Grist from the Daily Grind

IMPROVING WITH AGE

Gloria Swanson is improving with age—at least she is showing no deterioration in the art of love mak-

Years ago-how many we cannot just now recall—she was the exotic queen of love on the screen. Now sne is the bright shining star above them all. If you do not believe it, see her in one of her latest pictures.

A LITTLE WATER

"Behold how great a matter a little fire kindleth," might be paraphrased to read, "Behold the furious floods a little rain on the desert

Such rivers as the Rio Virgin, for example, are little more than streaks of mud most of the year, but occasionally, just when least expected down comes a vast roaring flood doing all sorts of freak things and raising havoc with bridges.

Just now traffic between Las Vegas and Salt Lake on the highway at a standstill and will be until the flood recedes sufficiently so that teams can tow the cars across.

Fortunately floods in these desert streams are very "flashy"-devastating today and meek as a lamb todepartment a few days to repair the damage while the travelers wait and worry.

LOSS OF A FRIEND

Senator T. J. Fitzgerald, of Tonopah, friend of almost every man who ever lived in Nevada, died last SHANGHAI, Wednesday, Feb. 9. as senator and assemblyman. He unchanged this afternoon after a ed at Carson City when the legislative session opens.

LEAGUE TRYING

Eighteen members composing the secure peace between China and Japanese airmen. Japan, arrived at New York on the liner Paris last night and now are Chapei district, around the north

They will cross the Pacific and at- railway line to Woosung. tempt to mediate between the two The Japanese were holding their

Europeans will find the Japanese under heavy fire. and the Chinese as well quite expert. The fact still remains that a troops at Kiangwan station this for peace. Which just naturally gets immediately flew over and dropped us all muddled up trying to decide the heaviest bombs. these wars and disarmament conferences and League of Nations policies all at the same time.

FINE YOUNG FELLOW

John D. Rock some excitement the other day when he decided not to play his usual 18 holes of golf, says he is quite all right; just had a bit of a cold. John is only 92 and won't admit

Once universally hated and disbenefactors of the world.

showed new means of efficiency. It long defensive war. reduce the cost of production. It greater Shanghai, announced that employes by friendly and generous peace agreement at present in view showed how to secure the loyalty of

was accomplished, the Rockefeller eign residents in the international genius put that wealth to work for settlement has been intens fied. humanity. He established with his JAP SKIPPER SHOT millions great foundations for rehis affairs that the work he began settlement just prior to the futile quarters to the White House. will continue for many years after Chinese attack on Japanese defense

In the Rockefeller case wealth became a blessing to humanity. So it happens that the kindly young fellow of 92 with the sublime courage is missed when he fails to come out for golf. And the people of the world pause a moment to wish him

What a change the years have wrought in public opinion!

MARDI GRAS

festival of Mardi Gras. Last night manding Japanese forces here. levees of the Mississippi just at the ing to restore order and maintain the eastern shore of Maui island. nual hilarity, in which a great crowd said, "but the Chinese are continuof fun seekers from every corner of the world joined.

Even in these days of distress, humanity loves to have a little fun occasionally.

LEGION PARTY

We are reminded that the American Legion boys are staging a party tonight and are inviting their friends. The young fellows believe in making the most of life, even in these times of depression. Perhaps wrinkles from the brow of care. Why not buy a ticket or two and give the plan a tryout?

OCCASIONAL DAY OFF FOR POLICE

other man making this possible.

LAS VEGAS WEATHER February 9-Maximum, 68; minimum, 49. Precipitation for 24 hours ending at 6 p. m., .30 inch; for the

METAL MARKETS NEW YORK, Feb. 9. (U.P.)—Silver, London 19¼, New York 29½. Zinc East St. Louis, 2.85. Copper, 6¼. Lead, East St. Louis 3.55, New



VOL. XXVIII. LAS VEGAS, CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA, WEDNESDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 10, 1932

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

DOD TEARS OUT BRIDGE

Chinese Withstand Heavy Attack Of Japs; Plan For Truce Crumples In Tokio

morrow. But it takes the highway Nipponese Captain Is Captured and Shot By Troops

By D. C. BESS

night at his home in Tonopah. For (U.P)-The relative positions of Chimany years he has taken a promi- nese and Japanese forces on the nent part in the state government Chapei and Woosung fronts were was a fine, friendly and congenial morning of fighting confined largecharacter who will be greatly miss- ly to artillery and aerial bombard-

The artillery fire has been severe for several hours and the entire city delegation of the League of Nations sent to the Orient to attempt to

speeding across the continent on a station, and at Kiangwan station, which is about half way along the

warring nations. Which will be quite position along Woosung creek and all right so far as Japan is con- not attempting to advance. Woocerned, because they will have pos- sung fortress, which has been bomsession of everything they want be- barded for days, was subjected to fore the delegation reaches Tokio. additional shelling and Chinese When it comes to argument, these troops concentrations nearby were

The Chinese began to concentrate big gun is the most effective voice morning, and Japanese airplanes

CHINESE PLANES

Chinese pursuit planes attacked the bombers, firing on them with machine guns, but raced away when Japanese pursuit planes came in to attack.

Hostile political and military factions of China united today in a drive to prepare the nation for an extended period of armed resistance against Japan.

While the national government at Lovang was strengthening its leadfeared the vast accumulation of ership by bringing powerful facis classed among the outstanding important conference of civil and The process of accumulation of flict with Japan. They sent a telethis vast wealth did many things. graphic appeal to Chinese overseas

Later Wu Teh-Chen, mayor of of the fruitless negotiations which Then when the accumulation of have been under way for three days. wealth with its accompanying power During that time the danger to for-

The Chinese met in Mu Teh-

lines in Chapei. A Japanese sea captain was shot and killed at Chinese military headquarters at Lunghua today after his capture while his vessel was operating in the Whangpoo river off Lunghua.

Lunghua is about six miles up the river from Shanghai. A demand that Chinese troops

the defense positions," the admiral ing their provocative acts, assaulting JIMMIE CARSON and executing Japanese and attack-

ing the Japanese lines. "I demand that the Chinese troops withdraw and cease attacking the Japanese defense area, or the nec- Jimmie Carson, veteran Western military forces will push the Chi- undercarriage of his Los Angeles sage crackling in through the winnese soldiers 20 miles back from bound plane in an emergency land-'ter night of the Arctic revealed

UNDERGOES OPERATION

IN WAR ZONE



COL. LORENZO D. GASSER

Who is in charge of the marines at Shanghai. Gasser is a veteran ment would have patrolled it.

LABOR LEADER CALLS ON **HOOVER**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9. (U.P.)-One this vast wealth did many things. asking for funds to make possible a hundred and six powerful leaders of organized labor in America marched on the white house today and demanded President Hoover's support there was no hope of reaching a for immediate federal aid to the unemployed and for a five-day work

President William Green of the the long file of well-dressed, middlesearch work and has so disposed Chen's office, while shells fell in the sidewalk from the federation head-

PLANE FALLS INTO OCEAN

HONOLULU, T. H., Feb. 9. (U.P.)withdraw or be driven out of Shang-United States battle fleet is partici- the League of Nations Far Eastern New Orleans still keeps up the old miral Kichishaburo Nomura, com- pating were temporarily halted to-"The Japanese navy is attempt- the sea off the Ulumalu coast on

ESCAPES INJURY

Narrowly escaping serious injury, early yesterday afternoon.

The four year old son of J. C. the highway and was brought to Las a squad of Royal Canadian moun-May of Sloan, under went an oper- Vegas by motorists. One wing of ted police a good live party occasionally would do much toward ironing out the do much toward ironing out the do much toward ironing out the later a prolonged battle signed tonight will handle all crime about the plane was also crumpled, it was locally and local to the plane was also crumpled, it was locally and local to the plane was also crumpled, it was locally and local to the plane was also crumpled, it was locally and local to the plane was also crumpled, it was locally and local to the plane was also crumpled, it was locally and local to the plane was also crumpled, it was locally and local to the plane was also crumpled, it was locally and local to the plane was also crumpled, it was locally and local to the plane was also crumpled, it was locally and local to the plane was also crumpled, it was locally and local to the plane was also crumpled, it was locally and local to the plane was also crumpled to the plane was also crumpled to the plane was also crumpled. sils at the Las Vegas hospital yes- reported. A low ceiling forced the Rat river stronghold of the mad against bronchial pneumonia.

Vegas-Wed Couple Spend Night In Torrent They Find At San Berdoo his plane.

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif., Feb. by heavy rains. They decided to at- far north, flew back to his base ing as chairman of the committee day off, Las Vegas policemen are 9. (U.P)-Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Loren-tempt to ford it. In the middle of on the river prepared to lead an which framed the measure. enjoying a day off every two weeks zeno of Long Beach, married at Las the street their car stalled. One test aerial hunt for Johnson tomorrow. on a turn-about arrangement in-augurated by Police Chief Clay H. Vegas yesterday, spent the first' of the swift water convinced them Reports from the red-coated of-augurated by Police Chief Clay H. night of their honeymoon trying their automobile was the safest ficers on the chase indicated that to keep out of the reach of four feet place to stay. Each officer is to have two days of water which cascaded down a Four hours later a motorist found his ice block fort long enough to Grand Haven, Michigan, stopped off burn, Connecticut cigarmaker, to be confirmations of former Senator Ir- physical vitality" could pull him

a month off duty, substitutions street on the city limits here. them and reported to police who escape into a swirling blizzard and in Las Vegas enroute to Los Angeles, made without the addition of an- Driving home from Las Vegas worked another hour before towing lose himself in the barren hills While here he will visit at the damthey came up on the torrent caused them to dry land.

League Is Thrust Into Violent Debate On Eastern War

By MILES W. VAUGHN United Press Staff Correspondent TOKIO, Feb. 9. (U.P.)—Diplomatic negotiations at Tokio and Shanghai for ending warfare in China were believed tonight to have collapsed. REACH IMPASSE

The conversations, in which the United States, British and French ambassadors had participated, were idmitted to have reached an impasse. Failure was considered cer-tain unless the Chinese withdraw their troops at least 15 miles from

The Japanese declined to withdraw prior to Chinese evacua-tion and the refusal of the Chinese to act first blocked the ne-

The British embassy appeared to hold out some hope for further conversations, but agreed with the United States embassy that the outlook is pessimistic. Neville Mc-Ilroy has been representing Amer-Ambassador W. Cameron Forbes in the negotiations.

The British took the lead by ubmitting proposals to the Japanse minister, Mamoru Shigemitsu, Shanghai. These called for an armistice, during which definite negotiations would be started on other matters of conflict between China and Japan. A neutral zone would have been established between the two armies and foreign the international settlement at forces at the international settle-

GENEVA, Feb. 9. (U.P.) - The Nations council was thrust into a spectacular and al-China tonight. The Japanese delegate, Naotake Sato, exerted every effort to forestall Chinese threats to invoke an extraordinary session of the League assembly to deal with the Far Eastern crisis. Pleading the lack of Japan's "territorial designs" in China, Sato

was interrupted by laughter and low-voiced comment from the audruption, he declared pointedly: "It entertained by John D. Rockefel-

provoke us to extreme acts." ATTACKS DELEGATE

session a disturbance broke out. Federat on, John L. Lewis of the Chinese Minister Liu, assigned to appearance out-of-doors for Rocketionally known labor heads, headed he called the lack of firm action which he has been confined to his by W. W. Yen, the Chinese dele- room with a slight cold. aged men who walked down the gate, in pleading the case of China. Liu verbally attacked Yen and became so violent that diplomats were forced to restrain him. As Yen retreated, the minister turned to the departing crowd and began haranguing them. His words were drowned out by the general uproar and confusion.

> COMMISSION HURRIES NEW YORK, Feb. 9. (U.P.)-Eager

to reach Manchuria and "settle terms of peace between China and commission of inquiry, headed by

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MAD TRAPPER ELUDES COPS

AKLAVIK, Northwest Territory, essary combined Japanese naval and Air Express pilot, cracked up the Feb. 9. (U.P.)-A terse wireless mesing 40 miles southwest of Las Vegas today that Albert Johnson, "bush crazy" trapper, has escaped from Unhurt, he walked 13 miles to his ice-barricaded fort and eluded Senator D. J. Fitzgerald, a leader

man yesterday with the body of Johnson killed the constable in a cember.

CELEBRATES AT YEARLY , FIESTA

High Carnival Reigns As Ancient Rites Are Observed

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 9, (U.P.) Boisterous revelers roved the streets tonight celebrating one of the greatest carnivals in the history of the ancient custom of Mardi Gras. GROTESQUE MASKS

Customed to represent every race and sect in the history of man; some grotesquely masked, others stripped to the waist and painted; down under burdensome makeups, the celebrators abandoned themselves to fun-making.

All main streets were blocked with swarms of people. Myriads of colored lights and flares: green, gold and purple banners of the cars vercast the skies. Vast parades, that began early in the morning and continued throughout the day, wended along, main thoroughfares behind squads of mounted police whose horses stomped out clearings through the masses of people.

The parade of Rex, greatest of he carnival kings, at noon, was one of the most magnificent in the 80 years' history of that organization. Bearing out the theme, "Rex's Scrap Book," twenty elaborate floats lepicted features of former celerations of the past half century. BLAZING SUN A blazing sun beat down on the

festivities all day. Comus' parade, rival of the Rex spectacle, brought a new climax to the celebration early tonight. This god of mirth led a procession representing a "fairyland of flowers." The Aster lily, wisteria and poppy various sections of San Diego county were portrayed in elaborate design.

a majestic ball.

in Tiajuana. ORMOND BEACH, Fla., Feb. 9. Obviously agitated by the inter- (U.P.)-A small group of guests were is our adversaries who frequently ler, Sr., at his winter home, the Casements, here tonight. The 92vear-old millionaire, clad in a tux-Again, at the conclusion of the edo, seemed in the best of spirits. Today marked the first prolonged United Mine Workers, and other na- Berlin, became agitated by what feller in nearly two weeks, during

JUDD BATTLE IS PLANNED

PHOENIX, Ariz., Feb. 9. (U.P.) nues, attorneys for Winnie Ruth
Judd may make a special effort to halt her execution, it became known ting the cattails and drying up the tonight

They may go before the court in which she was sentenced and make a plea of "present insanity," invoking the statute forbidding the execution of an insane person.

Under Arizona law, the plea, if successful, would entail a sanity hearing. If Mrs. Judd then were adjudged insane, she would be committed to an asylum, "until and if her sanity returns, when she shall be removed to the state prison and

D. J. FITZGERALD DIES IN TONOPAH TONOPAH, Feb. 9. (U.P.) - State

Fitzgerald, a former speaker of inal matters. Constable E, Millen for burial here, the house, had been ill since De-

wilderness until May arrived with when it was at the peak of its mining boom. He took a leading part in The captain, known as "Wop" passage of the state gambling bill among the fighting men of the at the last legislative session, serv-

NEW ORLEANS Sandbag Barriers Protect Dam Workings From Rise In Colorado River Waters

Film Star Turns War Correspondent



Richard Barthelmess doffed his grease paint, picked up pencil and notepaper and set sail for China to write observations on the China-Japan conflict for the United Press. Here he is aboard the liner Empress of Japan with Capt. Samuel Robinson, C. B. E., commander of the ship, and Mrs. Barthelmess, the former Jessica Stewart Sargent of New York, just as they left Vancouver, B. C. "If I can get into Shanghai I'll have one of the real experiences of my life," Barthelmess said. "Maybe, after all, a screen actor can be a good reporter-I'm going to give it a try."

OPENS AIR

SAN DIEGO, Feb. 9. (AP)-Washouts and floods were reported from and Lower California tonight as municipal auditorium, where Rex to the sea. The San Diego and homes early tonight. Mexico, was completely cut off by rivers flowing down usually dry

The Santa Fe railroad track between here and Del Mar washed out, leaving San Diego without railway communication. Fifty families were driven from their homes

WASTE WATER HELD COSTLY

SALT LAKE CITY, Feb. 9. (U.P)-Valuable water is being wasted by irrigation farmers, W. W. McLaughlin, Berkeley, Calif., government engineer, bureau of agricultural engineering, charged at the American Farm Bureau federation's third annual water users' conference here

The cost of irrigation could be Outside of the regular legal ave- reduced and would be more efficient sloughs, McLaughlin said.

ISLAND POLICE BILL SIGNED

HONOLULU, T. H., Feb. 9. (U.P) pany, announced today. The campaign for general revision The campaign for general revision of law enforcement agencies in said, was in line with the extension work was done by the regular Honoullu ended successfully tonight program of the Union Pacific stages. crews. the prosecutor bill recently approv- rages and depots at Denver, Salt same crews took out some of the torial legislature.

The law providing for appoint-

SCHOOL Tonight the official carnival the run-off from the heavy storm Stanley Moy, 30 year old laundry-bridge across the river between headquarters was moved to the began rushing from the mountains man, announced plans tonight to Bunkerville and Mesquite. Accordorganize here a flying school where ing to the last reports the strucand his queen, 19-year-old Yvonne Tiajuana rivers drove more than Chinese will be trained to pilot ture was still intact, but it was in most violent debate on the warfare White, pretty brunette, presided over a hundred families from their bombing ships against the Japanese. no condition to stand a severe

s determined to do his share in for Dodge brothers, contractors. furnishing them.

20 MILLIONS

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 9. (U.R)-Alrell contract concerning the Ket- on the job towing cars across withleman Hills district, the Texas out charge during the daylight company today filed suit for \$20,- hours. 248,838 against three orgainzations. Defendants in the action are the Kettleman North Dome association, although water flowing in some of the Milham Exploration company and the Western States Gasoline highway interrupted travel for corporation.

The Texas company complains that a contract under which it was water was running over the road to treat wet gas from wells in a Kettleman Hills section was broken.

U. P. R. R. BUYS PICKWICK LINE guarded by red land COLORADO RISES

Stages, a subsidiary of the Union Pacific railroad system, Dee Wertz, ure, sandbags were filled and piled division superintendent of the com- up near the upper portal workings

Purchase of the system. Wertz when Gov. Lawrence Judd signed It includes Pickwick equipment, ga- for calling out additional men. The ed at a special session of the terri- Lake City and Los Angeles. The fill near the upper portal as a amount involved was not announced. further precaution.

since 1911, died in a hospital to- swiftly and signed several weeks ago. neer, bureau of public roads, San along the road between Salt Lake signed tonight will handle all crim- inspection of federal aid highways freight and passenger trains were

weird Arctic battle on Jan. 30. The body remained in the snow-swept mont. He came to Tonopah in 1905, On Nomination Of Commissioner

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United in two years today and consideration of critical condition tonight, sufferpresidential appointees following ing from double pneumonia. Dr.

Sidered and confirmed in secret sesthe publication by the United Press E. C. Fishbaugh, his physician. Johnson beat off their attack on Challenge Machinery company, of sion the nomination of Ira M. Orn- of secret senate roll calls on the declared that only Wallace's "great them and reported to police who escape into a swirling blizzard and in Las Vegas enroute to Los Angeles, a member of the tariff commission vine Lenroot to be customs court through the illness. He was con-

Serious but apparently unsupport- judge and of Roy O. West to be sec- fined at his home, too ill to be ed charges made against Ornburn retary of interior.

Railroad Traffic Is **Continued Without** Any Breaks

A roaring flood coming down the Rio Virgin yesterday took three bents of the lower Virgin river bridge, located a few miles south of Bunkerville. The piling supports are broken off, leaving the roadway hanging over the gap without support and liable to fall at any time.

The flood which hit the bridge with great force about 1:00 Tuesday morning, reached a height of six feet above normal water level It came roaring down in great waves, bearing on the crests a vast amount of drift wood which it used as battering rams against every obstacle.

resisted the on-The bridge slaughts of the flood until about roon yesterday, when the first span went out. About two o'clock two more spans went, but the remainder of the structure, relieved by the rush of water through these gaps, appeared well able to stand

Travel will be interrupted until such time as the river recedes far enough to make it possible to pull cars through by the use of teams. This, according to District Highway Engineer C. C. Boyer, probably will not be before Thursday, and is dependent on the rainfall and the condition of the river above. The floods were caused by heavy rains Monday and Tuesday in the region extending 150 miles north and including much of southern

Some fear was felt for the old Moy says his country has plenty flood. This is the bridge which of man power, but that it needs is being replaced by the new bridge technically trained leaders and he just being completed by Bill Young

> According to Boyer, the new bridge could, if necessary, be pressed into service in a very few days. although not yet quite completed. Repairs to the damaged bridge are being arranged for and the necessary piling probably will be sent out today and driven just as soon as the condition of the river

makes it possible. In the meantime the highway deeging breach of contract in an oil partment will keep men and teams

In the vicinity of Las Vegas the rains did but little damage. the dips on the Las Vegas-Jean short intervals occasionally. On the Boulder City highway

Whitney, nine miles from Vegas The damage appeared slight and will probably be repaired today with no interruption of travel. All places where water was running through dips were signed with proper warnings and at night were

last night at a point just beyond

The floods resulted in a rise of four to five feet in the Colorado river, according to Reclamation Pickwick Greyhound Lines, bureau engineers, but no trouble Inc., from Los Angeles to Denver, on the Hoover Dam workings was were purchased by the Union Pacific anticipated. anticipated.

As a purely precautionary meas at the dam site, and a small temthere being no necessity

A check of the Union Pacific officials in Las Vegas disclosed that while there were no tie-ups running from fifteen minutes to an hour late. No washouts of the roadbed were reported up to press time last night, though a strict watch is being maintained over the whole route

MYSTERY WRITER ILL WASHINGTON, Feb. 9. (U.P.)-The | led to the action. It was the first (U.P.)-Edgar Wallace, British ausenate locked its doors for the first such session since the senate abol- thor of mystery books, was in a

removed to a hospital.