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## OBSERVATIONS

### Grist from the Daily Grind

By C. P. S.

**AN OLD STORY**  
"This nation has gone mad. For ten years this land has enjoyed material wealth and prosperity such as the world has never before seen, and during that time this madness has come upon us full force. We have forgotten the commandment 'Thou shalt not steal,' and we are taking the position, no matter how money is obtained. We cannot continue in this rut indefinitely and secure the continuance of free institutions. The dangers of peace will destroy this country at the present rate just as certainly as a disastrous war."

That quotation is copied from the Las Vegas Age of October 14, 1909. It is from a speech on "The Patriotism of Peace" delivered by Governor Frank J. Haney of Indiana, in which he painted a dark picture of conditions in the United States and insisted that the very life of the nation was dependent upon a speedy return to saner ideas and honest methods.

That was almost thirty years ago, yet we observe the old world wagging along in much the same old way. And every year or two we are just ready for destruction, but we recover from our fears just as we are now recovering from one of the most serious business depressions the world has known.

And the 1932 troubles soon will be as unreal as those of 1905 are to us now. The human race just insists on living and advancing in the arts of living.

### ERADICATE CRIME

Clarence Darrow, in an address before the San Francisco Bar association yesterday, urged the scientific eradication of crime.

A good enough idea, perhaps, from one who has spent most of his life defending criminals. Especially if he will show the science and the way to use it.

How would it do to apply Darrow's science to the Lindbergh kidnapers?

### ARROWHEAD HIGHWAY

California is doing wonders in the way of improving the Arrowhead highway. It is announced that bids will be called for on a \$400,000 improvement, to consist of filling and graveling between Halloran Summit and Mountain Pass.

California has already expended, including this estimate, \$1,134,000 on this highway. It is stated that travel through Cajon Pass has increased several times since the beginning of Hoover Dam.

When the entire route between Las Vegas and Los Angeles is improved with oil and gravel surface, it will be just a pleasant little drive to the city. Not so long ago, Ralph Thomas, Vegas speed king, attracted wide attention by making the automobile trip between Las Vegas and Los Angeles in sixteen hours.

### OILED GRAVEL

We seem to have passed the point of controversy as to oiled-gravel surfaces on highways. Not so long ago we were sending committees down to California to see what it was. Now we find that most of the highways in the west are using that for a surface, in preference even to concrete.

Which reminds us that the road between Reno and Carson City, a few years ago considered a wonderful concrete highway, is being rebuilt with oiled gravel surface. The old concrete is abandoned and a new highway, wider and with better alignment, is being constructed for a considerable portion of the distance between the two cities.

## BISHOP TALKS TO ROTARIANS

Al Cahlan, president-elect of Las Vegas Rotary club, presided for the first time at the meeting of the club Thursday, in the absence of President Leo A. McNamee.

The program for the day was in charge of Al Corradetti, who introduced Rev. Arthur S. Kean. After a few preliminary remarks, Rev. Kean introduced Rt. Rev. Bishop Thomas Jenkins, who made the address of the day.

## ZACK MILLER ENTERS PLEA

NEWKIRK, Okla., May 13 (U.P.)—Col. Zach Miller, wild west showman who rose from a sickbed, fired a shotgun charge into the floor, and chased two attorneys off his 101 ranch, pleaded not guilty today to assault charges.

Miller is free on bond pending trial. The rancher-shawman fired his shotgun at the feet of Neil Sullivan and R. O. Wilson when they tried to serve papers on him, notifying him of the receivership and clearing the way for the sale of certain properties of the famous ranch. His shots effectively stopped the sale, which was already under way.

**ON BUSINESS TRIP**  
Walter Houck is leaving today for Los Angeles on business.

**LAS VEGAS WEATHER**  
May 13—Maximum 97, minimum 57

**METAL MARKETS**  
NEW YORK, May 13 (U.P.)—Copper 5 cents a pound; zinc 2.75 cents a pound; lead 3 cents a pound, bar silver 28.20-28.45 cents an ounce.

# KIDNAPER CLUES ARE FOUND

## U. S. FLIER IS DOWNED AT SEA

### HAWAII'S OLYMPIC RING TITLISTS



When this year's National A. A. U. boxing championships began in Madison Square Garden, New York, on May 4, the distinction of being the longest-traveled contestants went to these Hawaiian Islands champions, here pictured arriving on the liner Calawahi. Ruber G. White (left), welterweight champion of the islands, and Charles H. Fair, middleweight champion, will have traveled a total of 13,000 miles apiece in their effort to annex the American title in addition to those they now hold.

## "AMERICAN TRAGEDY" GIRL IN L. A. PLEDGES SELF TO AID BOY

### Love Flames Anew As Newland Waits In Jail Cell

LOS ANGELES, May 13 (U.P.)—A love that survived a murderous assault flamed anew in jail today when 17-year-old Lois Wade embraced her sweetheart and pledged her life to free him from the prison to which her own testimony had sent him.

Frank Newland, 19-year-old golf caddy who played the supporting role in "An American Tragedy" case, nearly wept when he saw the girl who had accused him of beating her and throwing her into a well.

"Oh, I'm so sorry," he said when she approached him in jail.

Miss Wade rushed to him and embraced him. Only a few moments before, he had been embraced by his wife, Ione, who sought to comfort him. Jallers had tactfully led Mrs. Newland away before permitting the other girl to visit the youth.

"It almost killed me to testify against Frank," Miss Wade told her sweetheart and assembled reporters and jailers. "I was to blame as much as he was. If I had known I could have avoided testifying by

leaving the state, I would have done so.

"Frank has been punished enough. I shall go before the parole board and tell my whole story, doing all I can to gain his freedom.

"It was as much my fault as his—the girl is always just as much to blame, whether she is 17 or older."

Young Newland, who continued keeping company with Miss Wade after he had married Ione Vickery and become a father, was sentenced to serve one to 14 years in San Quentin prison, and in addition was given a jail sentence for his conviction of a statutory offense against the girl.

The prison sentence was the result of his conviction on a charge of attempted murder.

During his trial, Miss Wade testified that one night when she told him she was to become a mother, and asked him to marry her, he beat her over the head and threw her into an abandoned well, leaving her there for dead. She crawled out when he drove away, and was picked up by a motorist.

Prosecuting attorneys likened their case to the developments in Theodore Dreiser's novel, "An American Tragedy," in which the boy of the story was sentenced to die after he had drowned his young sweetheart when she begged him to marry her to save her name.

## ODDIE ROADS FUND FAVORED

### SPECIAL TO THE AGE

WASHINGTON, May 13 (U.P.)—Sen. Tasker L. Oddie of Nevada was today authorized by his post offices and post roads committee to report favorably on his main highway bill providing \$125,000,000 for federal aid, \$12,500,000 for forest roads and \$3,000,000 for road projects through the public domain under the Oddie-Colton act.

The provision for \$7,500,000 for national park highways was also approved by the group. The funds are for the fiscal years of 1934 and 1935.

**Zipper Bags And Electric Fever Are Latest Cures For Asthma Fans**

NEW ORLEANS, May 13 (U.P.)—Zipper bags and electric fever were advanced by science today as the newest treatment for asthma sufferers.

## FORMER S.F. CHIEF OF POLICE HERE

Jesse B. Cook, former chief of police of San Francisco, is spending a few days in Las Vegas.

The gentleman has a distinguished record of service in the San Francisco police department, and was for many years following his relinquishment of the office of chief, police commissioner of San Francisco.

As officer in charge of the old Dupont street district, Mr. Cook had a notable record. Also his experience at the time of the San Francisco earthquake, when he was standing on Market street and saw buildings crumble and fall about him, are most thrilling. His written account of his experiences at that time was a feature of the Argonaut Magazine some years ago.

Mr. Cook is now general manager of the safe deposit department of the American Trust company, San Francisco.

## REICHERS IS SAVED BY CAPTAIN FRIED

The American pilot, Lou Reichers, flying from New York to Paris, was forced down in the Atlantic ocean Friday afternoon and rescued by the S. S. President Roosevelt less than 50 miles off the coast of Ireland.

Reichers brought his monoplane Liberty down on a rough sea, from which he was saved by two of America's most famous marine heroes, Capt. George S. Fried and Chief Officer Harry Manning. The airman's nose was broken and his face lacerated in the rough landing.

Captain Fried, hero of the S. S. Florida and S. S. Antonee rescues, swung the President Roosevelt around when the Liberty—damaged on one wing and virtually out of fuel—was seen coming down on the high-rolling waves.

A few minutes later Chief Officer Manning was back again in the role he had played so often—leading a life boat crew into a rough sea on an errand of mercy.

Boat No. 10, manned by strong oarsmen, was lowered and pulled out to the wrecked monoplane shortly after 4 p. m. EST.

"Took off Lou Reichers, the lone pilot," Captain Fried radioed later in a terse message to the United Press explaining the rescue.

**TAKEN ABOARD**  
The lifeboat pulled back to the side of the President Roosevelt, which was enroute from Hamburg to New York, and the sailors and Reichers were taken aboard the liner.

The once glistening monoplane, in which Reichers had flown bravely away from New York, landed at Harbor Grace, Newfoundland, and then struck out over the Atlantic for Dublin and Paris, was a wreck on the waves. It was abandoned.

The rough ocean made it impossible for Chief Officer Manning to return his lifeboat to the ship, and it, too, was abandoned.

Then the President Roosevelt swung around again, her radio cracking out the news of the rescue to anxious air enthusiasts on both sides of the Atlantic and Reichers started back for New York without ever having seen the coast of Ireland.

**NEARING LAND**

The American flier, who is married and has a young son, almost flew the Atlantic. Captain Fried reported that the rescue was made 47 miles off Fastnet, which is an island just four miles off Cape Clear, Ireland. In Dublin, officials at Baldonnel airbase were waiting for him—and growing more and more alarmed as the hours failed to bring any word of his flight.

In Paris a crowd had gathered at Le Bourget airfield to wait the end of the flight which Reichers had hoped would greatly reduce Col. Charles A. Lindbergh's record from New York to Paris.

Reichers was put under care of the ship's surgeon.

The rescue of Reichers, who was the first to attempt the trans-Atlantic crossing this season, added more laurels to the record of Captain Fried and Chief Officer Manning, both of whom have been highly honored in the past for their rescue work.

## KIDNAP PLOT IS REVEALED

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., May 13 (U.P.)—A plot to kidnap the six-year-old daughter of Rev. David M. Garner, general chairman of the Southern Baptist convention, in session here, and demand \$30,000 ransom, to be collected on the convention floor, was frustrated today, when two men were arrested, police announced.

## 'IN FOR REPAIRS'

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## SCHAAF WINS GROSS FIGHT

BY STUART CAMERON  
United Press Sports Editor  
MADISON SQUARE GARDEN, NEW YORK, May 13 (U.P.)—Ernie SchAAF, the Apollo-like Boston heavyweight who spends his spare time posing for heroic statues, was driven to the limit here tonight in eking out a 10-round decision over Jack Gross of Philadelphia.

Unbracketed, unsung and all but unknown, Gross stepped into the Garden ring before the smallest crowd of the season and proceeded to give a man generally regarded as a coming heavyweight champion a tremendous rout for his money.

One of the judges, Eddie Farrell, cast his vote for a draw, and all but unknown, Gross stepped into the Garden ring before the smallest crowd of the season and proceeded to give a man generally regarded as a coming heavyweight champion a tremendous rout for his money.

Through the eighth round the fight was as even as plate glass, with Gross taking three, SchAAF three and two even. But in the ninth SchAAF's merciless body attack began to tell, forcing the Philadelphiaite to break ground and rob-

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## YOUTH BURIED, BUT IS SAVED

TAMAQUA, Pa., May 13 (U.P.)—Patience won freedom and safety tonight for Milton Frantz, 20, Tamaqua youth trapped in a sitting posture in a narrow mine hole for 22 hours.

A slide of earth carried Frantz to the bottom of the hole, 25 feet below the surface, when the sides, weakened by rain, collapsed. A plate of cast iron lodged in the slide just above him and kept him from being buried and suffocated.

Rescue work started immediately in a hole so narrow only one man could work in it and so cramped it was often impossible to do more than scoop the dirt by the handful. Acetylene torches cut through the iron plate and permitted an air pipe to be pushed toward Frantz who was helpless except to sit and wait. When sufficient earth had been scooped away, he was given food and restoratives.

After many hours Frantz was finally freed from the confining position and was taken to Coaldale hospital where physician announced he had suffered no ill effects.

## L. D. S. DANCE TO BE HELD TONIGHT

Final arrangements have been made and all is in readiness for one of the largest crowds of the season which is expected to attend the L. D. S. dance at the Eagles hall tonight.

## LINDBERGH IN ORDEAL: SEES CREMATION RITES

By H. ALLEN SMITH  
United Press Staff Correspondent  
TRENTON, N. J., May 13 (U.P.)—Col. Charles A. Lindbergh, a gaunt, silent man from whom the spirit of youth seemed to have departed, passed, courageously through the valley of death today with his little son.

He stood, rigid and unblinking, in an undertaking parlor here when, for the sake of a formality which must have caused him excruciating torture, he was forced to look upon the mutilated form of his boy.

Again he stood, his hands clenched until they became bloodless, and watched the consuming fire of the Lindbergh crematory as it obliterated the body—but not the memory—of his murdered son.

There were no sobs. There was no hysteria. His spirit, torn and battered by the assaults of fate, refused to crack.

He stood alone—although friends were with him. He stood alone, as he had flown into fame and into the hearts of the world.

Lindbergh might have been spared this ordeal. It was his nature that he refused to spare himself—to become afraid and soft.

He strode into the undertaking rooms, a little ahead of his closest companion, Col. Henry C. Breckenridge, and awaited orders. He was told to go into a little chapel and he walked, not uncertainly nor hesitantly, but firmly, to the table there, in an oak casket, the sorrowful spectacle awaited him.

**WEARY AND PALE**  
His step was steady but his face was drawn into weary lines and he was pale. There was silence for a moment.

"Col. Lindbergh," the voice of Prosecutor Erwin Marshall broke the silence, "Col. Lindbergh, are you convinced this body is that of your infant?"

The colonel bent over the small form. He looked at the curly lock of hair and the tiny baby teeth. He seemed to be examining them—or to be pondering. Then he straightened up.

"Yes," he said, "it is."

Colonel Lindbergh turned away. If he had reached the breaking point there was no indication. But he entered another room—alone—and closed the door. Three minutes later he reappeared and took his place beside Col. Breckenridge.

Outside the funeral chapel thousands of men, women and children had gathered in respectful silence. They were driven away by police.

Ten minutes later Lindbergh was riding along the sorrowful road to Linden, where cremation of the body had been arranged.

**CREMATION**  
The hearse containing the little casket in which the body lay arrived at the Rose Hill crematory at Linden at about 6 p. m., followed

## LENA TUCKER IS FINED BY MORSE

Lena Tucker, 211 north Second street, was fined \$100 on a charge of possession of intoxicating liquors, when she appeared before Judge W. G. Morse in municipal court yesterday morning. The fine was paid and the defendant released.

**CHAPLIN IN JAPAN**  
Kobe, Saturday, May 14 (U.P.)—Charles Chaplin, motion picture actor, arrived here today on his leisurely round-the-world tour.

The actor appeared entirely recovered from an illness he suffered in Singapore.

## VENTRILOQUIST DUMMIES USED IN COLLECTION

ST. PAUL, Minn., May 13 (U.P.)—Ventriloquist Kenneth Spencer used his two dummies to exorcise the other Gilmans, Spencer screwed up his mouth and opened man, manager of the New Ray

With the dummies on his theatre, and caused a near riot. \$15 judgment from Davis Gilman when he tried to collect a "Times are tough," responded "Gilmans" with a sad waggle of his head. "Fifteen dollars is a lot to get together at once."

"Next," squeaked "Spencer" and hopped off Spencer's knee to indicate termination of that episode.

Then Spencer went on, he took the dummies across the street from the theatre and carried on with them a conversation relating to the morals, manners and financial responsibilities of Gilmans. A crowd, including persons who had been headed for the theatre, gathered and blocked traffic. Spencer was ordered away and complied.

He threatened however, to repeat the "performance" if Gilmans didn't pay.

## AKRON MOORED TO MAST, SAFE

SUNNYVALE, Calif., May 14 (U.P.)—At rest from her turbulent trip across the United States the navy big dirigible Akron was safe at her mooring mast here today.

She was successfully drawn to the mooring and made fast on the twelfth attempt.

Unable to land Thursday night, she spent the hours until dawn circling the San Francisco bay district. At dawn she swung toward her base, but poor visibility made a mooring advisable.

With clearing skies, she swung into the base again, but her helium, heated by the sun, made her so buoyant she could not drop sufficiently close to earth.

Commander C. E. Rosendahl ordered her kept aloft until evening, when her gas would have cooled and her buoyancy decreased. The landing was finally accomplished at 7:07 p. m. PST Friday.

Whether the Akron will join the fleet, now at sea, was not definitely decided. She was to spend today taking on supplies of helium, gasoline and food, and possibly remain Sunday to permit the huge crowd of spectators to view her.

## PEACE PARLEY AGAIN CALLED

TOKIO, May 13 (U.P.)—A conference apparently designed to allay foreign suspicions of Japanese military movements in Manchuria was called late today by Kenkichi Yoshizawa, chief of the Japanese foreign office.

Ambassadors of England, France and Italy heard Yoshizawa explain Japan's withdrawal of all land forces from Shanghai. Yoshizawa said the 14th army division had been sent to Manchuria to help settle conditions there. High hopes that the proposed round table conference in Shanghai would succeed were expressed by Yoshizawa.

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## Black Cat on Friday, 13th, Nearly Causes Race Driver To Lose Life

500-mile race, saw the cat cross his path on the bricks.

Miller whip-lashed his car into a dizzy spin, which ended when the back of his car crashed into a concrete retaining wall.

## POLICE OF U. S. COMBINE IN HUNT FOR FIENDS

BY BATES RANEY  
United Press Staff Correspondent  
HOPEWELL, N. J., May 13 (U.P.)—Clues to the identity of the kidnapers and slayers of Charles Augustus Lindbergh Jr. were obtained by police today from the two men who led negotiations for the baby's recovery during the time he was believed to be alive.

**REAL CONTACT**  
After a day of questioning it developed that both Dr. John F. Condon of Norfolk, Va., had been in touch with either the murderers or their personal agents, and tonight the state police of New Jersey were prosecuting their manhunt with every hope of apprehending the criminals.

What in the way of names and descriptions Condon and Curtis were able to supply remained a secret, but their information was sufficient to revitalize the hunt for those who stole the 21 months old infant from his crib on Sourland mountain last March 1 and left his battered body beneath a clump of bushes within four and a half miles of the Lindbergh home.

**"JAFSIE" EXPERIENCES**  
NEW YORK, May 13 (U.P.)—A tired old professor of philosophy returned to his small home in the Bronx from Hopewell, tonight, exhausted and disillusioned. But upon Dr. John F. Condon, the "Jafsie" whose well-meant efforts established a contact between the Lindberghs and the kidnapers of their child, rests the most powerful police hope of tracking the murderers.

"Jafsie" whose personal offer of \$1,000 reward for the return of Charles A. Lindbergh Jr. first published in a community newspaper, brought him a response from the supposed criminals, became tonight the key to a solution of the crime.

The story of his relations with the kidnapers and probable slayers of the Lindbergh baby reads like the most bizarre of mystery stories. It was told by the "Bronx Home News," a newspaper in the elderly educator's confidence.

Condon's first move was publication of an offer to act, in good faith, as an intermediary with the kidnapers. Shortly after publication of his offer, he received a letter, crudely written and bearing some of the characteristics known to have existed in the original ransom note left when the baby was kidnaped.

The distinguishing mark on this letter was a symbol—two circles, intersecting each other and thus forming a third "loop." Within this "loop" or elliptical design was a third oval. A dot, or pin prick, was at the center of each circle, and the center circle was solid red.

This symbol was not enough proof, either to Dr. Condon or to Col. Lindbergh, that contact had actually been established. They sought more evidence of sincerity.

A series of "Jafsie" advertisements, published in daily newspapers, brought further letters.

As a result of these advertisements, Dr. Condon met the emissary of the kidnapers, a shivering, skulking thug, on March 12, in Woodlawn cemetery. He told the man he was not satisfied with the proof and demanded that he be given a definite sign—the sleeping garment worn by the child at the time of the kidnaping.

The agent of the criminals consented. "Wait a day and I will get it for you," he said. But before he consented, he had already identified certain pins as those that were used to pin the blanket to the baby's crib.

**FEARED DEATH**  
Dr. Condon begged to be taken to the child, to assure himself that the baby was alive. He offered to go alone—unarmed. The emissary refused. "The other man would kill me," he said. "If I took you there, but the baby is alive and well."

On March 16, Dr. Condon was given the sleeping garment. Within half an hour after the clothing had

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