

Cold Baths, Rest in Hot Weather Will Prevent Crime, Says Expert

Rainstorm Helped Highways, And Restored Range

TONOPAH, Aug. 12.—(Special)—Now that the town has dug itself out and the highways have been drained of superfluous moisture it develops that the highway system in Southern Nevada is in better shape than it has been in three years. During all that time a drought prevailed and the new surface failed to bind for lack of moisture and soon the top became nothing better than a quantity of loose corn without cohesion.

Road builders used water in completing the surfacing, but that did not amount to more than a summer shower as the water evaporated almost before it touched the ground. A survey shows the highways to be better than ever before with the exception of places where the storm washed down the sides.

Ranchers are congratulating themselves on an early restoration of the range as the favorite valleys have retained eight to ten inches of rain on the surface for two and three days. This gave the parched range a saturation that will start the natural forage crop which should begin to show before cold weather. If herds are kept off the range it is believed that in another year the range country will support more stock than before.

The storm extended over the Amargosa, Ralston, Railroad, Hot Creek, Stone Cabin and San Antonio valleys where the range was denuded three years ago. In view of these facts it is probable the storm was a blessing in disguise as first aid to restoration of the ranges which formerly sustained 50 head of cattle and 150,000 head of sheep.

TRAINMASTER HAS NEW CHIEF CLERK
M. E. Watson, formerly chief clerk to the trainmaster of the Union Pacific here, has left for Mexico where he will work for the Southern Pacific.

His place has been filled by A. W. Buzza, formerly in the service of the O. W. R. & N. with headquarters at Portland, Ore. Buzza probably will bring his family to Las Vegas in the near future, he said yesterday.

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PHOENIX, Aug. 12.—Take a cold bath and don't commit murder during these hot summer days, advises Dr. Jacques Vinchon, noted French professor, who blames the present crime wave in France on the excessive heat.

"It is very noticeable on hot days that many men who are usually most polite and tranquil become suddenly irritable," declares Professor Vinchon in a scholarly exposition on criminal tendencies as influenced by heat. "Stormy discussions, disputes and fist fights are indulged in on the slightest provocation. People are losing their tempers over nothing these warm days. It can all be attributed to sweating weather."

Plenty of cold baths with a few hours of quiet repose would calm people's nerves, he contends. When a man's nervous system is relaxed there is not much danger of his committing an unpremeditated crime, argues the professor.

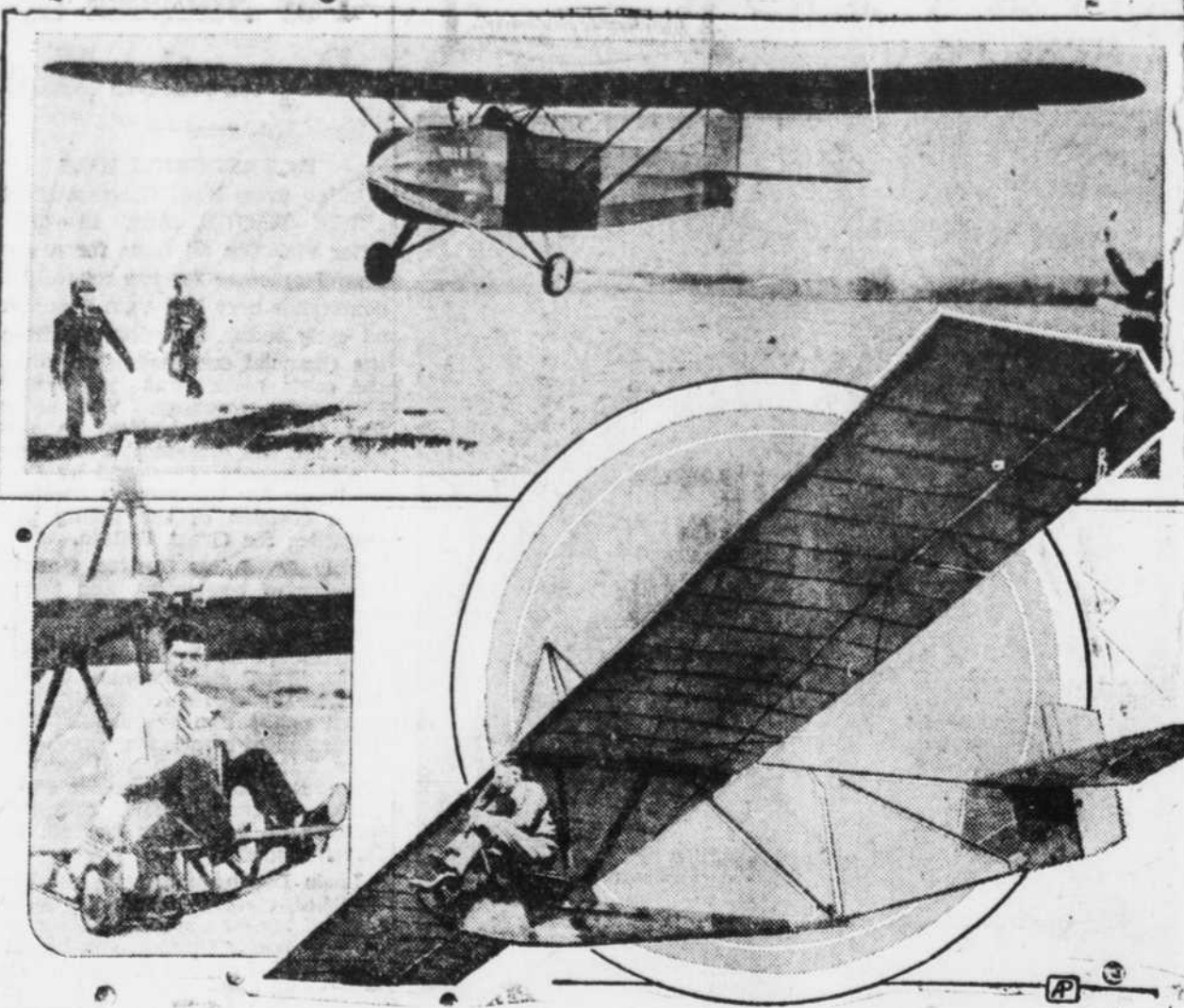
The crime of heat is a well-known fact, he continues. "Even in the 18th century, physicians observed that sailors of northern climes who returned from tropical countries had lost their good dispositions. Nervous persons, who already frayed tempers, become much worse in weather which disturbs people not accustomed to it. And in this frenzy induced by heat normal persons commit crimes of which they otherwise would never be guilty."

Professor Vinchon in his exposition gives a detailed study of numerous crimes committed during the past few weeks of extremely hot weather. He shows in practically all cases the accused criminal had not taken a cold bath the day of the crime.

Miss Smith to Fly Safety First Plane

NEW YORK, Aug. 12.—(U.P.)—Miss Eleanor Smith, 18, who held the world's record for endurance solo flying up until a short time ago will pilot the special "safety first" ship which will visit 50 airports between New York and the Pacific Coast in the nation wide "safety first" campaign to be inaugurated at Roosevelt and Curtis fields at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

Gliders To Get Inning At Cleveland Meet



Motorless soaring planes will take the air in contests of duration and distance in the first national glider meet at Cleveland. Dr. Wolfgang Klemperer (inset) of Akron, Germany's first licensed glider pilot, will participate.

CLEVELAND, Aug. 12.—(U.P.)—The sport of gliding, rapidly taking hold of American fancy, will make its first official debut in a national glider meet in connection with the national air races here August 24 to September 2.

Long a popular sport in Germany, where remarkable records of distance and duration have been established, motorless flight only recently has struck a popular chord in America and for the first time sufficient gliders are available for national contests.

Fifteen of the soaring planes of the primary training type are expected to be available for the contests and many prominent fliers have entered their names as contestants. Among them are Amelia Earhart, Frank Hawks, and Reed G. Landis.

Dr. Wolfgang Klemperer, member of the technical committee of

the National Glider Association, which is sponsoring the contests, will lead the Akron, Ohio, club team. Dr. Klemperer was well known for his gliding work in Germany and was that country's first licensed glider pilot.

"There will be eight events for gliders launched by automobile towing and by the sling shot method, in which rubber shock absorber cord is used.

Because of the absence of suitable hills near the Cleveland municipal airport, emphasis has been placed on the automobile towing method of getting into the air.

Although of less value to gliding than the shock absorber cord method, these contests are expected to be the more spectacular and to appeal more to the airplane pilots who will participate. Many of the pilots who have expressed a desire to compete will be introduced to

Woman Bosses Hotel Remodeling Job

She Transforms Shacks Into Cozy Cottages

Even Tells 'Em How to Mix Concrete

Doing her own planning, architectural work, "contracting" and decorating, a woman in Las Vegas is remodeling an old apartment house into a hotel which will have taste and beauty, having already transformed several shacks into first class, attractively appointed and beautiful stuccoed cottages.

She came to Las Vegas six years ago, and four years ago bought a piece of property at 307 South Main street from Bob Edwards. Her name is Agnes McLaughlin and the hotel which she is literally making over, has long been known as the Lincoln hotel.

"Just because she enjoys doing it, and has a natural bent toward it," Mrs. McLaughlin day in and day out in the very midst of the swirl of activity, superintending every part of the work of transforming the two-story building into a fourteen-room hotel.

She even has her own formula, born of experience and study, for mixing the cement and stucco, so that they will be most effective.

Having expressed surprise that a woman should undertake such a task, your representative Saturday was shown two cottages, on the same premises as the hotel, which under the guiding hand of Mrs. McLaughlin had been changed from frame shacks of ten-inch boards, into cozy, bright and attractive cottages in which the most exacting might be happy to live.

The three-room cottage, tastefully decorated, with color, harmony and richness as well as artistry and convenience in arrangement, was completed but three weeks ago. Its exterior is stucco, its fixtures are modern and complete, with tile floor and board and other such installations such as are found in the most sumptuous homes.

The five-room cottage, transformed similarly several years ago, shows also that there must have been some sort of background of experience on the part of its author before it was created.

Has Built Better
"Yes," the proprietor-contractor admitted, "I've built several houses before, in Arizona and California. I built two dwellings and a store building in Chloride, Arizona. And I have a beautiful English style home in Los Angeles. It has this way sort of shingling effect, and some unusual features I worked out myself."

Hudkins' \$15,000 Purse Is Still In Limelight
SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 12.—(U.P.)—Asserting that Ace Hudkins' \$15,000 purse for his bout with Charley Berlangar here in June had been turned over to the State Athletic Commission upon the commission's order, the Observatory Athletic Club, Frank Shuler and Edward Lynch, today filed answer in Superior Court to Hudkins' suit for the money.

John Gilbert's Father Dies in Hollywood
HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 12.—(U.P.)—John Pringle, 67, father of John Gilbert, motion picture star, died today in the California Lutheran Hospital after a long illness. He will be buried in Hollywood Cemetery Wednesday.

Pringle was well known in stage circles both here and in the east. For 30 years he had his own stock company playing in Chicago New York and other eastern cities. He has been in Hollywood four years and played in several motion pictures.

The actor-son, enroute to Europe on his honeymoon with Ina Claire, could not be reached today.

Tile Making Firm To Get Larger Location
The Lay-More Tile production has so increased in the past week that it will be necessary for the Desert Construction company, local makers of the tile, to find a new and larger location and build a new plant, according to A. J. Fisher, official representative of the Lay-More Tile and Machine company.

The new location will be found early this week, to take the place of the one at Twelfth and Ogden.

Two new moulds arrived on the job Saturday, making a total of five, with an output now of 2,500 a day, with all of the moulds kept busy eight hours a day.

More ground is needed for drying and curing, said Fisher.

Barrage of Meteors Seen at Mt. Wilson
PASADENA, Calif. Aug. 12.—(U.P.)—Meteors, of the Perseid shower, poetically called the "Tears of St. Lawrence," were observed in numbers last night at the Mt. Wilson observatory here. More than 20 an hour were counted as the earth plowed through the orbit of the Perseid meteors in the early hours of the morning. The barrage, which started Friday, will continue through Tuesday.

Go ahead and be snobbish, as the eminent Boston professor advises. And you could try it sometimes on a traffic cop.—Detroit News.

Mysterious 'She' Will Drive Auto While Blindfolded

Blindfolded, a woman will drive one of Jim Cashman's Buick cars about town tomorrow afternoon, starting at 4:30 o'clock.

The woman is "The Mysterious She." The trip will be made completely blindfolded and accompanied by several well-known townspeople or city officials, under the auspices of El Patio, the open air theater.

Starting at El Patio at 4:30 p. m. The Mysterious She will pilot the car down Carson street to Main, thence north to Fremont, down Fremont to Fifth, thence out to El Desierto and back, turning down Bonneville, following it to Fourth, and following Fourth to Carson, thence to the theater, and from there to Cashman's garage.

The Mysterious She is appearing nightly at El Patio with Alendale, the Miracle man, astrologist and psychic scientist.

Pronounced one of the most entrancing events of entertainment seen in Las Vegas for a long time by patrons who saw the performance during its first two showings, it is said to be worth an evening of anyone's time.

Any questions asked by members of the audience are answered by Alendale, past or future. He gives advice in business matters, help in love affairs, and answer all sorts of queries, no matter of what nature.

Wealthy Realtor to Be Tried for Bribery

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 12.—(U.P.)—Frank Newport, wealthy real estate man, and his secretary, Robert Clarke, were scheduled to go to trial here today on a charge of conspiracy to attempt to bribe Superior Judge Dailey S. Stafford.

The state contends that Clarke, acting for Newport, offered Judge Stafford \$50,000 to change a decision in a case involving real estate in which Newport was interested.

Babe Ruth Hits His Thirty-first Homer

CLEVELAND, O., Aug. 12.—(U.P.)—Babe Ruth hit his 31st home run of the season, the 501st of his American League career and his seventh in eight days, off Joe Shaute of the Indians in the third inning of the New York-Cleveland game here this afternoon. The blow scored Combs and Larry ahead of the Babe and tied the score 3 to 3.

Rich Man's Runaway Daughter Is Found

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 12.—(U.P.)—Zelda Body, 20-year-old daughter of C. E. Body, wealthy oil operator, has been taken into custody in Phoenix, Arizona, along with two men with whom she left here on August 5, according to information received by local authorities today.

Famous Land Crack Is Now Fenced Off

SAN PEDRO, Calif. Aug. 12.—(U.P.)—Police today fenced off the "Point Firmin Crack" where some six acres of land are slipping down from the bluff to the ocean. The crack is eight feet wide, and extends out to sea, reaching to an undetermined depth. Geologists still are puzzled as to the cause of the fault.



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