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### OBSERVATIONS

#### Grist from the Daily Grind

By C. P. S.

#### LAS VEGAS WEATHER

May 28—Maximum, 90; minimum, 67.

#### METAL MARKETS

NEW YORK, May 28. (U.P.)—Copper, 5 1/2-5 3/4 cents a pound. Bar silver, 27 1/2 cents an ounce. Lead, 3 cents a pound. Zinc, 2.87 cents a pound.

#### 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.

### IN SPENSE

About half a dozen would-be long distance fliers are keeping us all nerved up while they plan to fly to Tokio for the \$25,000, the offer of which will be withdrawn June 1.

On the Atlantic side there is a fellow who wants to fly the Atlantic. However, we have him off our minds for the moment, because he hopped off, flew out a few miles and then circled back to the airfield.

We may well celebrate the withdrawal of the trans-Pacific flight prize if only some other patriot does not offer another. And in these times not so many people have \$25,000 to pay for a little publicity.

The first of June probably will mark the beginning of a long rest for trans-Pacific fliers.

### FAKIR INDICTED

John Hughes Curtis, the publicity loving fakir of the Lindbergh case, was indicted yesterday by the grand jury in New Jersey.

The charge is obstructing justice. It seems almost futile to try to punish such a person as Curtis. It seems almost that he will get comfort and satisfaction out of the notice his conviction and sentence will bring him. If he could be sentenced to be entirely ignored by the newspapers it might hurt some.

### MAYOR JIMMY WALKER

Jimmy Walker has long posed as a smart guy. He is proving it now by trying to explain how he came to save a fortune of a quarter of a million dollars out of his salary of \$25,000 a year. And he is making a good job of it, too, although nobody believes his explanation. Jimmy is a smart guy.

### PLANES COMING

We are told that a squadron, planes, flock or brood of army planes will come to Las Vegas and help the Legion boys celebrate their convention June 9, 10 and 11.

Which will be an appropriate and fitting thing for the army to do. It seems that both the army and the navy is learning where Las Vegas is Nevada, by the way, is quite impressive. The U. S. navy sent the great naval ammunition depot was built on the shores of Walker lake.

We did not notice any battle-ships on that lake, however. But, we recall, we have the promise of a former secretary of the navy that we will have a battleship on the reservoir (Lake Mead) when Hoover dam is completed. Making Las Vegas the principal seaport of Nevada.

### PROGRAM FOR MEMORIAL DAY

The order of the Memorial day parade to be held in this city tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock, will be as follows: The colors, drums, firing squad, Civil war veterans, Spanish-American war veterans, American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary, B. P. O. Elks, Fraternal Order of Eagles, Masonic lodge, church bodies and civic organizations, private citizens in automobiles.

Services held at the cemetery will be as follows: Memorial prayer, Enoch Bryson, Bunker Memorial address, Rev. C. S. Reynolds; decoration of soldiers' graves, American Legion; scattering of roses over cemetery, Western Air Express plane; vocal selections, Artur Brick; firing of salute; taps.

### URGE LOAN TO CHINA BY U. S.

BERKELEY, Calif., May 28. (U.P.)—If congress would loan China \$100,000,000 China could buy the surplus wheat and cotton stored in the United States and relieve the economic straits of agricultural ranks, directors of the American Farm Bureau federation decided today.

A resolution insisting that congress take some action toward establishing credit in a foreign nation where there is a demand for wheat and cotton was adopted by the directors and sent to Washington.

### CONFESSES TO L. A. KIDNAPING

RIVERSIDE, Calif., May 28. (U.P.)—Glen R. Thornton, 21, today confessed kidnaping and detaining Mildred Outler, beautiful 20 year old daughter of Constable Chet Cutler of Perris, according to Judge L. M. C. Moore.

### LOCAL BEAUTIES BATTLE FOR HONORS IN CONTEST



ROSE MARIE

### Rose Marie, Ruth Perryman, Dixie Landis Lead Race

Some Contestants Are Holding Back Votes, Rumor Says

Princess Rose Marie, Ruth Perryman and Dixie Landis are closely vying as the race for the honor of being named "queen" of the American Legion convention enters its final week. Miss Landis assumed a short lead yesterday and is now out in front with 15,400 votes; Princess Rose Marie is a close second with 14,100, and Ruth Perryman is in third place with 13,300. Mary Lindsay of Boulder City has garnered 11,500 votes and Marguerite Stewart has 10,000. Ethel Cory has 9,500, Pauline Smith 9,000 and Claude Branson 6,000.



RUTH PERRYMAN

### TWO WOUNDED ON U. P. STAGE

Two passengers on a Union Pacific coast to coast bus were shot and wounded early yesterday afternoon by a crazed dope addict shortly after the bus had left Fillmore, Utah, en route to Cedar City.

The wounded passengers were Mexicans. The names of the victims had not been ascertained at press time.

The bus arrived in Las Vegas shortly after 2 p. m. and left soon after for Los Angeles. The driver, Charles Howard, stated that the passengers were singing and that the man who did the shooting, a foreigner, protested against the noise. When no attention was made to the protest, he pulled out a .38 calibre revolver and started shooting indiscriminately. Several windows in the vehicle were shattered.

The driver stopped the bus and with the assistance of other passengers, overpowered the crazed man. He was turned over to the police authorities in Cedar City and the wounded passengers were given emergency treatment. According to Marshal Carpenter of Cedar City, the prisoner was crazed from narcotics when the shooting occurred.

### FAKIR CURTIS IS INDICTED

FLEMINGTON, N. J., May 28. (U.P.)—John Hughes Curtis, the Norfolk shipbuilder, who hoaxed Col. Charles A. Lindbergh into believing he was in contact with the kidnapers of his son, was indicted by the Hunterdon county grand jury today on a charge of obstructing the processes of justice.

### TOTS' PLEAS FREE FATHER

DETROIT, May 28. (U.P.)—The plea of three small children to President Hoover today won Charles R. Feagan, their father, his release from county jail here, where he was held on a charge of violating the federal Dyer act.

Feagan was given his freedom on personal bond within a few hours after his children, Bernice, 13; Irene, 11; and Clifford, 10, appeared before the President in Washington and asked him to "let our daddy out of jail."

### PLANE ON RENO TOUR IS WRECKED

RENO, Nev., May 28. (U.P.)—One of 20 airplanes on a goodwill tour from Los Angeles overshot the municipal airfield in landing here late today and wrecked the craft.

### LAS VEGAS SOCIAL SWIRL

Mrs. F. M. Ferguson entertained her bridge club and a few other guests at a luncheon at the Apache Tuesday. Contract furnished the amusement for the afternoon.

### GOLD HUNTING FIRM PROBED

LOS ANGELES, May 28. (U.P.)—A Mexican "treasure-hunting" syndicate was expected to be subjected to an investigation by federal authorities, when the arrest of Harris J. Nelson, at Long Beach, today revealed asserted nationwide operations of the organization.

Nelson was taken into custody on complaint of Miss Gretchen Tremaine, who charged he had mulcted her of \$4,000 by selling her an interest in the "1820 Evacuation Treasure Syndicate."

A treasure hunting expedition into Mexico was the object of the organization, she said she was told.

According to C. O. McLees, field investigator of the state corporation department, the case extended into several parts of the country. He declared he had received correspondence concerning similar operations in New York, Chicago, Pittsburgh and other cities.

Nelson was charged with three counts of violation of the corporate securities act and four counts of grand theft. He was ordered held on \$5,000 bail.

### MOAPA STAKE 20 YEARS OLD

A notable gathering of people of the Mormon faith will occur next Saturday, June 4, at Overton, when the twentieth anniversary of the founding of Moapa stake, Church of the Latter Day Saints, is celebrated.

President A. W. Ivins of Salt Lake, who was president of St. George stake at the time Moapa stake was organized, will be one of the visitors attending the celebration, as will also E. H. Snow, now tax commissioner of the state of Utah, who was an officer of St. George stake when Moapa stake was formed.

President Willard L. Jones, who has been president of Moapa stake ever since it was created, will welcome the guests. With President Jones are associated as counselors, Geo. L. Whitney and F. Edgar Miner. The first counselors of the stake were Samuel H. Wells, now deceased, and John M. Bunker.

Moapa stake includes all of Lincoln and Clark counties. This territory was formerly part of St. George stake, until organization of Moapa stake twenty years ago.

The people of Moapa valley are preparing an interesting and entertaining program of activities which will last an day Saturday.

Not only the people of the L. D. S. church, but all who are interested in the people of Moapa stake, especially the friends of the past twenty years, are invited to attend the celebration.

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### SENATE FIGHTS ALL DAY ON SALES TAX PLAN

Both Sides Mustering Votes For Monday's Probable Poll

WASHINGTON, May 28. (U.P.)—Foes and friends of the manufacturers sales tax scrambled for votes today as charges echoed in the senate chamber that President Hoover was indulging in "covert and secret propaganda" to "browbeat" the senate into accepting that means of balancing the budget.

The manufacturers sales tax was denounced by its opponents as a "soak the poor" policy. A letter of William A. Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, was read into the record with a warning that enactment would "inflammatory" to distressed workers and exaggerate unrest.

Senator Harrison, Dem., Mississippi, challenged the general sales tax bloc to come out in the open with their fight—to accept a text vote. Senator Connally, Dem., Tex., sought unanimous consent to vote at noon Monday, whether the senate wanted to substitute a federal manufacturers' sales tax for the selected excise rates in the bill.

Senators lost their tempers. The senate spent the entire day in futile debate. There were no votes. No another dollar of revenue was approved in the tax bill. The senate will hold its next session Monday.

Senator Fess, Repn., Ohio, chairman of the Republican national committee, was on the defensive today after time in explanation of a newspaper report that he had described the President as "four square" behind the manufacturers' taxes.

Fess denied he had discussed the matter with Mr. Hoover when at the White House last night, but he said he believed the President favored the general sales tax.

Advocates of the general sales tax policy confidently said today they held a majority of the senate in line for the Walsh amendment to levy a 1 1/2 per cent tax on all manufactured articles with the exception of food, clothing, agricultural machinery, medicine and such essentials.

Harrison denied the majority exists. He pleaded for an immediate vote and charged the sales tax with obstruction and delay calculated to give time to obtain more support. He then circulated a petition to pledge to vote against any sales tax.

He quickly obtained 34 signatures. Republicans, meantime, privately were seeking definite information as to Mr. Hoover's attitude.

### NAT BROWNE AWAITS WIND

SEATTLE, May 28. (U.P.)—The wind that failed Nat Browne was a hot north blast that sent the temperature to 77 degrees — the season's record — and continued to hold the hopeful Tokio nonstop flight aspirant earthbound today.

### BONUS ARMIES NEAR CAPITAL

WASHINGTON, May 23. (U.P.)—Vanguards of "bonus armies" marching on Washington to demand immediate payment of veterans' adjusted service certificates already were in the city today and the main forces approached rapidly.

Police prepared to take care of several hundred now mobilized here and as many as 4,000 others expected to arrive from all directions Sunday and throughout subsequent weeks.

Representative Wright Fatman, Dem., Texas, author of the \$2,000,000,000 soldiers' bonus, predicted tonight that unless bonus legislation receives instant attention more than 100,000 World war veterans may hold mass demonstrations in Washington within 30 days.

### SEABURY WILL AGAIN QUIZ TAMMANY FOLKS

Is Determined to Link Walker With Murky Depth of City Rule

(Copyright, 1932, by United Press) NEW YORK, May 28. (U.P.)—Samuel Seabury, investigator for the legislative committee investigating the murky depths of New York City's government, intends to call additional witnesses Tuesday to link Mayor James J. Walker's financial affairs with those of Russell T. Sherwood, missing accountant.

Seabury today was preparing a list of witnesses. Some of them, he said, have testified at private hearings and have told stories in conflict with Mayor Walker's explanation of his finances.

One witness, unfriendly to Seabury, will be Edward Staunton, former secretary to Walker. He wants to refute testimony of Park Commissioner Walter R. Herrick. Herrick directly contradicted a statement by Walker that some stock which he bought was not acquired for the mayor.

But the most riotous act in the colorful, often tumultuous drama of the current inquiry is now history. It has run the gamut from extravagant burlesque to biting satire, with a tragic-comic chorus of Tammany obstruction in the background to sing a constant theme of "persecution and villainy."

It has been shown that Mayor Walker, recipient of the bounty of many fine friendships from financiers, and his reputed agent—the missing accountant, Sherwood—were involved in transactions reaching the mighty total of \$1,261,000.

But it has shown these things to the ceaseless accompaniment of catcalls and jeers, of taunts and threats, of reproach and ridicule, by Democratic stalwarts of the Hofstadter committee, whose battle cry is "Our Jimmy; he may be wrong, but our Jimmy, right or wrong."

And it is a tremendous tribute to the magnetic personality of the slender, human, often frail and sometimes dynamic Jimmy Walker that throughout his torment Tammany's legions have rallied warmly and affectionately to his support.

### LOYAL SUPPORTERS

In the blackest hour of his examination, for example, while his Tammany supporters were on their feet in an outburst of flaming rage at his inquisitorial and dramatic cry broke from the lips of Senator John J. McNaboe, the tiger's chief henchman.

"You can have your headlines," he shouted—"But we have the votes."

### FOUR KILLED IN ACCIDENT

LOS ANGELES, May 28. (U.P.)—Four young persons were killed, three of them instantly, when their light automobile was struck by a beach-bound Pacific Electric car at Dominguez Junction, near here, late today.

The dead are: Katherine Larson, 17, daughter of a Long Beach police sergeant. Milton Archer, 19, said to be an employee of the Long Beach Press-Telegram.

Herbert L. Marty, 23, Long Beach. Cecelia Palma, 17, Long Beach. She died en route to the Seaside hospital, Long Beach.

The four were said by witnesses to have apparently disregarded warning signals and attempted to cross the tracks in front of the on-rushing train. The machine was demolished.

### Gave \$75,000 To Crawford, Claims L. A. Deputy Clerk

Denies He Used Funds In Stock Market Business

LOS ANGELES, May 28. (U.P.)—Rebuttal of Liberty A. Hill, chief deputy county clerk wanted for questioning in connection with the disappearance of \$75,000 from the county clerk's custody, was awaited today by investigators of the case before undertaking further queries regarding the money.

Hill, arrested in Reno last night, was to be brought back to Los Angeles in custody of three local officers tomorrow night or Monday morning.

The deputy, who had been in the middle west on a leave of absence since last May, maintained he was innocent of any misuse of the \$75,000.

He told Chief of Police Joe Kirkcaldy of Reno he had given the money to Charles Crawford, slain politician. The money was in thousand dollar bills all marked. It was taken from Morris Lavine, former newspaperman, as he walked from Crawford's office, and represented the profits of an asserted extortion plot of which Lavine and Leonard Johnson, secretary to Crawford, were later convicted.

Hill told County Clerk L. E. Lampton some months ago he had given the money to Crawford shortly before Dave Clark, former deputy district attorney, shot and killed the politician.

Hill could not produce a receipt for delivery of the money, however, and Lampton was surprised last week to receive a court order that \$25,000 of the sum should be paid the Crawford estate, the remaining \$50,000 to go to the A. C. Wagy company. Lampton soon discovered that only photostatic copies of the \$1,000 bills remained in the safety deposit box in which the money had been placed.

A county grand jury auditor then forced Lampton to disclose the loss of the money, and an investigation started.

It was found that Hill had been engaged in various stock transactions, assertedly losing \$30,000 during 1930. In one instance he incurred a margin loss on a purchase with an original margin of \$58,000, by using 17 \$1,000 bills, according to investigators.

Suit to collect the \$65,000 ordered paid the Crawford estate was ordered begun immediately by attorneys for the trust.

### SWIFT, MEAT PACKER, DIES

CHICAGO, May 28. (U.P.)—Edward F. Swift, 68, wealthy packer and banker and member of the family that made industrial and agricultural history in the mid west, fell eight floors to death today from the window of his northside apartment.

Termed accidental by relatives and friends, they ventured a belief it might have resulted from Swift's enthusiasm for fresh air.

### UTAH PLEDGED TO ROOSEVELT

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, May 28. (U.P.)—Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt was presented with another packet of votes—eight to be exact—when Utah's Democratic state convention today instructed its delegates to support the New York governor until a majority of their own body decided otherwise.

The convention issued similar instructions regarding the vice-presidential candidacy of Utah's governor, George H. Dern.

ON HONEYMOON  
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Leaman left yesterday morning for Los Angeles, where they will spend a few days on a honeymoon.

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### COMMUNISTS PICK FOSTER

CHICAGO, May 28. (U.P.)—William Z. Foster was nominated by acclamation tonight as the Communist candidate at the party national convention in the Coliseum by 1,800 shouting delegates who hoisted the nominee on their shoulders and staged a big demonstration.

James W. Ford, negro, whose grandfather was lynched, was nominated for vice-president in the same manner and likewise paraded around the big hall.

### BOARD TO HEAR SEWER PROTESTS

Tuesday next at 3 p. m., the board of city commissioners will meet for the purpose of hearing protests, if any, against the formation of sanitary sewer lateral district No. 1.

This district has been so mapped to include, so far as possible, all those settled portions of the city adjacent to the main sewer lines now in course of construction.

### SALLEE GOES A SHOPPING

By SALLEE  
Vacation days are upon us and the Colonial Shoppe is well-prepared to meet every need of summer. The wise woman will buy one of the eyelet embroidered frocks, or the cool dotted Swiss models embodying cool beauty with real individuality and quality. She'll have a chic matching hat, gloves, and purse, of course; but the crowning feature will come when she has at hand a bit of work to wile away the long hot hours. The Colonial Shoppe has on hand hook rug patterns, yarns and patches, to make the ultra-new rugs so popular everywhere! So keep your mind off the heat, look neat, and be happy!

Mrs. Ronzone believes in contributing to everyone's comfort and happiness, and in her search for up-to-date models of fashion for midday, she has not forgotten that the kiddies will have long vacation days when cool patama suits and vacation play-dresses will bring joy. Also silk dresses for young and old, are on hand together with dark prints for vacation and holiday social events. Accessories are on hand; so prepare for vacation with a thought to the practical needs of the season.

The hot sun may burn and the eyes may hurt; but Bracken's solves the problem by offering a selection of hats which are suited to the style, the purse, and the needs of