

OBSERVATIONS

Grist from the Daily Grind

By C. P. S.

MURDER CASE We listened in on station KGIX last evening and heard a thrilling murder trial enacted with all the realism of life.

The first act of the play brought quite a thrill and reminded us of the play of several years ago, "The Trial of Mary Dugan."

The writer had a chance to attend the latter play when it was running in New York. We had dinner with "Denny," a noted New York character, formerly living in Nevada, but of late years chief detective of Hotel McAlpin.

After dinner, which made us late for the show, the writer started out in a hurry for the theater, but arriving where it should be, found only the outside of a police station with an officer sitting at the door. And it was several minutes before we quite realized that the theatre had been completely remodeled into a police station and court, inside and out, for the staging of "The Trial of Mary Dugan."

KGIX is putting on an act of "The Trial of Vivienne Ware" every night this week. Better listen in, at six o'clock.

GREAT ACHIEVEMENT

One of the greatest achievements on record in the way of hard rock mining has just been brought to successful conclusion by Six Companies.

The four 56-foot diversion tunnels, each approximately 4,000 feet long, have been completed so far as excavation is concerned.

Out of these tunnels it was necessary to blast 1,500,000 cubic yards of solid rock, in addition to the removal of a large amount of silt left when the high water of last fall swept through, and several thousand yards of rock excavation approach cuts.

Now the work of placing the three-foot concrete lining in the tunnels is well under way. This will require the pouring of something like 400,000 cubic yards of concrete.

These quantities are so much larger than anything with which most of us are acquainted, that we can have but little comprehension of what they amount to. Yet, compared to the vast yardage of concrete which will go into the dam proper, they are just little dabs.

REVERSE OPTIMISM

Charles A. Edison, son of the famous inventor, believes that 1933 will see an increase in trade of one-third over 1932.

And he has invented a new expression, "reverse optimism," which means things are not getting worse as fast as they were.

HOME AGAIN

The great flying boat, DO-X, has reached home again, coming to rest yesterday on a lake near Berlin.

The great ship, the largest plane ever constructed, has been many months on this trip. She came across the south Atlantic to South America, thence up the coast to New York and home by way of the Azores and Spain.

Admitting that she had some troubles, the flight of the DO-X remains one of the marvels in the history of aviation.

TWO MAYORS

Two mayors on opposite sides of the continent are simultaneously having troubles.

In Los Angeles, Mayor Porter has just had his attention called to the fact that there are booze joints in operation and he seems greatly surprised at the charge.

However, it may be that the Los Angeles people will be busy enough with their own speakies and gambling houses so that it will not be necessary to turn up their noses at Nevada.

In Nevada, we regulate and control gambling houses. In most other states they gamble on the s and he about it.

Down in New York, the other mayor, Jimmy Walker, is today being asked why, and from whom he acquired the large sums of money he has been spending. It may be just as embarrassing for him to explain that, even more so, than it is for Mayor Porter to explain how it comes that there are speakies and gambling houses in almost every block of Los Angeles.

AVIATRIX TELLS TALE TO PRINCE

PARIS, May 24. (U.P.) — Henry M. Blackmer, self-exiled Denver oil man, probably will remain in France even after payment at Washington of the \$60,000 fine imposed upon him for refusal to appear as a witness in the Teapot Dome oil cases.

Blackmer declined to comment on the arrangements to pay the fine, but his friends said they did not believe he would return to the United States at present.

The American embassy said it had no information of the negotiations for payment of the fine.

MISS SCOTT IMPROVES Mildred Scott, a member of the high school faculty, has been confined to the hospital for the past two days as the result of a fall she received Monday which injured her spine. Miss Scott has improved rapidly and will soon be released, although her injury was considered serious at first.

LAS VEGAS WEATHER May 24—Maximum, 96; minimum, 51. METAL MARKETS NEW YORK, May 24. (U.P.)—Copper, 5 1/2 cents a pound. Zinc, 2.87 cents a pound. Lead, 3 cents a pound. Bar silver, 27.90-28.05 cents an ounce.

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DAM'S BEER SUPPLY IS CUT OFF

JAPAN WINS IN CLASH WITH U. S. AT MEET

GENEVA, May 24. (U.P.) — Japan won a victory over vigorous American opposition today when the air commission adopted a resolution indirectly branding aircraft carriers as "offensive" weapons.

Portugal alone voted with the United States against the resolution. France and Great Britain abstained. The vote was 16 to 2.

The commission had been attempting to designate what types of aircraft are "offensive" and therefore liable to internationalization, and what types are "defensive."

Japan, which has sought abolition of all aircraft carriers, led the battle against naval air forces. The commission first named a subcommittee to draft a compromise. It was unsuccessful. When the commission reconvened, the Japanese presented a new resolution directed against all airplanes carried on regular aircraft carriers or on warships equipped with landing decks.

These airplanes, the resolution said, "possess an increased possibility of offensive action because of the mobility of vessels carrying them."

The resolution took the American delegation by surprise as they believed the question had been closed. Allan Dulles vigorously objected, but it was passed by an overwhelming vote. As a result, the resolution will be included in the air commission's report to be submitted to the general commission.

Meanwhile, the conference's special committee on germ and chemical warfare met and generally agreed on abolition of all chemicals designed for use in warfare, excepting normal explosives and such chemicals as are needed for smoke screens.

O. E. S. HOLDS ITS FINAL MEETING

The final meeting of the year of Southgate chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, proved a most enjoyable affair when the Star points entertained the members and guests with a delightful dinner in Masonic hall.

The hostesses were Mesdames Frank Newlin, Frank Thompson, Roscoe Pyleat, E. A. Honrath, and Oscar L. Peiffer. Mrs. Dave White, worthy matron, was guest of honor.

A charming feature of the evening was a selection by the girls' trio, consisting of the Misses Evelyn White, Anne Graglia, and Maydell Pistole. Maureen Wilson accompanied.

EAGLES' CHIEF PAYS HIS VISIT

P. J. Corcoran, state president of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, last night paid his official visit to the local lodge, No. 1213, of the order. President Corcoran gave an interesting and instructive address on the workings of the lodge. A heavy attendance marked the official visit.

Two new members were initiated. They are C. A. Valquette and M. D. Cooley, both of Las Vegas. The serving of refreshments concluded the meeting.

A feature of the affair was the first public appearance of the Eagles drum corps which played in front of the hall before the meeting and later in the lodge room.

ON SECRET MISSION TO U. S.



Mme. W. J. Chang, wife of the commander of Chinese air forces, and Col. S. K. Yee are in the United States on secret Chinese government business, they said when they arrived at the Salt Lake City airport recently. They were traveling in a plane piloted by F. M. Bartlett, shown below with Col. Yee.



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NEW YORK'S JIMMY WALKER TO BE GRILLED; FANS SEEK SEATS

NEW YORK, May 24. (U.P.) — Ten thousand citizens of New York will try to crowd into room 139 of the supreme court building tomorrow in the expectation of hearing the political battle of the century between James J. Walker, bantam-weight champion of Tammany, and Samuel Seabury, heavyweight champion of the New York Bar association.

In this corner, Jimmy Walker, slender, sharp-eyed, witty and wisecracking mayor of New York, whose clothes are the envy of Broadway, and whose oratorical ability is the envy of rising young politicians.

In that corner, Sam Seabury, a solid, ruddy-faced burgher who looks like an English squire, serene except when he is sarcastic, and possessing a voice that purrs sweetly and insinuatingly and then suddenly develops a ferocious snarl as he pounces on the hapless witness who has trapped himself.

And both are members of the same club—the Democratic party of New York.

TOO MANY PASSES

Tonight, when the harried Senator Samuel H. Hofsstadter, chairman of the committee that has been investigating reports of political skulduggery in New York, counted up the passes he had issued for tomorrow's hearing, he shook his head sadly. The room holds only 400 persons. More than 100 will be newspapermen. More than 1,000 passes already are out, some of

trade. His body, nimble at climbing masts, perched gingerly on a stool such as was never seen on the seven seas. Seaman Nakaguchi was trying to milk an honorable cow.

Forty-five head of blooded Holsteins will be shipped to the imperial Japanese government's experimental farm on the Wales Maru. Sailer Nakaguchi was elected to milk them en route.

VETERANS GET TRUCK RIDE; ABANDON TRAIN

EN ROUTE TO WASHINGTON SANDOVAL, Ill., May 24. (U.P.) — The "army" of 380 war veterans who escaped in attempting to reach Washington without benefit of railroad tickets brought out the national guard, clattered toward the capital tonight in trucks donated by East St. Louis business men.

FEARED BLOODSHED The latter provided the transportation at the behest of Sheriff Jerome Munie, who said he feared that if the veterans tried to capture another Baltimore & Ohio freight train under the noses of companies of national guardsmen, there might be bloodshed.

The ex-soldiers, most of whom started from Portland, Ore., to present their demands for a bonus to President Hoover, said they hoped to reach Washington, Ind., where they intended to commandeer a train from a more friendly railroad, and thus continue their journey.

Five trucks carried about 150 of the veterans. Service cars brought along the rest. They were dressed in rags and tags and remnants of their overseas uniforms. Most of them needed shaves; all were deeply suntanned and all were grateful to the sheriff for having averted what started today to become an ugly situation.

BUCKETS AND CLUBS They carried with them clubs and tin buckets. Members of their own "military police force" used the clubs for threats in keeping order. The "kitchen police" handled the buckets in which they boiled coffee and concocted stew from provisions donated by townspeople. An East St. Louis packing company was a "life saver" in that connection when it gave them 200 pounds of the meat used in making "hot dogs."

The veterans arrived in St. Louis last Friday after riding unceremoniously in freight cars from Omaha, Neb. They walked across the Mississippi river and in East St. Louis piled on top of another freight train. The B. and O. railroad refused to move it. The veterans then marched seven miles further to Caseyville, Ill., where they soaped the rails on a steep grade to stop a refrigerator train loaded with strawberries, lettuce and other perishables.

The railroad refused to move the train until the veterans left it. They refused to budge. Ice under the strawberries and the lettuce began to melt. Officials appealed to the state of Illinois, which responded with the six companies of troops by the time the latter had arrived in East St. Louis. Sheriff Munie himself an ex-service man, had arranged for the motor transportation.

So the veterans climbed down from the train, the crew packed the wilting vegetables and fruit again in ice, and the bonus demand continued their trip.

VETS AUXILIARY PICKS DELEGATES

Delegates to the department convention of the Ladies' Auxiliary of Veterans of Foreign Wars, to be held in Vallejo, Calif., in June, were named at the meeting of the Auxiliary of Fred S. Pennington post, No. 1753, held in Economy hall last night. They were: Mrs. Edith Bettelheim, Mrs. Marie McCarter, Mrs. Rose Long, Mrs. Mabel Dennett, Mrs. Opal Brunner, Mrs. Roxana Smith, Mrs. Isabel Botts and Mrs. Katherine Hickey. The following were named: Katherine Hurley, Joseph Mackey, Jessie Ethel, Mrs. Morris, Mabel Grant, Smith, Potthoff, Helen Rowan, Ann Smith.

A large number of the members were present and manifested a great deal of interest in the coming convention. The president, Mrs. Edith Bettelheim, was absent and the senior vice president, Mabel C. Dennett, presided. Immediately following the meeting, refreshments were served by Rosalie Thompson and Ann Smith.

28 SLATED FOR MEMORIAL RACE

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., May 24. (U.P.) — The qualifiers for the 500-mile Memorial day automobile race were increased to 28 when Fred Frame, Los Angeles, driving a Miller-Hartz special, and Gus Schraeder, Cedar Rapids, Ia., driving a Harry Miller 4-wheel drive special, qualified today. Frame averaged 113.856 miles per hour and Schraeder 112.003.

COAST LEAGUE RESULTS

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HOOVER, AIDES TALK OVER DRY LAW STAND

WASHINGTON, May 24. (U.P.) — President Hoover discussed prohibition and details of the Republican national convention in a three hour conference with his closest political advisors at the White House today. REFUSES TO AMPLIFY Those who met in the executive offices with Mr. Hoover were James Francis Burke, counsel to the Republican national committee; Postmaster General Walter Brown, and Charles D. Hilles, Republican national committeeman of New York.

Burke, acting as spokesman for the group, said all details of the convention had been discussed. When asked if prohibition had been mentioned, he replied: "Yes."

He refused to amplify that remark or to say whether the prohibition discussion was concerned with a referendum plank in the Republican platform.

Feeling that the Republican party at its convention in June should adopt a plank that would modify its previous attitude toward prohibition has been growing rapidly in official circles here. The entire Hoover cabinet, with possibly one exception, favors a more lenient stand.

CHANGE OF FEELING The recent attacks on the prohibition law in congress all have failed. However, several leading legislators on Capitol hill recently have announced a change of feeling on this controversial subject.

The latest of these is Senator Hiram Johnson, Repp., Calif., who yesterday advocated re-submission of the 18th amendment.

4 ESCAPE IN CRASH

Helen Crouse, young Las Vegas woman who recently suffered serious injuries when her automobile turned over on the Salt Lake highway, had another narrow escape from death early today when an automobile driven by a Mrs. Macklin, employed at the "Purple Sage" Clark county roadhouse, crashed into the Ford roadster driven by Miss Crouse.

An Oakland coupe, bearing a California license No. 9E 978, turned completely over, although its occupants, Mrs. Macklin and a friend also employed at the roadhouse, escaped injury. Billy Hamilton, a dealer in a downtown casino, was with Miss Crouse and also escaped injury.

The accident occurred four miles out on the Boulder City highway, and according to Helen Crouse, the other car was proceeding at a high rate of speed and side-swiped her machine.

RUTH PERRYMAN AGAIN IN LEAD

Ruth Perryman, brown haired and smiling representative of feminine pulchritude from Kansas City, was once again in the lead in the contest for the honor of being named "Queen of the American Legion convention" which convenes here in June. The winner will be announced on the night of June 10, when the Legionnaires hold their dinner dance at Lorenzi lake park dance pavilion.

Miss Perryman topped all other entrants with a total of 13,900. Rose Marie, Indian lass of Hotel Apache, is second with 13,800 votes; next comes Mary Lindsay of Boulder City with 11,000; Dixie Landis with 9,900; Margaret Stewart, 8,500; Ethel Carg, 6,000, and "Jackie" Branson, 6,000.

HERE ON VISIT

LeRoy David, of Los Angeles and formerly of Tonopah, is here on business and visiting friends.

Will Dare Pacific



Nat C. Browne, 36, New York aviator, expects to inaugurate the trans-Pacific flying season next month when he attempts a non-stop solo flight from Seattle to Tokyo. The aviator, an ex-army flier, will try a big Fokker monoplane. He hopes to win \$29,000 posted by Seattle interests for the first non-stop Seattle-Tokyo jaunt.

SEATTLE, May 24. (U.P.) — Nat Browne, commercial flier and former Texas cowpuncher, postponed until at least Wednesday morning his projected flight to Tokio when motor trouble and a shifting wind combined against him today.

More action was added to the raid when Albert Coty, an asserted patron of the beer garden, attempted to argue with the raiding officers. He too was arrested, and charged with interfering with a United States officer when in the performance of duty.

Coty will be brought to Las Vegas this morning and arraigned before U. S. Commissioner W. J. Flowers at the time Berdrow faces the commissioner to answer to charges of possession and sale of intoxicating liquors.

GANGMEN HAD SECRET CODE

NEW YORK, May 24. (U.P.) — Within an hour after Governor A. Harp Moore of New Jersey announced the official posting of a \$25,000 reward for information leading to the arrest of the Lindbergh kidnapers, Dr. John F. Condon, "Jafsie," issued an appeal to "John the Scandinavian" to give back Lindbergh's wasted \$50,000 and "get your reward."

The New Jersey governor signed a bill appropriating \$25,000 for the purpose of rewarding information leading to the arrest of the kidnapers. The bill was passed by the state legislature last night with only one dissenting vote.

"Jafsie," in Massachusetts on what he termed a fishing expedition, issued his appeal for publication in the newspapers. He said: "John, Money I gave you is useless. You can't get rid of it. Return to Col. Lindbergh in time and get your \$25,000 reward. If you can't get it, return it to me."

The man who took \$50,000 from Condon on a pledge to return the "baby" was "probably a Scandinavian named John or Alex." Condon had reported on several occasions.

When the Bronx grand jury convenes on June 2, it will hear evidence from Salvatore Spitalo and Irving Bitz, New York racketeers who were introduced into the case through Morris Rosner, former federal undercover man.

Interest in these two men was aroused by the fact that Rosner is now known to have given them the "secret code," a symbol constructed of three circles, by which identification of the kidnap gang was to be made known.

AKRONON RETURN CRUISE TO BASE

PORTLAND, Ore., May 24. (U.P.) — The giant navy dirigible Akron scudded southward along the Oregon and California coast line late tonight aided by the same north wind which threw her far off schedule on her northern trip.

The ship passed over Newport, Ore., at 10:25 p. m., the department of commerce radio here reported, and was making fast time in her return to the base at Sunnyvale, California.

RESERVE COPS RAID "JOINT" NEAR MAIN GATES

Climaxing the series of raids made recently on resorts near the Boulder City reservation by national prohibition enforcement officers and the Boulder City police, Chief Glen E. Bodell led his men in a raid last night on an alleged beer parlor, allegedly operated by Al Berdrow.

The "joint" was situated about 500 feet from the reservation gate in the rear of a restaurant and auto filling station.

TWO ARRESTED Berdrow was taken into custody and 223 pints of beer and a quantity of whisky confiscated. A thorough search failed to reveal a larger supply of contraband, though the officers are of the opinion that the prisoner has a cache somewhere in the foothills, where he keeps his main supply.

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The theory has been advanced that Berdrow secured his intoxicants from Thomas Kinsella, alleged prohibition violator who was arrested recently by Prohibition Officers Hart and Brady, near Dry Lake, and who was found to have a tremendous quantity of beer and whisky hidden near his place.

Kinsella, in turn, is believed to have been affiliated with the liquor traffic that operated the gigantic still captured recently near Tri-State, Nev., and which was valued at more than \$5,000. It is the belief of officers that large quantities of illicit alcoholic products from the still were cached near the reservation, and that it will be some weeks before this supply is exhausted.

Numerous complaints have been received lately by Chief Bodell against the establishment allegedly operated by Berdrow, and the officers have had the place under surveillance for several weeks. However, at the time of the series of raids by the national prohibition officers, no conclusive evidence could be obtained against the resort.

SENATE DEFEATS DEBENTURE PLAN

WASHINGTON, May 24. (U.P.) — The senate tonight began reducing automobile taxes in the \$1,030,000,000 revenue bill by lowering the tax on trucks from three per cent recommended by its finance committee to two per cent as proposed by the house.

WASHINGTON, May 24. (U.P.) — The senate, after an all-day battle, tonight defeated a proposal to include the debenture farm relief plan in the \$1,030,000,000 revenue bill, thus clearing another obstacle from the path of the tax measure.

It defeated, 46 to 33, an amendment by Senator George W. Norris, Repp., Neb., which would have authorized the federal farm board to employ at its discretion the debenture plan designed to make the tariff applicable to farm products.

The proposal supported by farm belt senators, was voted down after Democratic Floor Leader Joseph T. Robinson, Ark., had warned its inclusion would delay and might even cause a veto of the tax bill.

HOME FROM COAST Mrs. Leigh Smith returned Monday from Los Angeles, where she has been spending the past three weeks visiting her parents.

L. A. FURRIER VISITS Willard George, Los Angeles furrier, was a visitor in Las Vegas yesterday. He is spending a few days on his mountain ranch, 20 miles west of Vegas.

PLAN TO LEAVE Ben Cameron, accompanied by his father, expect to leave today for their home in southern Utah after spending the past three days in Las Vegas on business.

Tiny Tea Room In City Of Cafes Grows Into Tremendous Business

NEW YORK, May 24. (U.P.) — In 1915, Alice Fook MacDougall opened a little tea room in New York. In a city where there is a restaurant on every corner and some between, her establishment was almost lost. But in that year Alice MacDougall showed a net profit of \$588.

In 1929, after 14 years of serving tea, the MacDougall shops showed a year's profit of \$1,386,331. Today, receivers were asked for the four MacDougall corporations, not because they are insolvent, but because the petition says, "Mrs. MacDougall is unable, because of advancing age and ill health, to devote her time as formerly to the restaurants."