

OBSERVATIONS
Grist from the Daily Grind
By C. P. S.

LAS VEGAS WEATHER
June 24—Maximum, 113; minimum, 68.
METAL MARKETS
NEW YORK, June 24. (U.P.)—Copper, 5 1/2 cents pound. Lead, 3 cents pound. Zinc, 2 7/8 cents pound. Bar silver, 26.82 cents an ounce.

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BOULDER DAM PROJECT
The Progress of this Vast Engineering Work is Fully and Accurately Covered and United Press Wire Service Brings News of the World to This Paper—A Leader For More Than a Quarter of a Century.

UTAH EXTORTIONIST JAILED
BITTER DEMO FEUD CONTINUES

THE NOMINATIONS
Thursday was the day of nominations, generally the great day of a political convention, but this time, because of the seemingly overwhelming sentiment in favor of re-nominating Hoover and Curtis, without the quality of suspense. Yet we found an air of suppressed excitement in the great crowd which filled the stadium to the limit.

Joseph Scott of Los Angeles made the first nominating address, and his eloquence brought rounds of applause. When he finally concluded with the name, Herbert Hoover, there was a demonstration such as is rarely seen, and which was the more unexpected because Hoover's nomination has long been a foregone conclusion. Led by the California delegation with a band, the procession started around the great hall, other delegations joining in with their state banners held high. And before we realized it, there was a tremendous wave of sincere enthusiasm in which the thousands of the gallery spectators joined the delegates. A prearranged feature was the spilling of thousands of colored toy balloons out of nets suspended from the ceiling, so that the whole air was full of color and the delegates fighting for the balloons to keep as spectators.

For nearly half an hour of pandemonium, the crowd was sufficiently quieted to permit a delegate from the state of Washington to present the name of former Senator France of Maryland. France's name aroused no interest although he had spent considerable money and effort in sending printed matter to the delegates telling them what a great and good president he would make.

Later on, France himself pushed his way onto the speakers platform while another was speaking, and made himself so obnoxious that he was removed by the sergeants-at-arms, to the satisfaction of everybody but himself. There were many seconding speeches which grew rather tedious after a while, and people were glad to have the chance to make the nomination of Hoover unanimous and stage another notable demonstration, and catch some more paper streamers and colored balloons.

A GREAT ORATOR
Roscoe Conkling Simmons, a colored member of the Illinois delegation, proved himself the great and only orator of the convention.

Taking the speaker's stand to second the nomination of Hoover, the man reduced the convention and the vast audience of the galleries to a condition of breathless interest, while he played upon their emotions as but rarely is given man to do. There is no use whatever trying to tell about it, but there was no dissenting voice in the applause which proclaimed this colored man, whose father and mother were slaves, set free by Lincoln, by far the most striking and colorful orator of the convention.

NOMINATING CURTIS
The re-nomination of Charles Curtis was about as much of a foregone conclusion as that of Hoover, except that in this case there were several hopeful candidates presented to the convention.

The Nevada delegation, at the suggestion of Delegate Harold S. Anderson of Boulder City, gave a complimentary gesture toward the American Legion boys, although the delegation as a whole favored Curtis. MacNider led the scattered field in the voting, receiving 176 votes as nominee for Vice-President.

AND THEN BABE RUTH
Babe Ruth and the New York Yankees were playing the Chicago White Sox that afternoon at Comiskey field. The writer, having for a long time had a secret and gnawing desire to see Babe knock a homer, left the convention hall just as soon as the result of the vote was announced, and although it was getting late, started for the ball game. It seemed a long way to the ball park, but we reached there just in time to see Ruth go to the bat in the second half of the sixth inning. And sure enough, he lamed one right out into the bleachers, but it was not a home run because it went just to the right of the first base line and was called a foul.

That was all the Babe was able to do in that game, but the Yankees beat the Sox, 5 to 1. The ball park is a great one, with seats for some fifty or sixty thousand people. It was about two-thirds full and the great crowd made one wonder if there is such a thing as business depression and hard times and unemployment in the country.

INDIANS BEAT PROSPECTORS
JUNEAU, Alaska, June 24. (U.P.)—Indians of Atlin, B. C., and a picturesque prospector known as "Dawson Charlie" apparently were in control today of rich areas of gold-bearing ore at Scurvey creek along the Yukon trail. As rival prospectors endeavored to reach the rugged and isolated "valley of gold" by airplane and pack horse, it was learned the strike made last fall or winter by an Indian trapper who returned to Atlin, northeast of Skagway, with a bottle of coarse gold valued at about \$1,600.

SEN. HARRISON ATTEMPTS TO PUT OIL ON WATER

Smith Stands Pat On Two-Thirds Rule As Peace Pact Offered

By THOMAS L. STOKES (United Press Staff Correspondent)
CHICAGO, June 24. (U.P.)—The bitter Smith-Roosevelt feud continued here tonight almost on the eve of the Democratic convention, despite cautious gestures of conciliation which may yet prove effective.

VETERAN COMPROMISE
Senator Pat Harrison of Mississippi, who has some reputation as a compromiser, began quiet attempts to soften the passions of the conflicting factions which are fighting over abolition of the two-thirds rule and over the permanent chairman of the convention. His sole plan was party harmony. But James A. Farley, campaign manager of Gov. Franklin D. Roosevelt of New York, flatly refused to abandon his fight to do away with the two-thirds rule, take the convention by the throat at the outset and nominate Roosevelt on the first ballot.

Likewise, Alfred E. Smith maintained his firm stand for retaining the two-thirds rule in which he has the support of other "favorite sons" and minor candidates. He announced he would take the floor of the convention if the fight is carried there.

There is no possibility of a compromise either on this issue or the permanent chairmanship, the defiant Smith said. The latter lies between J. P. Shouse, the Smith candidate, and Senator Thomas J. Walsh of Montana, the Roosevelt candidate.

MESSAGE OF PEACE
Harrison, standing in Farley's office, sent out his message of peace through a newspaper interview. He fears the bitterness stirred up may affect the party's chances of winning in November. A strong supporter of Roosevelt, he opposed the Roosevelt move to upset the two-thirds rule. But Farley a few minutes later said: (Continued on Page Five)

GUN EXPLODES; INJURES YOUTH

Severely injured when the barrel of a gun he was shooting exploded yesterday, and saved from bleeding to death by the prompt application of first aid methods by his companion, Robert Willett, 18-year-old son of Sam Willett, was rushed to the Las Vegas hospital for emergency treatment.

Willett and his companion, visiting at a nearby mine location, were engaged in target practice when the gun exploded. A two inch segment of the barrel imbedded itself in his left forearm, severing two large arteries. A tourniquet was applied by his companion, and he was brought to the hospital, where an operation was performed to remove the piece of metal where it had lodged against the bone.

KILLS WIFE, SELF
PHOENIX, Ariz., June 24. (U.P.)—Believed crazed over his inability to find work, A. J. Van Hamm, 35, today shot and killed his young wife, Ethel, then killed himself.

Ex-Kaiser Acquitted Of Death Of French Girl During Early War Days

PERONNE, France, June 24. (U.P.)—Exiled Kaiser Wilhelm of Germany today was acquitted by a French tribunal of responsibility for the death of 12-year-old Paulette Lindner, who was killed by the first shell of a French bombardment of the village of Athies in July, 1918.

CLAIMS 'IRON MAN' HUTTON JILTED HER



Myrtle St. Pierre, center, brought suit against David L. (Iron Man) Hutton, husband of Aimee Semple McPherson, charging him with breach of promise. During the trial in Los Angeles, she testified that Hutton made love to her, betrayed her, then left her and married the famous evangelist. James Sanderson, left, and Lorin Andrews are Miss St. Pierre's attorneys.

DILLON FUNERAL IS TO BE HELD TODAY AT 4 P. M.

The funeral services for the late Mrs. A. M. Dillon, who died Thursday afternoon, will be held from 4:00 p. m. The Episcopal service will be read by Rev. A. S. Kean, who will officiate.

Mrs. Dillon passed away at her residence at the corner of Second and Carson streets, where she had lived since she and her husband, Robert Dillon, acquired that property in the pioneer days of Las Vegas.

Mrs. Dillon was passionately fond of music and spent much of her life in study and practice on the piano. She taught music to the children of Las Vegas most of the time for the past 27 years.

Mrs. Dillon was of English descent and paid a long visit to her native London about ten years ago. She was of a friendly and kindly disposition, dearly loving the sociability of friends.

The deceased has suffered from a heart weakness for several years, and for some weeks past had been critically ill, so that her passing was not unexpected.

Those who have known Mrs. Dillon long and who learned to appreciate her kindly qualities, are saddened by the passing of a friend. With the many who were associated with her in her younger and more happy days, we bid her God speed into that realm where her yearning for the beautiful in music may find complete satisfaction.

BREWERS SET TO RE-EQUIP

NEW YORK, June 24. (U.P.)—Brewers throughout the United States are preparing to spend at least \$20,000,000 on new equipment and cereals the moment manufacture of beer is legalized, according to a survey published today by the New York Evening Post.

PASADENA, Calif., June 24. (U.P.)—Michael J. Phillips, 56, noted short story writer and World War aviator, died in a suburban hospital today after a lengthy illness.

SUSPECTS IN ROBBERY HELD

MONROE, La., June 24. (U.P.)—John Thomas and Waller Bearden, wanted for bank robbery and murder and kidnaping in North Louisiana, were held in Ouachita parish prison tonight. Feeling was high in the neighboring parish of Rieneand, but authorities said they expected no violence. The men were brought here today from Murrelesboro, Ark., where they were captured last night after a three day chase in which a deputy sheriff was wounded and four other possemen wounded.

VETS LEAVE TO GET PARLEY FOR L. V.

Planning to claim the 1933 encampment of the Nevada-California Veterans of Foreign Wars for Las Vegas 22 delegates from this city and Boulder City are leaving today for the 1932 meet at Vallejo, Calif.

Plans for securing the 1933 encampment followed last year's fight for the present meeting, lost to Vallejo after three ballots in 1931. Since that time the local post has secured pledges of many leaders to vote for Las Vegas in 1932, and has canvassed the posts of the entire state by mail, urging that Las Vegas be the 1933 meeting place.

Governor Fred B. Balzar and Lt. Governor Morley Griswold have both promised to be present at the Vallejo meeting to work for the selection of Las Vegas as the site of the 1933 encampment. Both are expected to speak for the Las Vegas group.

Confident that the 1933 meet will be brought to this city, local leaders of the V. F. W. say that about 5,000 persons would attend, and would take the guest capacity of the city for a full week.

Las Vegas delegates who are attending the Vallejo convention are A. T. McCarter, Fred S. Alward, who will present the local group's formal bid for the next meet; George Long, James Farndale, T. J. Brunner, Phil Bettelheim, Sam J. Loomis, J. O. Angle, F. W. Hickey, J. D. Hurley, Robert E. Robinson, Robert Burnam, A. J. McGovern, Adam Cramer, Fred Rumph, J. S. Day, John Norton, George Meeker, and Charles Carman.

Boulder City Veterans to attend are X. Clarindo, R. Kelly, Ray Hesse and R. T. Ralson.

MAN WITH CHECK ARRESTED HERE

Held for investigation after his arrest in a local store yesterday, George Williams, Butte, Mont., is charged with trying to pass what was thought to be a bogus check late in the afternoon. Williams is said to have tried to pass a \$17 check in the store for a small purchase. The check was written on First State bank, to the order of "J. T. Murray," and signed by "George Robins."

Williams, at the time of his arrest had not endorsed the check. The store, victimized several times of late by forged Six Companies checks, grew suspicious when this personal check was passed and called officers.

D. A. V. COMMANDER
SAN DIEGO, Calif., June 24. (U.P.)—William Conley of Los Angeles, veteran of the Spanish-American and World wars, was elected commander of the Disabled American Veterans at the annual convention here today.

SENATE HOPES OF QUITTING SESSION ENDED

Economy Bill Sent To Conference Again; More Wheat Given

WASHINGTON, June 24. (U.P.)—Grasshoppers and economy tonight blasted senate hopes of an early adjournment. The \$150,000,000 economy bill and the \$175,000,000 agriculture appropriation measure suddenly were sent back to conference with the house today while there were signs of a bitter battle between conferees on the \$2,300,000,000 Wagner relief bill passed yesterday by the senate.

BILL ATTACKED
The insistence of mid-western senators led by Senator Gerald P. Nye, Repp., N. D., that the agricultural supply bill carry an appropriation of \$1,450,000 for eradication of grasshoppers, sent this measure back to conference. The house twice has turned down such an expenditure.

The economy bill was attacked because of its compulsory retirement provisions, the question of reducing army and navy retired pay for government employees and the enforced payless furlough plan. Senator Hiram Bingham, Repp., Conn., said the furlough system would result in the dismissal of many federal workers and claimed this was not intended when the provision was drafted.

Meantime, the senate passed a joint resolution authorizing the farm board to turn over 50,000,000 bushels of government wheat to the Red Cross for distribution to the needy.

Senator Peter Norbeck, Repp., S. D., chairman of the senate banking and currency committee, also announced that the stock market investigation hearings would be suspended for the summer. His committee recommended favorably the nomination of Gardner Cowles, Des Moines, Ia., publisher, to be director of the reconstruction finance corporation to fill a vacancy on the board left by the resignation of Charles G. Daves.

STATEMENT DENIED
Cowles' nomination by President Hoover was used as the basis of an attack by Minority Leader Joseph T. Robinson of Arkansas, on the right of the President to name Daves' successor as head of the corporation. He based his criticism on a statement reportedly coming from the White House when the Iowa's appointment was announced, wherein Mr. Hoover announced his intention of naming another member of the board to be president. The statement was denied at the White House.

Robinson said the directors alone have the authority to name the president of the board and said "if the statement was correct, then this is a deliberate attempt on the part of the President to usurp authority."

The house has finished most of its work and after sending the Wagner relief bill to conference today, recessed until Monday.

VIOLA BURNS IS REBEKAH OFFICER

Mrs. Art Harris, Mr. and Mrs. L. Chappell and Mrs. Viola Burns returned Thursday night from Ely, where they attended the state convention of the Rebekahs. Mrs. Viola Burns was appointed grand marshal of the order.

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ENTERS MOVIES



Mae West, stage star, is one of the latest to desert the legitimate and try her luck on the screen. She will play a featured role in "Night After Night."

BONUS LEADER BLOCKS PLOT OF MEN

WASHINGTON, June 24. (U.P.)—Disension among leaders of the Bonus Expeditionary Force, combined with the lethargic influence of a hot, cloudless day, frustrated a planned mass demonstration of World war veterans at the capitol building today.

B. H. Thomas, commander at the great camp at Anacostia, where three-fourths of the bonus seekers are quartered, failed to respond to an order of National Commander Walter W. Waters to send his men to the capitol.

Leaders at other camps and at half a dozen barracks likewise did not send their men.

Some men at Anacostia sought to raise a group to try to camp on the White House lawn at night, in order to give President Hoover visual evidence of their plight.

EIGHT ARIZONA BANKS CLOSED

PHOENIX, Ariz., June 24. (U.P.)—Eight Arizona banks, including the Arizona Bank of Phoenix with six branches throughout the state, were closed today. A statement from the state banking department said that "persistent withdrawals and inability to liquidate" made the action necessary.

RUN ON BANKS IS CONTINUED

CHICAGO, June 24. (U.P.)—Heavy withdrawals in Chicago's biggest loop banks today followed the closing of 36 smaller banks in Chicago during the last month.

Peace Officers Of West Are Urged To Use Modern Methods In Program

PRICE, Utah, June 24. (U.P.)—Use of modern science in apprehending criminals was urged by W. L. Payne, chief of the Salt Lake City police department before the 200 delegates attending the annual Utah state peace officers' convention here. Chief Payne encouraged installation of radio, teletype, the lie detector, improved fingerprinting devices and other new inventions. He predicted the time was at hand when police in the entire west would equip themselves with such instruments to speedily negotiate an arrest.

OFFICERS HOLD GROCER FOR NOTES TO BANKER

Store Head Denies Any Implication in S. L. 'Exposure' Threat

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, June 24. (U.P.)—Howard R. Parr, 50, manager of the Grocers' Supply Co., was being held in the county jail tonight, pending a \$1,000 bond. Parr was charged with sending two extortion notes to David A. McMillan, president of the Murray, Utah, First National bank.

FOUND AT 'SPOT'
The suspect was arrested early today at the spot designated in one of the notes for McMillan to meet him with \$750, officers said. Parr, however, denied implication in the alleged plot.

The first typewritten note was mailed from a Salt Lake postoffice, sheriffs said, on May 20, and the second was dated June 17. One threatened to "expose" McMillan and demanded that 60 \$10 bills be placed under a rock in the south-eastern section of the city.

EXPOSURE
If he failed to comply with the orders, the bank official was threatened to "be taken for a ride," officers said. The second demanded \$750, to be placed in the same spot. It was signed "the same gang."

SIAMESE KING IS CAPTURED

WASHINGTON, June 24. (U.P.)—Revolt today threatened the throne of one of the world's last absolute rulers, King Prajadhipok of Siam, "possessor of the four and twenty golden umbrellas."

Kenneth F. Potter, charge d'affaires of the American legation at Bangkok, reported to the state department that the Siamese army and navy had rebelled against the king. They demanded a constitutional monarchy.

The legation's brief report was, in effect: A revolt led by the army and navy broke out this morning. It came as a complete surprise. The minister of the interior, the chief of police and members of the royal family were seized and held at Throne hall under guard.

Revolutionists went to Tachin (where the king has a palace) to bring the ruler to the capital (Bangkok) and demand there the establishment of a constitutional monarchy under the present king.

MILLIONS IN GOLD MOVED

BREST, France, June 24. (U.P.)—Divers from the Italian salvage ship Artiglio plunged to the ocean floor many times today and returned each time with gold ingots and sovereigns from the sunken steamer Egypt. Tonight about 900 pounds of gold values at around \$2,000,000, had been lifted to the salvage ship as the reward for some three years of labor.

There is a total of \$5,000,000 gold on the Egypt, which sank in 1922.

L. A. FOLKS IN PLANE CRASH

MEXICO CITY, Mex., June 24. (U.P.)—Mr. and Mrs. Earl P. Halliburton, their son, and Miss Iris Good of Los Angeles, Calif., escaped death today when their trimotored airplane was forced down in the state of Toluca, owing to bad weather and a diminishing gasoline supply.