

FROM WHERE I SIT

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The Union Pacific railroad is not asleep to possibilities of business expansion as a result of completion of Boulder dam, creation of Boulder lake, and a vast amount of cheap power. Not only are its officials bending every effort toward the establishment of industry here to use the power, but, if reliable information can be believed, they are planning on putting their vast resources to expansion of tourist business in this area.

This story has it that the visit here this week of high officials of the company was more than a casual inspection trip. Rather, it was for the purpose of acquainting these officials with the remarkable possibilities for development of a new tourist resource featuring Boulder lake and the dam. The plan is to tie this southern Nevada wonderland to the Union Pacific's system of parks in southern Utah—to make this part of the regular tour offered visitors. Scenic buses would continue on from Zion after the trip thru the parks, to the mouth of the Virgin river and there take the boat trip down Boulder lake to the dam and thence to Las Vegas for an overnight stop.

It is quite probable that this service will be inaugurated next spring. If so, it means much in the way of development here—more, perhaps, than we realize. For the Utah parks have been coming into their own during the past two or three years. Travel has more than doubled each year. Coupling the unique lake trip, thru picturesque Boulder canyon, will cause it to double many times more, with all of Clark county benefitting immensely. THIS is just one more of the possibilities in the very near

future, destined to lift Las Vegas to a top notch among the resort areas of the nation.

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Recent reports from the scene of war in Africa, indicate that the play for public opinion is not forgotten even in the serious business of armed conflict, where everything is supposed to be fair. According to correspondents, Mussolini is proceeding very carefully in order to obviate any chances of propaganda concerning atrocities to inflame the world against her legions.

Apparently many nations learned the power of propaganda during the World war and will not soon forget. It was pure, unadulterated propaganda that brought the United States and other nations into the world war against Germany. Many of the wild stories of brutality attributed to the German armies have since been found to have been manufactured for just that purpose—of alienating the entire civilized world from the kaiser's cause. How successfully it worked is a matter of history. Mussolini, it appears, will not allow himself to be put on the same spot if he can help it.

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Latest reports from over the front in the western United States indicates that the toll of hunters is quite likely to exceed that of the festive deer they're hunting. Every state boasting of any deer, has scores of casualties chargeable directly to the carelessness of hunters in picking their targets. There have been many deaths, scores lost in mountain fastnesses, and others seriously afflicted by the unusually severe cold of the early season. All of which makes me more certain that I'm glad I never get the fever. How about you?