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LAS VEGAS WEATHER

February 1—Maximum, 55; minimum, 34.

METAL MARKETS

NEW YORK, Feb. 1. (U.P.)—Copper, electrolytic, 6 1/2 cents a pound. Zinc, 2.85 cents a pound. Lead, 3.75 cents a pound. Bar silver, 30 1/2 cents an ounce.

WAR FLAME SPREADS INLAND

Another Plane Is Reported Missing By Coast Airport

ARMY FLIERS OVERDUE; TO CONTINUE HUNT

Lost Aviator Holder Of Glider Records For United States

Storm Hinders Crews Looking For Eight In Passenger Ship

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 1. (U.P.)—Two army pilots, including Second Lieut. William A. Coker, Jr., holder of the world's record for a sustained flight in a glider, were long overdue tonight on a flight from the National Guard airport at Glendale to Crissy field at the San Francisco presidio.

Lieut. Coker and his companion, Second Lieut. Edward D. Hoffman, left Glendale at 8:20 a. m. on a journey that should have been completed in five hours at the least if all went well.

On Dec. 18 Lieut. Coker broke the world's glider record by remaining aloft 21 hours, 34 minutes, 15 seconds. He was stationed in the Hawaiian Islands at that time.

RUMORS SPUR SEARCHERS
LOS ANGELES, Feb. 1. (U.P.)—Spurred by additional rumors which might lead to discovery of a missing transport plane and its cargo of three women and five men, several airplanes and hundreds of men continued searching through the mountainous regions northwest of here today.

Their progress was tortuous in the face of rain, snow and cold winds, and the conviction grew that there would be little chance of finding the lost plane until the storm breaks.

The latest encouraging report from the mountains came from a rancher named John Snow, who declared he had seen what appeared to be the wing of an airplane on Mt. Calabasas, that region already had been covered by searching planes, but Snow's report will be investigated.

Although searching parties were scattered throughout the Tehachapi and Topa Topa mountains, the hunt was concentrated in the vicinity of Lockwood valley and Mount Frazier. Three persons who live at the base of the mountain reported they heard and saw a tri-motored plane flying low in the valley late Friday, heading toward Cuddy valley.

FORCED OFF COURSE
These reports convinced aviators that J. V. Sandblom, pilot of the missing 10-passenger airliner, had probably had crashed while trying to climb out of the valley in the face of a heavy gale.

Under ordinary circumstances, the plane might have been found long before this. But continued storms and high winds have piled snow into 20-foot drifts, and if the missing liner has not been covered by drifting snow, it probably has been partially concealed by the snow which has fallen since Friday.

A dozen airplane pilots braved the storms today and flew over the mountains. Nearly 150 other planes were scattered at half a dozen airports awaiting more favorable flying conditions before going into the air to conduct a great, widespread hunt.

KNIFE HEARING IS COMPLETED

ELY ISOLATED BY SNOW; GOLD CAMP CREWS MAROONED

RENO, Feb. 1. (U.P.)—Continued reports of record snowfall, gales and blizzards were received tonight from all parts of the state.

The town of Ely, near the Utah state line, was virtually isolated by deep drifts. All stages were snow-bound, and the Nevada Northern railway reported its main line blocked, preventing transportation of passengers and mail.

Highway crews worked all day to clear away a 250-foot slide of snow and rocks along the Reno-Truckee highway.

Various mining camps were isolated by the storm. At Osceola, old-time gold camp near Ely, nineteen persons were marooned. Food was said to be scarce in many of the other mountain camps.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 1. (U.P.)—Winter struck a stinging blow throughout the west today. Torrential rainfall at coastal points, biting temperatures, and heavy snowfall at higher altitudes marked the storm from the coast to the Rockies, although Denver enjoyed absurdly warm weather. Highway and railway traffic was blocked or delayed. Mail and passenger planes were grounded and some communication lines disrupted. Snow fell in San Francisco, Berkeley and Oakland.

Rain and high winds swept through southern California.

POSTAL 'BANK' SHOWS GAINS

Indicating the phenomenal growth of the Las Vegas postoffice during the past year, postal savings deposits have kept pace with other receipts, with an increase for January, 1932, of \$21,395.

During January, 1931, deposits showed a gain of \$2,980, showing an increase of business as indicated by the comparative gains, of \$18,751 for the month of January, 1932, over the same month last year.

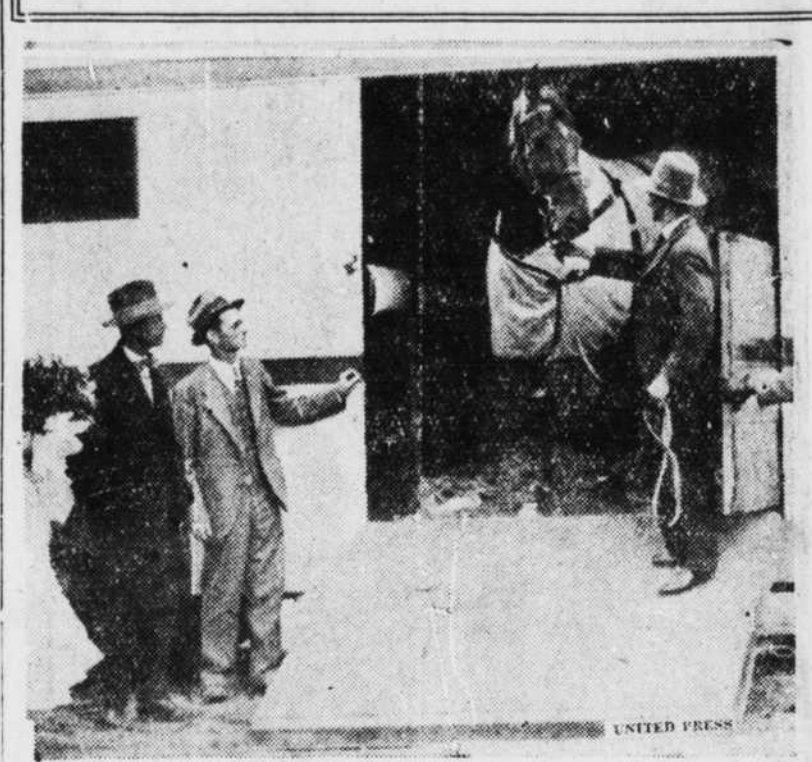
Deposits for the entire year, from January 31, 1931, to the same date this year, was \$79,870, according to Postmaster C. K. Ryser.

SLUG SUPPLY IS THOUGHT FOUND

Solution to the mystery of where the slugs come from that have been clogging slot machines in Las Vegas for the past weeks is thought by police to have been reached with the arrest of Ray Hubley by Sergeant Jones of the city force.

Hubley has twice before been arrested on slugging charges but has escaped both times from the city stockade.

Border Track Greets Wonder Horse



Phar Lap, famous Australian race horse brought to the United States for the \$50,000 Agua Caliente handicap, received a rousing welcome when he arrived at the Baja California track. Here is the big invader stepping from his private van with Trainer Tommy Woodcock leading him, and his veterinary, Dr. William Nielson, standing at extreme left. George Martin, track official, is next to Dr. Nielson.

L. VEGAS GIRL RUTH JUDD IS LOSSES LONG FIGHT INSANE, SAY EXPERTS

PHOENIX, Ariz., Feb. 1. (U.P.)—Winnie Ruth Judd was insane the night she allegedly shot and killed two girl friends, Dr. George W. Stephens, first of the defense attorneys, testified today at her trial on the charge she murdered Agnes Anne Leroi.

One of the observations that led to this conclusion, he said, was the fact that directly over her bunk in county jail she has pasted a newspaper photograph of Mrs. Leroi and Miss Hedvig Samuelson, the two girls she allegedly killed.

"She is suffering from a mixed form of dementia praecox," Dr. Stephens said. "I believe she was insane the night of Oct. 16 when she was supposed to have killed the girls. If she did the acts I don't think she knew the nature of them and was not responsible for them."

Dr. Stephens qualified himself as an expert by telling of years of the study of insanity, after his graduation from Tulane in 1907 and continuing in his present position as superintendent of the Arizona state insane asylum.

"I have found in the defendant a dozen traits familiar in most dementia praecox cases," he testified. "She has delusions in that she believes she is being mistreated by county officers and that she believes she has a child."

JEWISH CLUBS ATTEND PARTY

First of a series of monthly affairs planned by the organization, the Sons of Israel held their first party Sunday evening at the Pairo-O-Dice.

With over sixty members of the organization and their friends present, everyone enjoyed a splendid dinner, followed by entertainment and dancing.

Vice-president A. J. Schur made a short speech after dinner, in an appeal for funds with which to carry on the work if the organization and within a few minutes several hundred dollars were subscribed for, with which the Jewish organization intends to care for their own poor, and eventually have their own home.

The entertainment committee largely responsible for the success of the affair was composed of Sam Lipkin, chairman, and Mrs. M. J. Smith, president of the woman's auxiliary.

CHINA CAPITAL AT NANKING RAKED BY GUNS

Fighting in Manchuria Continues As Japan Pushes in Troops

NANKING, Tuesday, Feb. 2. (U.P.)—Both real shots and blanks were fired when Japanese cruisers fired into Nanking during the night, it was learned definitely today.

NANKING, China, (Tuesday) Feb. 2. (U.P.)—Japanese warships lying in the Yangtze river off Nanking, opened a bombardment at midnight and the metallic clatter of machine-gun fire broke out along the waterfront.

RESIDENTS IN PANIC
The flash and roar of big guns created panic within the walls of the ancient city, where the population sought refuge in bomb-proof shelters erected in the last few days by Chinese troops which have been concentrating in Nanking.

At 12:40 a. m. the bombardment ceased, but the fire of small guns continued along the waterfront, particularly at the Hsiakwan district, which is a mile from the city wall.

(Shanghai dispatches said it was difficult to learn the fate of 130 Americans at Nanking. United States Minister Nelson T. Johnson left Peiping Sunday morning for Nanking, the American consulate at Shanghai said.)

The Chinese officials said the Japanese bombardment was directed at Liens Hill, one of the strongest of Nanking's fortifications. The foreign office said the fire was up the river as a demonstration against Chinese troop concentrations here. The foreign office added that the Chinese artillery on shore did not reply to the fire.

NEWS OFFICE DEMOLISHED
Another report said a shell fell in the Hsiakwan district, demolishing a newspaper office. Still other reports said the newspaper office was wrecked by a bomb.

The entire city was in a state of utmost confusion, with its half-million population unable to find places of safety. It was impossible to tell whether both Chinese and Japanese were engaged in the firing along the waterfront, where Japanese marines had been active for several days, evacuating their nationals.

The city gates were closed and troops patrolled the streets. The power plant was shut down as a precaution against air raids. The fire brigades were ready for emergencies.

The outbreaks here, from where the Chinese government headquarters and most of the officials removed to Loyang last week, had been expected for days. The presence of seven Japanese warships in the river and evacuation of Japanese residents had warned the population of an extension of hostilities from Shanghai.

FOREIGN SHIPS STAND BY
There also are one United States destroyer, two British warships and a dozen small Chinese warships off the waterfront, which is 130 miles up the Yangtze from Shanghai.

LONDON, Tuesday, Feb. 2. (U.P.)—The Daily Mail correspondent at Harbin, Manchuria, reported today that Chinese defenders of Harbin continued a battle with Japanese troops south of the city, where there was considerable bombing.

MURKIN, Manchuria, Tuesday, Feb. 2. (U.P.)—The outcome of fighting south of Harbin, where Japanese troops battled Chinese yesterday was anxiously awaited today as additional Japanese reinforcements were ordered northward into the sphere of influence of Soviet Russia along the Chinese Eastern railroad.

WAR IN ORIENT HELPS COTTON

Nations Pledge United Defense; League Worried

Diplomats At Geneva Situation Alarming, Washington Men Believe

GENEVA, Feb. 1. (U.P.)—On the eve of the greatest concerted effort in the world's history to achieve a reduction or limitation of agencies for organized warfare, the deepest pessimism prevails in Geneva.

With the peace of the Far East shattered by the rattle of machine-guns and the rumble of artillery, and with European jealousy and suspicion providing an undertone of distrust, delegates to the world disarmament conference will meet tomorrow in an atmosphere charged with fear and discouragement.

DEPRESSION IS COMPLICATION
And adding to the problems of international harmony, there rises the question of world-wide economic depression, which also plays a major role in the great human drama.

It may be that the international conferees will succeed in achieving a result capable of satisfying public opinion throughout the world. But the diplomats assembled here hesitate to make optimistic predictions.

Although this disarmament conference is the climax of the corporate life of the League of Nations, and marks the culmination of five years of labor in the interest of peace, the hopes of its leaders, particularly in view of present world conditions, are greatly restrained.

A canvass of league authorities and leading spokesmen for many of the delegations, made tonight by the United Press, revealed that the utmost the league is hoping for is approval of the following principles:

PLAN OUTLINED
1—Extension of the present year's armament truce to three, four or five years. The present truce expires in November, and merely limited nations to the armament programs they had already adopted.

2—A budgetary reduction of perhaps five per cent in appropriations for war preparations.

3—Establishment of a permanent disarmament commission for international control of armaments and their limitation or reduction.

4—The laying of a foundation for future limitation conferences.

5—The possibility that some progress will be made in the restriction or abolition of chemical, gas, and germ warfare.

Adoption, perhaps with some modification, of these points is the limit to which most of the authorities will go in predicting the result of the united efforts of 55 nations which are about to go into conference.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Feb. 1. (U.P.)—The United Mine Workers of America unanimously adopted a resolution today, demanding a federal law which would provide for unemployment insurance.

The miners then adopted half a dozen other resolutions at their annual convention here, suggesting the following:

JAPAN'S ARMY OPENS HEAVY OFFENSIVE ON CITY

U. S. Infantry To Be Landed; On Way To China From Manila

SHANGHAI, Tuesday, Feb. 2. (U.P.)—Japanese marines began a wholesale offensive against Chinese positions in the Chapei (native city) and North railroad station sectors at 2:30 p. m. today, the Japanese marine headquarters officially announced at 2:30.

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SHANGHAI, China, Tuesday, Feb. 2. (U.P.)—The flame of warfare between Japan and China spread through the broad valley of the Yangtze river today when Japanese warships bombarded Chinese military concentrations at Nanking.

SHANGHAI, China, Feb. 1. (U.P.)—A Japanese policeman delivered a tattered American flag to the Hongkew police station today. He said he found it in the courtyard of the Young-Allen Methodist church, while patrolling that area of the Hongkew section of the international settlement.

FLAG TATTERED
The church property is virtually in the hands of Japanese marines because they are controlling Hongkew. Several days ago it was charged that Japanese marines entered the law tingwong, which is part of the church property, and caused some damage.

ese warships bombarded Chinese military concentrations at Nanking end with a withering machine-gun offensive began in the Hongkew section of Shanghai's international settlement.

BATTLE BECOMES INTENSE
The fighting in the Hongkew section became more intense at 5:20 a. m. Japanese marines sprayed buildings in the center of the settlement with machine gun fire.

Volley after volley of fire was directed at buildings in the vicinity of the Garden bridge, the Astor house and along the north Szechuen road. The Japanese said they were chasing snipers, but no sniper shots were heard.

Thousands of refugees in the downtown iron-banded district were panic-stricken by the firing. They huddled in doorways and alleys as the Japanese fire raked buildings along Soochow creek, which runs through the northern part of the settlement.

The Japanese marines had established iron-handed military rule in the Hongkew area, a large section of the settlement from which regular police had been ousted in preparation for a major attack on Chinese snipers.

At 5 a. m. the comparative silence of the night was broken by volleys of heavy rifle and machine gun fire which echoed along the Shanghai waterfront.

IN HEART OF COLONY
The fighting was in the heart of the settlement.

It was feared that the Hongkew fighting might be a repetition of the Japanese bombardment of the native Chapei district, which was reduced to ruins by flames and aerial bombs last week.

The bombardment at Nanking aroused fears of Chinese officials that the city of Hankow, a populous commercial center, some 600 miles up the Yangtze from Shanghai, would be the next objective of the Japanese imperial navy, on the grounds that Japanese interests there must be protected.

The arrival of United States, British and French reinforcements en route to Shanghai was anxiously awaited by foreign military officials who have been hard-pressed to protect the foreigners, including 5,000 Americans, in the settlement.

There was a general belief that a "show down" with the Japanese on use of the settlement as a base for operations against Chinese would be forced after the arrival of Admiral Montgomery Taylor, heading the United States Asiatic fleet.

NATIONS PROTEST
Various nations have protested use of the settlement, but any effort to force the Japanese to cease operations from the foreign area in Shanghai might lead to the most serious international complications.

The fighting in Hongkew began

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