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**LAS VEGAS WEATHER**  
May 28—Maximum, 99; minimum, 58.  
Highest this year, May 17, 1931.  
**METAL MARKETS**  
NEW YORK, May 28. (U.P.)—Copper, spot and future, 8 1/2 to 8 3/4. Lead, spot, New York 3.75, East St. Louis 3.60. Zinc, East St. Louis, spot and future, 3.30. Bar silver 26 1/2.

**Boulder Dam Project**  
The Progress of this Vast Engineering Work is Fully and Accurately Covered. Associated Press and United Press Wire Service Bring News of the World to This Paper—A Leader For More Than A Quarter of A Century.

## Nevada Bank Bandit Is Captured In Cabin; Wounded By Patrolman

### OFFICERS NAB ROBBER IN WASHOE HILLS

Sparks Bank Loot Is Recovered; Holdup Men Taken to Jail

Gun Fire of Cops Is Effective During Pursuit From Bank

RENO, May 28. (U.P.)—Cornered in a cabin within less than two hours after he had robbed the Bank of Sparks near here, Robert Weaver was in jail tonight.

**TRACKED TO HILLS**  
Weaver, a recent arrival from Sacramento, was tracked to the little shack in the foothills back of Sparks by sheriff's deputies. He "dug in" and defied the officers to take him prisoner, saying he would shoot the "first cop to poke his head up."

After the cabin had been surrounded, Sheriff Russell Traihen ordered some of his men to bring a supply of tear gas bombs and the cordon pulled closer about the fortified fugitive.

Before the gas barrage could be dropped on the cabin, Weaver decided he had had enough, and gave himself up as officers were about to charge the shack. He was promptly brought to Reno, the bank loot amounting to \$400 was taken from him, and the Washoe jail doors clanged shut on him.

**IS WOUNDED**  
Officers said that Weaver had been slightly wounded in the right arm, presumably by the shots fired at him as he fled from the bank by Chief of Police Fred Morris of Sparks.

The Sparks bank was the victim of another holdup a few years ago when Dudley Boyle, now serving time in the state prison at Carson City, was convicted of having entered the bank early one morning, made the crew lie on their faces on the floor. He was said to have escaped with more than \$4,000, and was captured near Virginia City after a thrilling chase. The loot Boyle is said to have stolen has never been recovered.

### RAIL MEN ASK BUS LINE LAW

WASHINGTON, May 28. (U.P.)—Proposals to mobilize the vast army of railroad security holders to pressure for legislation to regulate motor trucks and buses has been made by railroad executives, it was revealed here today.

The proposals were summarized in a confidential survey made by Milton W. Harrison of New York, president of the security owners' association, a copy of which has been made available to the United Press.

Copies are being sent to bankers and other members of the association. The document contained a digest to answers received to questionnaires sent out in February.

Because of the confidential nature of this survey it is explained the names of the executives are not given.

### PLEDGES AID AT MINE MEET

### TO START HOP ACROSS OCEAN

TACHIKAWA, Japan, May 28. (U.P.)—Flying alone in a monoplane he considered cumbersome and difficult to manipulate, Thomas Ash, Jr., said he would begin his perilous flight to Tacoma at 7 a. m. Saturday.

Ruth Barron, American aviatrix, said she would not accompany the flier as he needed all of his power to lift the heavily fueled plane.

### PROVES HIS TITLE



Ernest Yockey (right), Hollister, Cal. Ill., cowboy, proved the other day that he had not been dubbed "Dadfoot" without reason. The mountain lion shown above Yockey bagged with the first shot from his six-gun, the feat being witnessed by Joe Hope (left). The big cat measured nearly eight feet and weighed 110 pounds.

## BALLOON TRIP DESCRIBED BY DUO

SOLDEN, Austria, May 28. (U.P.)—Safe after their balloon flight into the earth's stratosphere, in which they claim to have broken the world's altitude record by several thousand feet, Professor Auguste Piccard and his physicist companion, Charles Kipfer, landed on a glacier near Ober Gurgl in the Tyrol last night and were resting at that village tonight.

Piccard said the balloon in which they took off from Augsburg, Germany, yesterday morning, reached a height of over 50,500 feet.

The flight, Professor Piccard said, was "magnificent beyond conception."

During all of the nearly twenty-four hours the scientists were in the air, when most of the world had given them up for dead, the balloon was never out of control, Piccard said.

The flight continued throughout the day and night, he said, because it was impossible to bring the huge balloon down out of the low pressure of the stratosphere until nightfall cooled the air over the Alps.

Their flight was made to do research work on cosmic rays.

### MORALS TRIAL JURY FORMING

SAN DIEGO, May 28. (U.P.)—Twelve middle aged and elderly men were tentatively seated in the jury box at adjournment late today of the fourth session of the trial of Alexander Pantanos, multi-millionaire showman, and three others on conspiracy and morals charges.

Two venires were exhausted and a new venire of twenty was summoned for tomorrow.

Taking of testimony may start before the end of the week.

### Agents Raid Two More Breweries; Find And Destroy Cache Of Beer

Two breweries and a beer cache were uncovered by federal prohibition enforcement officers yesterday and one man was arrested but later released.

## DAM WILL BE BENEFIT TO RANCHERS, CREEL

### Large Acreage Can Be Served by Pumping, Says Extension Head

Future Markets Seen As Industries Arise In Las Vegas Area

Great benefits to ranchers and farmers in Nevada and other far western states will result from the construction of Boulder dam in the opinion of Cecil W. Creel, director of the Nevada agricultural extension service.

**CREEL ON AIR**  
Speaking over a hookup of eight radio stations in five western states in the U. S. department of agriculture's western farm and home hour this week, Creel declared that not only will floods on the Colorado river be controlled and new lands brought under cultivation, but that industry and business stimulated by the dam will afford new and greater markets for western farm products.

"While Nevada has but a few thousand acres which can be irrigated from the Colorado river by gravity," Creel said, "there are large additional acreages in the southern end of the state susceptible of reclamation by pumping."

"Among these are the Las Vegas valley, and directly north of Needles, Cal., the Searchlight valley. Other southern Nevada valleys susceptible of reclamation by pumping ground waters include the Amargosa, Indian Springs, Pahump and Pahranaagat valleys."

**MARKET FORECAST**  
Industrial communities to be created at Las Vegas and Boulder City, resulting from the utilization of Boulder dam power for manufacturing and refining, will create an excellent market for farm produce raised within 300 miles of the project, the Nevada director believes.

Generally stimulated business in the southwest will result from the dam, he said, thus opening new and bigger markets for agricultural products from far western states.

Creel is also secretary of the federal board appointed by Secretary of the Interior Ray Lyman Wilbur to appraise the lands in Nevada and Arizona which will be inundated by the reservoir to be created by the dam.

Plans for observance of Memorial day were announced last night by the Kiwanis, who are making the arrangements.

The observance will consist of a parade which will march through the business section of the city and of services at the cemetery.

**PARADE AT NINE**  
Leaving the American Legion hall at 9 a. m. sharp, the parade will march up Carson street to Main, north on Main to Fremont, down Fremont to Fifth. At Fremont and Fifth cars will be taken to the cemetery where services will be held.

Those who will be included in the parade include: Color guards of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars, Civil war veterans, Spanish-American war veterans, firing squad, corps with muffled drums, Legionnaires, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Elks, I. O. O. F., Masons, Eagles, Knights of Pythias.

**CRAGIN ASKED TO L. A. MEET**  
LOS ANGELES, May 28. (U.P.)—Two noted sages from the sagebrush will meet again Saturday in Sycamore Grove park when Will Rogers, the "Sage of Claremont," shakes hands with Alfalfa Bill Murray, governor of Oklahoma at the annual reunion and picnic of the Oklahoma state society.

Murray will arrive here at noon Friday and will appear next Tuesday night with Governor Rolph of California and Governor Balzar of Nevada at the annual banquet of the Hollywood chapter of the Native Sons of the Golden West.

Other guests will include Mayor Cragin of Las Vegas, Nevada.

**OFFICIAL RETURNS**  
Capt. R. A. Beman of the department of justice, in charge of the Pacific coast operations of the bureau, returned to Las Vegas yesterday.

### FLIERS BREAK FLIGHT MARK

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., May 28. (U.P.)—Walter Lees and Frederick Brossy succeeded in their ambition to fly aloft in an airplane without refueling longer than any man has done before.

They landed their Diesel motored monoplane on the beach here at 7:20 eastern standard time, tonight, setting a new world's non-refueling endurance record of eighty-four hours and thirty-three minutes.

Their time is nine hours and ten minutes longer than the former record made by two French aviators in Algeria during March of this year.

**TWO ARE FINED IN JUSTICE COURT**  
Bill Sutton, pleading guilty to charges of being drunk and disorderly, was fined \$25 yesterday in municipal court by Judge Morse.

H. D. Richards, charged with being drunk, received a fine of \$10. George Dell and George Mikles, picked up on vagrancy charges, were given hours to leave town.

## Double-Murder Hearing In Los Angeles Is Underway

### BREACH TRIAL ARGUMENTS TO START TODAY

Defendant Under Examination; Tells Of Meetings in L. A.

Never Proposed, Says Sullivan on Stand; Was Only Joking

Arguments of counsel in the Connolly-Sullivan case will commence this morning at 9 o'clock. A. W. Ham and Ryland G. Taylor presenting the case for the plaintiff, and Leo McNamee and Frank R. McNamee summing up for the defendant.

**MAY GO TO JURY**  
It is probable that the arguments will occupy all the morning session and a part of the afternoon, the jury getting the case sometime early this afternoon.

The taking of testimony was completed yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock, when A. W. Ham concluded his cross-examination of the defendant.

On direct examination during the morning session Mr. Sullivan told of his first meeting with Miss Connolly, the plaintiff, in May or June, 1927, being introduced by the plaintiff's sister, Mrs. Barr.

The next meeting, he testified, took place about two weeks afterward, when he met the plaintiff and Mrs. Barr as he was going to Balboa Park.

Following that, Sullivan said, he met the plaintiff ten days later, having gone to the Sanford hotel to take her sister, Mrs. Barr, to a show. Mrs. Barr told him she was too tired to go, as she had been showing real estate all day, and turned him over to Miss Connolly. Sullivan stated he took Miss Connolly to a show and later to a confectionery store.

**MET IN JULY**  
Their next meeting, according to defendant's testimony, took place in the latter part of July, when the plaintiff called him up and asked him to come to the Sanford hotel so she could read him some letters about his relative in Phoenix. From that time until his departure August 22, defendant testified he saw plaintiff about two or three times a week.

Sullivan denied emphatically that he ever asked Miss Connolly to marry him, or that she ever accepted him, but stated that any conversations regarding marriage were always in a joking way, and the plaintiff insisted she was not the marrying kind. Each asked the other why he or she had never married, he testified. Defendant stated that the state of his health made any idea of marriage impossible.

Plaintiff was working all the time of their association during the summer of 1927, defendant testified, and said their relations were friendly.

**PARK RENDEZVOUS**  
He admitted to having kissed and caressed the plaintiff, telling of one occasion in Balboa park when, he alleged, the plaintiff told him, he reminded her of "a big Dutchman she once knew," because it took him "so long to warm up."

This incident occasioned some show of mirth, even the judge remarking his usual dignity enough to show a broad grin, while the jury and spectators appeared to enjoy the recital enormously.

Sullivan testified that the first intimation he had that Miss Connolly expected him to marry her was at their meeting in the Adams hotel, in Phoenix, in October, 1929. At that time, he stated, plaintiff told him that she intended to marry defendant, if she had to "knock him on the head and drag him to the altar."

This, plaintiff later denied, on rebuttal testimony.

**HAD HIS LETTERS**  
Defendant also testified that a day or two later, in Phoenix, plaintiff told him she had all the letters he had ever written her, and that she had his promise to marry her "in black and white." This statement was also denied by the plaintiff on rebuttal.

Under cross-examination by A.

### ATTORNEY IS IDENTIFIED AS BUYER OF GUN

Continuance Fight Is Waged by State, but Proves Unavailing

Witnesses Tell Court Of Seeing Man Flee From Scene of Death

LOS ANGELES, Cal., May 28. (U.P.)—A sporting goods store clerk late today identified David H. Clark as the man who bought a .38 caliber revolver from him on Tuesday, May 19, the day before Charles Crawford, a political boss, and Herbert Spencer, magazine editor, were killed with a pistol of the same caliber.

**FOLLOWS BODYGUARD**  
The clerk, William Harris, followed George Crawford, brother and bodyguard of the dead politician, to the witness stand in the preliminary trial.

Over objections of defense attorneys, a blue steel .38 caliber revolver, similar to the one said to have been used in the killing, was introduced as the state's first exhibit. The court permitted the introduction of the weapon as an example of the murder gun.

The last witness at the hearing was an officer, Patrolman David H. Post, who said he was in the sporting goods store at the time Clark made his purchase of the pistol. Knowing the young attorney, Post said, he joked with him about the affair and Clark told him that both he and his wife liked to shoot and that they intended to get in some target practice while out on motor trips.

Although Special Prosecutor Ford battled and harranged for a two weeks' continuance of the hearing in which to build up his case against Clark, his request was denied. Clark, who is a former deputy district attorney, is still a candidate for a municipal judgeship.

**SAW MAN FLEE**  
During the hearing other witnesses testified as to the finding of the bodies of Crawford and Spencer, and told of seeing a man flee from the real estate office of the dead politician.

Clark's counsel said that no defense would be offered at the preliminary hearing, which was continued until tomorrow.

## PASADENA MAN ENTERTAINS ROTARY

Walter R. Bracken was program chairman of the day at the meeting of Las Vegas Rotary Club yesterday noon. He had as his guests Rotarian Fred Knickerbocker, Frank R. McNamee, Senator A. S. Henderson, Public Service Commissioner J. F. Shaughnessy and Rotarian Jim Foley of Pasadena.

**FOLEY SPEAKS**  
Jim Foley was introduced as the speaker of the day and for half an hour kept those present highly entertained while he gave a resume of life experiences as a pioneer of the West from the time he published a country newspaper in Dakota, which "survived by the grace of God and Lydia Pinkham," down through his sketches of James J. Hill, the empire builder, of whom he told that Mr. Hill once gave a banquet to the newspaper editors along the line of the road, one of the delicacies being Georgia watermelon filled with champagne. And Mr. Hill took notice that the editors ate the watermelon with gusto and carefully put the seeds in their pockets. And at the close, after telling that "if you want to keep a man out of the mud, shine his shoes," he recited several touching little poems.

**SHAUGHNESSY THERE**  
Mr. J. F. Shaughnessy gave a clever and entertaining talk in which he said he was sold on Las Vegas as the headquarters for southern Nevada, declaring "You are going to have a very great city at Las Vegas." He expressed appreciation of the courtesy of General Manager Knickerbocker of the Union Pacific in taking him over the Boulder City railroad and congratulated the officials on the splendid character of road built, which he described as being up to transcontinental standards.

Mr. Shaughnessy closed by complimenting Mr. Foley on his "true philosophy" and expressed the hope that we might all live up to it.

**WILL CLOSE U. S. OFFICES IN CITY**  
The United States bureau of reclamation will observe Memorial day by closing the local offices all day Saturday.

Memorial day is one of the seven holidays observed by the government employees each year.

W. Ham, for the plaintiff, Sullivan spent some moments in distributing innocuous meaning to various paragraphs in the letters entered as exhibits.

**INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., May 28. (U.P.)**—Forty of the fastest racing cars in the country are ready to pull away from the starting line here Saturday morning in the nineteenth American speed classic.

Thirty-nine of the entrants will pilot gasoline powered cars. The other is a Cummins Diesel-engineled racer.

## POWER PARLEY IS RECESSED

After another day of conference in which many disputed points in the proposed Boulder dam contract for power between the city of Las Vegas and outlying municipalities, were reported cleared up, the second series of meetings adjourned late today until next Wednesday.

Officials of six municipalities which are to receive power from the dam, transmitted through Los Angeles lines, and members of the Los Angeles water and power commission, were at the meeting today to go over various phases of the problem of distributing the power. The conference, which followed a similar session yesterday, was closed to the public.

## Las Vegas Children Are Injured When Cars Meet In Freak Crash

Two small children were injured yesterday afternoon in a car crash at Fifth and Ogden streets. The Muckroy car, in which the children were riding, swerved into Ogden and due to the impact was thrown against the north curbing with such force it jumped over the eight-inch curbstone and overturned. Both cars were damaged. The condition of the children was not considered serious.

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