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OBSERVATIONS

By C. P. SQUIRES

THE WAR IS ON!

Last night, or rather this morning of September first, 1939, will live as a historic moment in world events so long as history persists, which in the light of the new events may not be long.

This morning early Danzig was seized by the German forces and declared a part of the Germanic nation. At almost the same moment fighting broke out between the Polish and German armies along the hundreds of miles of their common borders. Cannon are sending their messages of death both ways. Striking swiftly and without notice, German planes have rained their hail of death on the beautiful cities of Poland and hundreds of mangled and bleeding human bodies lie in the streets. Many of Warsaw's great palaces and cathedrals have probably been shattered before now and great fires may even now be destroying warehouses, business blocks and homes.

London, Paris and Berlin are trembling before the threats of bombing. Half a million children were removed from London yesterday and an exodus of probably three million women, children and men of non-combatant age out of London is under way, a flight of human beings unprecedented in modern history.

Adolph Hitler issued a statement full of egotistical sophistry which was convincing to nobody outside of Germany. It was in effect, the sneer of a bully who seeks an advantage by striking first.

We now face the very threat we have for months feared—the threat of armed force by a dictator who must maintain his position by force or be discredited. It is the opening of a fight by the German dictator to perpetuate his shaky dictatorship by attacking a weaker state in the hope that the great nations will not oppose him.

The action has been taken. Hitler has ruthlessly embarked on war. His speech this morning was a series of threats more inexcusable than those of the Kaiser's government in 1914. The lines already seem clearly drawn. For the United States as well as for the other great democracies of the world there remains the choice of either fighting Germany or submitting to German domination of the world.

Those who think the United States not concerned with this war will soon find themselves terribly mistaken. This Republic under the stars and stripes must fight or perish. There can be no other solution. If our liberties are worth saving; if we would remain a nation of free people we must fight upon the side of the Democracies and against insolent, overbearing and supremely egotistical dictatorships by individuals.

Just at this moment that splendid, patriotic song written by Irving Berlin and sung first by Kate Smith on Armistice Day, 1938, is especially appropriate:

GOD BLESS AMERICA

While the storm clouds gather
Far across the sea,
Let us swear allegiance
To a land that's free;
Let us all be grateful
For a land so fair,
As we raise our voices
In a solemn prayer.

Chorus:
God bless America,
Land that I love,
Stand beside her and guide her
Thru the night with a light from above.

From the mountains to the prairies,
To the oceans white with foam,
God bless America,
My Home, Sweet Home.

Mrs. Bracken Home Soon

Mrs. Walter R. Bracken is on her way home and is expected to reach Las Vegas early the coming week.

Mrs. Bracken spent the summer touring in the Scandinavian countries as well as France and England. She was fortunate enough to finish her visit and leave Europe before the war situation there reached its present serious climax.

HONORS MOTHER'S BIRTHDAY

Mrs. J. J. Goforth entertained at the Green Shack Tuesday evening honoring her mother, Mrs. Beatrice McEhren with a surprise birthday dinner party. The guests included: Messrs and Mesdames C. L. Franklin, J. McGhie, Glen McMelroy, C. L. Mason, G. M. Holbrook, H. D. Gerken, J. B. Lyons and J. J. Goforth; Miss Patsy Lyons and the guest of honor, Mrs. McEhren.

Traveler Tells Of Mexican Trip

Miss Maud Frazier, superintendent of Las Vegas schools, gave Las Vegas Rotary club a most interesting story of Mexico, new and old, as seen by her and Miss Angie Roosa on their recent automobile drive to Mexico City.

"Many travelers go there and tell many different stories, because each one may be interested in a different thing and then there are many changes constantly taking place," said Miss Frazier in opening her talk.

"Immediately on crossing the border one begins to notice the changes. For example, gas costs much more and we have to travel by kilometers instead of miles, which is somewhat confusing at first. Then we find that the psychology of the people is entirely different from what we are accustomed to. This is truly the land of manana.

"There is but one paved road to Mexico City, which goes from Laredo, Texas. It has one stretch of 47 miles in a perfectly straight line, said to be the longest in the world. Among other things, the Mexicans boast of having the largest brewery on the North American continent.

"Many of the cities are American in some ways, but do keep many of the Mexican customs. For example, we noticed the weekly promenade about the plaza, in which the girls march around in one direction and the boys in the other, and occasionally a young fellow will leave his line and politely address a young lady, seeking permission to sit beside her, while the elder people sit on the side lines and watch proceedings.

"In going south, after one leaves Monterey the calendar seems turned (Continued on Page 4)

MAXINE JULIAN PASSES

Maxine Julian, 28, of Napa, California, daughter of Mrs. May Whitmore and sister of Gordon Whitmore of Las Vegas, passed away Monday from a gunshot wound.

Mrs. Julian was well known in Las Vegas, having visited with her husband, Charles, several times. Their child died about a year ago. Remains were shipped to Las Vegas and funeral services were conducted at the Garrison mortuary, Thursday afternoon at three o'clock, with Bishop Bryan L. Bunker officiating at the rites. Interment was at Woodlawn cemetery.

The deceased is survived by her husband, Charles Julian of Napa, California, her mother, Mrs. May Whitmore, and brother, Gordon Whitmore of Las Vegas.

FOREMASTER-NICHOLS WEDDING IN RENO

Invitations have been issued for the wedding of Miss Frances Virginia Nichols of Reno and Harold Foremaster of Las Vegas, by Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Nichols of Reno. The wedding will be solemnized next Saturday at 5:30 o'clock at the Trinity Episcopal church in Reno.

Miss Nichols is a graduate of the University of Nevada and is a member of Kappa Alpha Theta sorority. She has taught school in Callente, Nevada for a year.

Foremaster is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Foremaster, 618 South Fourth street, Las Vegas. He is a graduate of the 1933 class from the Las Vegas high school and received the rating of all-star tackle while playing football in high school. He graduated from the University of Nevada in 1938 and spent several months following working in Callente and Las Vegas. At present he is employed by the Security National bank in Reno.

The young couple will be at home to their friends at 502 Mill street, Reno.

BALCOMS HOME

Dr. R. D. Balcom accompanied by his wife has returned to Las Vegas after an extended eastern trip.

VISITS DAUGHTER

Mrs. C. E. Brown, 411 North Eleventh street, has gone to Inglewood, California, to visit her daughter.

DICK SWARTZ BENEFIT SUCCESS

According to the committee in charge of the benefit prize fight for Dick Swartz, held in Las Vegas Monday night, almost \$800 was raised. Further donations not yet turned in to the finance committee are expected to bring the net to a higher figure.

The committee reports as follows: 571 paid admissions, including 431 reserved seats, 276 general admissions and 44 children's tickets, totaling \$1,032.35.

Expenses included: \$149.45 paid to the fighters and \$92.26 federal tax, totaling \$241.70.

From the gross of \$1,032.35 was subtracted the expenses of \$241.70 leaving \$790.65 in the benefit fund.

Three Young Men Admit Car Theft

Thomas Cable, 18, Donald Swanson, 17, and Robert W. Franck, 17, arrested and brought before U. S. Commissioner Flowers for hearing on the charge of stealing government property from a government warehouse in Boulder City, admitted the charges and were bound over to the United States District Court under \$1,000 bail which they were unable to furnish.

In the course of questioning the lads also admitted the theft of an automobile belonging to Bob Hewes, Jr., of Boulder City. Earlier in the week, Franck admitted to District Attorney Roland Wiley that he was the person who struck Raymond Rasmussen of Los Angeles over the head with a beer bottle in an attempt to rob him while he was sitting asleep in his car at the corner of Fourth and Fremont streets last Monday night.

Also connected with the Rasmussen robbery attempt were Jack R. Robertson, 21, and Harry Lee Lewis, 22. The Hewes machine was recovered on the outskirts of Las Vegas undamaged. There is a suspicion, not yet substantiated, that the same lads or some of them, had stolen a truck belonging to Rancho Grande Creamery, driven it to Searchlight where they purchased gas, refused to pay for it, and injured the attendant's arm by slamming the truck door on it when he tried to stop them, finally abandoning the vehicle in Boulder City where it also was recovered undamaged.

All the culprits are said to have been members of Company 2536, OCC, located at Boulder City.

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Nipton Merchant Visiting In London

Harry Trehearne, owner of the Nipton Mercantile Company located just over the Nevada-California line, absent on a trip to Europe, was in London, England, when last heard from.

Mr. Trehearne is a pioneer resident of this section and his many friends hope that he may return to America before the bombing of English cities by the Germans begins.

Vegas and Kingman Join In Celebration

A large delegation from Las Vegas is expected to make the trip to Kingman, Arizona Sunday to join in the "Dig-N-Dogie" Day's Celebration.

The Kingman officials have extended invitations to the residents of Las Vegas to join in the celebration and the local chamber of commerce has asked everybody who can to make the trip.

The Elk's band of Las Vegas and the "Desert Love Buggy" will be in the parade and the Eagle's drum corps are considering making the trip. Jim Cashman is in charge of the plans for the celebration.

Bombing of Polish Cities Reported; As German Armies March, Following Naiz Occupation Of Danzig

War in Europe, undeclared, but none the less real to those whose blood is being ruthlessly shed and property destroyed, broke out Friday when Hitler sent his great armies through the Polish frontier and his bombing planes to drop bombs on approximately twenty defenseless cities.

In an impassioned radio address from Berlin Friday morning Hitler termed the onslaught of the powerful German armies a defense measure and the protest of the Poles against the destruction of their nation and the enslavement of its people and act of aggression.

Great Britain and France immediately entered their protests against the German action and declared themselves ready to enter the conflict in fulfillment of their solemn obligations to Poland. A formal declaration of war by both governments, or direct military action creating a state of actual warfare is expected to be made Saturday.

Because of the censorship placed on all forms of communication in Europe, the number of killed and the damage done by the German military forces is not yet known, but is feared to be large because of the wide spread bombing of Polish cities.

An important discussion of the war situation will be made by President Roosevelt over the radio at six o'clock Pacific standard time. The address, it is announced from the White House, probably will not exceed fifteen minutes in length and will be of an informative nature designed to relieve the suspense of the American people.

Former President Herbert Hoover, whose great services in the World War are still fresh in the memory of the world, when interviewed in San Francisco, said: "American sympathies are with the democracies, but America must keep out of this war."

Various comments on the situation have been made by public officials. Senator Pittman, chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee of the Senate, made what is probably the most outspoken statement in condemnation of the German action when, in an address at the silver conference at Salt Lake city, he said:

"He (Hitler) is a coward. The reference to his possible death (made by the German Chancellor during his address) no brave man would make."

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STATE OF NEVADA EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS

A PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the 17th day of September is Constitution Day and falls on Sunday in this year, and

WHEREAS, the men who formulated the principles of our National Constitution believed in a government that would endure only through the consent of the governed, and

WHEREAS, they believed in the will of the sovereign citizen who looked not to the decrees of any earthly ruler for guidance but to the heavenly Father, and

WHEREAS, religious persecutions and political restrictions caused pioneer Americans to turn away from the Old World and in this land seek the freedom desired along these and other lines, and

WHEREAS, it is deemed extremely important that we should ever keep in mind this living document and priceless possession of the American people.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, E. P. CARVILLE, Governor of the State of Nevada, do hereby designate and proclaim

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 1939 AS CONSTITUTION DAY

and urge the people of our State to display the flag of the United States on all governmental and public buildings; to observe and celebrate the day in churches, schools and other suitable places in a manner befitting to the Character of Our Liberty.

IN WITNES WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Nevada. Done at Carson City, this 1st day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine, and of the statehood of Nevada the 75th.

E. P. CARVILLE, Governor

(SEAL)
By the Governor
Malcom McEachin
Secretary of State

Load Of Garbage On Truck Burns

One of the Las Vegas garbage trucks narrowly escaped destruction Thursday when fire broke out in the load of rubbish being taken to the city dump.

An effort was at first made to quench the blaze with a garden hose, but when this failed, a race against time and flames for the dumping ground was undertaken. However, to save the truck it was necessary to hastily dump the load before it reached its final resting place, after the flames reached the gasoline tank. Little damage was done except to the feeling of the crew.

Beanery Will Be Temporary Depot

The Union Pacific eating house, the "beanery" of blessed memory, which was abandoned as an eating station about two years ago, will soon again be utilized by the railroad, this time as the temporary depot while the new Union Pacific station is under construction.

Walter Bracken reports that plans for the new station have been practically completed and the work of fitting the "beanery" for use as a temporary depot will be undertaken very soon.

(This, of course, may depend on whether or not the outbreak of war in Europe forces the railroad to curtail expenditures for new construction.—Ed.)

State Valuation Slightly Lower

The total valuation of assessable property as finally equalized by the Nevada tax commission for 1939, is \$195,487,721, as against \$196,651,347 for 1938. The various classes of property were valued as follows:

Privately owned lands,	\$22,178,900.
Railroad lands,	\$6,590,087.
Livestock,	\$7,358,415.
Railroads,	\$69,029,471.
Public utilities,	\$18,175,415.
Net proceeds of mines,	\$4,475,674.
City and town real estate and improvements,	\$35,629,267.
County improvements,	\$4,214,895.
Water rights and pipe lines,	\$292,382.
Personal property (city and county)	\$4,315,832.
Merchandise,	\$3,043,918.
Banks,	\$1,466,926.
Motor Vehicles,	\$7,087,058.
Mines and improvements,	\$11,629,481.
Total assessed valuation of all classes is	\$195,487,721 as compared to \$196,651,347 in 1938.

The assessed valuation of Nevada's seventeen counties is \$193,793,344, segregated as follows:

Churchill	\$ 8,360,928
Clark	15,686,619
Douglas	3,515,715
Elko	36,972,327
Emeralda	3,418,823
Eureka	6,084,985
Humboldt	14,204,050
Lander	5,368,314
Lincoln	8,282,755
Lyon	7,450,584
Mineral	4,117,446
Nye	4,141,486
Ormsby	1,953,502
Pershing	11,619,660
Storey	2,025,381
Washoe	44,391,130
White Pine	16,199,629

Yucca Club Has New Partnership

According to announcement by Harvey Bynum, John Murray, wealthy Los Angeles sportsman has purchased a half interest in the Yucca club. They have started improvements on the cocktail lounge and will construct a casino room off the bar and complete new equipment will be installed.

Murray will make his home in Las Vegas, according to Bynum.

JIMMY WILLIAMS OUT ON BOND

Jimmy Williams, prizefighter, who was arrested in Las Vegas several weeks ago for alleged violation of the Mann Act has been released on bond.

He was charged with transporting a young woman from Salt Lake City to San Francisco for immoral purposes. He was arraigned before Federal Commissioner W. J. Flowers in Las Vegas and removed to the Washoe county jail. He is reported to have posted \$5000 bond for his release from jail.

NEW ASSISTANT FOR FATHER LAMBE

Rev. Father Hugh Smith has arrived in Las Vegas to assist Rev. Father J. J. Lambe at the St. Joan of Arc Catholic church. Father Smith was ordained in Italy on June 3, 1939.

VIRGIL HAM JR. HONORED BY FRAT

Virgil Ham, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Ham of Las Vegas, student at the University of California, left Wednesday for the east as a delegate from his school to the national convention of the Alpha Kappa Psi, national professional commerce fraternity, which will be held at Pocono Manor, Pennsylvania, September 5, 6 and 7.

While in the east young Ham will visit in Washington, D. C., New York City, Boston and Buffalo. He is a senior at U. C. L. A. and will graduate in February. He is taking a certified public accountant's course.

CASE TO ATTEND CONVENTION

Harold Case, Las Vegas Fire Chief will attend the International Fire Chief's Convention in San Francisco next month. The city commissioners voted \$350 for expense money for the seven day conference at the meeting Tuesday evening.

Al Coradetti, police and fire commissioner proposed the appropriation stating that the money was in the budget and he thought Case could learn a lot which would be valuable to the city, the department and citizens.

Terrys Announce Arrival of Son

Rev. Hayward and Elizabeth Terry of Kent, Washington, announce the arrival on August 26th of a son, christened Darwin Dennis.

Father Terry was formerly Rector of Christ Episcopal church in this city. The Terrys have hundreds of friends in southern Nevada who will offer their sincere congratulations. They were called last August to the very flourishing and prosperous Episcopal church in Kent, Washington, located about twenty miles from Seattle.

SONYA WORTHY RETURNS

Miss Sonya Worthy, deputy county clerk, has returned from San Francisco and Los Angeles where she spent her vacation.

HOME FROM VACATION

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Cahlan and son, John "Frosty" Cahlan, have returned home from Reno and San Francisco where they spent their vacation.

MRS. BAILEY RETURNS

Mrs. C. M. Bailey, 212 North 4th street returned home from a six weeks vacation trip in Long Beach, California.

MR. AND MRS. CARR HOME

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Carr have returned from a trip to the northwest, where they went for Mrs. Carr's health. Miss Millie Huntsman and Miss Mary Gibson accompanied them.

MRS. BISHOP HONORED

Saturday evening at her home, 612 Wilson Avenue, Westside, Mrs. R. H. Bishop was honored at a birthday party with forty guests and relatives present. Mrs. Bishop received many lovely gifts and the guests were entertained with games and music. Mrs. Bishop has made her home in Las Vegas for twenty six years.

'Kiddies' Events Are Scheduled For Labor Day

Annual Dance Is Slated For War Memorial Bldg. Saturday Night

"Saturday night will be grown-ups night and Labor Day will be Kiddies day," W. D. Roberts, general chairman of the Labor Day celebration announced this week.

Dance Saturday

The grown-ups will frolic at the War Memorial building Saturday night to a nine piece band, composed of members of local musicians union, to provide funds for the "biggest public celebration for Las Vegas Kiddies this year," he continued.

In addition to the regular dancing special surprise entertainment will also be provided by local talent.

Many Prizes Offered

Monday's program for Kiddies day offers a variety of contests for prizes which should prove entertaining to the old as well as the young.

A comprehensive program will get under way at nine o'clock with general assembly on the court house lawn at the band stand.

From there, after putting the children in their age groups, they will proceed to the Mermad pool on Fifth street for the opening contests.

Swimming Contests

At ten o'clock the swimming events will start. Prizes for different age groups, both girls and boys, will be offered for swimming and fancy diving, with a final prize going to the contestant judged the best performer. Immediately following the contests there will be free swimming for all children.

One of the outstanding features of the days program will be the luncheon to be served all children on the court house lawn at noon. Under the direction of L. C. Norman, who claims he has never forgotten his youthful appetite, a profusion of delicacies has been arranged for. Watermelon, ice cream, lemonade and cookies will constitute the entree on the "Kiddies Day Menu."

Following the luncheon the preliminaries in the midget auto races will be held on the Safeway parking lot.

Novel Races Scheduled

At two o'clock foot races, sack races, spoon and egg races, three legged races, and dog races will be held with prizes being awarded for first, second and third places.

The highlight of the days events will be reached at three o'clock when the watermelon and pie eating contests and the nursing bottle derby will be held.

Climaxing the full program will be the finals of the midget auto racing contest to be held at 3:30.

Assisting the Central Labor Council's committees will be Bernard J. Burger, superintendent of recreation in Las Vegas, who said that all events will be under strict supervision at all times.

STANFORD HOME

Harvey Stanford, football coach and instructor on the Las Vegas high school faculty, accompanied by his family returned Tuesday from their vacation which they spent in Texas.

LUCE'S RETURN

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Luce and two children returned from their vacation which was spent in Seattle, Washington and southern California.

PAUL RALLI IN ENGLAND

According to a cablegram received by District Attorney Roland H. Wiley, Paul Ralli, assistant district attorney, who has been spending the summer traveling in Europe and visiting his former home on the Island of Cyprus in the Mediterranean, is in England. It is not known whether Ralli has already booked passage aboard a ship bound for the United States or whether he will be caught in the rush of Americans trying to find a way home from Europe on account of the war scare.