

OBSERVATIONS
Grist from the Daily Grind
By C. P. S.

LAS VEGAS WEATHER
February 13—
Maximum, 62; minimum, 21.
METAL MARKET
NEW YORK, Feb. 13. (U.P.)—Copper, electrolytic, 6 cents pound. Zinc, 2.80 cents pound. Lead, 3.75 cents pound. Bar silver, 29 3/4 cents ounce.

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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.

FARMERS FLEE RIVER FLOOD
CHINESE TROOPS DEFEY JAPAN

U. S. CONSULAR ATTACHE IS ATTACKED BY JAPS

Washington Awaits Opening To Present Another Peace Plan
(Copyright, 1932, by United Press) SHANGHAI, Feb. 14. (Sunday U.P.)—To the accompaniment of thundering artillery fire on the Chapei front, Japan's ninth division of regular troops, fearfully equipped and trim in steel helmets and khaki, landed today at wharves within the Japanese defense area of the foreign settlement.

THEY FLY TO THEIR DAILY DIP



Three mermaids on the sands of a new beach located on Great Salt Lake, which as yet can be reached only by airplane. They are, left to right, Alice Johnson, Jeness Rollow and Mary Davis. They took a plane to Antelope island, where the proposed public beach will be established. It is planned to dig off a fresh water lake of 133 square miles inland salty Great Salt Lake, and erect a scenic drive atop the dikes to Antelope island.

SWINDLERS IN PHOENIX GET \$120,000 PRIZE

Wealthy Man Visiting Arizona City Falls For Old Con Game
PHOENIX, Ariz., Feb. 13. (U.P.)—Joseph Kaszab, 57, wealthy mill work manufacturer of Wilmette, Ill., a winter visitor here, was the complaining witness in five "John Doe" warrants issued today by the county attorney's office, charging a racketeering syndicate aggregating \$120,000.

Colorado Torrent Weakens Levees

Heavy Flow Declared Abnormal; Gila On Rampage
YUMA, Ariz., Feb. 13. (U.P.)—Ranchers of the Mohawk valley, 60 miles east of here, were warned tonight to leave their homes for higher ground, as the waters of the Gila river, fed by heavy rains and melting snows, burst its levees. LEVEE SWEEPED AWAY Baring a mounting burden of water, the levees held last night and through early morning, until the first break at Three Wells. A hundred workmen rushed to the spot and began frantic repairs, which were just completed this afternoon when another section was swept away.



The Dance of the Seven Veils, popular in ancient times, has found its modern counterpart in the Dance of the Bandanas as executed by Anita Page, Hollywood film star. Here she is in her bandana outfit, the kerchiefs being taken from her private collection.

ACT LIKE VETERANS

Commanded by Lieut. Gen. Kenkichi Uyeda, the soldiers moved their equipment and rolled their heavy guns to the wharves and docks with the precision of veterans. Heavy morning mists had loomed the beginning of their landing operations. At 8 a. m. when the sun had dispelled the fog, the ninth division had early completed the debarkation, and the wharves and nearby streets were black with hurrying soldiery.

LANDMARKS

We observed in the Los Angeles Times the other day a picture of the old Los Angeles court house as it will look after they take the tower and some do-funnies off it. Recently, having a short time to wait in the Los Angeles city hall, the observer went up to the tower observatory. Looking down on north Main street we saw the old St. Charles hotel, where the writer spent his first night in Los Angeles in July 1887. It was just as it was 45 years ago.

MRS. DUTTON IS HONORED

The Age was informed last night that Mrs. L. E. Dutton, of Dutton's ranch, Las Vegas, is the first Nevada woman from the various counties of the state, recently appointed as members of the honorary board of visitors of the University of Nevada. Their terms expire on February 5, 1934. Others honored were: Mrs. L. L. Allen, Fallon; Mrs. C. H. Johnson, Gardnerville; Mrs. Newton, Crumley, Elko; Mrs. J. A. Molini, Dwyer; Mrs. D. States, Eureka; Mrs. Mary M. Cosby, Winnemucca; Mrs. J. H. Myles, Austin; Mrs. C. A. Thompson, Pioche; Mrs. C. Leavitt, Yerington; Mrs. Henry Boerlin, Hawthorne; Mrs. Mary A. Griffin, Tonopah; Rev. M. J. Hersey, Carson City; Mrs. C. A. Chapman, Lovelock; Mrs. James M. Leonard, Virginia City; Mrs. F. W. Millard, Ely; and Mrs. Thurlow Douglas, Reno.

LYTLE RITES SET FOR TODAY

Funeral services will be held this afternoon for Mrs. John Lytle in Overton at 2 o'clock. She was fatally injured Friday morning in an automobile accident. Mrs. Lytle was widely known in southern Nevada. She was 48 years old and a native of Arizona. Her husband, John M. Lytle, and her son, Jack, who was painfully injured in the accident, survive her.

TWO MEN HURT AS CARS COLLIDE ON B. C. ROAD

Crashing headlong into a parked car without lights, a car containing Nick Bishop of Fresno, Calif., and driven by Dick Cunningham of 810 South Second street, was almost completely demolished last night at 10:55 o'clock and both occupants seriously injured. Bishop, who suffered severe cuts and lacerations on the face and head, was thought to have a possible fracture of the skull and was deemed at the Las Vegas hospital to be in a critical condition. According to witnesses and local police, the Cunningham car was veered toward Boulder City through the rain, when the other car, said to be owned by Lloyd Fitzgerald of Boulder City, loomed through the storm. It was thought that its two occupants were attempting to repair engine trouble. All lights were said to have been out. The impact literally crushed the front ends of both machines. SELMA, Calif., Feb. 13. (U.P.)—The attempt of Carlos Cerda, 43, to avoid an automobile accident on a country road near here tonight led to another accident that cost him his life. Cerda was driving with his son when he saw a head-on collision with another car was imminent. He deliberately drove into the ditch, crashing into a power pole. The impact broke a high tension wire which in turn set the pole afire. Cerda started walking to a nearby creek for water to throw on the blaze and stepped on the high voltage wire. He was killed instantly.

STOCK MARKET ENCOURAGING

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13. (U.P.)—Heartened by a buoyant stock market, congressional leaders have decided upon extraordinary procedure next week to press through the new federal reserve credit and currency bill sponsored by the administration. Speaker of the House Garner planned to invoke the drastic rule permitting only 40 minutes debate with no privilege of amendment, to rush through Monday the Steagall-Glass measure, which inspired the stock market rise. IDAHO FALLS, Ida., Feb. 13. (U.P.)—Fire which broke out today and swept through a number of stores was finally controlled shortly after noon. Damage will run into several hundred thousand dollars. The fire originated in the basement of Samsel's store and quickly spread to adjoining establishments. Three stores were completely destroyed. The Elks club, a fourth store and moving picture theater were damaged. IDAHO FALLS, Feb. 13. (U.P.)—The Reconstruction Finance corporation announced tonight that it has made or authorized a number of loans to banks in various sections of the country.

FAKE WIRE CALLS GIRL TO DEATH

BOSTON, Feb. 13. (U.P.)—A false cablegram which induced Elizabeth Barrett Cook, 29-year-old Rester, to undertake the Naples-to-Boston voyage that ended in her death, was signed "Helen James," it was learned today. The cablegram, dispatched from Boston on February 4, wrongly stated that St. George Tucker Arnold, Massachusetts institute of technology graduate and fiance of Miss Cook, had died. It urged her not to return to Boston on any account, but she disregarded this and sailed on the S. S. Chinese Prince. Before reaching Gibraltar she died from pneumonia. Mrs. A. Edward Carroll of Brookline, an aunt of the dead girl, said she had learned that the mysterious cablegram was signed "Helen James." No person of that name was known to her, Mrs. Carroll said.

ALFONSO IN OWN WATERS

PARIS, Feb. 13. (U.P.)—Former King Alfonso of Spain will be technically in Spanish territory for the first time since his exile when he sails under the Spanish flag from Marseilles tomorrow on a yacht cruise to Egypt. Mrs. C. S. Wengert entertained with a bridge luncheon for the members of her bridge club and a few guests. Prizes were won by Mrs. C. D. Breeze and Mrs. W. N. Schuyler, with Mrs. E. G. McGriff receiving the consolation. Guests were Mrs. Harley Harmon, Mrs. V. G. Ham, Mrs. William E. Orr, Mrs. O. H. Boggs, Mrs. Mary Hemetson, Mrs. J. T. Uillon, Mrs. S. J. Lawson, Mrs. James Cashman and Mrs. Walker Young.

THURSDAY EVENING BRIDGE

Thursday evening Mrs. William S. Park entertained at a delightful bridge supper at her home. Those present were Mrs. W. N. Schuyler, Miss Helen Haines, Miss Eva Adams, Miss Freda Humphrey, Mrs. A. E. Cahlan, Mrs. Dave White, Mrs. Louis Bell, Mrs. Hettie Viley, Miss Annie Roosa, Miss Doris Hancock, Miss Maude Frazier, Miss Nevada Pedroll, Mrs. Schuyler and Miss Haines won the prizes at bridge. Mrs. Richard Roschl was the charming hostess at a beautifully appointed dinner in honor of the eighty-fifth birthday anniversary of her mother, Mrs. Molly Burr, and also in honor of the birthday anniversary of Mrs. Angus Blad. Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Ward and Charles, Leland and Herbert Ward, Phare Lawrence, Miss Elaine Lawrence, Mrs. Molly Burr, Mr. and Mrs. An-

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EX-CONVICT IS HELD FOR THREAT

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Feb. 13. (U.P.)—Capture of Howard Joseph Abbey, 33, former San Quentin convict, alleged to have attempted to extort \$7,500 from James N. Crofton, millionaire president of the Agua Caliente Jockey club, was under arrest here tonight. Deputy Sheriffs Oliver Saxon and Jack Tillery secretly arrested Abbey in Los Angeles and returned him to San Diego, it was learned. Abbey is suspected as the "Houston," who signed threatening letters to Crofton and met the race track magnate here at the union depot to demand payment of money. The deputy sheriffs said Abbey refused to discuss the case, but Saxon said that he was present when Crofton met "Houston" at the depot and was positive that Abbey was the man wanted. He added that Crofton had identified Abbey's photograph as "Houston." Authorities said it was believed that several other persons were involved in the alleged extortion plot. They said that Abbey went to San Quentin in 1921 on a San Diego burglary conviction and had such a bad prison record that he got no good time credits and was forced to serve the whole of his ten year sentence.

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AWAIT EMERGENCY

EL CENTRO, Calif., Feb. 13. (U.P.)—Equipment was assembled here today to repair any breaks that may occur in the levees along the Colorado river resulting from the present abnormally swollen condition of the stream. Rains and snow thaws in the uplands poured thirty-five thousand second feet of water through the river bed, an increase of more than four thousand feet over yesterday's volume. The river's flow three days ago was four thousand second feet. The peak of about fifty thousand second feet is expected next week.

DERN, ROLPH UNABLE TO ATTEND

Governor Balzar's acceptance of the invitation extended him by the local Elks' lodge was received yesterday by the committee in charge of the Washington anniversary celebration here. Along with Balzar's acceptance came a letter indicating that Governor Rolph of California is unable to be present, but would send his chief aide, Col. Hutchison. Word was also received by The Age from Governor Dern of Utah, who, too, will be unable to attend.

PAT HURLEY HITS SECRET SESSIONS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13. (U.P.)—Patrick J. Hurley, the big-boned Oklahoma man who is boss of the war department, today abruptly challenged "star chamber proceedings" of senate committees and walked out on a group of a dozen astounded senators. "I have taken all I can stand," exclaimed the secretary of war, leaping up before the startled committee men. "You can run your star chamber session without me." Hurley burst through the crowded room and swung through the door with protests still streaming over his broad shoulder. Senators gazed at each other and decided the best thing to do was under the circumstances to send everyone else out of the room.

SISTERS RECOVERING

Wanda and Zaida Bell, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Troy Bell, are reported on the road to recovery after a week's illness with the flu.

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