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LAS VEGAS WEATHER
JUNE 18—Maximum 100; minimum 61.
METAL MARKETS
NEW YORK, June 18 (U.P.)—Copper, 5 1/2¢ pound. Lead, 5¢ pound. Zinc, 2.80¢ pound. Silver, 27.25¢ an ounce.

BOULDER DAM PROJECT
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QUAKE ERASES MEXICAN TOWN

YOUNG MOORE CLEARED IN SLAYING

AVENGER OF FATHER IS TURNED FREE

H. C. "Red" Moore, 27, is a free man today, absolved from all blame for the shooting of Lawrence Russell after the latter shot his father in cold blood.

Unnerved from a strenuous day of testifying before a coroner's jury, and a preliminary hearing, young Moore in the afternoon was still carrying on, notifying his relatives of his father's death, and arranging for the funeral.

BURIED HIS MOTHER
"I just buried my mother last Christmas," he said yesterday, almost sobbing from the strain he has been under, "and then this had to happen."

Moore was absolved entirely in the coroner's verdict, but was not released from custody until late in the afternoon, after he had a preliminary hearing in Justice court, at which time he was not bound to the district court.

Moore, at both hearings, told a straight-forward story of the events that transpired before the double shooting affray and was corroborated at every step in his testimony by the other witnesses.

The body of Russell is being held at the Las Vegas funeral home until the coroner can get in touch with some relatives or friends of the dead man.

Plans for Moore's burial are underway at the present time, as soon as relatives in Alhambra, Cal., can be summoned here.

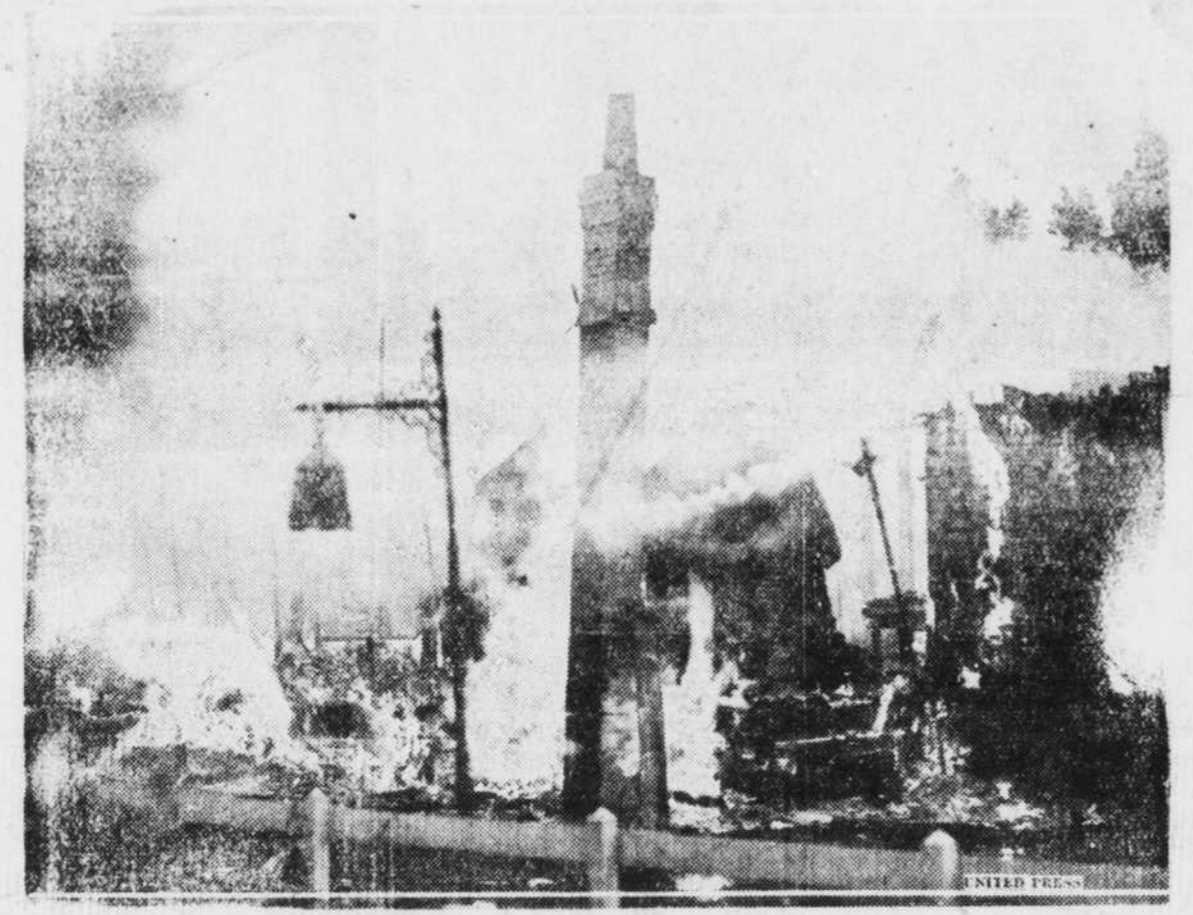
Young Moore was held for a short time for the shooting of Lawrence Russell, after the latter had shot C. P. Moore, the young man's father, in a mountain camp near White Rock springs, Friday afternoon.

The elder Moore, a resident of Las Vegas, had just gone up to the camp with fresh provisions, when he stepped in front of Russell as the latter threatened young Moore, only to be shot himself. After the double shooting, young Moore came to Las Vegas with a friend, Eugene Meyer, and surrendered to authorities.

URGES ACTION ON RELIEF BILL
WASHINGTON, June 18 (U.P.)—President Hoover tonight urged upon Republican and Democratic members of the house banking and currency committee the necessity for speedy action on the \$300,000,000 relief bill.

Two Democrats and two Republicans met with Mr. Hoover at the White House and conferred for more than an hour on the Warner bill and the economic situation in general.

FAMOUS RENO PLEASURE RESORT DESTROYED



The Willows, most exclusive of Reno's widely known gambling and pleasure places, was destroyed when flames roared through the low, rambling structure. There was no hope of saving any of the elaborate furnishings of the bar, casino, dance hall or gambling salon. Loss was estimated in excess of \$50,000. The above scene shows the fire destroying the hangout of wealthy divorcees and playboys.

INSANITY MAY BE DUO'S PLEA

OAKLAND, Cal., June 18 (U.P.)—Probability that an Oakland social worker and her young paramour would advance insanity as a defense in case they are tried for the alleged murder of her husband loomed today as authorities gave the couple mental tests.

The death of Harry A. Nelson, deputy assessor of Alameda county, brought to a sudden end the clandestine romance of his wife, Bess, 37, and Claude Forbes, her 25-year-old former chauffeur.

Police said Forbes confessed to beating Forbes to the eshtaino beating Nelson to the point of death and that Mrs. Nelson admitted suggesting her husband be "done away with."

When Forbes was told his victim had died, and that first degree murder warrants had been signed, he laughed heartily, then jumped to his feet and broke into a dance, whistling his own accompaniment, jailers reported. Mrs. Forbes showed no emotion at first, but later began weeping and asking who would take care of her baby, and what would become of her mother.

Forbes' young wife, who served as a maid in the Nelson home, said she was sorry for him and that she believed he was mentally unbalanced. It was indicated she might help defend him.

His eccentric behavior led to arrangements for the sanity tests.

LARGEST SHIP ON FIRST TRIP

LE HAVRE, France, June 18 (U.P.)—The French liner Champlain, largest cabin class ship afloat, sailed on its maiden voyage to New York today.

Its fittings are all in modern art and the appointments are the last word. It accommodates over 1,000 passengers and is of 28,000 tons.

BONUS ARMY LAYS PLANS FOR THIRD PARTY ACTION

OMAHA ON FRIDAY
Las Vegas' bonus army, still 200 strong, and still en route to Washington to join their thousands of comrades from all over the nation, passed through Omaha, Neb., Friday, it was learned here last night.

The Vegas veterans are traveling in two groups, the provisions and supplies by truck in one group, and the other and larger party by freight trains, the two parties meeting at night at junctions of the railroad and highway.

WASHINGTON, June 18 (U.P.)—Leaders of the Bonus Expeditionary Force, in conference here tonight, laid plans for the formation of a nonpartisan political group composed of their hungry and weary followers.

W. W. Waters, commander-in-chief of the unsuccessful bonus army, said his men would throw their support behind a third party unless Republican and Democratic presidential nominees declare in favor of full payment of the soldiers' bonus.

Despite the defeat of the \$2,400,000,000 Patman bonus bill, signifying failure of their nationwide rally, 10,000 bedraggled men drew the lines of their semi-military organization tighter, strengthened discipline and busied themselves in preparing their Anacostia camp organization—"until the bonus bill is passed."

Only some 200 veterans took advantage of police offers, and left town in trucks supplied by the District of Columbia.

REVOLT LOOMS

ATHENS, Greece, June 18 (U.P.)—A growing anti-governmental movement centering among navy, army and air officers, was reported today by the newspaper Allagi. Garrisons were on the alert.

MEDICO FREED FOR OPERATION

DENVER, Colo., June 18 (U.P.)—Dr. Guy W. Townsend, 47, distinguished Denver surgeon, was called out of jail to an operating room here today to save a woman's life.

Distressed by murder charges, harassed by relentless questioning, distracted by hysterics of his wife and exhausted, Dr. Townsend put his nerves of steel to a test such as is seldom heard of.

He performed a delicate tubular operation on Mrs. Gladys Stokes in record time. Associate physicians said the operation was neat, expedient and successful. It required 40 minutes.

Dr. Townsend was arrested last night in connection with the death of Miss Alice Fought, pretty army nurse on whom he had performed an operation.

Tonight came a call from Physicians' and Surgeons' hospital. It was arranged to release Dr. Townsend long enough for him to throw his skill into the fight to save Mrs. Stokes' life.

Accompanied by Stanley Maus, district attorney's investigator, Dr. Townsend was taken to his home for breakfast. Mrs. Townsend had broken down her husband's arrest being too great a strain for her.

He prescribed for his wife and hurried away to the hospital. All was ready, and in a few moments he was examining Mrs. Stokes. Harrowing delay resulted from Mrs. Stokes' last minute change in her choice of an anesthetic.

Maus, the investigator, waited outside, and hurried the surgeon to the county building when he had completed the operation.

JOBS FOR VETS ON FEDERAL PROJECTS URGED

Swerving his attention momentarily from Hoover Dam legislation favorable to Clark county and the state of Nevada, Senator Tasker L. Oddie is now battling for the war veterans of the state, advocating immediate steps to favor veterans in employing labor on many federal projects in Nevada.

SEES POSSIBILITIES
Oddie, in a telegram to Governor Fred B. Balton, stressed the possibilities for veteran employment relief in the federal road building now in progress in Nevada, and in the construction of three federal buildings in the state. The full text of his wire follows:

"Because of the impossibility of paying the veterans bonus in cash at this time, extraordinary efforts should be made to assist them in obtaining employment.

"There are three federal buildings about to be constructed in Nevada at Elko, Reno, and Las Vegas and I am writing to Assistant Secretary Heath of the Treasury department to obtain his cooperation in urging upon successful bidders and contractors of these buildings to give preference to ex-service men on these jobs. I am also writing to General Hines to obtain his co-operation for the same end."

The main federal highway bill S-36 which I introduced, has passed the senate and I am hopeful that it may soon be passed in the house. This will insure continuation of the main federal road construction so states can make their plans accordingly. This would make available, for the year beginning July 1, 1932, \$3,000,000 for construction of roads over unappropriated public domain and Indian reservations without expense to the states. Nevada will receive approximately \$600,000 of this sum if and when this bill is enacted.

"Emergency road legislation is also being considered for enactment and I am hopeful that this legislation would make further funds immediately available.

"Veterans who came on here to represent the state of Nevada in the bonus appeal are worthy men. I appreciate fully the great hardships to which they and other veterans out of employment are subjected to at the present time.

SITUATION SERIOUS
"I am sure you feel as keenly as I, the seriousness of their situation and I am presenting the matter to you for the purpose of obtaining your active cooperation in securing with contractors on Nevada federal buildings employment for them and also on road construction which the state of Nevada has under way. I am doing everything I can here to expedite the return to normal times."

Oddie's telegram to the governor, together with his consistent laboring in Washington to procure immediate sums of money for public work in Nevada, including the maintenance of full employment in constructing the Hoover Dam, is regarded here as having been of tremendous benefit to this section of the state.

IDENTITY OF GIRL IS TOLD

OAKLAND, June 18 (U.P.)—Her identity kept secret two days by her husband, who feared news of her suicide attempt might kill her aged parents, the mystery woman who entered an emergency hospital here Thursday was reported tonight to be Mrs. Ray Warren, daughter of Clifford R. Mitchell, 25, brother of Geneva Mitchell, former New York stage actress while possibly excited he may have been a victim of reported activities of a gang of extortionists.

Friends of the couple who came to the hospital to remove the woman were said to have made the identification.

SHOUSE HITS KEYNOTE OF BOURBON MEET

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CHICAGO, June 18 (U.P.)—A Democratic keynote that President Hoover must accept responsibility before the voters without any plea for pity was sounded tonight by Jett Shouse, chairman of the Democratic national executive committee.

As Democratic leaders assembled early for their national convention which begins here a week from Monday, it was apparent that the party's campaign will aim its guns straight at the White House and keep them trained there throughout.

HOOVER IS ISSUE
Herbert Hoover is to be the Democratic issue.

This was forecast in a radio address by Shouse tonight over the Columbia broadcasting system.

"Whatever the faults of Democratic members of congress," Shouse said, "whatever the faults of Republican members of congress, in either house or senate, Herbert Hoover cannot escape the responsibility that was his, the duty that he neglected, to attempt to find sane and reasonable remedies for the situation that existed."

"Upon his shoulders rests this blame and he will not be allowed to escape by any attempted perversion of facts of any specious plea for pity. He has had cooperation from the minority party as has no president in history.

"On his part in return, he has exhibited as perhaps no other president a spirit of bitter partisanship which would be ill-advised and unfortunate at any time but which in the circumstances of the past months, has served to accentuate most seriously the difficulties of legislation."

Many key figures of the Democratic party were due here within the next 48 hours. Roosevelt headquarters were to be opened over the week-end under the direction of James A. Farley, New York state chairman.

SMITH EXPECTED
Roosevelt's bitter foe, his former political partner, former Gov. Alfred E. Smith, is expected Tuesday. National Chairman John J. Raskob, Smith's ally, is due at the same time.

Other candidates, including Speaker Garner of Texas, Gov. Charles McNary of Oregon, Murray of Oklahoma, Gov. White of Ohio, former Governor Byrd of Virginia, former Senator Reed of Missouri, and possibly some others are arranging headquarters on "candidate row" in the late front hotels.

As the advance contingents arrive, the approaching struggle to "stop Roosevelt" over-shadowed even the prohibition controversy.

General predictions are that the Democrats will stop slightly short of advocating outright repeal but will go further than the Republican modification plank, by emphasizing the state's rights aspect of local liquor control, rather than the prescribing of rules by congress governing sale and distribution as the Republicans propose.

TO REMAIN HERE
Cleveland Kellogg, business man of Boise, Idaho, left yesterday for Los Angeles, where he expects to spend several days on business. Upon his return, Kellogg will remain in this city permanently.

SAD ELOPMENT



A few days after Mrs. Bess Nelson, above, eloped with her chauffeur, Claude Forbes, the younger man returned to Oakland and slugged her husband, Harry A. Nelson, deputy assessor of Alameda county, as he slept. Police said Forbes assertedly admitted trying to kill Nelson, to enable Mrs. Nelson to collect \$10,000 life insurance.

FOX 'TOO ILL' FOR GRILLING

WASHINGTON, June 18 (U.P.)—While William Fox, shrewd motion picture pioneer, lay ill in a downtown hotel, the senate banking and currency committee investigating stock market practices heard witnesses tell today how he speculated in the stocks of his companies through a score of brokers.

Witness after witness pieced together a picture which showed the keen movie magnate joining with famous financiers in what was described by William A. Gray, committee investigator, as a "short" pool netting the participants more than \$1,900,000.

The hearing closed with a description of how, when finally Fox lost control of his vast enterprises in April, 1930, he received \$18,000,000 and was carried on the payroll of one of his companies at a \$500,000 a year salary for five years.

Gray expressed himself well pleased with the result of the stock market investigation so far. The committee will probably not meet again this session, but plans to continue hearings next fall.

To permit these hearings the senate audit and control committee favorably reported an appropriation of \$25,000.

Fox has failed to appear on three different occasions when scheduled, pleading illness. He will be permitted to testify any time he wishes, Gray said.

Fox's pool operations were described by Bradford Ellsworth, manager of the famous radio pool of 1928-29. Ellsworth, one of the better known independent Wall street operators, said that in the "small" pool which he managed for a Fox group, profits of \$433,308 were made.

LEAVES FOR COAST
Olive Brower is leaving tonight for Long Beach, where she will spend the next two months visiting her sister. Miss Brower has been spending the past several weeks in this city visiting Mr. and Mrs. William Hinsen of this city.

TOLL BELIEVED HEAVY; WIRES DOWN; CITY SHAKEN

MEXICO CITY, June 18 (U.P.)—The Guadalajara correspondent of La Prensa reported today that the earthquake "wiped from the map" the town of Juchitan in the state of Jalisco, killing or injuring several persons. Seventy per cent of the buildings at Avtlan and Mascota were demolished, the dispatch said.

A report to the paper from Zacapu, Michoacan state, said "several were injured." There were no further details.

Meanwhile President Ortiz Rubio received a report from the military commandant at Colima City estimating one dead and twelve injured there by the earthquake.

HEAVY PROPERTY LOSS
MEXICO CITY, June 18 (U.P.)—A strong earthquake shook central western Mexico today, and reports over disrupted communication lines tonight indicated the property loss might have been considerable, with possible casualties.

The shock was felt here and to a lesser extent in Vera Cruz, indicating it extended from coast to coast. The center appeared to be about 215 miles west of here, near the Pacific coast.

Private messages said the destruction in the state of Colima, on the west coast, might prove as extensive as on June 3, when a similar earthquake caused wide damage. One message from the city of Colima, which was not confirmed, said no house in the city escaped damage. The same message referred to "many casualties."

Telephone communication with Colima was interrupted the other side of Guadalajara, due north of Colima. The telephone company said its Guadalajara office reported no damage there.

The national railroads had no reports of damage along their lines, although they feared their lines might have been some in Colima.

LIGHT TERROR IN EAST
The first and heaviest shock occurred at 4:15 a. m., the same time as the shock of June 3. Doors and windows rattled in Mexico City, dishes were broken and clocks stopped. Thousands of people, nervous because of predictions of a renewed quake, ran into the streets in terror. Some refused to return to their homes. No damage of consequence was reported in Mexico City.

Several lighter shocks followed the first. Instruments at the local observatory were put out of commission for a time. The United States embassy suffered some inconsequential damage, plaster falling in the ambassador's bedroom. The ambassador, Reuben S. Clark, escaped injury.

The national telegraphs reported no part of the lines disrupted, although urgent messages for details have brought no response from some sections. The damage zone begins between Guadalajara and Ciudad Guzman, to the south on the way to Colima, where the telephone line was interrupted.

TRAFFIC BROKEN
The national railroads was advised that traffic between Colima City and Manzanillo, on the coast, was interrupted, although no casualties had been reported.

Panic in the affected zone was increased by the recent prediction in a Mexico City newspaper that a destructive earthquake would occur either on June 18 or July 18.

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PUBLIC ENEMY IS RUBBED OUT
NEW YORK, June 19 (U.P.)—(Sunday)—Charles "Vannie" Higgins, one of the foremost of the metropolis' "public enemies" was shot and seriously wounded early today as he emerged from a lodge hall in Brooklyn.

Higgins was taken to the Methodist Episcopal hospital with four bullets in his body. His assailants escaped. The shooting took place a few blocks from Brooklyn police headquarters.

er telephoned on Monday, two days after his disappearance, that he was being held a captive and would be killed unless she paid the money for his release.

Friends corroborated her story that she had received a series of telephone calls demanding cash and threatened to take her brother "for a ride" unless she complied.

Hollywood authorities puzzled tonight over the disappearance of Clifford R. Mitchell, 25, brother of Geneva Mitchell, former New York stage actress while possibly excited he may have been a victim of reported activities of a gang of extortionists.

Miss Mitchell reported her brother