VOL. XXVIII. LAS VEGAS, CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA, TUESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 26, 1932

LAS VEGAS WEATHER

January 25-Maximum, 52; minimum, 21.

METAL MARKETS

Waters; Japs Land More

Troops In Boycott Threat

NEW YORK, Jan. 25. - Copper, electrolytic, 71/4 cents a pound. Lead, 3.75 cents a pound. Zinc, 3 cents a pound. Bar silver, 291/2 cents an ounce.

SAYS WOMAN **OF DOUBLE** DEATH

Former Nurse Stares At Spectators As Letter Kicks Back

State Thinks Note Is Most Damaging Of 'All Evidence

By GEORGE H. BEALE (United Press Staff Correspondent) PHOENIX, Ariz., Jan. 25. (U.P.) -

A letter she wrote to her husband to explain the deaths of her two former roommates came back to strike a damaging blow at Winnie Ruth Judd today at her trial on the charge that she murdered Agnes Anne Leroi

ADMITS SLAYING In it she admitted killing Mrs.

Leroi and Miss Hedvig Samuelson and claimed she shot them at the climax of a petty quarrel about a man who was friendly to all three. While the letter was not read in

court today it was given out by Los Angeles police at the time it was found Oct. 21, 1931, five days after were slain in the the two girls apartment they shared here. It was introduced as evidence late today.

It said that she got into an argument with them because she had introduced another woman to Mr. She shot in self defense when killed Miss Samuelson, police said the letter related, and then she shot Mrs. Leroi to eliminate her

It told about the terrible time she had dismembering Miss Samuelson's body and putting both bodies in

'It was horrible, pushing those things," police quoted the letter. "As I did it I kept saying I've got to, got to, or I'll be hung. I've got to, the police will hang me WRITING IS MRS. JUDD'S

The state brought the letter into handwriting expert, who testified the writing in the nine-page message was done by Mrs. Judd.

Sellers still was on the stand describing technicalities of his profession when court adjourned for the The letter probably will be read the first thing tomorrow and the state then will present two witnesses and close its case. Although the letter supplied a mo-

tive for the shooting and was the most damaging piece of evidence brought in by the prosecution, Mrs. Judd was not annoyed by it.

The 26-year-old defendant kept glancing over the spectators in the courtroom and seemed not even to have noticed that the letter was in

This apparent lack of interest was consistent with the attitude she has shown since the trial started.

The letter, it was testified, was taken from the plumbing of a restroom in the Broadway department store in Los Angeles. CLOGGED PIPE

She had thrown it there in an attempt to dispose of it but the letter had stopped the plumbing and a store employe located it and turnit over to police.

It was written while Mrs. Judd was in hiding near Los Angeles after police there found the bodies of the two girls in trunks the defendant sent from Phoenix to Los An-

The chief object of the state in introducing the letter was to break down Mrs. Judd's plea of self-defense and to supply a motive for the shooting. It felt the letter did both.

MENINGITIS IS

gitis was reported at 1:30 a. m. ment for the job was to be shipped today when it was announced by at once, and actual construction and F.M. Ferguson that Claude excavation work is expected to start he died at 2:30. Mahoney, 12, son of Mr. and Mrs. within two weeks. Pat Mahoney of Westside, had contracted the disease. The boy had men will be employed several Sunday afternoon. been ill three days when the phy- months on the project. to counteract the malady.

reported yesterday, according to city the board. health officials, and those suffering from the disease were declared to have shown signs of improvement. whom almost no hope has been held, Las Vegas yesterday on business \$200. The three were fined on pos- lous sections. It was the scene of

were declared by Dr. R. D. Balcom connected with his firm. to be on the road to recovery. Lydia Danish, 15, is reported by Dr. Mildren to be progressing satisfactorily. However, Elizabeth Styger, at the county hospital, is reported by Dr. Vander Meulen to still be critically

NAMED TO TAX BOARD

WAS HORRIBLE, Ruth Judd's Own Story Of Butchering Revealed In Her Letter To Husband



Above is shown the jury at the trial of Mrs. Winnie Ruth Judd (lower center) who yesterday heard more of the gruesome evidence offered by the state in the case being built up around the Arizona "Tiger Woman" who is accused of killing two women friends. Lower left, Mrs. Judd's brother anxiously watches his sister during the daily session of court. Dr. Joseph Catton, who claims Mrs. Judd is sane, is shown lower left.

GOVERNORS TO BATTLE OVER STATE HOUSE

BATON ROUGE, La., Jan. 25 J.P.) - Alvin Oliver King, sworn into effice with pomp, ruled Louisiana as governor tonight. surrounded by a streng-arm guard ready to repel other "governors" who might try to storm their way into the state office.

Highway patrolmen and civilian-clad detectives peeped from nocks and crannies of the governor's mansion and state house, er paced majestically about the grounds. It was one of the most entertaining performances seen at the capital in many months of fighting and maneuvering of the governorship.

On the way from his home in Jeanerette to New Or'eans, was Dr. Paul N. Cyr, another "governor," who insists King is an usurper, but who lacks the necessary armed force to lay siege to the executive mansion.

STARTS SOON

sued for the work.

The contract for the sewage dis-One new case of spinal menin- company. Machinery and equip-

It is said that between 50 and 100

sician was called. Dr. Ferguson A meeting of the city board of believes that there may be time commissioners is expected upon re- LIQUOR FINES IN ceipt of the signed contract with contractors' bond, at which time No new cases of meningitis were both will be subject to approval of

FROM SALT LAKE

VEGAN DIES IN ELEVATOR MAN **HOSPITAL AS RESULT OF** BLAZE

ONTARIO, Calif., Jan. 25. (U.P.)-Trapped beneath the wreckage of wo cars with a fractured skull. compound fractures of both legs lacques De Longe, 22, of Las Vegas as burned so severely here this fternoon that he died shortly after cass ng motorists risked their lives o extricate him.

The young man was employed tere for several years by the Simon ervice station at Third and Fre-

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. French of as Vegas suffered painful bruises nd shock as a result of the colliion which pinned De Longe bereath the wreckage.

and. Union Pacific train dispatch er to Ontario, when the readway became obscured by dense clouds of smoke from smudge pots along the ighway. They stopped to inves tigate a truck which had been iately burst into flames.

fortunately none were burned seri-

ury yesterday when Joe King, bar- by the noise of the crash, while tender at the Blue Goose, was fined hospital attaches hurried for the ave shown signs of improvement.

Chester P. Sahorn of the Salt \$200, Sam Thompson of the Paris injured. The park is in the center the two Sanderson children for Lake Pressed Brick company was in club \$225 and W. M. Thompson of one of Chicago's most popusession of liquor charges

Ghosts Toss Stones On Scotty's Castle So He Battens Down Hatches

"No, sir. Anyone who knows me ty (Walter Scott to a few tender- were sent from Plymouth to Dart-The senate today confirmed the perstitious gink, but it got on my newsrcom last night. (Continued on Page Six) widely-known Death Valley Scot-

CAN'T MAKE HIS

NEW YORK, Jan. 25. (U.P.) Henry Shorter came near spending the rest of his life riding up and down in an elevator that suddenly went berserk today.

He was like the man who invented a pair of rubber-springed boots, which he tested by jumping from a 10-story building They worked so well that he bounced up and down until he died of starvation.

Henry pilots an elevator in a West 30th street building. The centrel, located on the roof, faild to clutch the cables, and when Henry reached the top, he had to slam the car into reverse and come down. He made five round trips, faster and faster, yelling at the top of his lungs, before the building superintendent was able to shut off the power.

The youth was accompanying his ster, Mrs. French, and her hus-DIES IN CRASH radicals who are opposing the revolutionary regime of President Marthe salaries of their employes.

terday at the First State bank from French's car, and hurled De Longe hospital at 1 a. m. today of in-

been signed yesterday in Dallas, as they strove to free De Longe, but his three passengers were injured. in the north. Tex., by the Dullert Construction fortunately none were burned seri-Mich., chief salesman for the Stin-The boy was rushed to the San son Aircraft corporation; Fred M. Antonio hospital at Uplands where Gillies, 36, Chicago, and John Tompkins, 35, Chicago, all were All three cars were totally de- expected to recover. Gillies' spine stroyed. The party left Las Vegas was injured, Fields' left leg was broken in two places and Tompkins was bruised when the new plane careened into the pole. It bounced to a halt almost di-

CITY TOTAL \$625 rectly in front of the hospital, which faces the park across Stony Island avenue. Thousands of cit-Fines flowed into the city treas- izens rushed to the scene, attracted the 1893 world's fair.

ENGLISH PRISON REVOLT QUELLED

PRINCETOWN, England, Jan. 25. (U.P.)—A detachment of 100 troops British history.

HALF BILLION U. S. Ships Patrol Chinese VOTED FOR FINANCE RELIEF

Senate Defeats Plans For Pay Regulation In Amendments

WASHINGTON, Jau. 25. (U.P.)-The senate today voted a direct appropriation of \$500,000,000 to the finance reconstruction corporaation after defeating a half - dozen amendments which would have limited the activities of the huge fiscal agency.
SHIPSTEAD DOWNED

An attempt by Senator Henrik Shipstead, Farmer-Labor, Minn., to force the corporation to call in loans to corporations which slashed salaries of employes receiving \$2,000 a year or less, failed by a vote of 19 to 48.

Three amendments by Senator Hugo L. Black, Dem., Ala., to require borrowing corporations to limit salaries paid executives were defeated. He started with the low limitation figure of \$15,000 a year and when this was defeated introduced two other bills restricting the executives' salaries to \$50,000 A resolution by Senator W. H.

King, Dem., Utah, to limit the salaries of reconstruction corpora-tion officials to the level paid other government employes did similar work, was voted down. A coalition of regular Republicans and Democratic party leaders combined to defeat all the amendments. One amendment, providing for clerk hire to help in loaning \$50,000,000 to farmers was adopted and as a result the bill which was passed Saturday by the house must new go back to that body for con

ACTION NECESSARY This final action is necessary before President Hoover can sign the huge money measure President Hoover meanwhile sent

urrence in the amendment.

to the senate the nominations of Charles Gates Dawes, former vice president; Jesse Jones, Houston, Tex., capitalist; and Harvey Couch, Arkansas utilities magnate, to be directors of the corporation. All indications were they would be confirmed quickly this week after a pro forma inquiry by the banking and currency committee.

SALVADOR IS

DOWNED

BOOM GOES RELEASES **FLOOEY** BAKER

Mate Library.

SNOW FALLS IN LOS ANGELES!

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25. (U.P.) The American legation at San Salvador reported today to the state is learning that gambling doesn't mob justice from an almost hysteridepartment that a number of "prominent persons" had been as- pay-in the winter time. sassinated during the revolt which | With the passing of the tourist | Jamin P. Bower, wealthy bakery of and some sassinated during the revolt which | With the passing of the tourist | ficial, after 100 hours imprisonment | Shanghai

broke out Saturday. It also said an Italian citizen was from "gambling row" and from night. reported killed and some Italian property was destroyed. American wheels whirred so gaily day and warships have been sent to San Sal- wheels whirred so gaily day and Chief of Police A. T. Clark claimed, dents. vador to protect foreign lives and night following the enactment last and a few hours later Bower was. The position of the Chinese na-

property. Although dispatches from the legation refer to the trouble as a the collapse of the boom of the the spot." by a letter sent by Bower tonese leader whose post was stm"communist," implies a connection recent summer, that many of to his wife. Directing her to give ilar to that of Premier, and Forbetween the revolutionists and the Reno's leading "temples of chance" the \$50,000 demanded for his release eign Minister Eugene Chen, bethird internationale, it is believed have been forced to close their to "the most notorious gangster cause they were unable to unite he term is used merely to designate doors, while others have limited leader in north Denver, a dago," the the Chiang Kai-Shek faction be-

wrecked. While De Longe stood next (U.P.)-Edward A. "Eddie" Stinson, disorders remains unchanged." but who formerly were paid \$15 and to solve in a few hours the mystery Chinese military preparations and

"While the threatened attack on the Nevada State Industrial com- beneath the two machines along the juries received a few hours earlier the capital scheduled for Saturday Washoe county (Reno) collected mission, purchasers of the bonds is- road. The wreckage almost immed- when his new plane crashed into night did not occur," the report said, only \$22,530 in gambling licenses, from her husband Friday. It said: a flagpole during a forced landing "there were many disturbances in whereas in the previous quarter Rescuers worked heroically to ex- on the Jackson Park golf course. the section of the country from the collections totaled \$35,565. Re-AGAIN FOUND posal plants and a series of cross-city mains was reported to have city mains was reported to have city mains was reported to have countries and a series of cross-city mains was reported to have constant and a series of cross-city mains and a series of cross-city mai "Assassinations of prominent peo-

ple have taken place. An Italian citizen was reported killed and Italian property burned at Juayua."

MONDAY MORNING COLDEST OF YEAR

erative weather station in this city registered the lowest temperature of the season, 21 degrees above zero. month was the 24th, with 25 above. cury hit 22. The mean minimum for December was 31.6 degrees above zero and the mean maximum, 56.8. During January, thus far, there were eleven days on which the temperature did not drop below freez-

UNCLE DIES

Harvey Dondero, Vegas high "Especially on moonlight nights yesterday battled with guards in Frank Dondero, in Sacramento, pioneer Mineral county family.

wood snowstorm. And in northern California Jack Dempsey, former world's heavyweight champion, ran "afoul" of the law. State Traffic Patrolman M. G. Nicoll is shown giving Jack a ticket because his hoss and sleigh didn't move fast enough RED REVOLT IN RENO GAMING KIDNAP GANG

Sunny southern California, as well as northern sections of the state,

awoke to find a mantle of snow on the ground as an aftermath

of recent heavy storms. Lower picture shows Juliette Compton, film

actress, "making up" to a snowman made from flakes of the Holly-

RENO, Nev., Jan. 25. (A)-Reno

the night clubs where roulette spring of the licensed gaming law. freed.

cal city led to the freeing of Benjamin P. Bower, wealthy bakery of- and some 1,400 marines in the

Denver underworld leaders called

Dealers have been laid off by innocence of the kidnaping, Clark Japan. Legation reports said "the situa- many houses and some are working asserted. It was believed their un- cials were alarmed by the feverish Funds for the \$100,000 sever project in this city were received yesterday at the First State bank from During the last quarter of 1931 organizations, for five days.

> "To my dear Mary: "These men have treated me won-

> > (Continued on Page 3)

Over- Invasion Of International City Nippon Demands That Commercial Clamp On Isle Be Lifted

MARTIAL LAW

PROCLAIMED

IN COAST

Washington Alarmed

WASHINGTON, Tuesday, Jan. 26. (U.P.)-Thirteen United States warships, carrying combined forces of 85 officers and 1,031 enlisted men, were patrolling Chinese waters within 1,500 miles of Shanghai, early today. The destroyer Truxton with six

officers and 115 men aboard is at Shanghai and it is understood Admiral M. M. Taylor, commanderin-chief of the Asiatic fleet, has ordered the destroyer Borie to proceed there from Manila. In event of serious trouble in

China, these naval forces would be supplemented by the Fourth reg-iment of marines at Shanghai, consisting of 52 officers and 1,173 men.

U. S. CONCERNED

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25. (U.P.)-The United States can see no need for the landing of Japanese troops in the international quarter of Shanghai, and such a move would be viewed here with serious con

This was Washington's reaction onight to press reports that the Japanese might take naval or military action in the international

SHANGHAI, China, Jan. 25. (U.P.) The Chinese strengthened their military position in Shanghai tonight, apparently determined to resist the threatened occupation of strategic points by Japanese

marines. Under a declaration of martial Chinese territory, the Shanghai barbed wire entanglements and sand-bas were reinforced and the 78 h division of troops received war sup-DENVER, Jan. 25. (U.R) - Fear of plies, including anti-aircraft guns for units at strategic points.

1.400 JAP MARINES

There are ten Japanese warships season the crowds have disappeared by extortionists, it was claimed to- from Tokio to enforce the Japanese demand for cessation of a boycott against her and for reparations

tional government was weakened So complete, in fact, has been Local gang leaders were "put on by the resignation of Sun Fo, Canhind their demand for a complete The gang leaders protested their break and vigorous resistance to

force, aided by civic and fraternal graphed to Tokio, requesting authorization to present a "final ul-Mrs. Bower received the letter timatum" to the Chinese, permit-(Continued on page three)

GOES TO L. A. Mrs. J. D. Smith has gone to Los Angeles for a week's visit.

RISING FLOODS AGAIN THREATEN TO BREAK LEVEES AND HIT FARMS

away its levees and inundate several streams. thousand acres of farming land in

the season, 21 degrees above zero.

The next coldest morning of the major portions of six of the major The next coldest day this winter ready have been covered by flood and flooded parts of two others, re-

Island Attorney To Be Grilled For Non-Appearance In Murder Trials made in the flooded lands in northeastern Arkansas for two river men

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25. (U.P.) - will tell you that I never was a su- feet) when he dropped into the Age moor tonight and placed around school teacher, received word last HONOLULU, T. H., Jan. 25. (U.P.) James Gilliland failed to particithe lonely prison where convicts night of the death of his uncle, yesterday battled with guards in Frank Dondero, in Sacramento, where convicts night of the death of his uncle, and explanation of the reasons pate in the trial of five men acceptable of attacking Mrs. Thalia cis river after they had been miss-West Virginia, to the board of tax tight and here I am." So spoke the those ghosts would slip up near the the most sensational prison riot in Calif. Dondero was a member of a why Attorney General Harry Hewitt and City and County Attorney ritorial senate today.

JACKSON, Miss., Jan. 25. (U.R)- region were soggy and threatened ishing and appeals for boats to aid The Yazoo river in central Missis- to give way in at least three vital in transporting edibles to several Monday morning early the thermometers of the government coopmometers of the government coopaway its levees and inundate several

sippi, swollen with flood waters from
places in that vicinity. Light rains thousand marooned by the water
today added more water to the
continued to come in. Clothing was also badly needed in several refugee the fertile valley which extends 20 North of here, along the Talla-the fertile valley which extends 20 hatchie river, which has spread over ers carried on a preventive battle

The most serious levee break The next coldest day this winter waters in northern and central Mis-was on December 13 when the mertown of 3,000 normal population and Levees protecting the lower delta! Food supplies were rapidly dimin- swelled to almost twice that by refugees. For three days a crew of several hundred men have piled sandbags on nearby levees to hold the water away from the town.

Meanwhile the search was being eastern Arkansas for two river men believed drowned while searching for marooned families. Their wreck-