

Missing Servants Deny Knowledge Of Baby's Kidnaping

Man and Wife Who Left Lightfoot Home Day After Baby Was Stolen Explains Departure

COULD NOT GET ON WITH SON IN HOME

Admit Tale Told on Departure Was Wrong, and Say They "Just Wanted To Change Jobs"—Taken to New Jersey for Questioning by Police

Hopewell, N. J., March 18 (AP)—Police at the Lindbergh home announced today that the two Franklin Park servants who disappeared the day after the kidnaping of the Lindbergh baby have been located and were to be questioned.

The pair were cook and butler for Mr. and Mrs. C. Leandro Lightfoot, and the circumstances of their sudden departure caused the Lightfoots to make a report to police investigating the kidnaping.

They said the servants, known to them as Mr. and Mrs. Paul Thornberg, left at a moment's notice with the statement that Mrs. Thornberg's mother was dying in Germany.

Both the man and woman emphatically denied any knowledge of the kidnaping. They said they "just wanted to change jobs" and left the Lightfoots' employ. They admitted telling Mrs. Lightfoot that Mrs. Thornberg's mother was ill in Germany as the reason for leaving, but they said they "couldn't get along with the Lightfoots' son." They were taken back to the Lindbergh home at Hopewell for further questioning by the New Jersey police.

FOUND IN PROMINENT HOME BRYN MAWR, PENNSYLVANIA Bryn Mawr, Pa., March 18 (AP)—Kate Thornberg and Paul Engenstoenberg, alias Paul Thornberg, servants sought for questioning in connection with the kidnaping of Charles A. Lindbergh, Jr., were found today in the home of a prominent Bryn Mawr family, where they were employed.

The man and woman left the employ of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Leandro Lightfoot, Franklin Park, N. J., on March 2, the day after the 20-month-old son of the Lindberghs was stolen from its crib.

Both the man and woman emphatically denied any knowledge of the kidnaping. They said they "just wanted to change jobs" and left the Lightfoots' employ. They admitted telling Mrs. Lightfoot that Mrs. Thornberg's mother was ill in Germany as the reason for leaving, but they said they "couldn't get along with the Lightfoots' son." They were taken back to the Lindbergh home at Hopewell for further questioning by the New Jersey police.

TRADE WITH CAPONE TALKED BY CABINET

Whether Seriously or Not, It Got Consideration in Lindbergh Case

LAW SEEMS IMPOTENT

Resort to Police Has Yielded Nothing And Gangsters Turned to Gang Activities Blamed Upon Prohibition

By CHARLES F. STEWART Central Press Staff Writer Washington, March 18.—"In our horror of the atrocity itself," says Congressman Charles A. Karch of East St. Louis (Ill.), "let us not lose sight of a still more horrifying state of affairs revealed to us by the Lindbergh baby kidnaping."

"It is bad enough that such a crime is possible.

"It is many times worse that everyone is so prompt to recognize the law's powerlessness to combat these taints against society.

"Consider the Lindbergh case.—The first alarm was to the police from force of habit.

"Sober second thought brought realization that the only real hope lay in an appeal to an entirely different authority—to the overlords of embattled gangland, which is holding its own quite successfully against organized government."

"To be sure," conceded the congressman, "organized government has its prisoners of war."

"It has a notable one in Al Capone, who was willing to ransom himself with a pledge of his best efforts to find the Lindbergh baby among his tribesmen and restore him to his parents.

"And (to and behold!) we are told that this offer actually was discussed at a meeting of the president of the United States with his cabinet.

"Perhaps it was not seriously considered, anyway—and discussed with sufficient seriousness for the attorney general of the United States to deem it fitting to issue a statement to the

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Reed Is Better



Although his condition is still considered as serious, James A. Reed, former senator from Missouri, has been improving at the Mayo clinic, Rochester, Minn. The former senator is recovering from an operation for a gall ailment.

POLICE PRESS ON IN SEARCHING FOR LINDBERGH INFANT

Secret Conference of Leading Officials in Hunt Is Held at the Colonel's Estate

RUMOR COMES FROM MEXICAN CAPITAL

Intimates Kidnapers May Have Escaped Country By Airplane; Automobiles Are Barred From Lindbergh Estate While Secret Conference Is Held

Hopewell, N. J., March 18.—(AP)—Fresh from a secret conference at Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh's home, police pressed on today in their search for his 20-month-old son. The conference, held last evening at the close of a day that brought only disappointment, was attended by most of the police officials at the head of the hunt. While it was on, all automobiles except those occupied by police, were turned back at the road to the Lindbergh home.

Quarter Million Workers Returned To Jobs In Drive

New York, March 18.—(AP)—The United Action Campaign to restore a million jobless persons to employment had passed the quarter million mark today. Eighty-one communities in 33 states reported yesterday that 11,419 persons had been placed in wage earning posts. That brought the grand total today to 256,914.

RACIAL CONVENTION MEETS AT RALEIGH

More Than 500 Special Invitations Were Sent By Governor Gardner For Gathering

Raleigh, March 18.—(AP)—Several hundred men and women, white and Negroes, met here today for the annual Statewide conference of the North Carolina Commission on Interracial Cooperation.

Interest in the session was increased by the sending out of more than 500 personal invitations by Governor O. Max Gardner. The governor was expected to speak to the meeting this afternoon.

PEACE BRIGHTENS IN CHINA AS JAPS EVACUATE TROOPS

Three Transports, Crowded to Rails, Steam Down Whangpoo River With Soldiers

JAPAN GIVES IN ON SOME CONDITIONS

Tokyo Has Decided to Forego "Certain Conditions" Which Until Now Have Held Up Peace Parleys And Is Anxious To See Conference go Forward

Shanghai, March 18 (AP)—A more definite prospect for a Sino-Japanese peace parley across the horizon today at the same time that three Japanese transports, crowded to the rails, steamed down the Whangpoo river, carrying the first contingent of troops back to Japan.

Japanese peace negotiations received instructions from Tokyo saying the government decided to forego "certain conditions" which thus far have held up the peace parleys, and was anxious to see the conference proceed.

Two more transports are slated to leave Saturday and the homeward movement of troops will continue for a week.

SHARP DECREASES IN FEDERAL TAXES

\$33,080,064 Less March 16 Than Corresponding Day One Year Ago

Washington, March 18 (AP)—A decrease of \$33,080,064 in income tax receipts on March 16, as compared with the similar day's collections of a year ago, was shown today in the daily Treasury statement.

Collections for the day amounted to \$55,811,451, while on the comparative date a year ago, the collections were \$88,891,515. The collections brought the total for the month to \$100,312,836.27, as compared with \$106,254,312.00 a year ago.

For the fiscal year, income tax has amounted to \$758,434,178, as compared to \$1,277,685,346 for the same period the previous fiscal year.

BOMB MISSES HOME OF U. S. DRY AGENT

Explodes Prematurely at Residence in Birmingham And No One In House Injured

Birmingham, Ala., March 18 (AP)—A bomb was hurled at the home of Col. W. Miller, deputy prohibition administrator here today, but it exploded prematurely and did no damage.

Miller, his wife, two daughters and two guests were in the house. The explosion rattled windows and alarmed the neighborhood, but there were no other consequences.

Police expressed the belief the fuse was too short and set off the blast before the bomb struck.

Kodak King's Niece



The only close relative of the late George Eastman, Mrs. George E. Dryden of Evanston, Ill., a niece of the Rochester philanthropist, is expected to inherit a large share of the Eastman estate. Although Eastman at one time was one of the world's richest men, he gave away nearly \$100,000,000, believed to be five times the amount he could call his own at the time of his death.

DIES ON GALLOWS TONIGHT



HARRY F. POWERS "KILLE I: OF QUIET DELL"

Moundsville, W. Va., March 18.—(AP)—Harry F. Powers, who wooed women by mail and then killed them, will die tonight on the scaffold.

While his attorney, J. Ed Law, fought a last-minute stay of execution, the pudgy "blue beard" said he didn't think the move would "do much good."

Law during the past few days has

been frantically seeking to halt the hanging through various devices. Yesterday he telephoned Governor Conley to ask a stay to allow appeal to the United States Supreme Court. The plea was denied.

Three times the State Supreme Court refused to intervene, and Judge William Baker, in the United States District Court at Clarksburg, denied a petition for a writ of habeas corpus.

Higher Tax On Big Incomes Put Into New Revenue Bill

Washington, March 18.—(AP)—Opponents of the sales tax succeeded today in putting into the new revenue bill a proposal to dig more deeply into the incomes of the wealthy than the House Ways and Means Committee had proposed.

The House accepted amendments by Representative LaGuardia, Republican, New York, leading independent opposing the sales tax.

They would increase the rate upon incomes of more than \$8,000 a year to seven percent from the present five. The committee had recommended that these be taxed six per cent.

The House also approved increases of one and one-half percent to two percent on incomes of \$4,000 and an increase from three to four percent on the second \$4,000, as recommended by the committee.

NOT GUILTY PLEA BY MRS. WILLIAMS

Clayton Woman on Trial Accused of Killing Husband Last Summer

Smithfield, March 18.—(AP)—Mrs. Ivy Hinton Williams, charged with the second degree murder of her husband, who she contends committed suicide, entered a plea of not guilty today as testimony in her trial was started in Johnston County Superior Court.

The court room was crowded as Dr. Battle A. Houtt, Clayton physician and first witness, told the story of what happened at midnight on one night last summer at the Jesse Williams home in Clayton as it was related to him by Mrs. Williams.

Sheriff R. H. Richardson, of Johnston county, was the only other witness heard before the luncheon recess.

EHRINGHAUS RIPS IN ON OPPONENTS

Puts Emphasis on Fountain's Three Principal Planks of Argument

Daily Dispatch Bureau. In the Sir Walter Hotel. BY J. C. BARKER VILL.

Raleigh, March 18.—The manner in which J. C. B. Ehringhaus has removed the kid gloves he has been wearing so far in his campaign for the Democratic nomination for governor and torn into his opponents for the nomination, especially Lieutenant Governor R. T. Fountain, is causing political interest to rise perceptibly here, especially since his speech last night in Goldsboro, former home of A. J. Maxwell, and in a section of the State where Fountain is also said to have a strong following.

Reports reaching here today from Kinston, New Bern, Smithfield, Goldsboro and other places in the eastern part of the State where Ehringhaus has spoken within the last few days, considered as being in the heart of the section put down as overwhelmingly for Fountain, indicate that Ehringhaus made a favorable and deep impression and that his driving attack upon Fountain's three-planked platform left it in a rather rickety condition in the minds of many of his hearers.

In all of his recent speeches Ehringhaus has directed his attack upon Fountain's three principal planks—his opposition to what he calls the "concentration of power in Raleigh" in boards and commissions, his opposition to the so-called "short ballot" under which the governor would be empowered to appoint all the other State officers, and his opposition to the Brookings report.

"If there is any greater concentration of power in Raleigh now than there has been at any previous time, it has been brought about by the members of the General Assembly, elected by the people, and not by any governor or any other individual," Ehringhaus said.

SCHOOL PUPILS ON STRIKE RETURNING

Thomasville, March 18.—(AP)—Work was resumed today by about half of 30 Thomasville high school students who walked out yesterday in protest against the school board request that D. Vann Stringfield resign as teacher and coach.

Federal Pay Cuts Loom As Certain In Economy Plan

U. S. May Change Soviet Attitude

Moscow, March 18.—(AP)—All Moscow morning newspapers gave prominent space today to a dispatch to the Tass News Agency from London saying well informed circles there were following with interest a report that the United States might change its policy toward recognizing the Soviet union in connection with events in the Far East.

Washington, March 18 (AP)—A flat denial came from State Department officials today that this government is contemplating any modification of the policy of non-recognition of Russia.

Canton, China, Friday, March 18 (AP)—A popular movement for Chinese-Russian union to insure success to China in its peace negotiations with Japan, or in a renewal of fighting was launched by politicians here today.

Harassing Job of Balancing Budget Wins Over Opponents of Slashes In Salaries

TWO PLANS UNDER CONSIDERATION NOW

One Calls for Flat Ten Percent Cut, and Other Would Impose 20 Percent Cut on Higher Salaries and Less on Those Who Receive Less

Washington, March 18 (AP)—Reductions in government salaries ranging from five to 15 percent until June 30, 1933, were proposed in a bill introduced today by Senator Connally, Democrat, Texas.

Washington, March 18.—(AP)—A thoroughgoing slash of the Federal payroll from cabinet members down is now in prospect as the result of the special House economy committee decision to favor saving more than \$50,000,000 this year.

The pay cut sponsored by individual legislators since early in the session, has appeared to be defeated by general sentiment against such economy means, but the harassing job of bringing the \$4,000,000,000 Federal budget down to a size commensurate with the present national income forced it to the front again.

Two plans are under consideration by the committee. One calls for a ten percent cut from top to bottom. The other would provide a graduated scale beginning with 20 per cent on the cabinet members, members of Congress and all others receiving \$10,000 or more, and a smaller reduction on the bottom of the salary roll. Whatever system is adopted a bill is promised by the end of the week.

MORRISON BOOSTED CAUSE BY SPEECHES

Senator Much Stronger In Eastern and Piedmont Counties Now

MADE OUT GOOD CASE

Many Leaders in Wake County Favor Senator With Jones and Bailey Factionists Both Reported Backing Candidacy

Daily Dispatch Bureau. In the Sir Walter Hotel. BY J. C. BARKER VILL.

Raleigh, March 18.—Senator Cameron Morrison is much stronger in North Carolina today, especially in eastern and Piedmont counties, than he was a week ago, as a result of the three speeches this week in Charlotte, Raleigh and Winston-Salem, according to opinion in political circles here. This feeling is based on the reaction to his speeches and reports on the reaction in various sections, that have been coming in here for several days.

Before Morrison spoke here Tuesday night a good many were confident that Raleigh and Wake county would probably go for Robert R. Reynolds, of Asheville, in the primary instead of Morrison, in spite of all Morrison could do. But since Morrison's speech here—and the effective personal contacts made during almost two days stay—opinion has changed decidedly and a majority of those in local political circles now agree that Morrison will undoubtedly carry Raleigh and Wake county. Former Attorney General James S. Manning, who was chief adviser to Josiah W. Bailey during his most successful campaign for the nomination for senator, is actively supporting Morrison, and introduced him when he spoke here Tuesday night. James H. Pou, Jr., chairman of the Wake County Democratic Executive Committee, and brother-in-law of Senator Bailey, is also actively supporting Morrison. At one time Pou was expected to become Morrison's manager in Wake county, but it is not thought now that he will resign his post as county chairman. W. B. (Buck) Jones, head of the well-known "Jones faction" in Raleigh and Wake county, is also actively supporting Morrison, as are many other leading Democrats. It is generally understood that Senator Bailey and most of his friends and supporters are backing Morrison, thus for the first time in many years bringing the "Bailey faction" and the "Jones faction" together back of the same candidate.

For years these two factions here have unusually been bitterly antagonistic and on opposite sides. Mayor George Isely and Commissioner of Public Safety Carl Williamson, frequently at swords points concerning local matters, are both understood to be actively supporting Morrison. Some thought that Morrison, in his speeches, devoted too much time to a review of the national political situation in Congress and that part which the Democrats have played in the enactment of recent relief legislation and that he would have done better to make an old-fashioned Morristonian political speech. But reports since his speech here indicate that his detailed handling of the national angle and of the part which he and other Democratic senators and congressmen played in changing these measures so that they would be of more benefit to the South and to the farmers, did a great deal of good in the eastern counties. His frank and open discussion of the attack which his opponents have been making on him because of his wife's wealth and

MINORITY CLAIMS BANKHEAD ELECTED

Democratic Members of Senate Subcommittee Disagree With Republican Majority

Washington, March 18.—(AP)—The election of John H. Bankhead as Democratic senator from Alabama in 1930 was held today in a minority report to the Senate Elections Committee to have been a "full, free and fair expression" of the will of the voters.

The report, submitted by the two Democratic members of the sub-committee which considered the contest against Bankhead's seat, sharply challenged the finding of the committee majority that Bankhead was not legally seated.

GARDNER TO SPEAK ON RADIO MONDAY

Raleigh, March 18.—(AP)—Governor O. Max Gardner will speak over an "all-North Carolina" radio hook-up Monday night on the "problem of land in North Carolina" on the first occasion on which eight radio stations of the State have joined for a broadcast. The stations at Raleigh, Asheville, Charlotte, Winston-Salem, Greensboro, and Wilmington will join for the program, the governor said today. The speech will be made from 6:30 until 7 o'clock.

INCOME TAXES NOW TOTAL \$6,097,369

Over Million and Half Dollars Ahead of Same Date Last Year

Daily Dispatch Bureau. In the Sir Walter Hotel. BY J. C. BARKER VILL.

Raleigh, March 18.—Income tax collection up to this morning amounted to \$6,097,369.84, as compared with collections of only \$4,568,250.65 a year ago today, showing a gain of \$1,529,119.19, according to figures announced by Commissioner of Revenue A. J. Maxwell, who pointed out that the total income tax collections last year amounted to only \$6,100,000 and that this amount has already been passed. Collections yesterday amounted to \$520,511.86.

Both Commissioner Maxwell and Assistant Director Henry Burke, of the Budget Bureau, now feel confident that the revised estimate of \$7,200,000 from the income tax will be surpassed and that the total from the income tax will probably amount to \$7,400,000, though still short of the nearly \$8,000,000 which the 1931 General Assembly thought it would yield when it increased the rates in the income tax from 15 to 20 per cent.