group also enjoyed a program of Christmas carols.

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"To San Bernardino--"

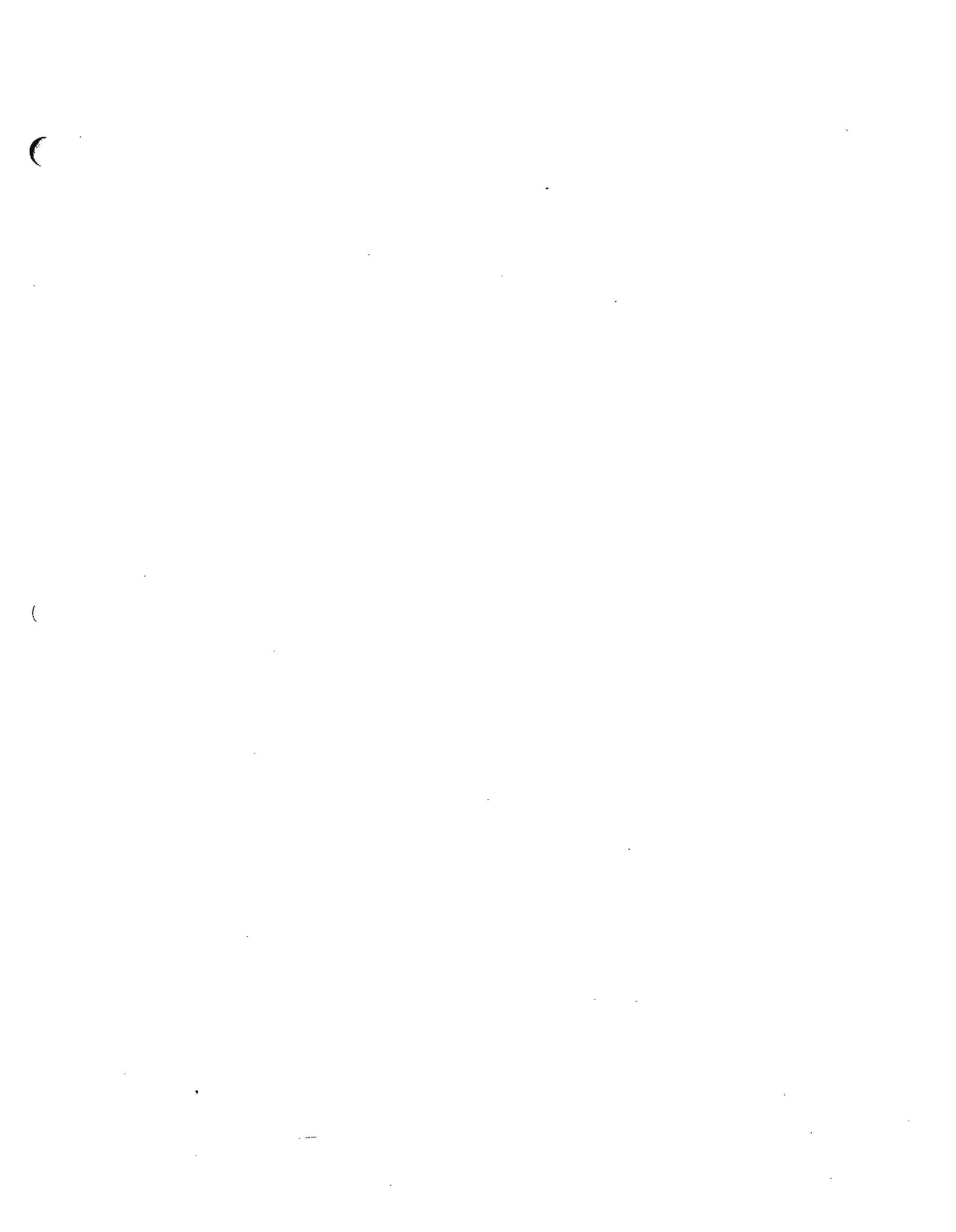
James Platt and family and Mrs. Platt's parents were in San Bernardino on business on Monday.

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"Folks You Know," same, 4:3:

"Family Dinner at Platt Home--"

Judge and Mrs. James Platt, Atolia, were the hosts of a family dinner on Christmas. The guests were Mrs. Platt's parents; sister and her sons; and niece and baby, all from San Bernardino.



"See 'Drums' In Trona," Randsburg Times, Jan. 12, 1939, 1:5:

Geno Dezan, of Atolia, Paul and Frank Bangle, of Goler, and Frank Weidenbenner and Allan Hadley, of Randsburg, attended the movies in Trona, where they saw "Drums" and "Going Places" last Saturday.



## A. F. of L. Local Installs Officers

**Annual Meeting Choses H. L. Picking As President for 1939**

At the first annual meeting of the Federal Labor Union, Local No. 21464, of Atolia, on Monday, January 9, the following officers and standing committees were elected and installed on Wednesday, January 11:

President, H. L. Picking.

Vice President, Wm. Schultz.

Secretary-Treas., G. B. Summers.

Recording Sec'y., R. J. Morris.

Sergeant-At-Arms, G. Gregson.

Executive Committee and member of the Board of Directors: H. Lutz, J. R. Pollock, D. Wykoff, L. F. Rooney and R. A. Watson.

Auditing Committee: T. Crosswhite, A. D. Hawkins and J. N. Harwell.

Examining Committee: J. R. McKinnie, M. B. Woodson and John Weishaupt.

Representatives of the union outline the objectives and program of the union as follows:

The first objective of the Local at this time is to help speed the payments of the unemployed compensation.

Employees are occasionally temporarily laid off due to existing conditions in various branches of the mining industry. At these times the men are usually unprepared to meet their financial obligations over the long period of waiting, either for the unemployed compensation or for their return to

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"Folks You Should Know," Randsburg Times, Jan 26, 1939, p 3:

"Attend Recital--

Judge James Platt and family, of Atolia, motored to San Bernardino on Tuesday evening; they attended a recital given by the music class at the First Baptist Church, of which his daughters Beverlee and Genevieve are members. Beverlee played Haydn's "Romance in F" on the piano, and Genevieve played Franz Liszt's "Gypsy Camp."

"School Bus Condemned," Randsburg Times, March 2, 1939, 3:2:

The school bus used to carry the pupils of Red Mountain and Atolia was condemned last Friday. Richard Payne, the principal of the elementary school, has been making the trips in his car this week.

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### Atolia Adds More New Equipment

Superintendent Bob Baker of the Atolia Mining Company states that the company has just purchased a new bag house used to filter the exhaust gasses from the drying plant. This new equipment will make possible the recovery of a small amount of dust that has been heretofore lost. 3-9-39 A1

### Complete New Raize For Cudahy Company

A contract for a 95 foot raize has just been completed by Real J. Goulet, for the Cudahy Packing Company at their Old Dutch Cleanser Mine, near Saltdale, California. H. M. Ling is Superintendent, and William Whitehall is mine foreman.

During the progress of the work, interesting formations were encountered. Interlayers of chalcedony, mud obsidian, clay, petrified wood and rhyolite interspersed with large phenochysts occurred in alternate layers, all lying nearly flat.

New ideas were employed in putting up the raize of interest to mining men in general. 3-9-39 P1

p. 3: "Folks You  
Know" (excerpt):

### New Pupils In School—

Two new pupils enrolled at the high school Monday: Lon and Charles Allen, who live at Red Mountain, coming from Bakersfield; and Betty Craven in the 7th grade who lives near the Operator mine, coming here from San Bernardino.

### Arrange Representation In Randsburg—

C. H. Spurgin and A. N. Kerr, distributors of Rock Gas, were in Randsburg Tuesday arranging sales representation for their smaller units. Economy Hardware will be their agents.

Rockgas operates from Los Angeles with branches at Adelanto, Lancaster and other points in Los Angeles, San Bernardino and Orange Counties.

### Neighbors Hold House Warming—

Mr. and Mrs. Irvey Cote were pleasantly surprised last Friday when Mrs. Cote's sister, Zona Phillips invited them to go to the Red Mountain school house to play bunco, and on arriving they found a group of friends and neighbors each with a gift for their new home. After the bunco game, delicious refreshments consisting of two beautifully iced cakes, sandwiches and coffee were served. The Cotes recently purchased the Atkinson property in Red Mountain.

### Honored On Birthday—

Mrs. James Platt honored her daughter Beverlee on her fourteenth birthday anniversary Monday evening, March 6, by asking in a group of her friends. Games and contests formed the amusement, after which the hostess served refreshments of cake, jello with whipped cream and hot chocolate. Those enjoying the evening were Dean Petersen, James Johnson, Francis Johnson, Anna Johnson, Harmon and Bill Cooper, Joyce Smith, Louise Dezan, Wallace and Otis Musgrave, Letitia and Darlene Nosser, Arlene Rooney, Barbara Church, Genevieve Platt and Mrs. James Nosser. 3-9-39 p 3

**NOTICE  
OF FORFEITURE**

To Alfred Robinson and Dayton Ingram.

You and each of you are hereby notified that I have expended the sum of Three Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$350.00) in labor and improvements upon the following quartz mining claims during the mining year ending July 1st, 1938, viz:

"The Golden Note," "Good Hope" and "Lost Hope." Said claims are situated in the Rand Mining District, County of Kern, State of California. The location notices or said claims are found of record in the office of the recorder of Kern County, at Bakersfield, State of California, to which reference is hereby made, in order to hold said claims under the provisions of Section 2324 of the Revised Statutes of the United States and the amendments thereto approved January 22, 1880, concerning annual labor upon mining claims, being the amount required to hold said claims for the period ending on the 1st day of July, 1939, and if, within ninety (90) days from the service of this notice upon you, or within ninety (90) days after the publication of this notice, you fail or refuse to contribute your proportion of such expenditures as co-owner, your interest in said claims will become the property of the undersigned co-owner, who has made the required expenditure under said section of the statutes of the United States. Your proportion is One Dollar (\$1.00) per unit interest owned.

Dated Thursday, February 2, 1939, at Randburg, California.  
(5-18) G. N. HADLEY, CO-OWNER.

**MINES & MINING  
WATCH**

**Rand Mining District  
Grow!**

Edw. Herkelrath  
Box 253  
Randburg, Calif.

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them back again soon. <sup>p.3</sup> 2-2-39

**NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that application for the registration of the following described (or illustrated) containers brand as provided by Section 671 of the AGRICULTURAL CODE OF CALIFORNIA has been filed with the Department of Agriculture of the State of California:  
**DONKER'S SUNSHINE DAIRY  
ATOLIA, CALIF.  
REG. CAL.**

It is intended that said brand will appear on all dairy containers and equipment owned by us/me and all containers so branded must not be used by others without our/my written permission.  
(5-7) By D. J. DONKER.

**CLASSIFIED ADS**

**FOR RENT:**—Nice 3 room furnished house. Elec. Refrig. B. Reynolds. Red Mountain. (5p)

**FOR SALE:**—Cochise Jack Hammer, Stoooper, Receiver Tank, Fairbanks-Morse Hoist.  
(3-1f) O. D. Shorb, Agt.

**NON-RESPONSIBILITY NOTICE**

From this date I will not be responsible for any bills against Palace Bar and Cafe, Red Mountain, or Andrew Miljan, Buck Carney or Helen Jordan known as Roxie, or anyone other than myself.  
(3-5p) Irene Carney Miljan.

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**Atolia Making  
Improvements  
In Equipment**

**150 Tons of Tailings Through The  
Flotation Mill Daily.  
Order for Lowgrade**

The Atolia Mining Co. is now operating their flotation mill, putting 150 tons of tailings through each day, according to David D. Baker, superintendent. The company has an order to fill for three carloads of low grade tungsten concentrates and between forty and fifty men are employed at this time.

In the flotation process, the concentrates are treated through a new leaching plant which is exceptionally interesting in operation. Acids remove the phosphorus and calcite. In addition to the commercially built batteries of flotation cells is a new locally built cell, developed by Mr. Baker and his associates which is surpassing the commercially built equipment in results produced. The company is just completing a new drying room which includes a Trommel Type roaster and two magnetic separators.

At the Amity Mine, a new hoist has been purchased and is being installed with a new head frame and ore bins. Entirely new rolls for the crushing operations have been purchased and are expected to be installed soon.

The improvements place the company in position to increase production when, as and if orders for tungsten are received.

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# SALE.....

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"Folks You Know" (excerpt):

**Family Reunion—**

The Ed Smoot home at Atolia was the scene of a happy family reunion last Saturday when his mother, Mrs. Alice Smoot of Long Beach, and two sisters, Mrs. Grant Dunlap of San Jose and Mrs. Claud L. Hawes and husband and daughter, Patsy Ann, of Long Beach, motored to the desert to spend the day in their home. 3-16-39 p.2

**Attend East Side Council P.-T. A.—**

Ladies from Randburg who attended the East Side Council meeting held at Mojave last Wednesday were Randburg P.-T. A. President Mrs. James Christensen, the Treasurer Mrs. Katherine Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Les Picking, Mrs. Walter Gaddis, May Schoonmaker, Mrs. Garland Witter, Mrs. M. J. Lovitt, Mrs. Etta Batt and Recreational Directors E. C. Bradley and Ethel Dilts.

**Strombergs Hosts  
For Senior Class—**

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Stromberg were hosts at six o'clock dinner to the members of the senior class Tuesday evening, after which the group went to the Rand Theatre to see the travelogue, "Wheels Across Africa." Those enjoying the evening were Pauline Watson, Margaret Petersen, Albert Diehl and Frank Weidenbenner and the host and hostess.

**Birthday Party—**

Mrs. C. F. Church of Atolia entertained Tuesday, March 14, honoring her son Freddie's fifth birthday anniversary. Guests were Mrs. Art Janke and daughter Barbara Lee, Mrs. James Platt and Lorene and James Jr., Mrs. Otis Musgrave and Shirley, Mrs. George Chanz and son Frank and daughter Catherine, Roberta Pacheco and Jimmy Petersen. Delicious refreshments were served and Freddie received many nice gifts. 3-16-39 p.2

**Among The Sick—**

Emmet Elder, who has been confined to his home for several weeks with a serious heart ailment, is gradually improving and able to sit up a while each day.

Jack Wyman's condition is reported much improved, and he is able to walk about some and takes a ride each day. His brother Ralph is still with him.

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Teal were at their home in Johannesburg a short time Saturday and report that surgeons at the hospital have been able to save their daughter Lorraine's eye ball and it is hoped some eye sight. She is still a patient at the Children's Hospital in Los Angeles. 3-16-39 p.2

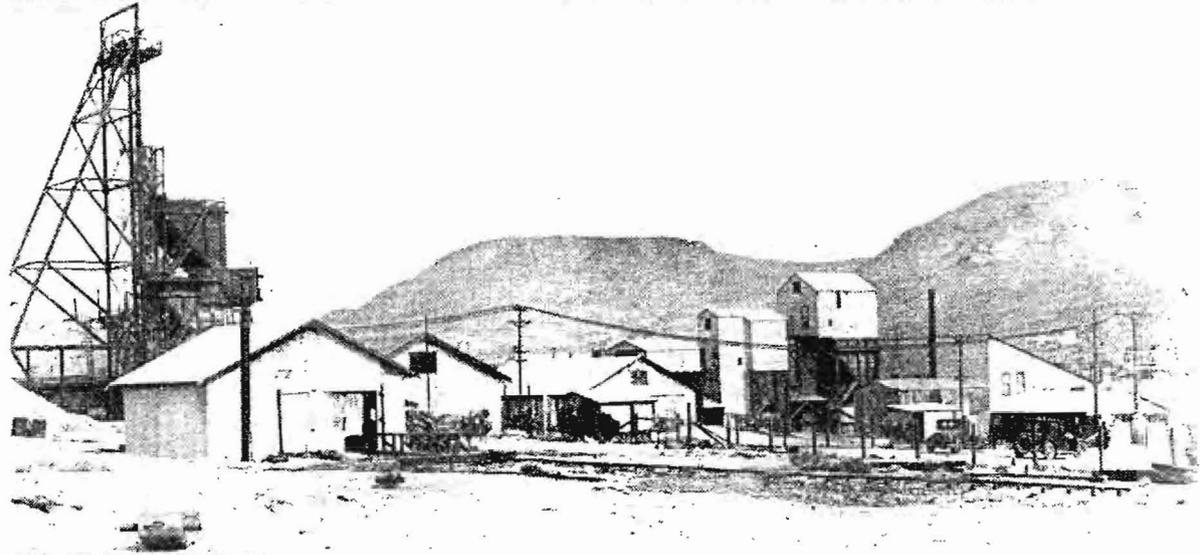
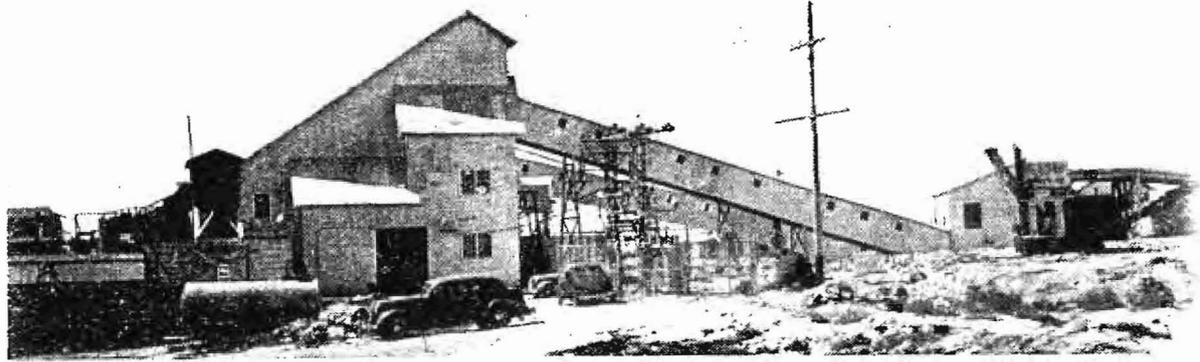
**Shower for Mrs. Andreasen—**

Mrs. James Platt was hostess last Tuesday evening for a layette shower, honoring Mrs. Jack Andreasen. The affair was a complete surprise. Stork games and contests were the amusement of the evening, after which refreshments of cake, coffee and jello were served. Those attending were Mesdames Neal Harwell, C. F. Buffington, A. T. Crosswhite, C. F. Clark, A. B. Day, Grace Davis, L. Straub, Adrie Donker, O. H. Andreasen, M. Deenick, B. Lindsey, Elfie Janke, Eliza Johnson, Sophia Johnson, Angela Dezan and Carrie Benson. 3-16-39 p.2

# Rand Mining District . . . Southern California's Pioneer Mining Camp

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March 30, 1939, p. 4;

## LARGE PRODUCERS OF THE RAND DISTRICT



Upper: Atolia Tungsten Mill. Center: The Kelley. Lower: Yellow Aster

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## Tungsten Industry Deserves Federal Encouragement

The comparative newness of tungsten as a valuable mineral and the fact that it had its beginning during the period of the world war which was followed too soon by a general business depression, leaves this industry sadly in need of an era of healthy market conditions. Just to what degree the maximum domestic peace time production of this product might be is not known for like many other commodities it has been the victim of the current national policy of purchasing from abroad in cultivation of foreign trade. The general assumption that America cannot produce sufficient tungsten to supply national needs is seriously doubted by those familiar with tungsten mining. The Mojave Desert, both in the Rand District and in the new tungsten properties in Victor Valley, with other sections of the nation, can certainly go far towards providing America's need for this precious commodity if it is but given a market at prices that are consistent with production costs and this country's accepted wage standards.

The community of Atolia is the center of the tungsten properties in Rand District. Outstanding among the proven properties are the holdings and mill of the Atolia Mining Co. Some conception of these workings may be gained by the following outline of their development:

### Atolia Mining Co.

At Atolia, the mineral scheelite or calcium tungstate, was discovered about 1903, and was mined and shipped to Europe for several years until 1913 when the easily mined high-grade surface ore was exhausted. Production waned until war time demand resulted in

the construction of a mill, and mining started in earnest. During the years 1915 to 1918 inclusive, 73,163 tons were mined and yielded \$8,132,333 in concentrates.

The veins, which are generally narrow, occur at various altitudes in the quartz-monzonite, and lie in a belt from 600 to 2000 feet wide and 9000 feet long. In this area there are over 300 small shafts and pits, in addition to the large operating shafts. Most of these openings were made by leasers during

the war. The largest bodies of ore were found in the Union, Papoose, and Par mines. The Union mine, which is 1400 feet deep on the incline, has one stope 80 feet long by 20 feet wide, between two levels 50 feet apart, from which about a million dollars worth of scheelite was taken. In fact, this working is now referred to as the "Million Dollar Stope."

In addition to the ore mined from veins a considerable part of the

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## At Rosamond It's "GOLD QUARTZ" Steaks-Sandwiches and Drinks . . . . .

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Grade Quartz Ore Containing  
More Gold Than The Building Is  
Worth. Let's Tear It Down. You  
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production has come from the "spud patch" where leasers dug in the surface gravels or worked the placer channels from shallow shafts. The large nuggets of scheelite were sorted out by hand and the finer sizes were recovered in dry washing machines. Following the war the company installed a large scale wet washing plant and mined the placer area with power shovels. This operation produced 150,000 units of tungstic oxide.

Including the placer plant, four different mills have been built on the Atolia property. The original mill, built during the war was called the Papoose mill as it was built on a claim known by that name. The Union mill built against the headframe of the old Union No. 1 mine replaced the Papoose mill, until 1938 when another new mill was built on the site of the old Papoose. This mill which is being operated at present, cost more than \$150,000 and incorporates two separate processes, one for treating newly mined ore and the other for retreating the tailings left by former operations. The run-of-mine ore is treated by a conventional gravity separation plant while the slimed scheelite from the old tailings piles is recovered by newly

developed flotation and acid leaching processes.

Between forty and fifty men are employed at present and with full activity of the plant between 200 and 300 leasers and employees are required.

### Independent Properties

Adjacent to the Atolia Mining Co. properties are many independently owned properties which enjoyed excellent production records, especially during the world war. Possible production has been handicapped not only by the unsatisfactory markets but by lack of water and milling facilities. Among these the most prominent are the twenty-one Osdick mining claims of quartz and placer which during the world war paid the owners in excess of \$80,000 in royalties. With necessary facilities and an acceptable market, these claims offer almost unlimited promise in future development.

The Atolia Rand is another tungsten property that has had an excellent production record. It consists of placer and quartz claims purchased from independent owners and also leases of placer rights from certain portions of the Atolia Mining Co. property. The largest portion of its excellent production record has been accomplished during recent years under a much lower value per unit than prevailed for tungsten during the world war. Partial development of the hundreds of acres of ground, owned or contracted for by the Atolia Rand Mining Co. indicates a potential

production that equals or exceeds that of any independent producer.

Other prominent tungsten properties such as the American Gold and Tungsten, Black Hawk Tungsten, Day and Dezan, quartz and placer properties, together with many others, have excellent past production records and promises exceptional profit in future operations.

## Johannesburg Grows As Residential District

With Randburg and Red Mountain enjoying most of the business activity of the district, Johannesburg comes in for its share of attention as a well located, quiet and well kept residential portion of the camp. There are good reasons for this as it now has some twelve hundred surveyed lots with patented title which is conducive to the erection of homes.

Here too, the night ball park is located and the recreation needs of neighbor communities finds vent during the summer months. A County Recreational Program for youngsters and adults is followed throughout the entire year with its activities centering at the high school grounds in Randburg and at the Jo'burg ball grounds.

Copies of this Supplement mailed to any address, Ten Cents

RANDBURG TIMES:

May 4, 1939, p. 1:

**Supt. Baker Resigns  
Position At Atolia**

After five years constant work, D. D. Baker, superintendent of Atolia Mining Co. operations at Atolia will take a much needed vacation. He is resigning his position with the company, and left the first of this week. Following some very interesting metallurgical and chemical research work by Mr. Baker, the newly completed mill at Atolia has now attained full capacity operation of 150 tons per day and is now running on that basis. 5-4-39 p 1

May 18, 1939, p. 1:

**Jo P. Carroll  
Answers Last Call**

Word was received in Randsburg this week of the death of Jo P. Carroll, veteran mining news writer long identified with the mining activities of eastern Kern County. He passed away in a Bakersfield hospital late last week following a long period of illness.

"Jo P." as he was best known, found high pleasure in publicizing mining property and rendered valuable service in that connection when the Golden Queen was developed. Following the sale of that property by George Holmes and associates he served Mr. Holmes in a secretarial capacity. He worked with the Davis Publications several years ago in this area and was thoroughly familiar with Rand District. 5-18-39 p 1

"Eighth Grade Graduations In Two Schools," Randsburg Times,  
May 18, 1939, 1:1:

The Red Mountain School, with a class of 6 graduates, will hold its exercise at Atolia Hall on Thursday evening, May 25, at 7:30 p.m. Ronald Ingold, a businessman from Fontana, will deliver the address.

## Rand Schools Plan Exercises For Eighth Grade Graduates

Graduation exercises will be held at the Legion Hall, Wednesday evening, May 31 for Randsburg's eighth grade, composed of five members: Alice Johnson, Lelia Deanne Garrehy, Patricia Worthington, Doris Levine and Stanley Wells.

Carrie E. Ovall, pastor of the Community Church will give the invocation. Stanley Wells will give the welcome, Lelia Deanne Garrehy the class history, Alice Johnson the class prophecy, Patricia Worthington the class will, Doris Levine class humor, and James Christensen will present the Legion award. Roy L. Driggers, assistant county superintendent of Bakersfield will be the speaker of the evening. Special musical numbers will be presented by the school.

### Red Mountain Tonight

Red Mountain will hold graduating exercises for the eighth grade class at the Atolia Hall this Thurs-

day, May 25. A most interesting program will be presented. Musical numbers by Beverlee and Genevieve Platt. Gaylen Hatton, Donna Netherton, James Johnson and Mrs. Dorothy Johns are on the program. The primary grade Rhythm Band will play and six primary girls will give a flower parade; the class history by Frances Johnson and James Johnson; class will, Virginia Bryan and Dean Petersen; class prophecy, Beverlee Platt and Harmon Cooper. The speaker of the evening will be Ronald Ingold, prominent business man of Fontana.

### Inyokern June 1st

The Inyokern school will close June 2. Graduating exercises will be held at the school auditorium Thursday, June 1. The school will present a play, "Sue Starts Something." Graduates are Delbert Rolingston, Dawn Robertson, Louis Orozco and Lindsay Clare Ives.

## Complete Task Of Hauling Big Ore Shipment

Thousand Tons Moved From Mine  
Near Skidoo to Golden  
Queen Mill

The difficult undertaking of economically hauling a thousand tons of ore from a mine two miles west of Skidoo for a distance of over 150 miles to the Golden Queen mill south of Mojave has been completed by L. E. Netherton and Morris Atkinson. New equipment was secured for the work and the best drivers used, working on a strict schedule of constant driving. The arrangement followed an unsatisfactory attempt by other contractors to haul the ore in less efficient trucks.

The route utilized was from the mine near Skidoo, in Wildrose Canyon, to U. S. No. 6 via Olancha to Brown and thence south on U. S. 395 to Red Mountain where the trucks were serviced and drivers changed, then back to U. S. 6 via the Randsburg road and south to the Golden Queen where reservations for milling permitted immediate disposal of the load.

C. O. Mittendorf, trustee and manager of the mine operations, states that the thousand tons averaged values of \$25 per ton.

The experience of hauling the large milling of ore such a dis-

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May 25, 1939:

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### Labor Plans Memorial Day Dance At Atolia

The Memorial Day dance at Atolia on Tuesday, May 30th is being sponsored by the local Federal Labor Union. The Local has gone to great expense to bring in a really first class musical aggregation for the dance, and the committee is proud to have been able to engage Goodie Godbey and his "Dixieland Band" for the occasion. For those who misinterpret "Dixieland Band" as being an orchestra made up of colored performers, it is explained that the word "Dixieland" designates the combination of instruments used by the band; the band being all white, 100 percent Union and incidentally the members all belong to the Eagles' Lodge.

This orchestra is steadily engaged for the officers' dance at March Field every week-end and play several nights during the week for the Eagles' Lodges and Mormon Churches throughout Southern California. It was only because the Local asked a month in advance that they were able to engage the band for this dance.

This orchestra was particularly selected because of their versatile musical ability to play equally well both sweet, smooth music and the latest style swing. Their music library contains the finest of the

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### AT THE CHURCHES

#### Catholic Services

Mass, Sunday, May 28, at 9:10 A. M. Rev. Father P. F. Quilligan, pastor of the St. Margaret Mary's Catholic Church at Trona will say Mass each Sunday morning in the schoolhouse at Red Mountain.

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#### Visits Mother—

Ruth Stoneking spent Mother's Day in Los Angeles with her mother, Mrs. Maud Chaplan. Her son Gary who has been visiting several weeks there, returned home with her.

#### Visitor At Inyokern—

Mrs. Sarah Dixon of Orange came Saturday to visit her daughter, Mrs. F. N. Banta at Inyokern. Mrs. Dixon came from her old home near Bishop where she has been visiting for some time.

#### Helping Hand Club—

Mrs. James Holm was hostess to the Helping Hand Club Wednesday. The Club will honor Mr. and Mrs. Max Stringham with a weiner bake June 6. The Stringhams are leaving soon for Idaho where Max has employment.

#### Operetta Well Attended—

The operetta presented at the Legion Hall by the grammar school under the direction of Mrs. H. A. Stromberg was well presented and rated a full house. Numbers given by the primary and intermediate grades were well received. The verse choir, with Wade and Betty Heki was an outstanding feature.

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## Rand District Children Enjoy Grand Trip to Treasure Island

A happy but very tired group from Rand District schools returned early Saturday morning via Mojave from a two day trip to San Francisco to enjoy the wonders of the Golden Gate Exposition on Treasure Island. The group were accompanied by C. F. Randall, principal of Randsburg elementary school, and three student escorts, Mrs. Dennis Garrehy, Mrs. M. J. Lovitt and Mrs. George Hadley.

Upon their arrival in San Francisco the boys were taken to the Cecil Hotel in charge of Mr. Randall, and the girls to the Franciscan Hotel with their escorts.

The two days spent on the island were like trips to magic land for the entire group. At the Hall of Science, where the synthetic machines exhibited by the Bell Telephone company, enabled the speaker to hear his own voice, the Voder coined word operator demonstrated, the stoviscope, optical illusions, the scale model built and controlled by the voice sending sound by means of a light ray, really seeing sound and hearing light. The Hall of Mines was visited and many were delighted with the murals on the wall by famed artists depicting real mining scenes. Besides these wonderful exhibits, The Cavalcade of the Golden West, a show descriptive of California's growth was enjoyed by all, and at the Federal Theatre, Hansel and

Gretel; also a visit to the Scottish Village and the Palace of Fine Arts. The children went on a glass enclosed boat trip which took them near Alcatraz, the prison island.

But most beautiful of all was Treasure Island at night. Words fail to describe the beautiful effect of the lighting over the entire island.

The children wish to express their deep appreciation to all in the district who made this wonderful trip possible.

Those making the trip were: Max Parker, Jack Andrews, Bud Eyre, Marvin Autrey, Sammy Blair, Danny Branson, Marsha Christensen, Jane Eyre, Erlinda Napolls, Janice Christensen, Jim and Tom Picking, Ralph Behrens, Gloria and Norina Branson, Helen Eaton, Bub Eyre, Marfan Schlagel, Patricia Worthington, Lenore Housley, Velen Riez, Vala Parker, Jimmy Miller, Donoid Smith, Dennis, Dessa May and Lela Deanne Garrehy, Frank and Lindy Lou Hadley, Margaret, Jean and Billy Petersen, Louise Dezan, Tess Stippich, Bill Cooper, Mary Nicholson, Wade Heki, Lawrence and Raymond Napolis, Romona Dearr, Wallace Musgrave, Darleen Nossier, Phyllis Brown, Doris Howell, Jimmy Dilts, Albert Fildman, Joe and Alice Blair, Betty Heki, Don Andrews, Paul Fraser, Stanley Wells and Nancy Christensen.

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"Folks You Know"  
(excerpt:)

### Red Mountain Graduation Exercises Well Attended—

Graduation exercises held at the Atolla Hall last Thursday evening for the class from the Red Mountain school were well attended. The speaker of the evening presented the members of the class and the musical director, Mrs. Dorothy Johns each with a lovely corsage in the class colors, red and white.

Beverlee Platt was chosen by her teacher and classmates for the Legion Award which was presented to her by James Christensen of Rand Post 298.

Refreshments of cake and punch were served following the program.

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**Rand School Children  
Consume 5425 Bottles  
Of Sweet Milk**

With the closing of the elementary school this week, Mary Elizabeth Blue, teacher of the primary room, reports that during this school year she has paid the local dairy \$217.00 for bottled milk, making a total of 5425 bottles consumed by the pupils.

Some of the children pay for their own milk, while funds for those unable to pay were supplied by Randsburg P.T. A. and A. F. of L. Union 6-1-39 P. 1

**To Elect School Trustees  
In District Friday, June 2**

Friday, June 2, Rand District will be the scene of three possibly hotly contested school elections, when the voters of Randsburg, Johannesburg and Red Mountain go to the polls at their various schoolhouses to register their choice of school trustees to fill the vacancies caused by expiration of terms of office of Charles Lindsey at Red Mountain, Fred Church of Johannesburg and Ed Herkelrath of Randsburg.

Although a few candidates have filed their nomination papers, it is expected that the "write in" policy of the past will be very much in vogue.

The polls will be open between the hours of 1:00 P. M. and 5:00 P. M.

**Joint Union School  
Is Considered For  
Rand District**

**Improvement Would Offer Modern  
School With Economical Cost  
To Taxpayer**

Leo B. Hart, Kern County Superintendent of Schools, accompanied by a representative of the state school planning department visited the Rand District Friday, May 26 to examine and consider advantages that might come of joint elementary school facilities.

Meeting at the American Legion Hall with representative trustees of three local districts, members of the co-ordinating council and invited business men, several hours were spent in discussion of needed improvements, possible costs and educational benefits that could result.

It was pointed out that Randsburg and Johannesburg has a combined assessment valuation of \$447,450 which permitted a banded indebtedness for school improvements of some \$22,000. Retirement of bonds and interest would necessitate a small increase in county taxes in spite of the economies that would be possible in school maintenance and operation.

In the event Red Mountain and Atolia decided to join with the two Kern County districts the assessed valuation of the three districts would total \$693,450 and allow a bonded indebtedness of more than \$34,000. It was brought out in discussion that resulting economies with three districts co-operating would in all probability retire the bonds and interest without increasing present taxes.

Explanation was given of state requirements for earthquake proof construction of school buildings, size of class rooms, lighting, and others factors of design requiring

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RANDBURG TIMES, June 15, 1939, p. 1:

"Dual Fires In Rand District Within Week"

(excerpt:)

**Fire At Donker's Dairy**

About six o'clock Wednesday evening of last week, fire broke out in one of the bunk houses at Donker's Dairy at Atolia. The alarm was sent in to the Rand District Fire Department and in exactly three minutes from the sounding of the local siren the fire laddies were on their way. Upon arrival at the dairy they found the blaze well under control by the dairy employees and neighbors. However, their fire fighting facilities were almost exhausted and the speedy work of the fire department after their arrival prevented any further spread of the flames, which was greatly appreciated by the Donker Dairy folks.

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"Folks You Know," Randsburg Times, June 15, 1939, 3:3:

(extract:)

"Platt . . . of Atolia Participate In Recital"

Judge James Platt and family attended a piano recital in San Bernardino on June 6. His daughters, Genevieve and Beverlee, played separate pieces and gave a duet.

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## Will Install Electric Plant At Ruth Mine

### Diesel Powered Compressor and Additional Housing Among Recent Improvements

The Ruth Mine, 14 miles north of Trona in the Argus Mining District, has recently installed a new diesel compressor. Arrangements are now being made for installation of a diesel generator to supply power and light for the mines and homes in the camp.

The Ruth is now operating with a crew of 27 men. The Davenport mine, which is under the same management, is also employing five.

To accommodate the added employees, additional houses are now being built. At present there are 9 homes and a bunkhouse.

The mill is now handling about 70 tons of ore daily. Heads are running between \$5 and \$8.

Milling at the Ruth differs from that of many properties because it has been possible to obtain a high percentage extraction from a relatively coarse mesh ore. At present they are crushing the ore to 3-16 inch, followed by a five day leaching in the cyanide solution.

To insure their water supply another spring has just been opened which will more than satisfy their present needs. Other springs are also available.

N. P. Browne is now superintendent of the Ruth Mine.

"Folks You Know," Randsburg Times, June 29, 1939, 3:3:

"Picnic At Perris Hill--"

Judge James Platt and family and A.C. Wimberly and family, of Atolia, enjoyed a picnic at Perris Hill Park, in San Bernardino. Mrs. Platt and her children visited on Saturday night with her sister, Mrs. \_\_\_\_ Montgomery. The judge also enjoyed a short fishing trip at San Clemente.

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**Will Offer Garbage  
Collection Service  
To District**

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In furtherance of the Kern County Health Department move to encourage sanitary conditions in the district, H. G. Bardine has decided to establish a refuse and garbage collection service for homes and business places in Randsburg, Johannesburg, Red Mountain and Atolia. After interviewing residents to ascertain whether such a service twice a week is desired, sufficient interest has been evidenced to prompt him to secure the necessary equipment and he expects to start August 1st.

Mr. Bardine asks the cooperation of the people of the district in the undertaking and hopes to make his service meet the needs of the community. 7-20-39 p.1

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"Folks You Know," Randsburg Times, Aug 3, 1939, 4:4:

"Buys Alfalfa--"

Donker's Sunshine Dairy bought 100 tons of first-grade alfalfa last week; half of it came from a ranch near Inyokern and the other half from near Lancaster.

RANDBURG TIMES,  
Aug. 17, 1939,  
p. 1:

## Jesse Cooper Resigns From Atolia Mill

Mill Foreman Terminates Employment With Atolia Mining Co.  
Dating From 1924

Jesse W. Cooper, mill foreman for the Atolia Mining Co. for over 11 years, has tendered his resignation to take effect on August 15. His reason for this action is that he desires a long vacation and rest.

Mr. Cooper turned in his resignation on August 1. While it is to take effect on August 15, it is possible that he will remain on the job for a few days longer until his replacement arrives.

Entering employment with the Atolia Mining Co. in the mine on November 7, 1924, Mr. Cooper leaves his position with a record of almost 15 years of continuous employment with the tungsten company that has had so much to do with the development of the camp. For the past 11 years he has held the position of mill foreman.

When questioned as to what his immediate plans for the future were, Mr. Cooper replied that his reason for resigning was that he needed a long rest. He plans on spending 3 or 4 months doing nothing excepting rest, taking in the San Francisco Fair, and other recreational activities.

Commenting on the changes in the plant during the time he has been at Atolia, Mr. Cooper said that in 1924 when he first started work with the company, the mill consisted of 2 sets of rolls, 6 tables and a jig.

In 1926, a small new mill was installed at Atolia No. 1.

The present mill began operation on November 22, 1937. The present plant, he said is really two mills in one.

Ore from the coarse grinder is processed by gravity concentration and is high grade, while the ore from the fine grinder is processed by floatation concentration and is low grade.

The mill handles about 50 tons of tungsten ore in the gravity process and about 75 tons in the float.

Speaking of his relations with the company, Mr. Cooper said. "The company has been a good concern to work for, and I have never had any employer that treated me nicer. The only reason that I'm resigning is that I need the rest."

## Atolia Employees Express Regrets To Cooper

Expressing their regrets to Jesse Cooper who is resigning his position as foreman of the Atolia mill this week, Atolia employees sent the following letter to Mr. Cooper:

Mr. Jesse Cooper,  
Atolia, Calif.

Dear Mr. Cooper:—

The employees of the Atolia Mining Company, especially we who have worked with you for several years, wish to express our regrets that you have resigned as foreman of the Atolia mill.

It is considered a privilege to have been associated with you in the operation of the mill. May you receive your share of future prospects and good health, and remember us kindly for we shall always be

Yours very truly,

THE ATOLIA EMPLOYEES  
By G. B. Summers, Fin. Sec.,  
Federal Labor Union, No. 21464.

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## Tom Burke Is New Foreman at Atolia

Tom Burke arrived in the Rand District Monday to assume duties as foreman of the mill at Atolia. He will fill the position left vacant by the resignation of Jesse Cooper.

Mr. Burke is no stranger to the Rand District. Following the World War he was employed by the Atolia Mining and Milling Company for six years.

More recently, Mr. Burke was employed by the Beebe Gold Mining Company at Georgetown and later at Silver City, Nevada.

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RANDBURG TIMES,  
Aug. 24, 1939,  
p. 4:

#### Helping Hand Club—

The Helping Hand Club met at the home of Mrs. Herb Straub at Atolia Wednesday.

#### Cantil Ladies Club

#### Randsburg P-T. A. Dance—

Saturday night, August 26, marks the date of another dance at the White House Hall, sponsored by the Cantil Ladies Club and Randsburg P-T. A. Music will be furnished by the Cantil orchestra and sandwiches and coffee served by the ladies of the two groups.

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#### Coming Attractions

"YOUNG MR. LINCOLN"

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## CANTIL

By MRS. V. L. HAYNES

### Party In Saltdale Fetes Bride-elect

The home of Mrs. Margaret Topp at Saltdale was the setting for an attractively arranged bridal shower given last Thursday in honor of Maurine Ling, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Ling of Last Chance Canyon, who in September will become the bride of William Gagon of Mojave.

Following the presentation of gifts Miss Ling cut and served a bride's cake decorated with a miniature bride and bridegroom, which was a family heirloom belonging to one of the co-hostesses, Mrs. Caroline Engle. Table decorations were in pink and blue. Serving with Mrs. Topp and Mrs. Engle was Mrs. Margaret Tisch.

Those present were: Carrie E. Oval, Mary Jane McIver, Maud Traylor, Mrs. H. Ling, Laura Conway, Florence Holderness, Juanita Schierstin, Joyce Haynes, Marion Maynard, Mamie Stoll, Mildred Whitehall, Lillian Willis, Florence Goulet, Ruth Herman, Mary Pajanev, Mary McIver, Dorothy Root, Ruby V. Rogers, Jessie Harphen, Mrs. Johnson, and the hostesses, Mrs. Topp, Mrs. Tisch, Mrs. Engle, and Esther Engle.

Sonny Iverson while riding after cattle had the misfortune to run into a wire fence, suffering lacerations which required six stitches to be taken in his face to close the wounds.

Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Haynes and Miss Joyce will leave Friday for Reno to join their son, F. L. Haynes and daughter, Mrs. M. Droge. From there they will attend the fair at San Francisco.

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# Large Dry Placer Operations Now Working Near Atolia

RANDBURG TIMES  
Sept. 7, 1939

p. 2:

## Commercial Test of 400-yard Machine Is Being Made

**Other Placer Properties In Area  
Also Show Activity. A.B. Day  
Installing Wet Wash Machine.**

The starting of large scale placer operations in the Atolia District by E. E. Hemrich of Seattle has marked a revival of interest in the placer ground in all the territory surrounding Randburg.

Hemrich is now testing a large dry placer machine with a capacity of over 400 tons per day. He is leasing on the Roberts group of claims, which is owned by the American Gold and Tungsten Mining Company, of which Bert Turner is president.

Installation of the machine was begun on June 30, and the machine has now been in operation for a number of weeks. As the machine is an experimental model, the first of its design to be built, the owners are thoroughly testing it before making any claims. From all indications however, their tests have been satisfactory to date.

### Operation of Machine

Ore is brought to a conveyor belt by a tractor equipped with a 3½ yard scraper. The scraper dumps onto a preliminary screen which rejects all material over 4 inches in diameter. The gravel is then conveyed on the belt to a vibrating classifier which rejects all materials over ¾ mesh.

The material then runs into a bucket elevator and is distributed to an overhead hopper, which in turn discharges the gravel to the recovery units.

The machine has three of these recovery units, a new design built by A. K. Andrews in Vancouver. These are the first large size Andrews units to be tested. The units have a capacity of 20 yards per hour apiece, making the potential total of the machine 60 yards per hour. F. E. Sunden, the superintendent, says that they have succeeded in getting production up to 52 yards per hour.

From the recovery units, the gravel is discharged to another conveyor belt. This dump is constantly being leveled off by a bulldozer.

Out of 50 yards, the machine extracts about 120 pounds of concentrates. Superintendent Sunden says that the recovery on gold runs between 75 and 90%, while on scheelite, the recovery is between 60 and 70%.

### Installing Wet Placer

On the property north of the Roberts Group, A. B. Day is now installing a wet placer machine on his own property. A good part of his equipment is already in, and Mr. Day estimates that it will be only a matter of days before he will begin mining operations. The machine is expected to handle between 20 and 30 yards per day.

### Williams and Hoagland Leasing

North of Day's property, Marvin Williams and John Hoagland are now leasing on property owned by the Atolia-Rand Mining Company.

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## Placer Ground Now Being Worked Near Atolia

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They have been working this placer property for about four weeks, mining about five tons daily of gravel that runs about \$5.75.

### Johnson and Ward Lease

Another lease on the Atolia-Rand property is being operated by James Johnson and Art Ward. They have been working this placer ground for about a year. They average about eight yards a day with \$5.00 dirt. Their shaft is down about 22 feet to bedrock, where they encounter pay dirt about four feet deep and running over 20 feet in width.

Values in this placer district are found both in gold and tungsten.

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"Folks You Know," Randsburg Times, Sept 14, 1939, 4:3:

"Fifth Birthday Anniversary--"

Mrs. J.N. Harwell, of Atolia, held a birthday party last Tuesday for her son, Donald, who turned 5. (16 attended.) Refreshments included cake, Jello, and punch. The decorations or favors were peppermint sticks with balloons tied to the ends. ". . . All had a very enjoyable time."

### Junior Reporters Help Times with News of Four Communities

Four members of the Randsburg High School senior English class have accepted assignments as "cub reporters" on the Randsburg Times. The personals in this issue represent their efforts. They report that residents of the four communities have been very friendly and cooperative with the result that each section of the district is well represented with news. Susan Witt is preparing the Randsburg items; Arthur Levine, Johannesburg; Thurman Peterson, Red Mountain and David Wells, Atolia.

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### Engel Publishes Booklet on Correct Sampling

The Randsburg Times has just completed printing a four page folder for Martin C. Engel, entitled "Suggestions for Correct Sampling of Gold and Silver Ores". In it he discusses some of the troubles that result from failure to take samples that will constitute a fair average of values. He also outlines in detail the procedure to be followed in a sample that will be fair to the property, to the assayer and to the mill operator.

Mr. Engel is assayer at the Operator at this time. He resides at Cantil.

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## Atolia Tungsten Activity Waits for Market Stabilization

No Increase in Employment  
Expected Until Higher Prices  
Definitely Materialize

"This war is too young for Atolia to definitely plan increased activity", states Tom Burke, mill foreman of the Atolia Mining Co. Mr. Burke's comment is in answer to the question that is current in Rand District as to whether the increase that has been made in the price of tungsten is sufficient to stimulate full production of the tungsten mines in the vicinity of Atolia. The company however is continuing to mill tailings, using a new process which brings up the grade of the tungsten. The flotation plant is operating at full capacity and work is underway to double its present capacity. Rolls are now being put in for the gravity end. This increase in capacity however will not require any additional crew. Within two weeks it is expected that the new portion of the mill will be ready for operation.

Speaking of the tungsten market, Mr. Burke explains that while the demand for tungsten is brisk, the increase in price to date has not been sufficient to appreciably affect the local production policy. The general uncertainty of the duration of European hostilities is another factor that the near future will probably decide.

General Manager Putnam has spent several days in San Francisco but was not available for interview for this issue. There is an air of activity at the mill, due to the new improvements and resumption of full scale production activity is regarded as a logical consequence if long time war needs become positive, accompanied by high prices.

At the present time, twenty-one men are employed by the company at the mill, thirteen at No. 3 and approximately ten men are working on a lease basis.

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David Wells, "Atolia Items," Randsburg Times, Sept 28, 1939,  
2:4:

"Dairy Inspector Makes Rounds--"

The Kern County health inspector visited the Donker's Dairy on Monday "on his usual checkup."

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"Last Rites Held for Thomas Henry Standard," same, p. \_\_\_\_.

(summary:)

Thomas H. Standard died on Sept. 23 at the home of his son, Earl Standard, at Brown. He was 84. For the past 10 years, he had lived at Brown with Mr. and Mrs. Standard.

"Social Happenings," Randsburg Times, Oct 12, 1939, p 3:

"Red Mountain, Atolia Plan Christmas Party Fund"

The parents of Red Mountain and Atolia are giving a game party at the Red Mountain school on Friday, Oct. 13, at p.m. to raise money for the kiddies' Christmas party.

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### Parents of Red Mountain and Atolia Children to Discuss Xmas

All parents of children attending the Red Mountain Elementary School are urged to attend a meeting at the schoolhouse to discuss plans for the Christmas program. The meeting is scheduled for Thursday evening, October 5, at 7:00 o'clock.

Last year the parents of Red Mountain and Atolia sponsored a dance and carnival at the Atolia Hall to raise money for the Christmas program. It is not known whether this, or some other means will be used to raise funds for this year's party.

At the Christmas Tree Program at the Red Mountain School last year, the children presented a play, after which they were given their Christmas presents and treats.

### Emergency School is Established at Ruth Mine

Mrs. Cragin, superintendent of schools in Inyo County, recently announced the establishment of an emergency Elementary School at the Ruth Mine in the Argus Mountains, northwest of Trona, at the top of Homewood Canyon.

Miss Loretta Starr is the instructor of the new school and all of her fourteen students report that they think the school is grand.

A fully accredited course of study is given pupils from the first to the eighth grade, thus preparing the student for any high school in the state.

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### Union Protests Atolia Dismissals

File Charges with Labor Relations  
Board for Investigation

Federal Labor Union 21464, through its business representative J. Henry Nedderman, has filed a protest with the Labor Relations Board, amending their previous complaint against Atolia Mining Co. and charging the dismissal of eight of its members because of their membership and activities in behalf of the union. Mr. Nedderman states that the action of filing charges followed the unanimous rejection by the union of the working agreement submitted by the Atolia Mining Co. on Sept. 15th. The charges were filed Oct. 10th. The company has been notified by the Labor Relations Board of the amended complaint and that the matter is being investigated. No date has been set for a hearing pending the investigation.

Representatives of the local union also appeared before the Central Labor Council of the American Federation of Labor at San Bernardino on Oct. 10th presenting the matter. At the request of Local 21464 a committee was appointed by the Labor Council to investigate the charges and report whether Atolia Mining Co. is unfair to organized labor.

## Labor Accord is Reached Between Atolia and Union

**Working Agreement Accepted and is Immediately Effective. Many Benefits Gained**

Following negotiations which started Nov. 1 and concluded Nov. 4th, the working agreement between the Atolia Mining Co. and Federal Labor Union Local 21464 has been presented to the membership of the union and was unanimously accepted at a special meeting held last Saturday night. The representatives of the company, W. L. Warnecke, president and general manager, Robert Beale, attorney for the company, and L. E. Putnam, superintendent, with the union committee, consisting of J. Henry Nedderman, business representative E. E. Moody, recording secretary, Lester Rooney, past president, and Oscar Burtenshaw, met in both day and evening sessions during the negotiations to bring the matter to an immediate conclusion. The union instructed its president, H. L. Picking to sign the contract which will be effective for one year and continue indefinitely unless notice to alter or terminate by either party is given in writing prior to November 3rd of any calendar year.

The points covered by the working agreement which are of special interest to the employees are cited as follows by Mr. Nedderman:

**Workmen will be hired through the union if it is able to supply the help required.**

**Hourly wages will be increased every time that tungsten sales prices increase one dollar and fifty cents per unit.**

**Mines Department workers' day will consist of seven hours.**

**Vacation rights were increased and seniority rights were included.**

**Rights of appeal from discharge were established and machinery set up to handle disputes and discharges.**

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## Here's How the Vote Totaled

	NO. 1—Yes.....	NO. 1—No.....	NO. 2—Yes.....	NO. 2—No.....	NO. 3—Yes.....	NO. 3—No.....	NO. 4—Yes.....	NO. 4—No.....	NO. 5—Yes.....	NO. 5—No.....	NO. 6—Yes.....	NO. 6—No.....	NO. 7—Yes.....	NO. 7—No.....
Randsburg No. 1 .....	52	74	48	55	63	35	60	37	43	75	72	31	67	43
Randsburg No. 2 .....	78	62	54	70	64	48	64	47	62	79	63	59	54	73
Johannesburg .....	30	30	30	28	28	26	35	20	25	33	30	24	29	28
Osdick (Red Mt.) .....	66	48	43	50	47	37	48	37	44	61				
Atolia .....	30	25	24	29	34	14	33	14	16	39				
Cantil .....	33	57	30	53	41	40	43	37	24	63	43	37	23	58
Inyokern .....	69	58	57	61	57	48	61	45	35	91	61	43	58	59
<b>RAND DIST. TOT.....</b>	<b>361</b>	<b>377</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>346</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>247</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>269</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>261</b>
Trona .....	166	590	306	419	526	176	515	180	464	280				
Amargo .....	183	80	103	124	161	62	161	65	129	119				

RANDBURG TIMES, Nov. 16, 1939, p. 3:

"Social Happenings" (excerpts):

### Union Auxiliary

#### Install Officers

The A. F. of L. Union Auxiliary met at Atolia Hall Monday night the 13th and had installation of the following officers: President, Mrs. Katherine Smith; Vice-President, Mrs. Katherine Picking; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Art Janke; Financial Secretary, Mrs. Vivian Blair; Conductress, Mrs. Bert Eyre. 1176-39

#### Birthday Party for

#### James Holmes

Mrs. James Holmes honored her husband with a birthday dinner Saturday. He was twenty-two years old. Those enjoying the dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Denzil Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Max Stringham.

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### Red Mt.-Atolia Christmas Dance Date Dec. 9th

The Red Mountain and Atolia Kiddies Christmas Fund Dance will be given on Saturday, December 9th at the Atolia Social Hall. The proceeds go into the fund for Christmas treats for the children in that school district.

At a recent meeting of this group it was agreed to cooperate in supporting the Randsburg and Johannesburg Christmas events, hoping those groups will in turn support this dance.

The "Blue Boys", an all Union orchestra, has been engaged for this dance. It will be remembered that this orchestra (but enlarged for this occasion) played for the exceptionally successful dance given about two weeks ago by the Ladies Auxiliary of the local union.

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### Union and Company Confer at Atolia

#### Progress is Reported But No Conclusion Reached

A committee representing Federal Labor Union 21464 met Wednesday with officials of the Atolia Mining Co. in conference over the differences between the employees and the company. The negotiations reached no conclusion Wednesday.

General Manager Warneke and the company's attorney Mr. Beale represented the Atolia Mining Co. and the committee for the union consisted of Messrs. Rooney, Nedderman and Moody. The conference was held at the company's office at Atolia.

Agreement regarding the general working contract and the alleged discriminatory dismissal of eight members of the union, is sought.

David Wells, "Atolia Items," Randsburg Times, Nov 16, 1939,  
4:3:

Mr. and Mrs. Chapman and children and Mr. and Mrs. Fred  
Monroe and children, of Buena Park, went on an all day  
picnic to Red Rock Canyon.

Mrs. O.H. Andreasen served as the hostess for a tea at  
her home last Thursday. (Six attended.)

### Benefit Dance for Women's Clubhouse

An unusual type of dance is scheduled for Thursday evening, Nov. 30th when the Cantil Women's Club sponsors a "hard time dance" to be held at the warehouse in Saltdale. The warehouse has been made available by the courtesy of H. C. Topp, manager of the plant there, and will be adequately heated for the event. While a nominal cash admission is asked of the men, the ladies are asked to bring a box lunch which will constitute their admission charge. During the evening the lunches will be auctioned. The proceeds of the evening are for the benefit of the clubhouse fund.

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### Red Cross Roll Call Continues

National Theme of Organization  
is "Keep Your Red Cross Ready"

The national theme for the 1939 Roll Call of the American Red Cross is "Keep Your Red Cross Ready" according to advice received here this week by Mrs. Kathleen Jewell of the American Red Cross.

At the same time word was received that membership for the Pacific Area is expected to reach ten percent of the population, which naturally applies to each and every community.

The annual membership campaign, now in progress, provides funds for carrying forward the heavy load of activities of the Red Cross, said Mrs. Jewell today. "But we are going to do our best. We need every bit of help we can get," she declared, "and if interest continues growing as it is now, we expect to have a highly successful Roll Call.

The local Red Cross committee which is making the drive for funds includes: Mrs. Kathleen Jewell, chairman; Judge E. B. Maginnis, and Mrs. L. B. Scheu for Randsburg; Mrs. Sadie Rouse for Johannesburg; H. C. Topp and Mrs. H. M. Ling for Cantil and Saltdale, Mrs. Clarence Ives for Inyokern.

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**Red Mountain-Atolia  
Christmas Fund Dance  
Promises Special Features**

The committee for the Atolia and Red Mountain Kiddies' Xmas Fund Dance have gone to the needed expense to bring back the Blue Boys Band, who so greatly pleased the dancers at the A. F. of L. Auxiliary dance a short time ago.

Without a doubt the support of the community is needed now, more than ever, to insure a happy Xmas for all the youngsters of this district. As an added attraction of this dance, on Saturday, December 9th, the committee has engaged one of the finest saxaphonist on the west coast (Doc Hedges) to be featured with the orchestra.

The committee invites all Rand Ristrict to a grand time with an opportunity to lend valuable aid to a worthy community project.

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**ATOLIA ITEMS**

DAVID WELLS — Correspondent

**Bakersfield Visitors—**

Alvin "Fat" Preston and Walter Clark of Bakersfield spent the week-end as guests of Neal Harwell.

**Picnic at "Rocks"—**

Helen and Bessie Carpenter, Al Winchell, and Herb Straub and wife had a picnic Sunday with chicken as the main dish, at the "Rocks" near Atolia.

**San Bernardino Visitors—**

Mrs. Bradley Dennis and Mrs. H. A. Stromberg of Randsburg drove to San Bernardino Saturday, returning the same day.

**From San Francisco—**

Myrtle Pacheco and daughter, and Joe Wilson of San Francisco were here last Friday to visit Elfie Janke, Mrs. Pacheco's sister.

**Helping Hand Club  
Meets at Donker's Dairy**

Last Wednesday the Helping Hand Club enjoyed a luncheon and business meeting at Mrs. Audrey Donker's. They talked over what they were planning for Christmas and other plans.

The women attending the meeting were Mesdames Hattie Clark, Neal Harwell, Billie Stringham, Vic Johnson, Sophia Johnson, James Holmes, Earl Thomas and Ed Williams, and Lodis Straub.

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## ATOLIA ITEMS

DAVID WELLS — Correspondent

### Christmas Fund Dance Enjoyed—

The Red Mountain-Atolia Christmas Fund Dance was completely successful. R. L. "Pop" Cline, a skating acrobat, gave an exhibition of dancing and acrobatic roller skating and the Colonial Club Orchestra of Colton furnished the music. An entertainment feature with the orchestra was Miss Peggy Self who is currently appearing in a Paramount Picture, "What a Life," with Jackie Cooper.

### To Orange—

Earl Osburn and family drove to Orange Thursday to visit relatives. They returned Saturday.

### Blasdells Visit Friends—

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Blasdell were here over the week-end. They were visiting C. F. Clark and family.

### Moodys in San Bernardino—

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Moody motored to San Bernardino on business Wednesday. While there they visited Mrs. George Hadley, formerly of Randsburg.

### Hollywood Friends

#### Visit Mrs. Miller—

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Merryman Jr., who are newlyweds, and Francis Merryman, all of Hollywood, visited with Mrs. Margy Miller on Friday.

### Housewarming Party—

Mrs. C. F. Clark was given a surprise housewarming party on Wednesday to celebrate her remodeled home. Refreshments served were sandwiches, coffee and cake. The ladies attending were Mesdames Effie Andreasen, Louise Buffington, Audrey Donker, Edna Harwell, Hattie Clark, Herb Straub, Katy Day and Vic Dezan. She received many very lovely gifts.

### Shop in San Bernardino—

Mr. and Mrs. Art Janke and daughter drove to San Bernardino Saturday to do their Christmas shopping early.

### Trip to Los Angeles—

L. M. Tuttle, Grace Davis and Barbara Lee Janke drove to Los Angeles on Monday.

## RED MOUNTAIN . . .

Thurman Petersen—Correspondent

### Home from Hospital—

Ray Reynolds and Lyman Mills of Bakersfield came to Red Mountain last week to call on Ray's brother Lawrence. They went to Trona Sunday and brought Mrs. Bea Reynolds home. She will still be confined to her bed following treatment in the Trona Hospital. Mrs. Reynolds wishes to thank all her friends who extended courtesies while she is ill.

### Visits in Red Mountain—

Pete House of Trona spent two days last week in Red Mountain visiting friends.

### In Mojave—

Glen and Rulon Hatton went to Mojave Monday where Rulon had a tooth extracted.

### Returns Home from Hospital—

Mrs. Mary E. Tate returned to her home Wednesday after spending a week in the Rand Hospital.

### At Riverside—

Mr. and Mrs. John Stricker spent Tuesday at Riverside.

### Visitors from San Fernando—

Mr. and Mrs. Winn of San Fernando are visiting with Lawrence Reynolds this week.

### Influenza—

Glen Hatton was confined to his home for the past few days with influenza.

### Ill at Home—

Zona Phillips has been ill for the past week and confined to her home.

### Helping Hand Meeting Postponed—

The Helping Hand Club met in the home of Mrs. Earl Thomas last week. The next meeting is postponed one week. It will be held at the home of Mrs. Ed Williams. A pot luck dinner will be served and an exchange of Christmas Gifts.

### To Coso Hot Springs—

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Lamley took Frank B. Adams to Coso Hot Springs Sunday. The Lamleys returned home and Mr. Adams remained there.

### Visits Brother—

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Johns are visiting in the home of his brother, Jake Johns.

### John Stork Visits Cote's—

Mr. and Mrs. Irvy Cote announced the arrival of a daughter, Diane, last Wednesday, December 6 at the Rand Hospital. Mother and daughter are doing fine. 12-14-39 p.2

### Christmas Program and Treat at Atolia Hall

On Thursday evening, Dec. 21, the children of Atolia and Red Mountain were given their annual community Christmas treat and gifts. The school presented a program under the direction of the teachers, Richard Payne and Mrs. Edwards. A more complete review of the evening is expected for next week's issue. 12-21-39 ml

### Donations for Christmas Funds to be Prorated

The offer of the Rand District Coordinating Council to distribute contributions to the various community Christmas funds on a basis prorated according to school enrollment has been accepted by a number of organizations. Five dollars has been received from the Ladies Aid Society, seven dollars and a half from the Interstate Telegraph Co. and twenty-six dollars from the Federal Labor Union No. 21464. Other firms and groups have contributed directly to the community funds and will be so reported later.

In determining the basis of prorating the money, the enrollment figures were Red Mountain, 29 pupils, Johannesburg 20 pupils, and Randburg 72 pupils.

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## Atolia Completes Development on No. 3 and Suspends Work

**Seven Men Laid Off. Resumption of Work Expected When Gravity Plant Is Finished**

On Dec. 23rd, the development project in Shaft No. 3 of the Atolia Mining Co. was completed and the company decided to suspend its work in that shaft for the present. Superintendent Putnam, who returned from Seattle Thursday, could not at this time state when the work in the shaft would be resumed. It was his opinion however that the company will probably wait for the completion of the gravity plant to start the mine.

Mr. Putnam states that the work just finished has been development work which has been used as a stop gap project to keep the mine active, that some new ore has been opened which will be removed when the gravity plant is ready. The company is again increasing the capacity of the floatation plant.

In the meantime a few leasers are working, they also doing development work for the most part. In the mill, fifteen to sixteen men are employed. The suspension of mine work caused the layoff of a hoist man, a foreman and five underground workmen.

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## Red Mountain-Atolia School Has Fine Christmas Program

The Red Mountain and Atolia school give its Xmas program last Thursday night at Atolia Hall under the supervision of the teachers, Richard Payne and Susan Edwards.

The program consisted of two plays, one by Mr. Payne's room and one by Mrs. Edward's room, and the rhythm bands were enjoyed by all. After the program Santa arrived and distributed presents and treats, assisted by Mrs. Brad Dennis and Mr. Payne.

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## Church Groups Unite In Christmas Eve Carols

One of the happy community holiday activities was the singing of Christmas carols by the combined singers from the Foursquare Gospel Church and the Randsburg Community Methodist Church. Numbering over forty young people, the singers were transported by truck to the homes in Atolia, Red Mountain, Johannesburg and Randsburg where they sang when

## Wm. Schultz Elected President of Union

**Federal Labor Union No. 21464 Holds Annual Election**

The annual election of Federal Labor Union 21464 was held Tuesday evening at the union hall in Johannesburg. The results were as follows:

President, William Schultz, Atolia Mining Co. employee.

Vice-President, John Wieshaupt, Anglo American employee.

Secretary, Treasurer and Business Representative, John Henry Nedderman.

Recording Sec., Elmer Moody.

Sergeant-at-Arms, Norlan Wycoff.

Mr. Schultz succeeds Les Picking as president of the group.

Mr. Nedderman states that in the matter of the claims for state unemployment compensation, made by the employees of the Macco Construction Co. and Anglo American Mining Corp., present indications are that the employees in the mine and mill will be eligible for compensation without doubt and that the probable ruling denying compensation to employees of the cyanide plant will be appealed.

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## Union and Atkinson Arbitrates Picket Line Tilt

Following a delivery of stove oil through the picket lines to Anglo American Mining Corp., against orders of the pickets, Atkinson Motor Co. and Federal Labor Union 21464 experienced a brief controversy Wednesday. Pickets were placed at the Atkinson establishment in Red Mountain about three o'clock. Through the efforts of Art Manning, chief deputy from the Barstow sub-station of the San Bernardino Sheriff's office, an arbitration conference was arranged and the pickets were removed at 6:30. Deputy Manning, with Mr. Atkinson and J. H. Nedderman, the latter representing the union, conferred at Red Mountain until late Wednesday night. It is understood that a signed arbitration of the matter was reached before the group dis-