

LAS VEGAS WEATHER
February 5—
Maximum, 61; minimum, 31.
METAL MARKETS
NEW YORK, Feb. 5. (U.P.)—Silver, London, 19 1/2; New York 29 1/4. Lead, E. St. Louis, 3.55; New York, 3.75; Copper, 6 1/4; Zinc, E. St. Louis, 2.80.

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.

An Epochal Era

Those of us who have been privileged to live during the first third of the twentieth century have passed through an era of epochal happenings.

We are just now emerging from one of the most terrible destructions of business and economic values in the history of mankind. It has been a picture of world pathos the like of which we hope never to see again.

Another tragic drama which might be called "The Fate of Asia," is being played in the Orient. It forecasts drastic changes in the peoples of Asia and its effects may reach westward even into Europe through the vast areas of Siberia and Soviet Russia.

A thousand years hence the present crisis in the Orient will be referred to, probably, as the beginning of the era of Japanese domination of Asia. A historic turning point comparable with the Tartar invasion of China.

Yes, we may sometimes feel that the daily grind is inclined to dullness, yet we have been privileged to observe and take part in the greatest events of all history, to say nothing of the development of air navigation and the radio, which have revolutionized warfare and changed the trend of civilization itself.

Utilizing War For Peace
A new way to make war an influence for peace was suggested yesterday by a Chinese delegate at the disarmament conference at Geneva. The Swiss government is asked for permission to install a radio loud speaker in the world disarmament conference building, so that the delegates, as they listen to the arguments in favor of peace, may sit at ease and hear the sound of the Japanese guns bombarding Shanghai.

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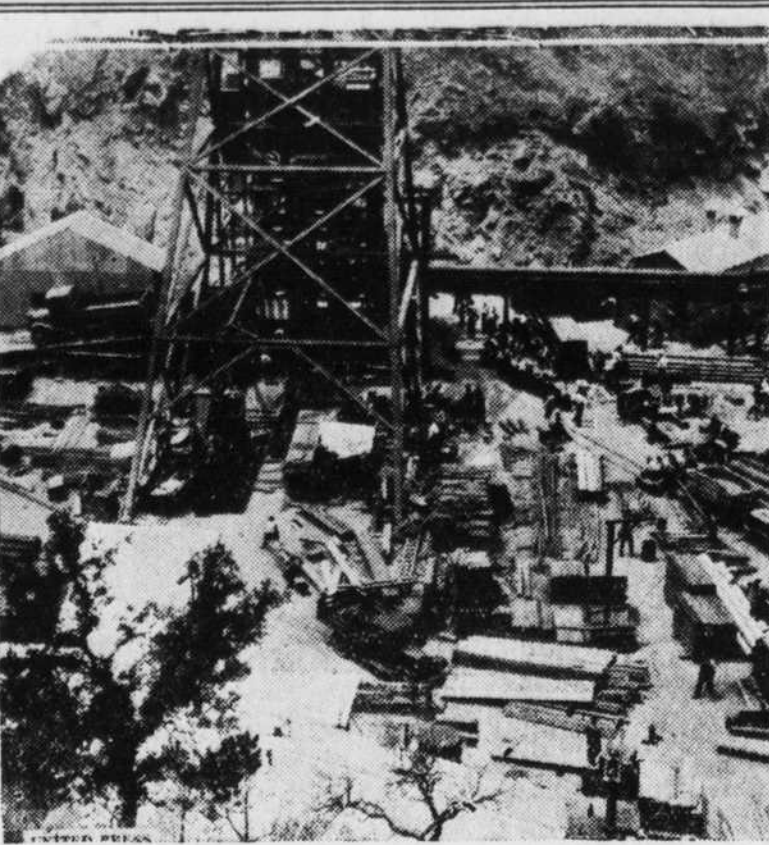
Andy Is Okay
While some of the wild-eyed Democrats in the house are trying to make political capital threatening to impeach Andy Mellon as secretary of the treasury, the senate takes just three minutes to confirm his appointment as ambassador to London.

Renting the Jail
The county commissioners were told yesterday that a jail is a good investment, whereas we had heretofore always regarded it a necessary evil.

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Sagging Market Perils Big Project



San Francisco's giant Hetch Hetchy water system, a part of which is shown here, may be halted and 1,300 men thrown out of work unless the city can sell \$4,000,000 worth of bonds. Banks have refused to buy them because of poor market conditions.

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Kidnaping Plot Blocked By Cops

Girl Arrested After Hostage Found In Tucson Well
TUCSON, Ariz., Feb. 5. (U.P.)—"Billie" Adkins, 20-year-old girl, was arrested late tonight and held in connection with the kidnaping of Gordon Sawyer, banker.

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Private Funeral For Sharp Is Set
Private funeral services for John Sharp will be held at the Las Vegas funeral home, and will be attended only by his parents, brothers and sisters, and close relatives.

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ABOLITION OF LAME DUCK SESSIONS LOOMS

142-Year-Old Frame of Government May Be Changed This Year

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5. (U.P.)—Fundamental change in the 142-year-old framework of the American government appeared virtually certain tonight of being submitted to state legislatures within a few weeks.

Speaker John N. Garner announced that the "lame duck" constitutional amendment, making this change and moving up presidential inaugurations from March 4 to January 24, would be taken up by the house next Thursday.

Garner has approved the resolution, and it is supported by nearly all the Democratic majority and some republicans. A two-thirds majority is required.

It is unlikely such ratification can be obtained in the next few months, so it is not probable that the bill will be passed.

While the senate was debating unemployment relief, the house today turned its attention anew to the same subject. The house agriculture committee took out of its pigeon-hole the plan approved by the senate for distribution of farm board wheat to the hungry, and a labor sub-committee continued hearings on the LaFollette-Costigan proposal for a \$375,000,000 federal appropriation.

250 PRESENT AT VET PARTY

More than 250 people from Las Vegas and Boulder City gathered in the Eagles hall last night at the Veterans of Foreign Wars "get-together" party.

A feature of the evening was when twelve members from twelve different states introduced themselves. Addresses were given by Commander A. T. McCarter and Mrs. Edith Bettelheim, president of the ladies' auxiliary.

Mesquite Club Celebrates Its 21st Anniversary
The members of the Mesquite club celebrated the twenty-first anniversary of the founding of the club Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. James Cashman.

NEW SHOW FOR LEGION PARTY

Plans for the American Legion dinner dance are going full blast, according to an announcement made yesterday by C. K. Ryerse and Don Borax, the entertainment committee.

Battle Pauses As Japanese Wait For Reinforcements and Chinese Observe New Year; League Plans Next Step

U. S., Britain, France Confer On Another Jap Offer

LONDON, Saturday, Jan. 6. (U.P.)—Britain, the United States, France and Italy are conferring on the next move towards a settlement of the far eastern problem, it was said officially today.

By SAMUEL DASHIELL (United Press Staff Correspondent)
GENEVA, Feb. 5. (U.P.)—An invitation to Japan to prepare to create a neutral zone at Shanghai as soon as possible is the latest move of the United States government to settle the far eastern situation.

It was understood that a session of the League of Nations council is to be called for tomorrow morning, at which time the latest United States move will be communicated to the league.

Secrecy has so far been observed concerning the move, and it is understood that Hugh Wilson, U. S. observer at the league, was not obliged to announce it generally until formally communicated to the league council.

The Chinese delegation was reported to be impatient and threatening to call an extraordinary assembly of the league, if the powers' demands were not complied with immediately.

"GRAVE" DECISION
TOKIO, Saturday, Feb. 6. (U.P.)—The greatest importance was attached here to the government's impending "grave" decision which today occupied the attention of the cabinet after yesterday's agreement to send an army force to Shanghai.

GENEVA, Feb. 5. (U.P.)—The Chinese delegation has decided to ask authority of the Swiss government to install a radio loud speaker in the world disarmament conference building to broadcast the sounds of battle at Shanghai.

JAP DESTRUCTION
TOKIO, Saturday, Feb. 6. (U.P.)—A statement, attributed to two leading members of the house of peers, that "any recklessness at present might lead Japan to destruction" was given prominent display in the newspaper Nichi Nichi today.

NEW POSTMEN START FEB. 16
Starting February 16, twice a day delivery service in the district east of Fifth street to Twelfth street, and north of Fremont street to Stewart, will be added to the carrier service of the Las Vegas post-office.

VICTIM OF CRASH CRITICALLY ILL
With F. J. Bergans, accident victim, fighting for his life and still in a critical condition, Jack Lundgren is being held until the accident victim's condition changes.

62-Year-Old Man, Jobless 10 Years Is Advised Of \$2,000,000 Bequest
COLTON, Calif., Feb. 5. (U.P.)—Unemployed for ten years, Robert G. Leo, 62, today learned that he had inherited \$2,000,000 from an uncle who died in Germany.

GUNS ARE STILLED



Shanghai experienced a short lull in the deafening roar of gunnery Saturday afternoon, supposedly due to the Chinese New Year. While the Bund, waterfront boulevard, shown above, was still deserted, Mayor Wu-ten-che, was using the lull to pause in hostilities presumably to beg for reinforcements. A map of the war zone is shown in inset.

BUNKERVILLE ROAD MAY BE BUILT
C. C. Boyer, district highway engineer, has received word from the bureau of public roads that federal aid will be available for the construction of a stub road not to exceed 1,000 feet in length, leading directly from the highway to a suitable point at or near the center of the town of Bunkerville.

SENATE OK'S MELLON AS ENVOY
WASHINGTON, Feb. 5. (U.P.)—Andrew W. Mellon was approved as United States ambassador to Great Britain by the senate today in three minutes.

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Tokio Scoffs At Russ Concentration Rumors

TOKIO, Saturday, Feb. 6. (U.P.)—The Japanese government has no information on concentration of large Soviet Russian military forces at Vladivostok and considers rumors of such concentrations as ridiculous, it was said today.

There is no reason for a Soviet troop concentration there, the government feels.

United Press Staff Correspondent
SHANGHAI, Saturday, Feb. 6. (U.P.)—A cessation of hostilities at 1 p. m. today after three hours of fighting appeared to mark the beginning of an unofficial truce attributable to the Chinese new year.

A spokesman at the Japanese marine headquarters declared in all seriousness that he did not expect serious fighting again until Monday. Chinese soldiers he said were attempting to observe an unofficial truce in the best makeshift manner possible.

JAPS WILLING
Japanese officials admitted their willingness to permit the new year lull in hostilities, because they could not afford to lose more men and must await army reinforcements instead of continuing to sacrifice effectives without materially altering or weakening the Chinese positions.

PLANES AID ATTACK
The fighting which began at 10 a. m. today started with the re-entry of that of previous days, with Japanese bombing planes aiding the marines and both sides using artillery extensively.

TENSION LESSENS
An indication of the lessening of tension was seen in Frenchtown and the international settlement where a holiday quiet prevailed and activities. However, there was no relaxing of precautions in the foreign defense sectors.

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