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## OBSERVATIONS

### Grist from the Daily Grind

By W. H. B.

#### SKY BLAZING GOVERNORS

Early this morning Governor "Sunny Jim" Rolph of California and Governor Fred B. Balzar of Nevada will take breakfast in Washington, hop into a plane with the elegantly garbed "Col." Roscoe Turner, and attempt to rush across this nation of ours so speedily that they will dine in Los Angeles. That's a swell scheme.

Rolph has long known what puts governors on page one, perhaps now he is inculcating these principles in the mind of our Nevada executive. Turner, dashing air deacon, who sports a military title and a sky-blue uniform that he designed himself, knows the ropes of the Atlantic-Pacific plane dashing stunt, and probably will pull them through safely, even though a little late. At least several hundred thousand more people who read their newspapers will know that Nevada, too, has an air-minded man at the controls. We hope the stunt goes off smoothly.

#### FREE SHOWER BATHS —OF ANTISEPTIC

Do you remember the last time California had an epidemic of the hoof and mouth disease? If you don't and if the epidemic, which has been discovered on a hog farm in southern California, becomes severe, you'll soon learn what precautions are.

The California-Nevada state line in 1924 was dotted with inspection stations. East-bound travelers were stopped, and thoroughly inspected as carriers of the germ of the dread livestock disease before they were allowed to proceed.

The inspection was more than that. Their automobiles were drenched in a pressure spray of pungent antiseptic solution. The tourists themselves were disrobed, their clothing going into a steam pressure chamber and the individuals under a shower of another bug-killing solution.

No animals of any description were allowed to leave California. More than one patrolman found a fight on his hands when he attempted to keep the family's pet poodle in California and the family wanted to continue the journey out of the golden state.

Let's hope that this year's recurrence of the dread disease is not so bad that Nevada will find it necessary to pass out the free baths again.

#### WAR IN THE ORIENT

Peace negotiations are virtually completed in the Orient, say advisers from Shanghai and Tokio.

In the next breath the cables tell us that Japanese leaders were the victims of a bomb plot while reviewing marching troops.

Another bulletin says a shipload of Japanese was sunk, presumably by Chinese.

Russia is shipping more munitions to the Manchurian border. Japan is concentrating more soldiers near the Siberian line. Nippon says she fears for Japanese interests in the new state of Manchukuo. Her fears supposedly are caused by Chinese activity—but she fails to explain why she takes her troops away from the obvious trouble zone and billets them along the dreary border line of Red Russia.

It might be mentioned that while Paris, London and Washington are quiet, they are not asleep—especially the latter capital.

#### VICTIM OF BOMB DIES

SHANGHAI, Saturday, April 30. (U.P.)—Dr. T. Kawabata, Japanese physician wounded yesterday when a bomb exploded in Hongkew park injuring five high Japanese officials, died today.

The others wounded were reported to be showing improvement.

#### GRAY-ROTH TO ENTERTAIN ELKS

George Gray and Johnny Roth, grudge fighters with a vengeance, will clash for the third time at the stag party to be staged by the Las Vegas Elks in Elks hall Saturday, May 7.

Roth fought a remarkable fight last night to come back and score a knockout over Gray after the latter had the fight clinched on points. Johnny can certainly take punishment and he had the throng in the stadium semi-hysterical when he came in, in the closing seconds of the tenth, to make the kill.

#### TYPHOON STRIKES PHILIPPINE CITY

MANILA, P. I., Saturday, April 30. (U.P.)—Two-thirds of the city of Jolo, important coastal shipping center, was destroyed by a typhoon that struck yesterday, a special dispatch to the Philippine Herald said today.

The storm was becoming worse today, it was reported.

The steamer Filipinas ran aground during the typhoon. The steamer Remedios was sunk. Bodies of one officer, one sailor and a woman were cast ashore.

The town of Cagaya, on the island of Sulu, was also damaged. Many homes were destroyed, it was reported here.

#### LAS VEGAS WEATHER

April 29—Maximum, 85; minimum, 48. Clear.

#### METAL MARKETS

NEW YORK, April 29. (U.P.)—Bar silver, 27 1/2 cents an ounce. Copper, 5 1/2 cents a pound. Zinc, 25 1/2 cents a pound. Lead, 3 cents a pound.

# 4 AMERICANS CONVICTED IN HONOR SLAYING CASE

## MICKEY WALKER DECISIONS KING IN BOUT

### Down in First Round, Mickey Comes Back To Take Nod

#### CAPACITY CROWD

### Levinsky Takes Four, One Is Even, And Walker Takes Five

By GEORGE KIRKSEY (United Press Staff Correspondent) STADIUM, CHICAGO, April 29. (U.P.)—Overcoming the handicap of a knockdown in the first round, Mickey Walker, courageous little Jersey Irishman, fought his way to a 10-round victory over King Levinsky, Chicago heavyweight, here tonight.

Though he was outwitted 23 rounds, Walker came from behind with a whirlwind finish which wiped out Levinsky's early lead.

The official attendance was announced as 19,995 and the gate receipts \$73,892.82, of which each principal received 30 per cent.

The decision was not unanimous. Referee Ed Purdy, Chicago local detective to whom Jack Kearns, Walker's manager, objected before the bout, cast his vote for Levinsky. The two judges voted for Walker.

A terrific left which landed flush on Walker's jaw after about two minutes of fighting in the first round, sent Mickey sprawling on the canvas.

Levinsky caught Walker in a corner, but the Irishman clinched and pinned the clumsy fish dealer's arms to his sides. In an attempt to break them Referee Purdy lost his balance and toppled over, giving Walker the advantage of a longer clinch. The bell rang a second later but Walker still was dazed as he started to sit down in Levinsky's corner.

During the next two rounds Levinsky, using his reach and added weight to good advantage, piled up a long lead on points.

Walker, slow and still feeling the effects of the first round knockdown, did not begin his rally until the fourth round. In this round Levinsky, apparently losing heart by his inability to connect with another damaging punch to Mickey's chin, did little leading and allowed Walker to hold him even.

STARTS RALLY Fighting his first important bout since he held Jack Dempsey to a draw last July, Walker started the rally which swept him to victory in the fifth round. He won the next three rounds in succession, piling up points with a left hook to Levinsky's body as he ducked under his opponent's guard.

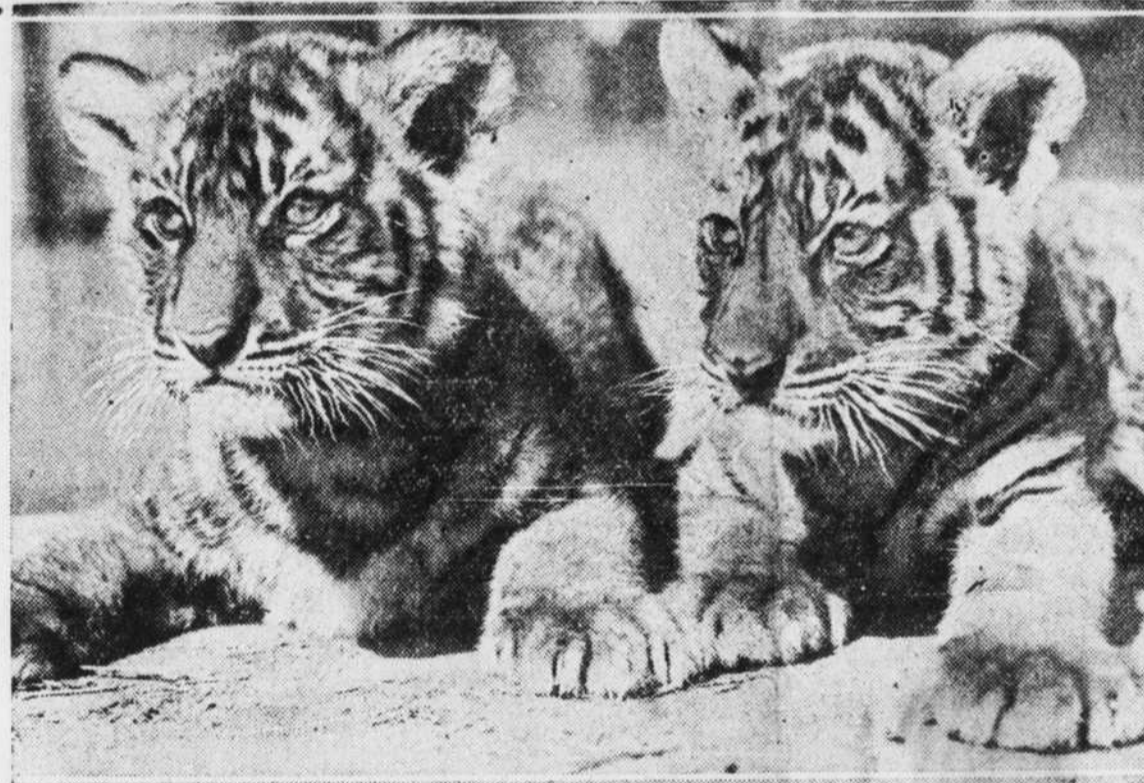
In the seventh round Walker dropped Levinsky to his hands and knees with a short right to the head after a fast exchange at close quarters. Levinsky was not hurt and bounded to his feet without a count. Walker kept driving in during the rest of the round, and bloodied the King's nose.

Levinsky tired badly in the last rounds, and missed frequently with his wild swings as Walker stepped in under them or backed away gracefully on his toes. In the eighth Levinsky half shoved and half knocked Walker to his glove tips with a left. It wasn't a knockdown and Walker came up fighting.

Walker won the last two rounds, drawing blood from Levinsky in the ninth and landing several sharp left hooks to the head in both rounds.

HOME FROM VISIT Mr. and Mrs. Joe Smith and grandson, LeRoy, have returned from Salt Lake City, where they spent ten days on a combined business and pleasure trip.

#### SAD TIGERS GO BEGGING—FOR NAMES



George Bistany, superintendent of Fleishacker zoo, San Francisco, cried lustily for help this week. He wants good, first class names to fit these two cubs, twin son and daughter of Cartoon and Cleo, the zoo's prize Sumatra tigers. Bistany's last public appeal brought the names Howdy and Rowdy to a pair of leopard cubs. He's hoping for equal success in the present name-hunting venture.

## RENO OBSERVES ANNIVERSARY OF 6 WEEK DIVORCE

RENO, April 29. (U.P.)—The year that saw the rise of the divorce industry into the realms of "big business" comes to an end Saturday, for this haven of "Martial Misfits."

Quietly and without celebration, Reno will observe tomorrow as the first anniversary of the six weeks' residence law enacted last year. The records in the county clerk's office here reveal that more than 5,000 persons have filed suits for divorce since May 1 of last year, the date the new law became effective.

The record for any preceding 12 months under the old three months' law was 2,149, which was set in 1930.

Local attorneys are estimated to have collected approximately three-quarters of a million dollars in fees during the year, while the county clerk has collected something like \$130,000 in filing fees. Reno itself was enriched by many more thousands.

Famous individuals who have obtained divorces here include Jack Dempsey, Lady June Iverlyde, Cornelius Vanderbilt, Jr., and Mrs. Lawrence Tibbett.

## TO REPRESENT VEGAS AT RENO

Las Vegas will be represented in the state typing contest to be held in Reno on May 7, by Jane Young, Juanita Todd and Helen Miller.

Miss Young will enter the first year typing contest, Miss Miller the advanced shorthand-typing group, and Juanita Todd the first year shorthand contest.

All the girls are students at the Las Vegas high school. They will be accompanied to Reno by Miss Helen Haynes, the typing and shorthand instructor.

## 657,797 Unemployed Are Put To Work By American Legion Drive

NEW YORK, April 29. (U.P.)—Reports today from 27 states increased by more than 9,000 the number of persons given employment through the war against depression being waged by the American Legion and associated organizations.

## EXECUTIVES READY FOR LONG HOP

WASHINGTON, April 29. (U.P.)—The first gubernatorial dawn-to-dusk transcontinental flight attempt is set for take-off tomorrow at daybreak, if weather conditions permit, when Governors James Rolph, Jr., of California and Fred B. Balzar of Nevada plan to eat breakfast here at 4:30 a. m. and "sit down to supper together in the Biltmore hotel in Los Angeles at 7:30."

"We intend to show the people just how far it is across this country," said Rolph in announcing the flight.

## PLACE EMBARGO ON WESTERN FARM PRODUCTS

OTTAWA, Ont., April 29. (U.P.)—An embargo on the importation of livestock, vegetables and related products from California, Oregon, Nevada and Arizona was announced today by the agricultural department. The action was caused by reports of an outbreak of hoof and mouth disease among hogs in one California county.

The order does not apply to fruits, but goes into effect immediately against vegetable shipments which are unusually heavy at this time of the year.

## COLORADO IS GIVEN BONDS

DENVER, April 29. (U.P.)—Ranking state officials, with Governor Adams dissenting, voted today to accept as a gift \$200,000 worth of defaulted North Carolina improvement bonds, which, if established as legal obligations of the southern state, will yield Colorado \$560,000 including unpaid interest.

The bonds were given the state by a group of bondholders who hold a large amount besides. They intend for the state to sue to establish the validity of the bonds, then they can collect on their own. As individuals they are debarred from suing a state.

## VETERAN VEGAN LOSING FIGHT AGAINST DEATH

Robert E. Lake, sr., pioneer Las Vegas and noted geologist and mining man, was near death at press time this morning at his home on north Third street.

Lake, who came to Las Vegas in 1905 with his family, has been closely associated with the development of southern Nevada, especially in the mining industry. As an active prospector and geologist he has accumulated a valuable collection of mineral specimen and Indian relics which he has unearthed in the hills and deserts of Clark county.

In the early days of Las Vegas Mr. Lake was an active member of the local school board.

At the dying man's bedside were his four daughters, Mrs. Alice Alter, Mrs. Olive Edgington, Mrs. Ada Pearson and Miss Emily Lake, two of his four sons, Robert E., Jr., and Claude, and his wife.

## AMBITIOUS THIEF STEALS TWO TONS OF MILK IN TRUCK

An ambitious (and thirsty) thief last night stole a truck from in front of the "Chili King" restaurant that contained more than two tons of milk consigned to Anderson's mess hall in Boulder City.

The truck, a Reo speed wagon, was of a bright yellow hue, and should not be hard to trace, although officers who were searching for it had not located it at a late hour last night.

## L. A. MEXICAN LOSES FIGHT

HOLLYWOOD, Apr. 29. (U.P.)—Tommy Grogan, Iowa junior welterweight, decided Johnny Lamar, Los Angeles Mexican, in the 10-round main event at Hollywood Legion stadium tonight. Grogan weighed 141, Lamar, 140.

George Hansford, 128, was given an unpopular decision over Johnny Granone, 128, in the four-round semi-windup.

Tony Chavez, 128, decisioned Ed Lloyd, 124; Johnny Martinez, 143, technically knocked out Willie Rust, 142; (1); Russ Beach, 142, decisioned Bobby Hagens, 142; (4); Adam Moraga, 128, decisioned Jimmy Gallindo, 128. (4).

## Leniency Recommended In Compromise Verdict

## WET PLANK MAY BE ADOPTED BY STATE G.O.P.

### Roberts Will Lead Wets In Fight For Revision

RENO, April 29. (U.P.)—A fight for the inclusion of a wet plank in the state platform is expected to enliven the proceedings when the Nevada Republicans meet here tomorrow to select delegates to the national convention at Chicago.

Leaders in Republican politics here predict that Nevada's nine delegates to the convention will be instructed to support President Hoover for re-nomination.

With Mayor E. E. Roberts as keynote speaker, the wet element is conceding an excellent chance of forcing through some sort of anti-prohibition plank. Roberts, a vigorous opponent of prohibition, is expected to demand that the party take a definite stand for revision or repeal of the dry laws.

The common belief is that a plank calling for revision to allow the state control of the liquor traffic will be adopted.

Besides electing the national delegates and the formulation of a party platform, it is expected that the convention will re-elect George Wingfield and Mrs. Mary Franzman as national committee man and woman.

## QUAKES FELT IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, April 29. (U.P.)—Two earthquake shocks of slight intensity were recorded this afternoon on the seismograph at Fordham university.

The first occurred at 2:29 E. D. T. and the second eight minutes later. The earthquake was believed to be in the vicinity of the Aleutian Islands. Similar shocks were reported three days ago.

## RUMOR LINDY BABY IN CAL.

LOS ANGELES, April 29. (U.P.)—Southern California peace officers tonight were searching for an automobile containing a baby resembling Charles A. Lindbergh, jr., and four men.

The car was reported near Indio, Calif., on the desert. E. H. Shaul, who telephoned the sheriff's office here, said the men covered the child's face when he saw them at a filling station.

The car bore Texas license 732-015, Sheriff said.

MRS. WATKINS BETTER Mrs. Watkins, mother of Mrs. A. C. Delkin, who has been confined to her bed in her daughter's home for the past several days, is slightly improved.

## Will Rogers Fails to Grin Way Out Of Traffic Violation Arrest

LOS ANGELES, April 29. (U.P.)—The humorist said, "I wanted to see how much pep it had."

"Well, you can tell that to Justice Billings," answered the cop.

Rogers assertedly was driving 44 miles an hour in a 20-mile zone.

## Oil Stove Sets Cabin Ablaze

Fire of undetermined origin partially destroyed the interior of a cabin located on the rear of the lot at 618 south First street, at 3:30 this morning. The occupants of the building were not at home and it is believed that they left for Boulder City, where they are employed, a short time before the blaze was discovered.

The fire centered around a two-burner oil stove and it is possible that the men thought the burner had been extinguished when they left and that it later spread to papers and woodwork nearby.

More than a half-dozen voluntary workers had the blaze under control when the fire apparatus arrived, making it unnecessary to turn the hose on the flames. Damage is estimated at \$75.

The verdict was a compromise on the part of the jury, since the territory had indicted the four defendants on a charge of second degree murder.

The jury received the case at 4:25 p. m. Wednesday and the verdict was returned at 5:32 p. m. (8:12 p. m., PST) today.

The racking sobs of Mrs. Massie were the only sounds to break the courtroom tension as the verdict was handed down.

There was no demonstration from spectators.

The defendants took the blow without flinching. Lt. Massie, who, according to his own testimony killed Kahahawai as the latter confessed to assaulting Mrs. Massie, did his best to soothe his wife.

He placed his arms around her as she cried hysterically.

Mrs. Massie's mother, Mrs. Fortescue, looked straight ahead as the verdict came in.

Once handsome, she looked worn and aged, but she held her head high and gave no sign that the possibility of a prison term appalled her.

The jury, as instructed by the court, turned in individual verdicts.

Darrow affected Jones and Lord, the seamen, who aided Lt. Massie and Mrs. Fortescue to kidnap Kahahawai previous to the slaying of the half-caste were named last.

Although they were happy and unearring when they came into court, the solemn words of the clerk sobered them.

Clarence Darrow, the famous old warrior of the American bar, was visibly affected by the result. He came out of retirement to fight this last one fight as "counsel for defense."

"This is a terrible shock to me," he said.

Darrow would not comment immediately on what his next step might be. He looked pale and shaken, bearing out his statement that the verdict was a shock.

Prosecutor John Kelley, who earlier in the evening was snubbed by Mrs. Massie, said he regarded the jury decision as a "complete victory."

"The decision meets the ends of justice," he said.

Fearing that there might be an outbreak, police cleared the corridors before the jury came in.

Radio patrol cars, carrying machine and riot guns, patrolled the district.

Chief of Police Charles Weber explained that he intended to take no chances.

His fear was founded on the inmates (Continued on Page Eight)

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