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LAS VEGAS WEATHER
June 4—Maximum 85; Minimum 59, Precip. .15
Maximum for the season 108.

METAL MARKETS
NEW YORK, June 4 (AP)—Copper 8 to 8 1/2;
Lead 3.75, East. St. Louis 3.60; Zinc spot and future
3.20 to 3.25; Bar Silver 26 1/2 cents.

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.

Federal Building Work To Start In Few Weeks; Will Ask for Bids Soon

STRUCTURE TO LICENSE FEES HOUSE COURT TEST CASE AND OTHER OFFICES BEFORE COURT

To Be Built of Brick With Terra Cotta Trim, Says Report
Considered as Start On New Civic Center Planned at Park

Virtually assuring the start of work on Las Vegas' federal building by early fall, it was announced in Washington late yesterday that the Treasury department would advertise for bids within the next ten days.

BIDS IN 10 DAYS.

In a telegram to Nye Wilson, secretary of the Las Vegas chamber of commerce, James A. Westmore, acting supervising architect for the department of the treasury, Washington, said:

"Expect Las Vegas postoffice construction to be on market within ten days."

It was understood, though not authoritatively, that the building would be constructed of brick, with terra cotta trim. It was also expected that the edifice would rise to two stories.

Space in the federal building will be apportioned among several government departments, eight hundred square feet being devoted to the reclamation service alone.

The Las Vegas postoffice will occupy the central location on the ground floor. A court room for the federal court which will sit here at least once a year, will be provided. Space for the United States commissioner's offices, probably the extension service office and several other federal agencies will be arranged.

IN CIVIC CENTER

The new building, probably 250 by 300 feet will be the first in the twenty-nine acre park, and will be situated at the northern end of Third street. It is hoped that the structure will form the nucleus of a civic center, part of the city planning program that has been an object of the citizens for many years.

Washoe Sheriff Seeks Six Percent of Fee For New Duties

CARSON CITY, June 4 (AP)—A test case to determine whether sheriffs of Nevada counties are entitled to retain as a commission 6 per cent of all gambling license fees collected by them will be argued before the state supreme court on Friday.

The action was brought by Sheriff Russell Trathen of Washoe county, who seeks to compel County Treasurer D. W. Dunkle to accept license moneys collected by him since the new gambling law went into effect, less 6 per cent which he contends is due him as ex-officio license collector for the cities of Reno and Sparks and for the state.

Trathen's petition for a writ of mandate declares "it is clear that the legislature intended to compensate the sheriffs of the various counties for extra services rendered in collecting licenses for the state and for cities within their counties."

This Dunkle denies, arguing there is no provision in the gambling act or any other statute that empowers him to accept any but the full amount collected by the sheriff.

WHERE NEVADA MEXICAN MAY DIE



Photo shows lethal gas chamber in state prison at Carson City. Inset upper left, prison warden, Matt Penrose. The windows in the chamber are of extra heavy plate glass, through which officials and witnesses watch condemned prisoners die from inhalation of lethal gas. Occupying a death cell in the execution house while awaiting an appeal from death sentence, is L. Cejas, who killed a Winnemucca Chinaman.

SEARCHLIGHT ON UPGRADE SAY MINE EXPERTS

Jay A. Carpenter, of the Mackey School of Mines at the University of Nevada, and Alfred Merritt Smith of Nevada Bureau of Mines, have been in Las Vegas and vicinity for the past week, during which time they have made visits to Searchlight, Goodsprings, Eldorado Canyon and other sections. They left yesterday afternoon for Caliente, Pioche and Ely.

Conditions at Searchlight are steadily on the upgrade, according to Carpenter and Smith.

W. J. Loring, widely known mining operator, with headquarters at San Francisco has been placed in charge of operations at the Duplex by the McCarthy Bros., owners of the property.

Loring is a successful operator on mother lode area, having gained special recognition in western Australia.

He is pushing development work on the deepest level, the 800-foot, and indications are good. He is, at present, carrying on development work in six different places in the mine, as well as supplying sufficient ore to keep the mill running at sixty tons per day.

The Duplex is working between thirty-five and forty men at the present time.

There are several new leasers ready to begin operations on the old Quartzite.

CITY'S ZONING ORDINANCE IS CHANGED BY BOARD

Establishing the entire incorporated area of the City of Las Vegas as a fire district, to be divided and designated as fire zones two and three, the City Council unanimously passed an ordinance to amend section three of ordinance 106 of the city. The new law was passed as an emergency ordinance and is to take effect immediately after passage and publication.

The new zoning is designated on a map in the city clerk's office and was officially adopted as the fire zoning map of the city for applications included in the uniform building code, 1930 edition, of the Pacific coast building officials conference.

Mayor Cragin and Commissioners German, Mundy, Hansell and Thomas were present. The earliest part of the meeting yesterday was devoted to a hearing of persons favoring and protesting a proposed ordinance to amend the regulation of local peddlers dealing in local produce. It was decided not to amend the ordinance.

Protests were also made to the commission against the erection of a bungalow court near the high school, and it was decided that a special effort be made by city authorities to see that all city building ordinances were strictly enforced.

The rerouting of heavily laden trucks, now entering and leaving the city over down town streets was discussed. As a protective measure for the paving, it was suggested that incoming and outgoing trucks should be sent over South Main street as far as the Fifth street junction, instead of being allowed to cross Fremont at Fifth as at present. No action was taken on the matter, however.

The meeting was recessed until 3 p. m. Thursday, June 4.

MORE COWS

The Oppedyke Dairy has just announced the enlargement of their herd to sixty-five by a carload of Jersey cows received from a Utah ranch.

DUNDEE WINS N. Y. DECISION

NEW YORK, June 4 (AP)—Since Dundee, veteran Baltimore middleweight, reaffirmed his standing as a leading contender for Mickey Walker's championship, by pounding out a ten-round decision over Ben Juby of New York in the feature bout at Madison Square Garden tonight.

Dundee weighed 158 and Juby 155.

Juby got away to a fast start and piled up a large advantage to earn the verdict of Referee O'Sullivan, but judges were impressed by Dundee's closing rally and overruled the referee's vote.

HUNGRY DOGS DEVOUR CHILD

SEWARD, Alaska, June 4 (AP)—The gruesome story of how ten Alaskan malamutes and police dogs, crazed by hunger, killed and almost entirely devoured a three-year-old boy, was told when the Starr, first steamer over Bristol bar in many months, arrived today.

The tragedy occurred last winter in the remote Alaskan settlement when the dogs, always vicious, were made doubly so because of lack of food.

Martin Haugen, cannery employe, heard a commotion among the dogs nearby and investigating he found them fighting over the last remnants of the body of his son Charles.

The child, unaware of his danger, had wandered among the dogs to "see the bow wows." The gaunt and half starved animals urged by pangs of hunger attacked the boy and killed him. All of the dogs except the leader were shot.

JONES' CASE IS CONTINUED

C. M. Jones, held in connection with a "taxi war" in which Oswald "Pinkey" Lynch was allegedly beaten while riding with Jones and H. M. Anderson, was hailed into the municipal court before Judge Morse yesterday and pleaded not guilty. His case was continued until 9 a. m. today.

The sentencing of Joe Russell, on a vagrancy charge, in the same court, was deferred.

CITY RECEIVES \$2,637 IN MAY

According to a statement issued by City Clerk Viola Burns, the city of Las Vegas took in \$2,637.50 during May.

Municipal court fines amounted to \$807; sale of cemetery lots to \$175; plumbing inspector's fees, \$239.25; electrical permits, \$157; building permits, \$194. The balance came from city licenses.

RENO GUNFRAY VERDICT IN FAVOR OF GRAHAM

District Attorney At Loss As To Charge Which He Will Make

Jammed Gun Believed Life-saver For Reno Gambling King

RENO, June 4 (AP)—Guns blazed in the Haymarket club in Douglas alley today and when they were silenced, F. R. McCracken, an old time gambler, lay dead with a bullet through his heart.

SELF DEFENSE

William Graham, member of the "Big Three" asserted Reno gambling kings, fired the fatal shot in self defense, a coroner's jury found after hearing testimony from half a dozen witnesses that McCracken had vowed to "get" Graham, and that Graham fired only after McCracken had shot twice.

After hearing the jury's verdict, District Attorney Melvin Jepson, said he was undecided what action to take. He said he was uncertain whether to file a charge of murder or manslaughter against Graham or whether to request the district judges to call the grand jury to conduct an investigation.

FIST FIGHT

An early morning fist fight was said by witnesses and police to have led directly to the shooting which was the first in Reno in more than a year.

Antonio Gasiraud, door keeper of the Haymarket club, told the district attorney that McCracken was intoxicated and in a quarrelsome mood when he was in the club at midnight.

When Graham, who had been playing cards, tried to quiet him, McCracken is said to have made a charge toward his hip pocket, whereupon Graham struck him down.

GETS HIS GUN

McCracken then went to his room returning early this morning and when the doors swung open for him he entered, firing as he came. His first shot narrowly missed Gasiraud, splintering the bar behind which Howard Muffett, the bartender, crouched. The second bullet tore through the fleshy part of Graham's arm. Graham meantime drew his own gun and one of the three shots he fired struck the veteran gambler in the heart, killing him instantly.

Reno gamblers said there had been bad feeling between the two men for some time.

Graham probably owes his life to the fact that McCracken's gun jammed at the second shot.

HAD NO PERMIT

Neither Graham nor McCracken had permits to carry weapons. McCracken had been a resident of Reno for twenty years. He was about fifty-five years old and during the last few years conducted the craps game at the Palace club.

WITNESSES IN TRIAL TELL OF SEEING SUSPECT

SAN DIEGO, June 4 (AP)—Witnesses who declared that they saw Mo's E. Garrison on the night Hazel Bradshaw, 22, was slain, testified today at the preliminary hearing of the middle aged sailor on a charge of stabbing the girl to death.

Miss Bradshaw's body was found in Indian Village by boy scouts, in Balboa Park.

Mrs. George Lebson testified that she saw a man resembling Garrison leave the village about five minutes before midnight. Robert S. Jump, motorcycle policeman, gave similar testimony.

John M. Hughes, street car motorist, testified that Garrison boarded his car at 12:13 wearing a dark suit, no necktie and had liquor on his breath.

The state contends that Garrison, escorting the girl home, killed her at 11:55 p. m. on a Saturday night.

FALL TOO ILL FOR JOURNEY

EL PASO, Tex., June 4 (AP)—Albert B. Fall, former secretary of the interior, is in no physical condition to go to Washington to be committed to prison on conviction of the charge of accepting a bribe in the oil lease cases, Dr. H. T. Sanford announced tonight.

The physician examined Fall today at the request of Frank J. Hogan, attorney for the ex-secretary, after the last legal steps were taken today in the effort to send Fall to prison for a year.

Hogan indicated in a telegram to Fall that he was attempting to save a trip to Washington in the hope that a suspended sentence will be granted.

It was feared Fall's condition is such that the trip to the capital would prove fatal.

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Las Vegas Realtor Admits Pleading Guilty To Minor Charge To Escape Felony

THEY CAN ACT, TOO



And to prove it these studio pooches that have had "bits" in pictures before now, are doing a little understudy for Mitzi Green's benefit, while she takes time out from working on her new production.

FOREIGN LEGION NEGRO FROM FRISCO MAKES SMALL FORTUNE WITH BAND

SIDI-del-ABBES, Morocco, June 4 (AP)—The only American negro in the hard-living, hard-fighting, French Foreign Legion is Jackie Walker from San Francisco, and Jackie would not leave the Legion for anything. He is making a small fortune as a private under the French tricolor.

Jackie Walker is the leader of the Legion's own jazz band. Eleven years ago, when he was 18, he came over in a cattle boat and enlisted in the Second Regiment. At first he had too much fighting to do to think of increasing his meager pay of five cents (one cent) per day, but since the war with the Riff ended he decided to form his own jazz band and, with readily given permission, to play in the cafes for money after his daily duty was done.

DESERT HEARS JAZZ

At nights, under the twinkling stars on the edge of the desert, Europeans, desert chieftains, sheiks from the Sahara gather in the brightly lighted cafes and listen to Jackie Walker's jazz band play a languorous melody or a snappy jazz tune. There are six members of the band, two other Americans, one Scotch boy from Glasgow, an Englishman and a Parisian.

In the war against the Riffs, Walker received a bad wound and lay for months in a hospital, but his conduct was awarded with the Colonial Croix de Guerre. Jackie is saving up his money. He will remain with the Legion for another five years when he will receive, in addition, a double pension for life from the French government. The normal period of service in the Legion is seven years and Walker, having decided to reenlist will be compensated in proportion.

Paul Rockwell, American writer who served with the Legion during the World War, recently came to Sidi-del-Abbes and met Walker.

"It's a man's life," he told Rockwell. "You've got to be ready to fight, dig roads under the burning sun, be content with a cent a day—unless you're luck like me."

BORROWER AUTO FOUND—STALLED

A man booked at the city jail by the sheriff's office, in connection with the reported theft of a car, came out of what officers claim was an alcoholic stupor yesterday, and informed authorities that his name was John Breeze of Bakersfield, and not John Doe as he was booked. He was arrested on complaint of W. H. Patterson, resident of squatters' camp near the cemetery, after Patterson's car had disappeared. Breeze returned to town without the car, but upon "awakening" yesterday, led officers to a Ford coupe, stalled fourteen miles northwest of the city.

LINDBERGH'S TO FLY TO CHINA

WASHINGTON, June 4 (AP)—Aviation's best known couple, Colonel and Mrs. Charles Lindbergh, plan to cross the Pacific within a month. This done they will spend several weeks touring the Orient by air. Then they will turn homeward again to their year-old son.

Whether they will return by plane or boat is unknown.

Announcement of the proposed flight was made today by Under Secretary Castle of the state department after a telephone conversation with the flier.

Lindbergh plans no water hops, but will take the northern route where the Pacific narrows to a slim barrier between continents. The exact date of his departure was unannounced. The state department dispatched messages to the American embassy at Tokio and the legation at Peking, formally requesting permission for the Lindberghs to land in Japan and China.

WATER SPOUT HAS ODD HUM

SEATTLE, June 4 (AP)—Pedestrians stopped and looked upward, golfers hesitated in their play, workmen put down their tools momentarily when a musical humming persisted, and then spectators saw what was generally said to have been one of the most peculiar sights ever seen in the skies hereabouts.

A queer cloud, appearing like an "aerial waterspout," descended upon a darker cloud below until the point of the cone seemed to enter the dark cloud and draw its sustenance from its interior. The spiral grew larger, while the black cloud diminished in size. Then the cone rose until it disappeared in a heavy bank of clouds. The humming sound ended with its disappearance.

Observers were unable to tell exactly what it was, but believed it was in the nature of a cyclone.

GARCIA'S BAIL SET AT \$1,000

Jose Garcia, who is alleged to have slashed the neck of C. L. Smith in a combination shooting and cutting affray in the alley behind the Airdome theatre recently, was taken before Judge Frank M. Ryan yesterday in justice court and a preliminary examination set for June 6.

Judge Ryan fixed Garcia's bail at \$1,000 and as the money was not forthcoming remanded the prisoner to the custody of Sheriff Keate.

Must Pay \$1.00 Per Foot After Drive Over Newly Laid Paving

OSHKOSH, Wis., June 4 (AP)—Emil Pope was fined \$1 per foot for driving his automobile over 500 feet of freshly laid concrete on a highway near Sherwood in Calumet county.

Arraigned before Justice of the Peace John Hume at Chilton, Pope pleaded guilty to driving through a highway barricade, going down the road a mile and then driving over the fresh concrete. He was captured by workmen when his car stalled in front of a concrete mixer.

DENIES THREAT ON PANTAGES IN PARTY TRIAL

Is Severely Grilled As To Association With Show Magnate

"Girl Bazaar" Case Draws Crowds Into San Diego Court

SAN DIEGO, June 4 (AP)—John P. Mills, Las Vegas, Nevada, and Los Angeles, Cal., realtor, who turned state's evidence against his former co-defendants in the "girl market" case, admitted from the witness stand today that he pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor charge, rather than take a chance of being convicted on a felony charge.

ONE OF ACCUSED

Mills was formerly accused with Alexander Pantages, once head of a theatre chain bearing his name; Jesse Shreve, San Diego business man; William Jobelmann and Olive Clark Day, the latter two alleged operators of a Hollywood "love bazaar" with conspiring to violate and the actual violation of a juvenile court law by bringing the pretty, seventeen-year-old Lydia Nitto here to a gay and boisterous hotel party last October.

Mills recently pleaded guilty to contributing to the delinquency of a minor, and although the conspiracy count against him was dropped, he denied that he would "turn state's evidence."

SEVERELY QUESTIONED

The real estate man was severely grilled on cross examination regarding his business relations with Pantages. Both men were formerly in the real estate business.

Mills denied that he had made threats against the theatre magnate, and repeated questioning by Pantages attorney failed to break his story.

The trial drew the morbidly curious, and attendants struggled with the throngs which attempted to jam the courtroom during the entire session.

FOX MAY FILM FAMED STORY IN VEGAS

The possibility that the Las Vegas area would be used for the locale of the film production of Zane Grey's "Riders of the Purple Sage" was announced last night by Rex Bell, film player who arrived here with a party of studio officials looking for location.

Bell planned to take his party, which includes Ben Stolloff, Fox director, two assistants and a technical man, to Charleston today, and if nothing suitable was found, they were to look over some of the balance of the terrain in this territory.

Rex Bell denied emphatically that Clara Bow, red-haired "it" girl of film fame, was with the party. "She's still too ill to bring up here," he said. "Maybe in another week she will come up for a visit to the ranch." Bell, who owns a large ranch near Searchlight, declared that press reports to the contrary, Miss Bow was still in Hillcrest sanitarium following a nervous breakdown.

TROJAN GRIDMAN IS GOOD SLUGGER

LOS ANGELES, Cal., June 4 (AP)—Orv Mohler, University of Southern California athletic star, may not be a four-sport man, but he rates a top spot in his town chosen endeavors.

DO-X ARRIVES AT ISLAND SAFELY

FERNANDO NORONHA, Brazil, June 5 (AP)—The German flying boat DO-X landed here at 12:10 a. m. today (9:10 E.S.T. Thursday), after a flight across the south Atlantic from Porto Praia, Cape Verde. The DO-X left the islands at 12:52 p. m. Thursday.

The world's largest flying boat landed easily in the water off the rocky little Fernando Noronha island 125 miles off the Brazilian coast and taxied to shore.

The flight from Porto Praia, Cape Verde, was made in thirteen hours and eighteen minutes, a comparative short and extremely successful climax to the adventure which started November 5 last at Altirhein, Switzerland.

The ship was beset with misfortune which caused delay after delay.

FIRE RAZES FARM CABIN

Flames yesterday razed a small frame house on the Heffner ranch, about half a mile west of the county farm. Although no one was injured in the blaze, a family who recently came here seeking work, was using the place, rent-free, last most of their personal belongings, it was understood.

The blaze was discovered by Mrs. Heffner, who sent a man to the county farm to phone in the alarm. The loss to the tenants, who had recently come here seeking work, was estimated to be about \$40.

GAMING VETO OVERRIDDEN

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., June 4 (AP)—The Florida house of representatives late today joined the senate in overriding Governor Doyle Carlton's veto of the pari-mutuel bill to legalize betting on horse and dog racing. The vote was 55 to 26.

Man Arrested In Searchlight; May Be Connected In Girl's Death

Possibility that the slayer of Virginia Brooks, ten-year-old San Diego school girl, might be the same man now held in Searchlight on a charge of vagrancy, was expressed at the sheriff's office yesterday.

The man in Searchlight, arrested on a minor charge by Deputy E. B. Franklin, and jailed on a charge of vagrancy, was said to answer the description of the man who has been sought for months in connection with the brutal slaying and butchering of the small girl. His fingerprints and other identifying data have been sent to the San Diego police department by Sheriff Keate.