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GREAT DAY FOR BASIC; HOME OWNERSHIP BILL SIGNED

Henderson residents are informed today that Bill 82 is passed. Official okay is now necessary from War Assets Administration. According to Cliff Jones, lieutenant governor, the new law will provide for all residents of Henderson, working in Henderson, to have the right to buy the home in which they are living.

The payments on the homes will be made to the U. S. Government, probably the war surplus agency, but those details will be announced later.

Appraisals on all homes will be based on what they cost the government to build, not on what they could be built for now. Improvements put in by residents later will not be added to the prices of the homes.

Residents working in Boulder City and in Las Vegas, or other areas, will not be allowed to buy immediately, because homes must be available for new industrial concerns who plan to come in to the Basic plant.

These industrial concerns, too, will now, by the new law, be allowed to actually purchase that portion of the plant which they will need for their operations. They will probably buy homes to fit the number of employees they plan to use—or at least will be given the right to have homes set aside for their employees to purchase.

This interpretation of the new law was explained to the NEWS by Lieut.-Governor Jones.

Details of how to purchase the homes will be forthcoming, although it is understood the Colorado River Commission will handle the project, but under the scrutiny and control of the state Board of Control.

Henderson Hearsay

By Bert Havens

Isn't it amazing the way certain people who, when Henderson was kind in the dumps, never had a kind word for us now are knocking themselves out showering attention upon the area when it shows signs of coming to life? We remember well a certain party in a neighboring town who knocked our football team and our coach to a fare-thee-well and who looked down his nose at our "bunch of Okies". You ought to see him now! Why, we're pals, buddies. Nuts!

Anybody need a juke box? Took one in on a rather complicated deal a short time ago, minus amplifier, speakers and pickup, but with the most beautiful, complicated "Rube Goldbergian" conglomeration of record-changing mechanism you ever saw. Watching it operate, with relays clicking and motors humming, you realize that it took a special brand of genius (or madness) to design it and make it work. It's absolutely fascinating! And with it we got nine albums of records, some of which must be collectors' items, going back to and beyond the "Two Black Crows" era. Remember them? Gosh! We must be getting old, but it seems only yesterday that folks used to gather outside the record shops back east, waiting for the latest Moran and Mack release to be placed on sale. Them wuz the days!

Speaking of record players and records, did you know what two of our best-known citizens are "bugs" on the subject? We refer to Dr. David Hemington and Gordon McCaw, Elementary School principal.

"Doc" has his living room packed with special equipment, including high fidelity amplifiers and speakers and floor-to-ceiling cabinets holding albums of records compassing everything from Bach to boogie, in addition to the finest in short wave receiving gear. McCaw's layout is less pre-

terious, consisting of a really lovely radio-phonograph combination that can take a worn out juke box disc and make it sound like something hot off the record press, plus a short wave radio that really works. Not so long ago we sat in his home listening to some old favorites recorded by Jesse Crawford at the organ, music so soothing that we caught ourselves napping before the last record was finished. Yes, there are worse hobbies than this.

Now all the "Grand Openings" are over and we can settle back to watching competition rear its beautiful head in our midst. Long time no see! Did you ever see such a week in Henderson? On Wednesday both Prime Meats and Provisions super market and Desertwear's new establishment made their official bows, followed on Thursday by Clark's Market, rising Phoenix-like from the ashes of the old store. Dave's Pittman Department store is now also officially open and the Henderson Department store, with its new concessions all shined up, rounds out a shopping center that any town would be proud to have. Too bad we couldn't have arranged some sort of celebration, with a brass band and all the trimmings. Chamber of Commerce, please note!

Tommy Nelson Will Play for Dance

The Democratic Club of Henderson will hold an April Fools Day Dance Saturday night, April 2, at the Swanky Club. Many valuable door prizes and prizes for dance contests will be awarded. Tommy Nelson's orchestra will play.

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